

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse
by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Tuesday, 26 January 2021

Stewards: J. Petzer (Chairman), S. Callanan (MT) & A. Hayles (HT) (Stewards), T. Vanderstok (F) & B. Jarman (Cadet Stewards), K. Rayson, L. Martin, J. Hittmann & E. Santoro (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Soft 5 (Track with a reasonable amount of give in it)

RAIL: Out 3 metres from 1600 metres to 900 metres, out 9 metres from 900 metres to the winning post, out 6 metres 1200 metres chute, true remainder.

WEATHER: Overcast

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
5	ZEGRESTO	J. Opperman	S. Metcalfe	Indisposed
6	FENCELINE	"	"	"

RACE 1: MAGIC MILLIONS / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 Metres

HARD RANSOM (M. Collett) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Inclined to roll out rounding the home turn.

MORPHETT ROAD (S. Metcalfe) - was held up for clear running from approaching the entrance to the straight until inside the 400 metres and was obliged to shift in to obtain clear running. Thereafter approaching the 300 metres, was brushed and taken in slightly by COMEON SCRUFF, which was inclined to lay in and shifted in, and approaching the 200 metres was obliged to shift out wider on the track to obtain clear running.

SCOTCH ON THE ROCK (R. Hurdle) - laid in from near the 200 metres.

A BIT RACEY (B. Vorster) - laid in, in the early part of the straight.

COMEON SCRUFF (S. Logan) - inclined to lay in and approaching the 300 metres shifted in and inconvenienced MORPHETT ROAD. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

FACTORED IN (S. Fawke) - near the 600 metres became awkwardly placed on the heels of MORPHETT ROAD as that horse shifted about.

RACE 2: BRYAN GUY MEMORIAL / SABOIS FOUR-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

HALAYR DREAM (M. Aitken) - was contacted and taken out at the start by SCARLET RIVER, which shifted out on jumping away, and as a consequence HALAYR DREAM became awkward on the heels of EFFORTKAT. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2: BRYAN GUY MEMORIAL / SABOIS FOUR-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres (cont'd)

LOOKING FORWARD (J. Opperman) - on arrival at the barriers became fractious, dislodged its rider and cantered a short distance before being captured by the Clerk of the Course. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. J. Opperman was examined by the First Care Medical personnel and passed fit to ride. Trainer, Mr S. Schrader, was advised that a warning had been placed on the horse in relation to its pre-race manners.

SILVER ON RED (P. Gatt) - was awkward to begin.

SCARLET RIVER (D. Tourneur) - shifted out at the start onto HALAYR DREAM, which was hampered when taken out towards the heels of EFFORTKAT. Hung in, in the straight. Rider reported that the mare raced very greenly during the event.

Following the event J. Opperman was re-examined by the First Care Medical personnel and was ruled unfit to fulfil his remaining engagements.

RACE 3: CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres

ARTIFICER (S. So) - was tightened at the start between UNDERSTATEMENT and JAKAZONE, which both began awkwardly, and as a consequence was severely hampered and unable to maintain its position. Near the entrance to the straight was momentarily inconvenienced when crossed by UNDERSTATEMENT which shifted out to improve.

CHEEKY ATOM (T. Pannell) - laid out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

JUSTEDEE (C. Jones) - rider reported that the gelding was inclined to race a little keenly with the blinkers being refitted, and shortly after the start she made an assessment that there was no meaningful pace in the event and as consequence elected to lead. She added that, initially the gelding travelled well; however, when asked for an effort shortly after the entrance to the straight it did not let down as expected, failed to respond to her riding and was disappointing to the finish.

JAKAZONE (D. Tourneur) - was awkward to begin, shifted in and contacted ARTIFICER. As a consequence had its hindquarters turned. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

UNDERSTATEMENT (D. Tootell (Snr)) - was very awkward to begin, shifted out and contacted ARTIFICER, which was tightened onto JAKAZONE. As a consequence UNDERSTATEMENT became unbalanced. Shifted out near the entrance to the straight and crossed the running of ARTIFICER, which was momentarily inconvenienced. Rider was severely reprimanded and advised to only shift ground when entitled to do so.

STOLE MY HEART (S. Fawke) - was resaddled on arrival at the barriers.

RACE 4: AM & ME LANGSFORD PLASTERBOARD CONTRACTORS / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately nine minutes owing to WELCOME REWARD proving fractious leaving the mounting yard, breaking free from its handler, galloping a short distance and making contact with the outside running rail before being captured by the Clerk of the Course in the 2000 metre chute. The start was also delayed to allow track staff to repair the outside running rail.

BEWDY MATE (K. Zechner) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Inclined to lay in, in the straight.

RACE 4: AM & ME LANGSFORD PLASTERBOARD CONTRACTORS / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres (cont'd)

INVESTITURE (B. Vorster) - laid out over the concluding stages of the event.

EXALTED FIRE (R. Hurdle) - was awkward to begin and shifted out hampering **WELCOME REWARD**.

SUPER LOOKA (K. Crowther) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg. First aid was administered. Trainer, Mr G. Richards, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race start.

FREE OF SIN (D. Caboche) - Trainer, Mr C. Bieg, advised Stewards prior to the event of a change of tactics, that being that he would instruct his rider to attempt to settle further back with cover. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Laid in, in the straight. [Settled midfield without cover].

WELCOME REWARD (S. Fawke) - dislodged its rider prior to leaving the mounting yard. Proved fractious leaving the mounting yard, broke free from its handler, galloped a short distance and made contact with the outside running rail before being captured by the Clerk of the Course in the 2000 metre chute. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Rider was uninjured in the incident. Trainer, Mr J. Hickmott, was advised that the filly was now required to prove tractable en route to the barriers and at the barriers in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race. Hampered at the start by **EXALTED FIRE**, which began awkwardly and shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 5: LONGS SAND & METAL BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

SIDESTREET (D. Tourneur) - was obliged to be momentarily steadied just prior to the winning post when awkward on the heels of **LIBERTY BLUE**, which was inclined to lay out and shifted out.

BRIMARVI ROOBOY (B. Vorster) - was kicked by another runner on arrival at the barriers. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Shortly after the start was inconvenienced when awkwardly placed outside the heels of **THREE TEARS**, which shifted out momentarily.

FABULOUS FLIPPER (M. Collett) - laid in, in the straight. Rider reported that the mare laid in severely during the event placing her at a disadvantage resulting in her being unable to ride her mount in her normal manner to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ZEGRESTO (S. Metcalfe) - was awkward to begin.

LIBERTY BLUE (S. Logan) - was inclined to lay out in the straight and shifted out over the concluding stages.

RACE 6: RAINFOREST RETREAT MURRAY BRIDGE 4.5 STAR B&B BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

FENCELINE (S. Metcalfe) - was inconvenienced near the 1300 metres.

PIERRE BIZEL (D. Caboche) - was contacted at the start.

GOOD GIRL BELLA (S. Logan) - was held up for clear running from rounding the home turn until near the 300 metres and was obliged to shift out to obtain clear running.

**RACE 6: RAINFOREST RETREAT MURRAY BRIDGE 4.5 STAR B&B BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP
- 1600 Metres (cont'd)**

AZDAJA (S. So) - was unable to obtain clear running from near the entrance to the straight until approaching the 200 metres and was obliged to shift out in an attempt to obtain clear running, but then became held up on the heels of FENCELINE for a short distance and was obliged to shift to the outside of FENCELINE and over the heels of QUIET CLASS in the vicinity of the 100 metres to obtain clear running.

THRONES (B. Price) - was awkward to begin, shifted in and contacted PIERRE BIZEL. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Near the 1300 metres shifted in when awkward inside the heels of AZZURO BIANCO, which improved to its outside, and inconvenienced FENCELINE. Laid in, in the early part of the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Rider explained that after being slow to begin the gelding never travelled comfortably during the event and felt awkward in its action, and from near the 600 metres was off the bridle.

