## Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Saturday, 14 January 2023



<u>Stewards:</u>	P. Ryan (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (F) & M. Zarb (HT) (Stewards), B. Jarman, K. Rayson & H. Matthews (Cadet Stewards) K. Santoro & M. Arthur (Deputy Stewards),
	Dr T. Koenig & Dr B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Good 4

(Track with some give in it)

- RAIL: Out 3 metres 1000m to winning post, out 3 metres 1200m chute, true remainder.
- WEATHER: Hot

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Due to the forecasted hot weather for this meeting the Racing SA Hot Weather Policy was implemented prior to the first race.

RACE 1: 2023 MAGIC MILLIONS CLASSIC - 4TH MARCH THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 Metres

The start of this event was rescheduled to 3.22 pm due to scheduling issues. The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes.

CAPTAIN JOOLIAN (K. Crowther) – after being loaded in the barriers became fractious and cast. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was deemed unsuitable to race. Acting on this advice Stewards declared CAPTAIN JOOLIAN a late scratching at 3.24 pm. Trainer, Mr D. Dodson, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance was required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start. Mr Dodson was further advised that the gelding would be required to trial to the Stewards' satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start.

FOX DUNNETT (R. Hurdle) - raced greenly under pressure in the straight.

GOLD BRAID (J. Potter) – raced greenly and wide throughout the event. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

JUSTICA'S BONUS (A. Livesey) - slow to begin. Rider explained that the gelding laid in under pressure in the straight.

MAINBAR (J. Eaton) – near the 200m had to be steadied to avoid the heels of MISS ELLAROSE, after being brushed and taken in by JUSTICA'S BONUS.

LADY WAIRUA (NZ) (S. Callow) - lost its near fore plate during the event.

WANDJINA GAL (J. Holder) – shortly after the start had to be steadied when tightened for room between LUCIA MARIA, which shifted in slightly, and LADY WAIRUA (NZ), which shifted out slightly.



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## RACE 2: MEMBERS TAB COMPETITION ENTER NOW HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

The start of this event was rescheduled to 4.08 pm due to scheduling issues.

HALLOWED GROUND (L. Neindorf) – as the start was effected made contact with its inside barrier resulting in its gates opening marginally before the rest of the field. A post-race veterinary examination revealed that the gelding had traces of blood in a near side nostril, which in the Veterinary Surgeon's opinion was due to external trauma.

DANISH FORTUNE (J. Eaton) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

JIMMY DA DOZER (S. Fawke) - gave ground quickly over the concluding stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

YARDSTICK (K. Crowther) - held up from near the 400m until the 300m

Correct weight for this event was delayed to allow jockeys L. Neindorf (HALLOWED GROUND) and K. Crowther (YARDSTICK), Mr D. Jolly, trainer of HALLOWED GROUND), and the starter, Mr S. Pearson, to view the vision of the start. After doing so L. Neindorf and K. Crowther put submissions to the Stewards that their horses had been denied fair starts and should be declared non-runners. After considering the evidence from both jockeys, Mr D. Jolly and the Starter, acting on their own observations and viewing the vision Stewards deemed that neither horse had been denied a fair start and declared correct weight in accordance with AR204.

Subsequent to the running of Race 2 tumbleweeds built up along a 300m section of the cyclone fencing around the track from the 600m to near the 300m. Due to high winds tumbleweeds continued to build up and cross the track. Taking the conditions into account Stewards indefinitely delayed the running of Race 3 while numerous attempts were made to clear the tumbleweeds, which continued to build up and make their way onto the track from an adjoining paddock. After significant failed attempts to clear the tumbleweeds or stop them from entering the racing surface, and on checking with the Bureau of Meteorology, which indicated that high winds would continue from the same directions for some time into the evening the decision was made to postpone the meeting to a date and time to be confirmed 5.30 pm.

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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 1 - CAPTAIN JOOLIAN, JUSTICA'S BONUS, LADY WAIRUA (NZ).

Race 2 - DANISH FORTUNE, YARDSTICK.

Race 3 - AMMO AMOR.

Race 4 - SMUGGLING, BOSS LADY ROCKS.

Race 5 - SASKATOON, THE MAP, LACRIMA, HAMSLETTE.

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ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (2):

Race 1 – JUSTICA'S BONUS (winner) Race 2 – GRAND HOST (winner)

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SUMMARY			
FINES	Nil		
SEVERE	Nil		
REPRIMANDS			
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SUSPENSIONS	Nil		

SUMMARY (cont'd)			
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 - CAPTAIN JOOLIAN - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Late scratching. Race 1 - CAPTAIN JOOLIAN - Suspended - Must complete an Official Barrier Trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to a future race start - Fractious in barrier.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil		

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