

# Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Mount Gambier  
Racecourse by the Mount Gambier Racing Club on  
Wednesday, 22 February 2023



RACINGSAA

Stewards: S. Callanan (A/Chairman), & M. Zarb (HT) (Stewards), B. Jarman (Cadet Steward)  
D. Holland (F) & L. Murch (Deputy Stewards), Dr D. Goulding (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Good 4 (Track with some give in it)  
Upgraded to Good 3 at 1.55pm (Track with good grass coverage and cushion)

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	HIS NAME IS STEVE	J. Eaton	J. Maund	Not riding at meeting
1	LET'S RULE	L. Williams	H. Grace	Overweight
5	LOAD AND GO	J. Eaton	J. Maund	Not riding at meeting
7	DUKE OF ANJOU	"	S. Logan	"

RACE 1: SE VOICE NEWSPAPER MAIDEN PLATE - 1550 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

HIS NAME IS STEVE (J. Maund) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course as it had not raced in over twelve months and was deemed suitable to race. Rider ceased riding from the 200m and pulled the gelding up over the line. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg (4/5). First aid administered. Trainer, Mr S. McIntyre, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

LET'S RULE (H. Grace) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course as it had not raced in over twelve months and was deemed suitable to race. Jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

WONGA FLYER (D. Tourneur) - raced wide without cover from the 1000m. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

IBUTHO (T. Pannell) - making the turn near the 250m was inconvenienced when tightened onto GO NOW as POORME ASHOT rolled out.

GLINT OF LIGHT (J. Kennedy) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped SHAMELESS IMAGE. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

POORME ASHOT (T. Voorham) - making the turn near the 250m rolled out and inconvenienced IBUTHO.

SHAMELESS IMAGE (C. Murray) - on jumping away bumped GLINT OF LIGHT, which shifted out.



RACE 2: BENARA PASTORAL MAIDEN PLATE - 900 Metres

CROWN RICHES (S. Payne) - jumped away awkwardly and as a result was slow into stride.

FULL OF DASH (NZ) (K. Walters) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out. Inside the 100m rider dropped her whip.

AJNA CHAKRA (J. Opperman) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to race. On jumping away lost its position when tightened onto MR MERCEDES as FULL OF DASH (NZ) shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

CASSANDRA ISABEL (T. Voorham) - rider reported that the mare jumped away awkwardly and as a result was slightly slow to begin, and therefore she was obliged to settle two pairs further back than she had intended.

FINE THINGS (D. Tourneur) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ROYAL FOXTROT (S. Logan) - slow to begin. Rider reported that the mare raced greenly throughout the event.

RACE 3: NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 900 Metres

CADBOLL (J. Kennedy) - jumped away awkwardly. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

DESERT SPIRIT (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly.

NUDGE 'EM ALONG (K. Walters) - approaching the 600m shifted in when insufficiently clear of OAMARU POPPY, which was obliged to be steadied when tightened onto GLENFERRIE GIRL. Rider was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) and suspended from riding in races for a period to commence midnight Saturday, 25 February 2023 to conclude midnight Friday, 3 March 2023, a period of three meetings.

HIBBITY DIBBITY (K. Crowther) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

OAMARU POPPY (J. Maund) - approaching the 600m was obliged to be steadied when tightened onto GLENFERRIE GIRL as NUDGE 'EM ALONG shifted in when insufficiently clear.

RACE 4: LIVING TURF CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

MISS REMSKI (C. Murray) - over-raced in the early and middle stages. Hung out under pressure in the straight and proved difficult to ride out in his normal manner. Trainer, Mr P. Hardacre, was advised that a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its racing manners.

HASTA LA PRINCE (J. Opperman) - slow to begin.

GETONIT (S. Metcalfe) - slow to begin.

RACE 5: CARLTON DRAUGHT BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

GRAND HOST (A. Jordsjo) - difficulty obtaining clear ground from the 400m until approaching the 200m when racing between CORK HARBOUR and STAR JAN. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SOOBMERGED (D. Tourneur) - shortly after the start was restrained, got its head up and over-raced throughout the event. Rider explained that his instructions were to attempt to gain cover on the gelding. He added that he was able to comply with the instructions; however, SOOBMERGED raced in a strong manner. Trainer, Mrs B. O'Loughlin, confirmed the instruction provided to D. Tourneur, and she further added that this was an attempt to allow SOOBMERGED to settle as it over-raced at its last start.





RACE 5: CARLTON DRAUGHT BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres (cont'd)

VIVACIOUS AWARD (K. Crowther) - on jumping away lost its position when tightened onto GRAND HOST as CORK HARBOUR shifted in.

CORK HARBOUR (B. Price) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted in onto VIVACIOUS AWARD. Rider reported that the gelding did not feel comfortable in its action over the concluding stages of the event, and for this reason he did not ride CORK HARBOUR out in his normal manner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BUNUMBURT (S. Metcalfe) - shortly after the start was inconvenienced when awkwardly placed between the heels of LOAD AND GO and SOOBMERGED.

RACE 6: SCOTT GROUP OF COMPANIES MOUNT GAMBIER GOLD CUP FRIDAY 31 MARCH  
BENCHMARK 70 HANDICAP - 1800 Metres

FRANKEL STAR (E. Wong) - 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 100m and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight Saturday, 25 February 2023 and to conclude at midnight on Saturday, 4 March 2023, a period of four meetings. Additionally E. Wong was fined the sum of \$500.

RIOTOUS MISCHIEF (T. Pannell) - rider could offer no explanation in relation to the mare's performance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

EAGLES FOREVER (T. Voorham) - slow to begin approximately three to four lengths. Near the 250m rolled out onto BASSONS. Rider reported that the gelding was awkward to begin and as a result slow, and in her opinion resented racing with the cross-over noseband.

SESAR (B. Price) - trainer, Mr D. Saxon, made a submission to Stewards that the gelding be a late scratching due to the track upgrade. Stewards acceded to this request and declared SESAR a late scratching at 3.15pm.

BASSONS (S. Metcalfe) - near the 250m raced in restricted room for a short distance when racing between RIOTOUS MISCHIEF and HEIR OF TAVISTOCK (NZ), which rolled out, and was obliged to shift in in an attempt to gain clear ground.

RACE 7: TAB BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1550 Metres

RECREANT (K. Crowther) - raced wide without cover in the early stages and was allowed to stride forward to settle in the lead.

PICK ME (S. Metcalfe) - when questioned in relation to the settling position in the event rider explained that at its first start the gelding was very slow to begin, and first up this preparation, its second career start, it had drawn a wide barrier and from that starting position she had elected to restrain her mount and race at the rear of the field. She added that she had a favourable barrier in today's event, and after encouraging the gelding out of the barrier and in the early stages she was able to obtain a more forward position.

DUKE OF ANJOU (S. Logan) - knocked its head whilst being unloaded from the horse transport. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and found to have a laceration to the poll and deemed unsuitable to race. Acting on this advice Stewards declared DUKE OF ANJOU a late scratching at 2.35pm. Trainer, Ms S. Murphy, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

REBELLIOUS LORD (B. Wong) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

-----

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (5):

Race 2 - MISTER HENDERSHOT (winner)  
Race 3 - NUDGE 'EM ALONG (winner)  
Race 5 - ROHLON DRUNK (winner)  
Race 6 - FABALOT (GER) (winner)  
Race 7 - CARAK (winner)

-----

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 6 - E. Wong (FRANKEL STAR) - Fined \$500 - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+9].
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 - L. Williams (LET'S RULE) - AR190(3) - Overweight and having to be replaced on LET'S RULE.
SUSPENSIONS	Race 3 - K. Walters (NUDGE 'EM ALONG) - AR131(a) - Careless riding - From midnight 25/02/23 to midnight 03/03/23 - 3 meetings. Race 6 - E. Wong (FRANKEL STAR) - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip Offence [+9] - From midnight 25/02/23 to midnight 04/03/23 - Four meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 - HIS NAME IS STEVE - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness near foreleg (4/5). Race 4 - MISS REMSKI - Warned - Racing manners - Hung out. Race 7 - DUKE OF ANJOU - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Laceration to poll (late scratching).
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil