

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED  
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse  
by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Saturday, 8 August 2020

**Stewards:** J. Petzer (Chairman) & N. Laskey (F) (Stewards), A. Steckbein (HT) (Cadet Steward), A. Deakin, A. Bittner, K. Rayson, L. Martin & J. Hittmann (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge & Dr B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

**TRACK:** Soft 5 (Track with a reasonable amount of give in it)  
Downgraded to a Soft 6  
at 1.04pm retrospective to Race 3 (Moist but not badly affected track)  
Downgraded to a Soft 7  
at 4.25pm retrospective to Race 8 (Rain affected track that will chop out)

**RAIL:** True

**WEATHER:** Overcast

**RIDER CHANGES:** Nil

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**RACE 1: ADELAIDE GALVANISING HANDICAP - 1200 Metres**

The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes.

**JUST ZERENE** (B. Vorster) - proved very unruly on arrival at the barriers, was intractable and in an attempt to be loaded, reared and fell over, and was examined by the veterinary surgeon. As a consequence JUST ZERENE was a late scratching by order of Stewards at 11.47 am acting on veterinary advice. Co-Trainer Mr C McEvoy was advised the mare would be required to prove tractable and load without delay in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

**KAYSERI (NZ)** ( P. Gatt) - awkward and slow to begin. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200.

**PROMOTER** (T. Pannell) - inclined to lay out under pressure over the concluding stages.

**ANOTHER AWARD** (J. Holder) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$300.

**RACE 2: ADRIAN PEDERICK MP HANDICAP - 1200 Metres**

**THIS KID ROCKS** (C. Jones) - very awkward to begin, shifted out onto ICE GHOST, which was tightened onto AKKACAN, which was taken in by MR HAMILTON, which began awkwardly. Near the 200 metres shifted to the outside of ROYALTY to improve its position and in doing so tightened AKKACAN onto WONDED SOLDIER (NZ).

**ICE GHOST** (T. Voorham) - tightened and hampered at the start. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 2: ADRIAN PEDERICK MP HANDICAP - 1200 Metres (Cont'd)**

**MR HAMILTON** (S. Cahill) - awkward to begin, shifted in taking AKKACAN in onto ICE GHOST.

**AKKACAN** (S. Logan) - inconvenienced at the start. Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event. Laid out in the straight. Near the 200 metres was taken out and tightened by THIS KID ROCKS, which shifted out to improve and as a consequence contacted the hindquarters of WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ).

**I'M A LEGEND** (K. Crowther) - awkward and slow to begin.

**WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ)** (T. Pannell) - awkward and slow to begin. Near the 200 metres had its hindquarters contacted by AKKACAN, which was taken out.

**LIPPSY SHUFFLE** (J. Eaton) - inside the 700 metres was obliged to be steadied for several strides when racing inside the heels of THIS KID ROCKS, which shifted in slightly. Laid out over the concluding stages.

**RACE 3: PASSING OF REG TANNER HANDICAP - 1000 Metres**

**CELTIC BLAST** (J. Eaton) - over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**STAR HILLS** (J. Holder) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**MISS JANE** (P. Gatt) - was slow into stride.

**STAR OF MONSOON** (B. Vorster) - for a number of strides shortly after the entrance to the straight had difficulty improving to the inside of THOMPSON'S REWARD, which rolled in slightly. Approaching the 200 metres was obliged to race in restricted room between CELTIC BLAST, which maintained its line and THOMPSON'S REWARD, which shifted in slightly and as a consequence was obliged to shift to the outside of THOMPSON'S REWARD to obtain clear running.

**THOMPSON'S REWARD** (M. Collett) - inclined to lay in, in the straight. Shifted in momentarily shortly after the entrance to the straight, resulting in STAR OF MONSOON having difficulty improving into a run to the inside of THOMPSON'S REWARD. Shifted in approaching the 200 metres and inconvenienced STAR OF MONSOON. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 4: TORRENS BUILDING & CIVIL HANDICAP - 1400 Metres**

**MAY BE FATE** (J. Maund) - awkward to begin, shifted out onto MAGIC PHANTOM, which was inconvenienced.

**SADENTE** - was a late scratching at 9.25 am by order of Stewards acting on confirmed advice from Trainer Mr A. Clarken that the mare had become cast in its box and sustained an injury to its off foreleg.

