

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED  
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Port Augusta Racecourse  
by the Port Augusta Racing Club on Sunday, 19 July 2020

**Stewards:** C. Deakin (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (F) (Stewards) & T. Vanderstok (HT) & E. Tickner (Cadet Steward) & A. Deakin, C. Edson (Deputy Stewards), Dr D. Anderson (Veterinary Surgeon)

**TRACK:** Good

**RAIL:** True

**WEATHER:** Fine

**RIDER CHANGES:**

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	OPHELIA BLUES	S. Logan		Late notification - Explanation accepted
6	SIZZLING BULLET	C. Lions	D. Tootell	Dually engaged
6	DOWNS AFTER DARK	K. Zechner	D. McWhinney	"
7	EVENING SPICE	"		Emergency - Notified

**RACE 1: JM DELI / SABOIS TWO-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 Metres**

**SNIP OF TIME** (E. Anells) - hampered and lost its position on jumping away.

**FOLLOW THE PROMPTS** (K. Zechner) - laid out from the 400 metres until the 200 metres.

**GREAT WHITE HOPE** (C. Lions) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**MISS FLATLEY** (E. Boyd) - laid out from the 300 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**OPHELIA BLUES** (S. Logan) - fractious in the barriers. Trainer Mr B. Campbell was advised a warning had been placed on the filly. Jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and hampered SNIP OF TIME. Laid out rounding the home turn.

**RACE 2: CINEMA AUGUSTA / SABOIS TWO-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1396 Metres**

**ANOTHER WHISPER** (C. Lions) - tightened on jumping away. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**MENGJUN GLORY** (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and tightened the running of ANOTHER WHISPER. Rider explained the mare laid out from the 800 metres and proved difficult to ride for the remainder of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 2: CINEMA AUGUSTA / SABOIS TWO-YEARS-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE**  
**- 1396 Metres (Cont'd)**

**BRAZEN HEAD** (E. Boyd) - laid out from the 1000 metres. Rider explained the filly raced greenly throughout the event. Inside the 1000 metres the bit pulled through BRAZEN HEAD'S mouth and shortly thereafter the saddle slipped to the near side. She added that BARAZEN HEAD laid out for the remainder of the event and for that reason the rider was unable to ride the filly out in her usual manner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to be shin sore.

**RACE 3: PETER KITTLE FLYING DOCTOR CUP - 1867 Metres**

**REX GOLIATH** (J. Opperman) - laid in, in the straight.

**CONNERMARA ROSE** (D. Tootell) - Stewards permitted D. Tootell to ride the filly 0.5 kg over its declared weight of 54kg. Raced wide without cover in the early and middle stages of the event.

**NORTHSET** (E. Annells) - slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE** (K. Zechner) - laid out under pressure in the straight.

**TYCOON FLUTTER (NZ)** (T. Voorham) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**PRIME SUSPECT** (S. Fawke) - Stewards permitted S. Fawke to ride the filly 0.5 kg over its declared weight of 54kg. Rider explained his instructions were the same as at its most recent start at Naracoorte on 8 Jul 2020, that being to push forward and lead at a good tempo. Rider added the gelding may be better suited over shorter distances.

**RACE 4: MELROSE HOLIDAY UNITS BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres**

**LOFTY TYCOON** - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and ruled unfit to race as the gelding had a suspected abscess in its off foreleg. LOFTY TYCOON was a late scratching at 1.34 pm on veterinary advice. Trainer Mr W. Bencic was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race start.

**DESIDERO** (S. Logan) - inside the 1400 metres rider allowed her mount to shift in when insufficiently clear of MINNAMOSA (NZ). Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) in that he shifted ground when insufficiently clear and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Wednesday, 22 July 2020 and to conclude at midnight on Sunday, 29 July 2020: a period of three meetings.

**WHITE JADE** (K. Zechner) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination at the barriers and ruled unfit to start. Stewards declared WHITE JADE a late scratching at 2.34pm.

**MINNAMOSA (NZ)** (E. Boyd) - inside the 1400 metres was tightened onto PARADISE COVE (USA) by DESIDERO, which shifted in and was then obliged to be steadied to avoid the heels of DESIDERO.

**PARADISE COVE (USA)** (T. Voorham) - inside the 1400 meters was inconvenienced by MINNAMOSA (NZ). A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg. Trainer, Ms H. Smith, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race start. First aid administered.

**OUR FREEBIE** (D. McWhinney) - slow into stride.

**RACE 5: D&G TYRES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1100 Metres**

**EXACTING** - a late scratching at 12.04pm by order of Stewards acting on confirmed advice from Trainer Mr B. Jones that gelding had struck its head in its day yard, that blood was found in the near side nostril and would be unfit to race.

**KNOTTED** (D. Caboche) - in the vicinity of the 800 metres contacted RODNEY on a number of occasions. Laid out in the straight.

**MOGHUL EMPIRE** (E. Annells) - slow into stride. Rider accidentally dropped her whip in the vicinity of the 600 metres. Rider reported the gelding was reluctant to stretch out and failed to maintain contact with the field despite her efforts throughout.

**RODNEY** (K. Zechner) - in the vicinity of the 800 metres was contacted by KNOTTED on a number of occasions. In the vicinity of the 300 metres became momentarily held up on heels and was obliged to shift to the outside to obtain clear running. Laid in, the straight.

**RACE 6: ROSSIGNS & MULTI PRINT BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1396 Metres**

**SIZZLING BULLET** (D. Tootell) - over the concluding stages became held up on heels and was unable to be tested to the line.

**WHEN STARS ALIGN** (J. Opperman) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**STRINGER BELL** (E. Annells) - laid out throughout the event. Inside the 1000 metres commenced to hang out, resulting in the rider easing the gelding out of the event from in the vicinity of the 800 metres. Trainer Mr M. Moosha was advise advised the gelding would be required to perform to the Stewards satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**GUEST LIST** (M. Collett) - slow into stride.

**RACE 7: PORT AUGUSTA ISUZU BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres**

**LIBERTY BLUE** (J. Opperman) - laid out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**DOUG'S JOURNEY** (D. Caboche) - was hampered and lost its position on jumping away.

**TAJAVEDO** (E. Annells) - laid in, in the straight.

**TWICE FORGOTTEN** (S. Fawke) - laid out from the 400 metres placing the rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the event.

**GRAVITY** (D. Tootell) - rider was reprimanded under AR131(b) for failing to ride his mount out to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**THE MOSHIRE** (C. Lions) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and hampered DOUG'S JOURNEY.

**EVENING SPICE** (K. Zechner) - became disappointed for clear running at the entrance to the straight when attempting a run to the inside of DOUG'S JOURNEY.

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**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (10):**

- Race 1 - OPHELIA BLUES (winner)
- Race 2 - MISS FLATLEY (unplaced)
- Race 2 - COLD GOLD (winner)
- Race 3 - CONNERMARA ROSE (winner)
- Race 3 - FULTON STREET (2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Race 4 - DESIDERO (winner)
- Race 4 - ACE OF CLUBS (2<sup>nd</sup>)
- Race 5 - A THOUSAND DEGREES (winner)
- Race 6 - REAL EASY (winner)
- Race 7 - DOUG'S JOURNEY (winner)

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SUMMARY	
<b>FINES</b>	Nil
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Nil
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 7 - D. Tootell (GRAVITY) - AR131(b) - Failed to ride out to the finish.
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Race 4 - S. Logan (DESIDERO) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding - From midnight 22/7/20 and to conclude at midnight 29/7/20 - 3 meetings.
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	Race 1 - OPHELIA BLUES - Warned - Fractious in barriers. Race 4 - LOFTY TYCOON - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Abscess in off foreleg - Late scratching. Race 4 - PARADISE COVE - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Lameness near foreleg. Race 4 - WHITE JADE - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Lameness near foreleg - Late scratching. Race 6 - STRINGER BELL - Suspended - Required to perform to the Stewards satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race - hung out.
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	Nil