Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Friday, 2 February 2024



Stewards Panel: S. Callanan (A/Chairman), C. Deakin (HT) & L. Murch (F)

Deputy Stewards: M. Arthur, K. Santoro & A. Turner

Veterinary Surgeon: Dr B. Agnew

TRACK: Good 4 (Track with some give in it)

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Overcast

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	MOONLIGHT HALO	C. Murray	J. Opperman	Dual engagement – explanation accepted
3	DAY FOR IT (NZ)	R. Milnes		Emergency - notified
4	FORAOISE	A. Livesey		""
5	QUALIS	K. Hannan	S. Payne	Indisposed
6	WARRANDYTE ROAD	S. Logan		Emergency - notified

RACE 1: DAISH IRRIGATION & FODDER MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

ICONIC MISSILE (T. Pannell) - slow into stride.

PRODIGAL LAD (J. Toeroek) - rider explained that his instructions were to be neutral on the gelding out of the barriers. He added that after beginning well and making an early assessment of the formation of the field he elected to permit his mount to stride forward and take up a position in the lead. He stated that it was not his intention to lead in the event.

LIFT THE BAR (A. Livesey) - required farrier attention to its off hind plate prior to entering the mounting yard. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to race. Raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

MOONLIGHT HALO (J. Opperman) - difficult to load into the barriers. Trainer, Ms R. Day was advised that a warning had been placed on the mare in relation to its barrier manners. Slow to begin.

ZEBELIANA (NZ) (J. Eaton) - raced keenly in the middle stages when being restrained.

CARDIO (D. Caboche) - on jumping away bumped with BIG OL' RIG. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

RACE 1: DAISH IRRIGATION & FODDER MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 Metres (cont'd)

BIG OL' RIG (C. Murray) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped CARDIO. Raced keenly in the middle stages.

RACE 2: SPORTSBET BET WITH MATES CLASS ONE PLATE - 2050 Metres

SUPER VALENTINE (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped SAM'S REWARD. Raced very ungenerous and got its head up on a number of occasions when being restrained in the early and middle stages. Hung in under pressure in the straight and proved difficult for its rider to ride out in his normal manner. Approaching the finish rider dropped his off side rein and did not re-gather it prior to crossing the line. Rider explained in relation to the gelding's performance that he had no specific instructions and after jumping away fairly SUPER VALENTINE was reluctant to stride out despite his efforts given this he was obliged to settle further back then he intended. He added that after other runners had crossed him in the early stages, his mount commenced to over race and got its head up and raced ungenerously. He stated that SUPER VALENTINE does have a sensitive mouth and can be difficult when attempting to restrain. In his view the gelding was not suited to the slow pace in the event. He further added when he asked his mount to improve around the field from the 600m SUPER VALENTINE responded to his riding and at the entrance to the straight he was travelling very well; however, the gelding hung in under pressure and was difficult to ride out in his normal manner. Co-trainer, Mr N. Taylor confirmed that there was no specific instructions provided. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DISTANT LOVER (S. Metcalfe) - raced wide in the early stages. Near the 1400m was permitted to stride forward and near the 1000m crossed to take up the lead.

KEMI (J. Eaton) - slow to begin.

SAM'S REWARD (J. Potter) - on jumping away bumped with SUPER VALENTINE, which shifted out.

COLOUR ME GONE (S. Fawke) - slow to begin.

GO FORMAL (C. Munro) - slow to begin. Raced wide and without cover from the 1000m.

RACE 3: NOSTRADAMUS STANDING AT SPRINGFIELD FARM CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately one minute.

DUBAI NIGHTS (J. Toeroek) - prior to being loaded the tongue tie had to be adjusted. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg (2/5). Co-Trainer, Mr R. Daniel was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

LAVA LAD (S. Payne) - on jumping away was inconvenienced as DAY FOR IT (NZ) shifted out. Inside the 1000m shifted in onto DAY FOR IT (NZ), which was momentarily steadied. Rider was reminded of his obligations under AR131(a) and advised to take greater care in future. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MEDAL QUEST (S. Metcalfe) - raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

DAY FOR IT (NZ) (R. Milnes) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and inconvenienced LAVA LAD. Inside the 1000m was momentarily steadied as LAVA LAD shifted in.

RACE 4: DRINKS AT THE COMMERCIAL AFTER THE LAST RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

ADELAIDE'S DIAMOND (S. Fawke) - jumped away awkwardly and was slow into stride. Rider reported that the gelding was one paced. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding exhibited signs of tachycardia. First aid administered. Trainer, Mr G. Lynch was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

RACE 4: DRINKS AT THE COMMERCIAL AFTER THE LAST RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (cont'd)

DIFFLIN COUNTY (D. Caboche) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to race. Jumped away awkwardly and bumped with AXECAPITAL (NZ), which shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RED SEQUOIA (J. Holder) – rider explained in relation to gelding's performance that he settled further back in the event than he would have liked. He added that the gelding travelled well in the early and middle stages; however, when asked to improve near the 500m and coming up the hill, RED SEQUOIA seemed to hit a flat spot and commence to labour; however, after balancing up and straightening for home, his mount finished the event off well. He stated that RED SEQUOIA would benefit from the run and the step up in distance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

FIAMETTE (N. Seymour) - rider was reminded of his obligations under AR131(b) and advised to ensure he rides his mounts out fully to the finish.

AXECAPITAL (NZ) (R. Milnes) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped DIFFLIN COUNTY.

SIRMAZE (A. Lai) - raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

FORAOISE (A. Livesey) – on request of its rider at arrival at the barriers, underwent a pre-race veterinary examination which revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg (2/5). Acting on this advice Stewards withdrew FORAOISE at 3.17pm. Co-trainer, Ms K. Bishop was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

INDIAN MO (J. Doyle) - raced keenly in the early stages when being restrained. Near the 200m was disappointed when attempting a tight run to the inside of ADELAIDE'S DIAMOND and was inconvenienced.

RACE 5: ELDERS GOOLWA FOR ALL YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS RATING 0 - 58 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

CANIDAE (N. Seymour) - the tongue tie was required to be re-adjusted on arrival at the barriers. The stable was spoken to in relation to their application of tongue ties. On jumping away bumped with QUALIS. Approaching the 100m dipped.

CLUB PUNTER (C. Murray) – approaching the finish raced in restricted room between LEON'S SHOUT and LASTAR, which both shifted ground slightly.

QUALIS (S. Payne) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped CANIDAE. Rider reported that the gelding hung out in the straight.

ROULETTE QUEEN (NZ) (J. Eaton) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped GARRIRE. Rider reported that the mare hung out throughout the event.

GARRIRE (I. Lam) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped ROULETTE QUEEN (NZ). Hung out rounding the home turn and at the entrance to the straight shifted out taking OAKFIELD GERONIMO wider.

DASH IT (C. Munro) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to race. Slow into stride. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

OAKFIELD GERONIMO (S. Metcalfe) – rounding the home turn was taken wider by GARRIRE, which shifted out. Rider reported that after being taken wider rounding the home turn by GARRIRE and for a short distance after the entrance to the straight, the bit had pulled through the gelding's mouth and therefore was a detriment to its chances and her ability to ride OAKFIELD GERONIMO out in the straight.

CHOMEUR (Z. Lloyd) - slow to begin.

RACE 5: ELDERS GOOLWA FOR ALL YOUR REAL ESTATE NEEDS RATING 0 - 58 HANDICAP -1200 Metres (cont'd)

BELLA SOO (J. Doyle) - jumped away awkwardly.

RACE 6: NORTH EAST AUTO WHOLESALE STRATHALBYN CUP - 2050 Metres

MONTIGN (M. Collett) - jumped away awkwardly. Rider reported that gelding raced keenly in early stages.

TEST THE LAW (J. Opperman) - over raced in the early and middle stages and was inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

MORTY (K. Crowther) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

DON'T DISMISS (S. Metcalfe) - on pulling up rider dismounted as she had concerns with gelding's action and therefore was unable to return to scale. Acting under AR208(3)(b) Stewards deemed it impractical for S. Metcalfe to weigh in, were comfortably satisfied that DON'T DISMISS had carried the correct weight and therefore declared correct weight for the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg and sprained its near fore super flexor tendon (3/5). Trainer, Mr G. Kluske was advised that a comprehensive veterinary report and Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

ALPINE BEAU (A. Livesey) - slow to begin. Approaching the 400m rolled out and away from BONNIE GANGSTER onto THE ICE CUTTER.

THE ICE CUTTER (D. Tourneur) - over raced in the early and middle stages. Approaching the 400m was obliged to be restrained when racing between CLEVER MAN and ALPINE BEAU, which rolled out.

RACE 7: FLEURIEU COMMUNITY BENDIGO BANK BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1350 Metres

SUPER SHARP (K. Crowther) - Hung in under pressure in the straight and proved very difficult for its rider to ride out in her normal manner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

CHIARO (D. Tourneur) - rider explained in relation to the tactic's adopted in the event that it was his instruction to ride the gelding where comfortable. He added that after jumping away and making an assessment of the field in the early stages, he was of the opinion that it was a solid speed and therefore he elected to gain cover.

SUGGESTIVE MISS (Z. Lloyd) - inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

GENERAL:

Murray Bridge - Friday 26 January 2024

Race 4 - Kilkee Poly Products Colts, Geldings & Entires Maiden Plate - 1200m

COLUMBIAN SPICE - on Monday, 29 January 2024, Trainer, Ms. L. Conlon, advised Stewards that following an inspection of COLUMBIAN SPICE by her stable veterinarian that morning, it was revealed the gelding was lame in all legs and sore across the withers. Ms. Conlon advised it was the stables intention to now spell the gelding.





Race 1 - CARARADA (winner) Race 2 - FIZIQUE (winner) Race 3 - LUCILLE ROSE (winner)

Race 4 - GOGOLF GURU (winner)

Race 5 - LASTAR (winner)
Race 6 - SECOND TO NUN (winner)

Race 7 - MARVELOUS NIGHT (winner)

SUMMARY			
FINES	Nil		
SEVERE	Nil		
REPRIMANDS			
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SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 - MOONLIGHT HALO - Warned - Difficult to load Race 3 - DUBAI NIGHTS - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame near foreleg (2/5) Race 4 - ADELAIDE'S DIAMOND - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to trial or race - Tachycardia Race 4 - FORAOISE - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame near foreleg (2/5) (late scratching) Race 6 - DON'T DISMISS - Not to race - Comprehensive Vet Report and Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame near foreleg and sprained near fore super flexor tendon (3/5)		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	K. Hannan		

