

**THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED**  
**STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse**  
**by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Wednesday, 4 July 2018**

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**Stewards:** S. Callanan (A/Chairman), A. Hayles (M), & J. Adams (HT), (Stewards), K. Lemay-Robbins (F) & T. Vanderstok (Cadet Stewards), N. Hawkins & B. Schmidt (Deputy Stewards) Dr P. Horridge & Dr. R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeons)

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**TRACK:** Good 3

**WEATHER:** Cloudy

**RAIL:** Normal

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**RACE 1: UBET BENCHMARK 120 HURDLE - 3280 metres**

**GETTING LEGGIE** (S. Pateman) – in the vicinity of the 1000 metres improved into a tight run to the inside of **TUNES**, which rolled in, and was obliged to be restrained. Rider reported that in his opinion the gelding did not appreciate today's track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SEARAVERN** (B. Small) – knuckled on landing after jumping the tenth hurdle.

**TUNES** (M. Kelly) – jumped the seventh hurdle awkwardly. In the vicinity of the 1000 metres rolled in.

All runners underwent a post-race veterinary examination, which revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 2: MURRAY BRIDGE HOTEL / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 metres**

**JOHN'S STRATEGY** (K. Crowther) – on jumping away rolled in onto **MISS EBONY ROSE**. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

**THRONES** (R. Sakai) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted in onto **MISS EBONY ROSE**, which lost its position.

**MISS EBONY ROSE** (K. Bishop) – lost its position on jumping away as **THRONES** jumped away awkwardly and shifted in and **JOHN'S STRATEGY** rolled out. Hung out rounding the home turn. A post-race veterinary examination revealed ulcers and abrasions to both corners of the mouth.

**SAZANDA** (J. Potter) – jumped away awkwardly.

**FROSTY GREY** (A. Jordsjo) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 3: HOTEL MCLAREN / SABOIS TWO-YEAR-OLD CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1000 metres**

**CARLALUISA** (R. Clark) – slow to begin. Hung in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride out to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**EXALTED MAXINE** (A. Jordsjo) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

**HOUNSLOW RUNNER** (K. Crowther) – hung in under pressure in the straight proving difficult to ride out over the concluding stages. Approaching the finish was inconvenienced when racing in restricted room between **SIZZLING AFFAIR**, which rolled out marginally, and **CARLALUISA**, which hung in.

**SIZZLING AFFAIR** (T. Pannell) – rolled out approaching the finish.

#### **RACE 4: GROSVENOR PUNTERS CLUB / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres**

**BERNIE** (K. Bishop) – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course as it had not raced in over twelve months and was passed fit to start. Stewards acceded to a request from trainer, Ms R. Day, to remove a tongue tie from the gelding's approved gear.

**PINT'S PUNCH** (T. Pannell) – shifted out shortly after the start.

**BRIMARVI VEHERO** (S. Fawke) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**STREWTH** (G. Lo) – a late scratching by order of Stewards at 8.00 am. Refer General.

**CONVALLARIA** (A. Chan) – lost its position shortly after the start as PINT'S PUNCH shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Beaten approximately nineteen lengths. Trainer, Mr J. Hickmott, was advised that a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its competitiveness. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a lower than expected heart rate.

#### **RACE 5: SWANPORT HOTEL BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP – 900 metres**

**SNIP OF MAGIC** (G. Lo) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted in. Inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight. Dipped approaching the 200 metres for no apparent reason.

**BOLT I AM** (K. Crowther) – slow to begin.

**STORM FOX** (J. Maund) – rider reported that the mare did not feel comfortable in its action during the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Beaten 28.2 lengths. Trainer Mr S. Tootell was advised the filly would be required to perform to the Stewards satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

**WILANDER PRINCESS** (K. Bishop) – held up for clear running from the entrance to the straight until approaching the 200 metres when racing between CELTIC BLAST and PANDEIA.

**KAPINETTE** (A. Jordsjo) – Stewards acceded to a request from trainer, Mr A. Beswick to scratch the mare as in his opinion the mare would not handle today's firm track conditions. KAPINETTE was a late scratching by order of Stewards at 1.05 pm. Mr A. Beswick was reminded of his obligations under LR19.1.

#### **RACE 6: DISTRICT HOTEL, NAIRNE BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1200 metres**

**BLONDE MISSILE** (A. Chan) – laid out under pressure in the straight.

**LET'S TANGO** (S. Cahill) – approaching the 200 metres raced in restricted room for a short distance between EXALTED DEE, which rolled in, and DEEKS, which shifted out. Rider explained that the gelding never felt comfortable in its action, never travelled during the event and was disappointing in its efforts to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**EVIL PRINCESS** (T. Pannell) – became fractious in its barrier stall after being loaded. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Performed below expectations. Rider explained that the mare never stretched out during the event and therefore didn't feel comfortable in its action and was disappointing in the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**ONE FOR MAX** (J. Potter) – jumped away awkwardly.

