Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Wednesday, 20 September 2023



<u>Stewards Panel:</u> P. Ryan (A/Chairman), M. Zarb (HT) & B. Jarman (F) <u>Deputy Stewards:</u> M. Arthur, S. Kotz & C. Benson. <u>Veterinary Surgeons:</u> Dr B. Agnew.

TRACK: Good 4

(Track with some give in it)

RAIL: Out 2 metres 8500m to 450m, true remainder.

<u>WEATHER</u>: Overcast and showers

RIDER CHANGES:

| Race | Horse | Rider | Replaced By | Reason |
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| 4 | BARBADSON | A. Livesey | | Late declaration – explanation accepted |
| 6 | TESTA DEXTA | S. Payne | C. Murray | Overweight |

RACE 1: THE SHIRAZ SPRINT RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1100 Metres

BRAZANO (J. Potter) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

REALTIN (C. Tootell) – near the 300m raced in restricted room to the inside of ROMMEL'S COMMAND, which was racing in restricted room to the inside of KUSHAN KHANIVALE. Near the 150m was obliged to alter course to the outside of VIVA LA VIDA to obtain clear running. Near the 50m, when shifting out, had to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of HAYZEE FANTAYZEE.

ROMMEL'S COMMAND (S. Logan) – near the 300m raced in restricted room to the inside of KUSHAN KHANIVALE.

VALHALLA FELLA (S. Metcalfe) – slow to begin. Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 2: ONE FOR THE LADIES MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 Metres

DARE TO BE FREE (B. Wong) - rider reported that the mare raced greenly throughout the event.

FEISTY FIREFLY (C. Tootell) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

LIPS DON'T LIE (K. Crowther) – hung in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult for the rider to ride out in her usual manner. Rider could offer no explanation for the mare's performance in today's event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SPEC RAIDER (L. Neindorf) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

STAR STUDDED BELLE (D. Caboche) - slow to begin.

RACE 2: ONE FOR THE LADIES MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 Metres (cont'd)

SUPERIOR SAM (NZ) (B. Price) - held up and was unable to improve for a short distance near the 300m. Had to be steadied off the heels of LEGGY PEGGY when improving near the 200m. Had to be steadied over the concluding stages when awkwardly placed on the heels of LEGGY PEGGY. Rider could offer no explanation for the mare's performance in today's event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DEVIL'S DEXTER (A. Livesey) - rider reported that the filly over-raced in the early stages and raced greenly throughout the event. Near the 1000m, when over racing, raced in restricted room between STAR STUDDED BELLE and OUR HOST. As a result DEVIL'S DEXTER became unbalanced.

DIAMONDS CHOICE (C. Jones) - raced keenly in the early stages.

RUBY RIVER (S. Tomlinson) - struck a rail in the mounting yard. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to start.

RACE 3: THE SHAREHOLDERS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 Metres

NAMADJI (C. Murray) – held up for a short distance near the 300m when unable to obtain clear running. Near the 100m laid in under pressure before being straightened by its rider. Laid in pressure in the straight.

CHENIAH (C. Tootell) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near foreleg (3/5). Trainer, Ms M. Potts, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

CITYOFCHURCHES (F. Atkinson) - slow to begin.

HI BABY FACE (A. Lindsay) - dislodged its rider in the mounting yard before the event. A. Lindsay was examined by the First Care Medical personnel and passed fit to fulfil her engagement.

LONGER ROUTE (K. Crowther) – fractious in the barrier after being loaded. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was deemed unsuitable to race. Acting on this advice Stewards declared LONGER ROUTE a late scratching at 2.33 pm. Trainer, Mr M. Huxtable, was advised that the gelding would now be required to prove tractable in the barriers at either an Official Barrier Trial or an Approval to Race Jump-out prior to a future race start.

SUGAR WITH THAT (E. Finnegan) – near the 100m had to be steadied when tightened by NAMADJI, which laid in before being straightened by its rider.

BE BRAVE (B. Price) - slow to begin. Over-raced in the middle stages of the event.

Correct weight for this event was delayed to allow H. Edgley (LITTLE CHICAGO) placed second, to view the official vision in the straight.

RACE 4: WINEGRAPES GROWERS CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

AIKHAL (NZ) (R. Milnes) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

FANTASTIC HOST (S. Payne) – rider explained that the gelding raced flat and did not respond to his riding when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DISSMATIC (NZ) (C. Tootell) - slow to begin.

HA SHE (R. Hurdle) - change of tactics - attempt to lead - led. Rider was reminded of his obligation under AR131(b) to ride his mounts out to the end of the race.

LIGHTS OF BROADWAY (J. Holder) – near the 300m was hampered and had to be steadied when awkwardly place near the heels of AIKHAL (NZ), which shifted out slightly.

BRAZEN EAGLE (J. Maund) - over-raced in the early stages of the event.

RACE 4: WINEGRAPES GROWERS CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (cont'd)

BARBADSON (A. Livesey) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

RACE 5: THE GRENACHE GALLOP BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 2050 Metres

MANZALA (H. Ingram) – over-raced in the early stages of the event, and approaching the winning post on the first occasions, when over-racing, hung out before being straightened by its rider.

SHADOW HAWK (NZ) (J. Holder) – rider reported that the gelding did not quicken when placed under pressure and in his opinion was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

CHARTIN (NZ) (K. Hannan) - lost its near fore plate during the event.

WRISTBAND (M. Collett) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

WHITCHETY GRUB (S. Fawke) – after passing the winning post on the first occasions had to be steadied to avoid the heels of MANZALA, which shifted out when over-racing.

AMERICAN TROUBLE (D. Tourneur) - raced wide without cover from the 1000m for the remainder of the event.

MYSTIC KNOT (K. Crowther) – hung in, in the straight and proved difficult for its rider to ride out in her normal manner, and as a result the rider lost the use of her off side rein over the concluding stages of the event.

WARRANDYTE ROAD (A. Livesey) – over-raced in the early stages of the event. Held up for a short distance passing the 300m before shifting to the inside of MANZALA to obtain clear running.

BAY OF ANGELS (C. Tootell) – raced wide without cover throughout the event. Raced greenly and laid in under pressure in the straight.

RACE 6: CHRIS MCDONALD MEMORIAL BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

MUNSTER (NZ) (H. Ingram) – change of tactic – attempt to settle more forward – settled behind the leaders.

DASKULYA (H. Yuen) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

THE DIFFERENCE (R. Milnes) - slow to begin.

TESTA DEXTA (C. Murray) – rider could offer no explanation for the gelding's performance. He stated that when placed under the gelding did not respond to his riding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off hind leg (2/5). Co-trainers, Mr J. Hickmott and Ms C. Riggs, were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

WHENTHEDEELINGSDUN (S. Logan) – rider reported that the mare was extremely disappointing, but could offer no other explanation for its poor performance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near foreleg (2/5). Trainer, Mr D. Jolly, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

PRETENTIOUS LASS (A. Livesey) – held up for clear running and unable to improve from near the 600m until near the 200m.

MEDAL QUEST (T. Voorham) - held up for clear running from near the 400m until near the 200m.



TWICE FORGOTTEN (D. Caboche) – Stewards permitted D. Caboche to ride the mare 0.5kg over its allocated weight of 54.0kg.

RACE 7: THE CABERNET PURSUIT BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1350 Metres

MCCAIN (H. Ingram) - began awkwardly. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

SO YOU CAN (C. Jones) – over-raced in the early stages of the event. Rider was reminded of her obligations under AR131(b) to ride her mounts out to the end of the race.

DUAL FUEL (NZ) (M. Collett) - rider reported that the mare laid in under pressure in the straight.

BLOOD SWEAT TEARS (C. Murray) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

CELESTIAL ILLUSION (R. Milnes) - following the declaration of acceptances Trainer, Ms L. Faust, made a gear application to remove blinkers, a tongue-tie and cross-over noseband from the gelding's race gear and add a tongue control bit. Stewards acceded to this request.

JUST JAZZ (S. Logan) - hung out from the 700m for the remainder of the event.

SCOTTISH SOLDIER (T. Voorham) - slow to begin.

POUVOIR DE SOIE (A. Livesey) - slow to begin.

NANA DULCE (D. Tourneur) - slow to begin.

DR COPPER (D. Caboche) – Stewards permitted D. Caboche to ride the gelding 0.5kg over its allocated weight of 54.0kg.

GOGOLF GURU (J. Holder) - slow to begin.

PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (1):

Blood samples were taken from the following horses for, but not limited to, TCO₂ purposes:

Race 6 - THE DIFFERENCE.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (7): Race 1 - BRAZANO (winner) Race 2 - DIAMONDS CHOICE (winner) Race 3 - BE BRAVE (winner) Race 4 - BRAZEN EAGLE (winner)

Race 5 - LOVE FROM LUCY (winner) Race 6 - MY MALOO (winner) Race 7 - BIT OF A REBEL (winner)

| SUMMARY | | | |
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| FINES | S. Payne – Fined \$100 – AR190(3) – Overweight and had to be replaced on TESTA DEXTA (Race 6). | | |
| SEVERE REPRIMANDS | Nil | | |
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| SUSPENSIONS | Nil | | |
| HORSE ACTIONS | Race 3 - CHENIAH - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lame near foreleg (3/5). Race 3 - LONGER ROUTE - Suspended - Must prove tractable in the barriers in either an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race Jump- out prior to a future race start - Fractious in the barrier. Race 6 - TESTA DEXTA - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lame off hind leg (2/5). Race 6 - WHENTHEDEELINGSDUN - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lame near foreleg (2/5). | | |
| ADJOURNED INQUIRIES | Nil | | |