**MAGIC PHANTOM** (D. Caboche) - inconvenienced at the start. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Laid in, in the straight. Rider explained the gelding did not travel well in the early and middle stages of the event and when asked for an effort in the straight, was disappointing and did not finish the race off in the manner he expected.

**EXALTED TRAVELLER** (S. Logan) - laid in, in the straight.

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### **RACE 5: SPRY CIVIL CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP - 1200 Metres**

**FANCY RUMBLE** (K. Crowther) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

**ARRAY OF SUNSHINE** (E. Boyd) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

**NASIFA** (S. Logan) - held up for clear running from near the entrance to the straight until in the vicinity of the 350 metres and thereafter had difficulty obtaining clear running for a short distance racing to the 200 metres when attempting to improve to the inside of **RULER BY CHOICE**, which laid in and shifted in and as a consequence was obliged to shift to that horses outside to obtain clear running.

**RULER BY CHOICE** (B. Vorster) - laid in, in the straight. Shifted in near the 200 metres and inconvenienced **NASIFA**.

**TURNCOAT** (T. Pannell) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. Laid in, in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near foreleg. Trainer Mr H. Dwyer was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the horse for a future trial or race.

**HOT IN PARIS** (J. Eaton) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**VALLEY OF DARKNESS** (P. Gatt) - rider examined on arrival at the barriers by the First Care Medical personnel after being struck in the face by the ear muffs fitted to the mare. P. Gatt was passed fit to ride. Awkward to begin.

**SONIC DEED** (D. Tourneur) - lost its off fore plate during the event.

**CALYPSO STORM** (T. Voorham) - lost its near fore plate during the event.

**AUSTIN RAIDER** (M. Collett) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

### **RACE 6: MARSHALL & BROUGHAM HANDICAP - 1600 Metres**

**RESURGE** (J. Eaton) - which had not raced since October 2019 underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to race.

**WHITE HEATH** (J. Holder) - laid in, in the straight.

**FRANKEL STAR** (K. Crowther) - was unable to improve its position between the 600 metres and 400 metres.

**BIG CALL** (E. Boyd) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**NOSTROVIA** (D. Tourneur) - was tightened and taken wider by **LITTLEBITFUNNY**, which shifted out at the start and as a consequence was unable to maintain its position shortly after the start. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded.

**LITTLEBITFUNNY** (M. Collett) - began awkwardly, shifted out onto **NOSTROVIA**, which was tightened onto **ALIRIS** and taken wider for a short distance before being unable to maintain its position. Rider was reminded of her obligations and advised in similar circumstances in future to stop and straighten her mounts sooner than she did on this occasion.

**ORLEANS** (K. Zechner) - was held up for clear running for a short distance near the entrance to the straight.

### **RACE 7: RIVERSCAPE FOOD & WINE HANDICAP - 1400 Metres**

**ARISTOCRATIC MISS** ( T. Pannell) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

**MORE THAN EVER (NZ)** (B. Vorster) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**USTINOV'S FURY** (J. Potter) - was contacted at the start.

**ARKHAM KNIGHT** (P. Gatt) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

**DR DEPENDABLE** (T. Voorham) - laid in, in the straight. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded.

**ZALMONA** (D. Tourneur) - was awkward to begin, shifted out at the start and contacted USTINOV'S FURY. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

**CROCKETT** (M. Collett) - near the 1100 metres got its head up and raced ungenerously for a short distance when awkward on the heels of ARKHAM KNIGHT. On return to scale rider reported the gelding made breathing noises throughout the event. When questioned regarding her riding instructions, M. Collett advised that she was instructed to allow the gelding to begin neutral, settle where comfortable, and attempt to obtain cover from her wide barrier. She added she was mindful the gelding had chocked down at its previous start, and added that today its racing manners were a little ungenerous. Mr C. McEvoy, co-trainer of the gelding confirmed the instructions provided and added that the instructions were intended to advantage the gelding given it had exhibited upper airway restriction previously. When questioned regarding the gelding's previous start at Gawler on 11/7/20, in which it led, Mr McEvoy stated that on that occasion the gelding began better, of its own accord, and shared the lead as a result. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**FLOP** (S. Logan) - was fractious in its barrier, got its head down as the gates were released and as a consequence was slow to begin losing three to four lengths.