**EXALTED DEE** (D. Tourneur) – rolled in approaching the 200 metres.

**CAPITOLINE** (S. Fawke) – hung out rounding the home turn and when placed under pressure in the straight.

**DEEKS** (G. Lo) – shifted out approaching the 200 metres.

**RACE 7: CARLTON DRAUGHT BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1400 metres**

**ARDIZZONE** (K. Crowther) – a late scratching by order of Stewards at 8.00 am. Refer General.

**EXTREME WITNESS** (A. Chan) – slow to begin. Rider accidentally dropped his whip in the vicinity of the 50 metres and was fined \$50 under AR137(a) for carelessness in dropping his whip.

**ATARARTZI** (J. Potter) – laid in under pressure in the straight.

**WATCHOUT WATCHOUT** (Trainer Mr A. Sullivan) – late scratching at 8.15 am on Stewards' advice.

**JOAMBLE** (Trainer Mr A. Sullivan) – late scratching at 8.15 am on Stewards' advice.

On Tuesday evening of 3 July 2018, Stewards became aware of circumstances relating to the status of Mr A. Sullivan's Trainers Licence with Racing NSW. On Wednesday, 4 July 2018, at approximately 8.00 am Stewards were able to confirm that Mr Sullivan's licence in NSW had not been renewed and as a result he did not hold a Trainers Licence. In the circumstances Stewards withdrew his runners under the provisions of LR20.1.

**RACE 8: BEACHY'S MANNUM HOTEL BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1600 metres**

**TIME ROGUE** (G. Lo) – shifted about in the straight.

**DOLLAR DOLLAR BILL** (K. Crowther) – a late scratching by order of Stewards at 8.00 am. Refer General.

**STAR WARS (NZ)** (J. Bowditch) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**KALANGADOO CHROME** (S. Fawke) – disappointed when attempting a run in the vicinity of the 150 metres between WANTED BY ALL and TIME ROGUE.

**MIDSOMER BARNABY** (E. Boyd) – Stewards acceded to a request from trainer, Mr D. Pannell, that after arriving on course and walking the track in his opinion MIDSOMER BARNABY would not handle the firm track conditions. Stewards withdrew MIDSOMER BARNABY at 11.45 am. Mr D. Pannell was reminded of his obligations under LR19.1.

**ZERO PATIENCE** (A. Jordsjo) – got it head up on a number of occasions when being restrained in the vicinity of the 1200 metres.

**ALITAKA** (D. Tootell) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

Correct weight for this event was delayed to allow S. Fawke (KALANGADOO CHROME) and Trainer Mr P. Hardacre, placed fourth to view the vision in the straight. S. Fawke lodged an objection against G. Lo (TIME ROUGE) placed second, on the grounds on alleged interference from in the vicinity of the 300 metres until in the vicinity of the 100 metres. After considering the evidence, on viewing the official footage and acting on their own observations, Stewards *dismissed* the objection. At a subsequent inquiry S. Fawke pleaded guilty to a charge under AR165(3) for lodging a frivolous protest and was fined \$400.

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**GENERAL:**

Stewards questioned Mr J. Stephens in relation to the reasons for his request to have his runners declared late scratchings for this meeting. He explained that he was unaware that the track was rated a Good 3 as he had looked on the Racing Australia website on Tuesday, 3 July 2018 and the track was rated a Good 4. He stated that he did not have phone reception prior to 7.30 am (scratching time) and as a result was unable to check the track rating. He added that when he was able to, he contacted Stewards at approximately 8.00am to withdraw his runners as in his opinion they would not be suited to the firmer track rating and would prefer a track with more give. Mr Stephens was reminded of his obligations under LR19.1.

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**PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (7):**

Blood samples were taken from the following horses for, but not limited to, TCO<sub>2</sub> purposes:

Race 1 – GETTING LEGGIE, SEARAVEN, TUNES.

Race 2 – BRYBECK, BELLA'S BREEZE.

Race 5 – CELTIC BLAST, WILANDER PRINCESS.

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**POST-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (1):**

Blood samples were taken from the following horses for, but not limited to, TCO<sub>2</sub> purposes:

Race 5 – CELTIC BLAST (winner)

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**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):**

Race 1 – TUNES (winner)

Race 2 – JUST A GIGOLO (winner)

Race 3 – EXALTED MAXINE (winner)

Race 4 – SPECTATE (winner)

Race 5 – CELTIC BLAST (winner)

Race 6 – OLD FARM ROAD (NZ) (winner)

Race 7 – EXTREME WITNESS(winner)

Race 8 – WANTED BY ALL (winner)

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<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>FINES</b>	Race 7 – A. Chan (EXTREME WITNESS) – Fined \$50 – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping his whip. Race 8 – S. Fawke (KALANGADOO CHROME) – Fined \$400 - AR165(3) – Lodged a frivolous objection.
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Nil
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	Nil
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Nil
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	Race 4 – CONVALLARIA – Warned – Uncompetitive. Race 5 – STORM FOX – Suspended - Required to perform to the Stewards satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race – Uncompetitive.
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	Nil