

# Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge  
Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on  
Saturday, 7 August 2021



Stewards: M. Santoro (A/Chairman), & J. Petzer (MT) (Stewards), T. Vanderstok (HT) & B. Jarman (F) (Cadet Stewards), D. Jonas, A. Deakin, J. Hittmann, L. Martin & E. Santoro (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge & Dr B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

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

RAIL: Out 4 metres 2000 metres to 1700 metres, true remainder.

WEATHER: Overcast

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
4	APACHE STAR	C. Jones		Emergency - notified
5	WURLIES LASTCHANCE	D. Caboche	E. Boyd	Overweight
9	MISS MOSH	P. Gatt	E. Boyd	"

## RACE 1: MAGIC MILLIONS HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

TOFF LOVE (T. Pannell) - rider reported that the gelding raced flat. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

HUFFINGTON (G. Lo) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SPANISH HEIRLOOM (J. Opperman) - had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the entrance to the straight until the vicinity of the 200 metres.

DEVONTE (A. Jordsjo) - rider accidentally dropped her reins inside the 300 metres and was unable to regain them until near the 200 metres.

## RACE 2: SPRY CIVIL CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP - 2000 Metres

UNDER OATH (M. Aitken) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted in onto HOSTAR.

CONFUSION (J. Opperman) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

STAN THE CADDY (K. Crowther) - rider reported that the gelding travelled well in the early and middle stages of the event; however, felt flat after straightening and was disappointing to the finish. Trainer, Mr W. Clarken, advised that he would recommend to owners that the gelding be spelled. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

HOSTAR (J. Eaton) - hampered on jumping away when tightened onto DON'T WAIVER by UNDER OATH.



## RACE 2: SPRY CIVIL CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP - 2000 Metres (cont'd)

MR JOOBS (J. Toeroek) - had difficulty obtaining clear ground from near the 300 metres until approaching the 200 metres when able to shift to the outside of UNDER OATH to obtain clear ground. In shifting out inconvenienced BELLX, which was taken wider.

BELLX (T. Pannell) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight, and in the vicinity of the 200 metres was taken wider by MR JOOBS, which shifted out.

DON'T WAIVER (K. Zechner) - inconvenienced on jumping away when contacted by HOSTAR. Inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

## RACE 3: JOCKEY CELEBRATION DAY HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

MR MARATHON MAN (GB) (P. Gatt) - lost its off hind plate during the event.

SKY PUNCH (NZ) (T. Pannell) - rider explained that the gelding had travelled well in the early stages of the event; however, from the 600 metres felt uncomfortable in its action and when placed under pressure in the straight did not respond to his riding and was disappointing to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ARKHAM KNIGHT (S. Metcalfe) - rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that she used her 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 S. Metcalfe and noted that she used it on four occasions over the concluding 100 metres of the event.

LEFT HAND MAN (J. Holder) - held up from the entrance to the straight until near the 300 metres.

GIGGLON (E. Boyd) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. Inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

STRUCK BY (K. Crowther) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

GOING GAGA (J. Eaton) - rider explained that the gelding never travelled throughout the event and was disappointing. She added that GOING GAGA felt short in its action from the 200 metres and she had become concerned approaching the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 4: IN MEMORY OF CAITLIN FORREST MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres

CLASSY KENNY (M. Aitken) - shifted in on jumping away onto OUR SHINKO.

THE PARTISAN (J. Maund) - inconvenienced on jumping away. Rider explained that the horse travelled well in the early and middle stages of the event; however when placed under pressure at the entrance to the straight failed to respond to his riding, and he had become concerned with its action over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

YOWZA (D. Tourneur) - jumped away awkwardly and was slow to begin.

GYPSY CROWN (J. Opperman) - proved difficult to load. Trainer, Mr D. Dodson, was advised that a warning had been placed on the mare in relation to its barrier manners. Slow to begin.

HARLEMOVEN (A. Jordsjo) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that she used her 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 A. Jordsjo and noted that she used it on two occasions over the concluding 100 metres of the event.

MANAGE THE CYCLE (S. Metcalfe) - shifted out shortly after the start onto THE PARTISAN.



#### RACE 4: IN MEMORY OF CAITLIN FORREST MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres (cont'd)

MANHATTEN TIMES (J. Holder) - jumped away awkwardly. Inside the 400 metres became awkwardly placed on the heels of CASTLE OF KINGS (NZ) for a short distance and was obliged to shift out to obtain clear ground.

OUR SHINKO (K. Crowther) - hampered on jumping away when contacted by CLASSY KENNY.

SPRINGSUN (S. Logan) - raced wide without cover and was inclined to lay out throughout the event.

APACHE STAR (C. Jones) - held up from near the 400 metres until inside the 200 metres.

#### RACE 5: ADRIAN PEDERICK MP HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

ECHO BOOMER (J. Holder) - rider reported that the mare travelled well in the early stages; however, in the vicinity of the 600 metres dipped for no apparent reason and then became awkward and he had become concerned with its action. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have atrial fibrillation. Trainer, Mr R. Balfour, was advised that the results of an ECG were to be forward to the Racing SA Veterinary Surgeon and a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to the mare performing satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial.

GINNY ANN (K. Crowther) - in the vicinity of the 1000 metres got its head up for a short distance whilst being restrained.

CHOSEN BLONDE (D. Tourneur) - trainer, Mr C. Bieg, advised Stewards prior to the event of a change of tactics in that he would instruct his rider to attempt to obtain a position midfield with cover if possible. Settled wide without cover on pace. Raced wide without cover throughout the event. Raced keenly in the early stages whilst being restrained. Inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

LADY BETHANY (NZ) (J. Eaton) - laid out under pressure in the straight, and approaching the 200 metres had to be steadied when it shifted out and became awkwardly placed on the heels of DISTURBING, which shifted in slightly.

DISTURBING (J. Opperman) - laid in under pressure 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 reprimanded. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by J. Opperman and noted that he used it on two occasions over the concluding 100 metres of the event.

NAKHEEL (K. Zechner) - jumped away awkwardly.

#### RACE 6: CONGRATULATIONS GRANT YOUNG SA COUNTRY & PROVINCIAL TRAINER OF THE YEAR HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes to avoid a clash with an interstate race.


FIGHTER (JPN) (T. Pannell) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg. Co-trainers, Messrs T. & C. McEvoy, were advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race start.

MELODY MAN (P. Gatt) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

CARAK (J. Holder) - on jumping away contacted LOVE VENUS. Lost its near hind plate during the event.

EM BRYAN (K. Crowther) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto EVER ONWARD. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

LOVE VENUS (J. Potter) - hampered on jumping away when contacted by CARAK and tightened onto MALINONG CLUB.



RACE 6: CONGRATULATIONS GRANT YOUNG SA COUNTRY & PROVINCIAL TRAINER OF THE YEAR HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (cont'd)

MALINONG CLUB (C. Lions) – hampered and lost its position on jumping away when bumped by LOVE VENUS. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

EVER ONWARD (M. Aitken) – taken out on jumping away onto CARAK.

RACE 7: IN MEMORY OF SIMONE MONTGOMERIE & MELANIE TYNDALL HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

ELEGIST (M. Aitken) – laid in under pressure in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Trainer, Mr H. Dwyer, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race start.

KISHSTAR (S. Logan) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SITTING BULL (J. Opperman) – laid in over the concluding 100 metres of the event.

COMRADE BILL (J. Eaton) – jumped away awkwardly and was slow to begin.

MISS MUCINNI (K. Crowther) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

SKARA BRAE (J. Holder) – stood flat-footed and was slow to begin.

RACE 8: RIVERSCAPE FOOD & WINE HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

TOORAK WARRIOR (J. Eaton) – rider explained that she had anticipated settling further forward than she had found herself; however, the gelding felt flat from the time she had jumped and for this reason she was unable to obtain that position. She added that when placed under pressure in the straight TOORAK WARRIOR had been disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

YULONG CODE (P. Gatt) – laid in under pressure in the straight.

DINGA (K. Crowther) – rider explained that the horse travelled well in the early stages of the event; however, when placed under pressure at the entrance to the straight did not feel comfortable in its action and weakened from the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

THIS KID ROCKS (G. O'Loughlin) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto MUMBLES.

CROWN MINT (J. Opperman) – when questioned regarding his riding in the early stages of the event J. Opperman explained that he had been instructed to obtain a position midfield in the field, and after jumping away felt the gelding would obtain this position comfortably. He added that in the vicinity of the 1100 metres he had been crossed by THIS KID ROCKS, and as a result found himself further back than he would have hoped without an option to push forward. 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 J. Opperman and noted that he used it on seven occasions over the concluding 100 metres of the event.

ROCK HARBOUR (T. Pannell) – slow to begin.

MUMBLES (S. Logan) – inconvenienced on jumping away. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that she used her 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 S. Logan and noted that she used it on one occasion over the concluding 100 metres of the event.



RACE 8: RIVERSCAPE FOOD & WINE HANDICAP - 1200 Metres (cont'd)

RANGER FRANK (D. Tourneur) - slow to begin. Rider explained that it was his intention to settle further forward than he had; however, after being slow to begin he encouraged the gelding however it had not responded as he had wished. He added that upon straightening he had hoped to improve to the middle of the track; however, RANGER FRANK commenced to lay in, and as a result he was obliged to maintain his position to the inside of the field. He further stated that the gelding was disappointing to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

PALE ALE (S. So) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 9: CONGRATULATIONS MICHAEL HICKMOTT SA METRO TRAINER OF THE YEAR  
HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

LI'L HANK (D. Tourneur) - had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the vicinity of the 400 metres until near the 100 metres when able to shift to the outside of other runners.

MORIALTA (J. Opperman) - slow to begin. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

SHE'S A KARAKA (NZ) (K. Crowther) - contacted on jumping away.

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

MORTY (M. Aitken) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto SHE'S A KARAKA (NZ). A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

GETOUTTHEWAY (R. Hurdle) - rider reported that it had not been his intention to lead; however, after jumping away well and finding himself wide without cover the gelding improved to the front of the field of its own accord.

FIGHT FOR FREEDOM (S. Metcalfe) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MISS MOSH (E. Boyd) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

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PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (12):

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

Race 2 - UNDER OATH, CONFUSION, STAN THE CADDY, HOSTAR, MR JOOBS, BELLX.

Race 6 - MELODY MAN, CARAK, EM BRYAN, LOVE VENUS, MR EPIC, MALINONG CLUB.

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ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):

Race 1 - FREE OF DEBT (winner)

Race 2 - UNDER OATH (winner)

Race 3 - LEFT HAND MAN (winner)

Race 4 - MANHATTEN TIMES (winner)

Race 5 - WURLIES LASTCHANCE (winner)

Race 6 - MARINA (winner)

Race 7 - RUSTY HALO (winner)

Race 8 - YULONG CODE (winner)

Race 9 - MORIALTA (winner)

SUMMARY

FINES	Race 5 - D. Caboche - Fined \$100 - AR190(3) - Overweight and having to be replaced on WURLIES LASTCHANCE. Race 9 - P. Gatt - Fined \$100 - AR190(3) - Overweight and having to be replaced on MISS MOSH.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 3 - S. Metcalfe (ARKHAM KNIGHT) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+1]. Race 4 - A. Jordsjo (HARLEYSOVEN) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+2]. Race 5 - J. Opperman (DISTURBING) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+2]. Race 8 - J. Opperman (CROWN MINT) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+1]. Race 8 - S. Logan (MUMBLES) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+2].
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 4 - GYPSY CROWN - Warned - Difficult to load. Race 5 - ECHO BOOMER - Not to race - Results of an ECG and Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to performing satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial - Atrial fibrillation. Race 5 - ECHO BOOMER - Suspended - Must perform satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start - Atrial fibrillation. Race 6 - FIGHTER (JPN) - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to a future trial or race start - Lameness near foreleg. Race 7 - ELEGIST - Not to race - Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to a future trial or race start - Lameness off foreleg.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil