

Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge
Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on
Sunday, 5 December 2021



Stewards: G. Rudolph (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (HT) & C. Deakin (F) (Stewards), J. Hittmann, L. Martin & J. Patton (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 4 (Track with some give in it)
Upgraded to a Good 3 at 3:35pm retrospective to Race 4
(Track with good grass coverage and cushion)

RAIL: Out 6 metres 850 metres to the winning post, out 3 metres in 1200 metre chute, true remainder

WEATHER: Fine

RACE 1: NICK KARASOULOS GIFT MAIDEN PLATE - 2000 Metres

EROKI (E. Annells) - rider stated that the gelding, after being pressured in the lead, compounded in the straight and changed stride on a number of occasions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ICHIBANSAN (J. Holder) - jumped the crossing at the 1800 metres and became unbalanced.

MILITARY PRESS (K. Crowther) - shifted out near the 500 metres when insufficiently clear of ROBE RAIDER, which had to be steadied. Rider severely reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding and advised to ensure she is fully clear when shifting ground.

ANTONELLA (B. Price) - made the home turn awkwardly.

ROBE RAIDER (P. Gatt) - Stewards permitted P. Gatt to ride the gelding 0.5 kg over its declared weight of 54.5 kg. Had to be steadied at the 500 metres when MILITARY PRESS shifted out when insufficiently clear. 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 P. Gatt and noted that he used it on three occasions over the final 100 metres of the event.

RACE 2: MULCH 'N' MORE BENCHMARK 62 HANDICAP - 1800 Metres

MOSCOW MULE (A. Jordsjo) - rider stated that, in her opinion, the gelding may not have backed up from its unplaced effort at Morphettville on Saturday, 27 November 2021. She added that although she travelled wide throughout MOSCOW MULE did not finish off its race when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

GETOUTTHEWAY (R. Hurdle) - leaving the 1700 metres, laid in, struck the heels of FIGHTER and blundered, resulting in the rider becoming unbalanced. Over-raced throughout the middle stages. Laid in under pressure in the straight. Laid in over the concluding stages and brushed IMPULSE DIAVOLO.

IMPULSE DIAVOLO (E. Boyd) - near the 350 metres had to be steadied off the heels of MOSCOW MULE and shifted to the outside of that runner to continue into clear running. Laid out over the concluding stages and brushed GETOUTTHEWAY.



RACE 3: RIDLEY'S EARTHMOVING & PLUMBING MAIDEN PLATE - 900 Metres

ADVENTURE WORLD (GER) (J. Holder) - laid in throughout the event. Raced greenly in the straight and shifted ground out over the concluding stages.

BR'ER RABBIT (K. Zechner) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted in at the start.

EXTREMELY LUCKY (A. Jordsjo) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

VEZERE RIVER (K. Crowther) - slow to begin.

RUBY'S SECRET (S. Metcalfe) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted in.

STREETWIZE SUZIE (D. Tourneur) - hung out throughout the event. Rider was reminded of his obligations under AR131(b) to ride his mount out fully to the finish.

REDWINELOVER (B. Price) - jumped away awkwardly. Approaching the 800 metres, had to be checked away from the heels of RICH FEELINGS, which shifted in when insufficiently clear. Hung out rounding the home turn and raced greenly in the straight.

RICH FEELINGS (E. Wong) - Shifted in approaching the 800 metres when insufficiently clear of REDWINELOVER which had to be checked. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) for permitting his mount to shift in and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence midnight Sunday, 5 December 2021 and to conclude midnight Saturday, 11 December 21, a period of 3 meetings. In determining penalty, Stewards took into account E. Wong's good record and his guilty plea. Laid in under pressure in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to have sustained abrasions to the near hind cannon and hock. Rider explained that his mount travelled well in the lead throughout the event; however, commenced to weaken from approaching the 100 metres and was not comfortable in its action.

SQUEAKY GATE (E. Finnegan) - refused to proceed to the barriers. Late scratching by order of the Stewards at 2:44 pm. Trainer, Ms K. Byrnes, was advised the filly must perform to the Stewards' satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start.

RACE 4: MURRAY BRIDGE GOLF CLUB STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres

KEETTOM (E. Boyd) - jumped away awkwardly and shortly after was severely checked when tightened between SKELLIG LASS, which shifted in, and REALITY CHECK, which shifted out slightly. Commenced to over race in the early stages and near the 1000 metres when being steadied off the heels of REALITY CHECK, was allowed to stride forward by its rider and circle the field. Hung out rounding the home turn in the straight.

CARRY ON FLYING (R. Hurdle) - bumped on jumping away when MISCHIEVOUS TYCOON shifted out.

KUNG FU FIGHTING (NZ) (B. Vorster) - raced keenly in the early stages.