### **RACE 8: NEIL TANNER MEMORIAL HANDICAP - 1000 Metres**

**LANCASTER SOUND** (B. Vorster) - was awkward and slow to begin. Approaching the 900 metres was hampered and had to be steadied to avoid the heels of VON SAGA, which shifted in to improve.

**VON SAGA** (M. Collett) - was awkward to begin. Approaching the 900 metres shifted in to improve and took the running of LANCASTER SOUND, which had to be steadied to avoid the heels of VON SAGA. Rider was severely reprimanded for shifting ground when insufficiently clear. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**DAWN SALUTE** (K. Crowther) - was slow to begin and laid out for a short distance near the 600 metres.

**HOT SIZZLE** (C. Jones) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**NICCONI PONI** (T. Pannell) - kicked out after being loaded into its barrier stall and was removed. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to race.

**CIBACHROME** (T. Voorham) - rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$100.

**RACE 9: MAGICMILLIONS.ONLINE HANDICAP - 1800 Metres**

**FRANKED (GB)** (T. Pannell) - inclined to lay out in the straight.

**STAR STATUS** (J. Holder) - approaching the 200 metres was inconvenienced and taken wider by **SUPER SWOOP**, which shifted out to improve.

**SPLASH SOME CASH** (A. Jordsjo) - over-raced in the early stages of the event. Near the 1600 metres was inconvenienced and had to be momentarily steadied when crossed by **BACK POCKET**, which shifted in. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**TATALINA (NZ)** (J. Eaton) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SUPER SWOOP** (C. Jones) - approaching the 200 metres shifted out to improve and inconvenienced **STAR STATUS**, which was taken wider.

**JUST ROLLING** (K. Crowther) - was slow to begin.

**APPOLLO JET** (J. Potter) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**BACK POCKET** (E. Boyd) - near the 1600 metres shifted in and tightened **SPLASH SOME CASH**, which was inconvenienced. Rider reminded of her obligations when shifting ground.

**I'M BULLETPROOF** (B. Vorster) - got its head up shortly after the start when being restrained and raced ungenerously for a number of strides.

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**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):**

Race 1 - **PROMOTER** (winner)  
Race 2 - **I'M A LEGEND** (winner)  
Race 3 - **STAR HILLS** (winner)  
Race 4 - **AQUEDUCT (NZ)** (winner)  
Race 5 - **RULER BY CHOICE** (winner)  
Race 6 - **RESURGE** (winner)  
Race 7 - **NIPPERKIN** (winner)  
Race 8 - **READY SUNSHINE** (winner)  
Race 9 - **ACE OF CLUBS** (winner)

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**PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (8):**

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

Race 4 - **MAGIC PHANTOM, EXALTED TRAVELLER**  
Race 5 - **EXALTED LAURETTA, VALLEY OF DARKNESS**  
Race 6 - **DESIDERO, FRANKEL STAR**  
Race 8 - **VON SAGA, NICCONI PONI**

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**SUMMARY**

<b>FINES</b>	Race 1 - P. Gatt (KAYSERI (NZ)) - Fined \$200 - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+2] - Whip offence. Race 1 - J. Holder (ANOTHER AWARD) - Fined \$300 - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+5] - Whip offence. Race 8 - T. Voorham (CIBACHROME) - Fined \$100 - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+2] - Whip offence.
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 8 - M. Collett (VON SAGA) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding.
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 2 - T. Voorham (ICE GHOST) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+2] - Whip offence. Race 6 - D. Tourneur (NOSTROVIA) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+1] - Whip offence. Race 7 - T. Voorham (DR DEPENDABLE) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+2] - Whip offence. Race 8 - M. Collett (VON SAGA) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+1] - Whip offence.
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Nil
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	Race 1 - JUST ZERENE - Suspended - unruly and refused to load - Required to prove tractable and load without delay in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race. Race 5 - TURNCOAT - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Lameness near foreleg.
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	Nil