RACE 7: MURDOCH INSURANCE BROKERS BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1800 Metres

PLUNGER CHARLIE (D. Tourneur) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

IT'S MAGIC (P. Gatt) - rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions (seven times - two more than permitted) prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for P. Gatt's record in relation to breaches of this rule and the totality of the use of the whip by P. Gatt and noted that he used it on nine occasions over the final 100 metres of the event.

FOX D'OR (B. Vorster) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

SUPERVELOCE (NZ) (C. Lions) - laid out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DEEJAY BOBO (NZ) (K. Zechner) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SOSTENIDO (NZ) (S. Logan) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Raced keenly and wide without cover in the early stages of the event. Laid in, in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8: MURRAYLANDS FIRE & SAFETY CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

VIDUKA (A. Livesey) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Near the 1100 metres, when crossed by POSSUM BORN, was obliged to shift to the outside of that horse's heels. Near the 100 metres shifted out under riding and tightened MAGIC REWARD onto ENLIST, resulting in MAGIC REWARD being inconvenienced for several strides. Rider was reprimanded and advised to ensure she maintains a straight course at all times.

MAGIC REWARD (K. Zechner) - near the 100 metres was tightened between ENLIST, which shifted in slightly, away from FREE HAND, and VIDUKA, which shifted out under riding, and as a consequence was inconvenienced for several strides and was obliged to be steadied.

FREE HAND (S. Fawke) - was tightened and hampered at the start and unable to maintain its position. Rider reported that the mare laid in from near the 300 metres.

TRUMPSTA (C. Jones) - inside the 300 metres shifted out to improve and crossed the running of DIHII inconveniencing that horse. Rider was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground.

RACE 8: MURRAYLANDS FIRE & SAFETY CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1400 Metres (cont'd)

POSSUM BORN (B. Price) - near the 1100 metres shifted in and crossed the running of VIDUKA, which was momentarily inconvenienced and obliged to shift to the outside of the heels of POSSUM BORN. Rider was severely reprimanded and advised to only shift ground when entitled to do so. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ENLIST (K. Crowther) - shifted in on jumping away tightening FREE HAND onto VIDUKA. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Near the 300 metres, when in restricted room, was obliged to shift to the outside of MAGIC REWARD to improve its position. Near the 100 metres shifted in and away from FREE HAND to its outside.

DIHHI (S. Metcalfe) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Inside the 300 metres was inconvenienced by TRUMPSTA, which shifted out to improve.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (16):

Race 1 - SCOTCH ON THE ROCK (winner)
 Race 1 - STARSANGLED SAGA (third)
 Race 2 - SILVER ON RED (winner)
 Race 2 - SWEET DISTRACTION (third)
 Race 3 - TOUGH LASSIE (winner)
 Race 3 - ABERAMA GOLD (second)
 Race 4 - INVESTITURE (winner)
 Race 4 - EVER ONWARD (second)
 Race 5 - THREE TEARS (winner)
 Race 5 - LIBERTY BLUE (third)
 Race 6 - GOOD GIRL BELLA (winner)
 Race 6 - AZDAJA (fourth)
 Race 7 - MASTER OF ZERPRISE (winner)
 Race 7 - SOSTENIDO (NZ) (third)
 Race 8 - TRUMPSTA (winner)
 Race 8 - FREE HAND (second)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 3 - D. Tootell (Snr) (UNDERSTATEMENT) - AR131(a) - Careless riding. Race 8 - B. Price (POSSUM BORN) - AR131(a) - Careless riding.
REPRIMANDS	Race 7 - P. Gatt (IT'S MAGIC) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+2]. Race 8 - A. Livesey (VIDUKA) - AR131(a) - Careless riding.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - LOOKING FORWARD - Warned - Pre-race manners. Race 4 - SUPER LOOKA - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to a future trial or race start - Lame near foreleg. Race 4 - WELCOME REWARD - Suspended - Must prove tractable en route to the barrier and at the barrier in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race - Pre-race behaviour.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	J. Opperman