OSIRIS REX (B. Price) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was found to be lame in the off hind leg. Acting on this advice, Stewards withdrew ORISIS REX at 3:24 pm. Trainer, Mr J. Cannon, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

QUICK RETURN (P. Gatt) - rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(6)(b) in that he used his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height on three occasions over the concluding stages and was fined \$100. Rider also 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 fined \$200. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by P. Gatt and noted that he used it on eight occasions over the final 100 metres of the event.

REALITY CHECK (D. Tourneur) - shifted out on jumping away. Over raced in the early and middle stages.



RACE 4: MURRAY BRIDGE GOLF CLUB STAFF CHRISTMAS PARTY MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres (cont'd)

MISCHIEVOUS TYCOON (J. Potter) - shifted out and bumped CARRY ON FLYING on jumping away. Held up in the early part of the straight and near the 250 metres and was disappointed for a run between CALL IT A HUNCH and EARL OF SANDWICH, before shifting to the outside of CALL IT A HUNCH near the 100 metres to continue into clear running. Obligated to be steadied off the heels of QUICK RETURN near the 50 metres and shifted back to the inside of CALL IT A HUNCH to continue into clear running and could not be fully tested to the finish.

SKELLIG LASS (J. Maund) - shifted in slightly on jumping away. Weakened badly in the straight. Following the event, the filly collapsed and died in the wash bay area. A veterinary examination revealed very pale mucous membranes indicative of severe internal haemorrhage. A post-mortem sample was taken for analysis.

RACE 5: BELL IMPERIAL CABINETS BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

SANDSATION (B. Price) - laid out rounding the home turn.

WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ) (B. Vorster) - fractious in the barriers. Just prior to the start being effected the gelding lunged towards the barriers; however was subsequently slow to begin. Shifted out around the heels of EXALTED GOLD passing the 200 metres when insufficiently clear of GREY VITALITY, which had to be checked. Rider was severely reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding.

GOLDEN RIPPLES (C. Murray) - shifted in slightly under pressure when passing the 200 metres and not clear of GREY VITALITY. Rider was reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding and was advised that in future he would be required to stop riding and straighten sooner than he did on this occasion. Rider was also reminded of his obligations in relation to the use of his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height.

GREY VITALITY (E. Wong) - had to be checked approaching the 200 metres when tightened between WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ), which shifted out around the heels of EXALTED GOLD to improve and GOLDEN RIPPLES, which shifted in slightly. Approaching the 100 metres, shifted into a run where there was insufficient room between WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ) and GOLDEN RIPPLES and as a result had to be checked when WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ) shifted out slightly away from EXALTED GOLD. Rider was reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding and advised that he should show greater judgement when attempting to improve into runs where there is doubtful room.

RACE 6: MURRAY BRIDGE CLUB BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

WHISKEY 'N' WOMEN (E. Boyd) - jumped away awkwardly. Laid in in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Trainer, Mr J. Frew, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

RUBBLE (E. Finnegan) - laid out under pressure over the concluding stages.

WOULDA THOUGHT SO (E. Annells) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination at the barriers and passed fit to start.

RACE 7: SPRYCRETE CHRISTMAS CUP CLASS 2 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

CHILL WITH TEEJAY (B. Price) - 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 B. Price and noted that he used it on three occasions over the final 100 metres of the event.

INDIAN GAZELLE (E. Wong) - laid out under pressure over the concluding stages.

VANCITY GEM (B. Vorster) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out at the start. Laid out rounding the home turn and was then held up for a short distance at the entrance to the straight.

GRIMESY (J. Potter) - held up for a short distance approaching the 300 metres.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):

- Race 1 - ICHIBANSAN (winner)
 Race 2 - FIGHTER (winner)
 Race 3 - EXTREMELY LUCKY (winner)
 Race 4 - SKELLIG LASS (post-mortem), KUNG FU FIGHTING (winner)
 Race 5 - ZEGRESTO (winner)
 Race 6 - RUBBLE (winner)
 Race 7 - INDIAN GAZELLE (winner)
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SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 4 - P. Gatt - Fined \$100 - AR132(6)(b) - Use of his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height. Race 4 - P. Gatt - Fined \$200 - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+3].
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 1 - K. Crowther (MILITARY PRESS) - AR131(a) - Careless riding. Race 5 - B. Vorster (WOUNDED SOLDIER (NZ)) - AR131(a) - Careless riding
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 - P. Gatt (ROBE RAIDER) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+3]. Race 5 - C. Murray (GOLDEN RIPPLES) - AR131(a) - Careless riding. Race 5 - E. Wong (GREY VITALITY) - AR131(a) - Careless riding. Race 7 - B. Price (CHILL WITH TEEJAY) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+3].
SUSPENSIONS	Race 3 - E. Wong (RICH FEELINGS) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding - From midnight 5/12/21 and to conclude at midnight 11/12/21 - 3 meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 3 - SQUEAKY GATE - Not to race - Must perform satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial - Pre-race behaviour. Race 4 - OSIRIS REX - Not to race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race - Lameness off hind leg. Race 6 - WHISKEY 'N' WOMEN - Not to race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race - Lameness off foreleg.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil