

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED  
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Balaklava Racecourse  
by the Balaklava Racing Club on Wednesday, 9 December 2020

**Stewards:** C. Deakin (A/Chairman), M. Zarb (HT) & A. Hayles (M) (Stewards), J. Ho (F) & E. Scott (Cadet Stewards), J. Hittmann & R. Seneca (Deputy Stewards), Dr R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeons).

**TRACK:** Good 4 (Track with some give in it)  
Upgraded to a Good 3 at 2.00 pm retrospective to Race 1  
(Track with good grass coverage and cushion)

**RAIL:** True

**WEATHER:** Fine

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**RACE 1: MY BUTCHER BENCHMARK 52 HANDICAP - 1050 Metres**

**ROCKATANSKY** (J. Opperman) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

**MY LESSON** (K. Zechner) - was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon on arrival at the barriers who reported the gelding to be lame in the near fore leg. Trainer, Mr T. Montgomerie, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race start. Acting on this advice Stewards declared MY LESSON to be a late scratching at 1.43 pm.

**SECRET CHARGE** (J. Holder) - knuckled on jumping away.

**BUNDLE O' DIAMONDS** (Z. White) - Stewards permitted Z. White to ride the mare 0.5 kg above its declared weight of 54.0 kg. Laid in, in the straight.

**RACE 2: COOPERS BREWERY BENCHMARK 62 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres**

**STAN THE CADDY** (T. Pannell) - rider explained that the gelding travelled well until placed under pressure in the vicinity of the 300 metres and was disappointing to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MARNDARRA** (B. Vorster) - raced in restricted room over the concluding stages and was untested to the line.

**CANIDAE** (S. Fawke) - rider explained that the instructions he received today were the same as for the gelding's last start, being to let CANIDAE settle where comfortable. He added that at its last start CANIDAE was caught wide and for this reason he had elected to roll forward.

**RACE 3: ATKINS PHOTOGRAPHY / SABOIS PLUS MAIDEN/CLASS ONE PLATE - 2200 Metres**

**FAST DEALER** (D. Tourneur) - laid in, in the straight. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. In determining penalty, Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by D. Tourneur and noted that he only used his whip on one occasions over the last 100 metres.

**RACE 3: ATKINS PHOTOGRAPHY / SABOIS PLUS MAIDEN/CLASS ONE PLATE**  
**- 2200 Metres (Cont'd)**

**TUFF CAT** (J. Maund) - was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon on arrival at the barrier and was passed fit to start.

**KNEE SLAPPER** (S. Fawke) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course as it raced on Sunday, 6 December 2020 and was passed fit to start. Slow to begin.

**SHEBRINGZIT** (A. Jordsjo) - was obliged to be steadied in the vicinity of the 1500 metres when it improved onto the heels of FAST DEALER. Had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the 500 metres until approaching the 400 metres and was obliged to shift out to obtain clear running.

**SMART VISION** (M. Vassallo) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination as it raced on Sunday, 6 December 2020 and passed fit to race. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by M. Vassallo and noted that he only used his whip on one occasion over the last 100 metres.

**RACE 4: MELRINA 36 DEGREES SOUTH / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 Metres**

**JUSTEDEE** (C. Jones) - rider explained that her instructions were to attempt to get a sit behind the pace in the early stages of the event and to get rolling early in the straight. She added that the tempo of today's event was not as quick as anticipated, and as a result the gelding over-raced for a short distance in the middle stages of the event. She further explained JUSTEDEE started to improve in the vicinity of the 400 metres; however, was inclined to lay in, in the straight. She further added that after straightening she had to maintain pressure to her outside rein to ensure the gelding did not shift in, but that it finished the race off well.

**OUR RUPERT** (E. Boyd) - laid out from the 700 metres and hung out in the vicinity of the 500 metres becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of JUSTADEE for a short distance.

**KHESHIG (NZ)** (J. Holder) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. In the vicinity of the 900 metres became awkward in its action and raced greenly for the remainder of the event.

**GARDEN PARTY** (J. Toeroek) - laid out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**KRUPTONITE** (S. Fawke) - stood flat footed as the start was effected and was four lengths slow to begin. Trainer, Mr K. Sweeney, was advised that a warning had been placed on the mare.

**GLENARCH BAY** (J. Maund) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed speedy cuts to the off hind pastern.

**ZIP AKEED** (B. Vorster) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

**CUZZEN** (J. Opperman) - laid in, in the straight. In the vicinity of the 300 metres shifted in. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 5: TAYLORS WINES BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres**

**FLYING PIERRO** (J. Toeroek) - in the vicinity of the 400 metres raced in restricted room for a short distance between DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE and TURNPIKE when both runners shifted ground. Rider explained the gelding travelled well throughout the event however, resented receiving pressure in the early part of the straight and then was reluctant to improve into a run between DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE and TYCOON FLUTTER approaching the 200 metres and only let down until in the vicinity of the 100 metres where it was able to get to the outside of DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE and finished the race off well.

**RACE 5: TAYLORS WINES BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (Cont'd)**

**A LITTLE CHUNKY** (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE.

**INDIAN MO** (T. Pannell) - laid out under pressure in the straight.

**AUSSIE SOJOURN** (D. Tourneur) - jumped away awkwardly and as a result was 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 \$100. In determining penalty, Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by rider and noted that he only used his whip on one occasions over the last 100 metres.

**DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE** (C. Jones) - hampered on jumping away.

**TURNPIKE** (M. Collett) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and hampered DUKE OF CHRISTOPHE. Rider explained that in her opinion the gelding got its tongue over the bit mid-race and was making abnormal respiratory noises and for that reason she did not ride TURNPIKE out in her usual manner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed skin abrasion to the near side stifle.

**RACE 6: MCARDLE PTY LTD / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres**

**BAD HABITS** (T. Pannell) - bumped on jumping away by TIDEWAY.

**FIGHTER (JPN)** (B. Vorster) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

**EROKI** (M. Collett) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Rolled about in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**HARRY HOT PANTS** (D. Caboche) - slow to begin.

**PENTIRE'S SPIRIT (NZ)** (C. Jones) - reared in the barriers. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a minor skin laceration to near hind pastern.

**VICTORY CLUB** (A. Jordsjo) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out bumping TIDEWAY. Laid out throughout the event.

**TIDEWAY** (C. Lions) - bumped on jumping away by VICTORY CLUB and taken out wider onto BAD HABITS. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Laid out in the straight.

**ASHADY AMBER** (D. Tourneur) - approaching the 300 metres had difficulty obtaining clear ground for a short distance.

**RACE 7: TAYLORS JARAMAN BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres**

**KITTY DAMOUR** (R. Hurdle) - jumped away awkwardly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MAVETTE** (S. Fawke) - jumped away awkwardly. Approaching the 1000 metres shifted in when insufficiently clear of MAORI MAGIC (NZ). Rider was found guilty of 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 Saturday, 19 December and to conclude at midnight on Saturday, 26 December 2020: a period of three meetings.

**NOTABLE CHOICE** (Z. White) - jumped away awkwardly and as a result was slow to begin. Raced keenly in the middle stages of the event.

**RACE 7: TAYLORS JARAMAN BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres (Cont'd)**

**MAORI MAGIC (NZ)** (D. Tootell) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Approaching the 1000 metres was obliged to be steadied when tightened for running between MAVETTE, which shifted in and ZUME FORWARD. Difficulty obtaining clear running between the 400 metres and the 100 metres.

**MISS HEDY** (M. Collett) - held up for clear running between the 400 metres and 300 metres.

**ZUME FORWARD** (K. Zechner) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

**SPIRITED MATCH** (A. Jordsjo) - raced keenly in the middle stages of the event.

**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):**

Race 1 - RUSTYDUSTYSUNSHINE (winner)  
 Race 2 - DIAMOND TYCOON (winner)  
 Race 3 - SHEBRINGZIT (winner)  
 Race 3 - FAST DEALER (second)  
 Race 4 - ZIP AKEED (winner)  
 Race 5 - AUSSIE SOJOURN (winner)  
 Race 5 - INDIAN MO (2<sup>nd</sup>)  
 Race 6 - POSSUM BORN (winner)  
 Race 7 - ZUME FORWARD (winner)

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>FINES</b>	Race 5 - D. Tourneur (AUSSIE SOJOURN) - Fined \$100 - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+2] - Whip offence.
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Nil
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 3 - D. Tourneur (FAST DEALER) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+1] - Whip offence. Race 3 - M. Vassallo (SMART VISION) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+2] - Whip offence.
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Race 7 - S. Fawke (MAVETTE) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding - From 19/12/20 and to conclude on 26/12/20 - 3 meetings.
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	Race 1 - MY LESSON - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race - Lameness near foreleg - Late scratching Race 4 - KRUPTONITE - Warned - Stood flat-footed.
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	Nil