THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Wednesday, 7 September 2011

Stewards: P. Anderson (A/Chairman), J. Petzer (F), M. Santoro (HT) & L. Smith (M)

(Stewards), C. Parks (Deputy Steward) & Dr. P. Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 3 **WEATHER: Overcast**

Rail: True

RACE 1: BETFAIR / SABOIS DISTANCE MAIDEN PLATE - 2050 metres

NEW SONG (G. Davis) jumped away awkwardly.

When the gates were released POWER TO POSSESS (A. Herrmann) shifted out and inconvenienced TWO TIMING (NZ) (C. Lindop), which in turn hampered LIL' PEBBLES (P. Gatt).

Passing the 1600 metres TWO TIMING (NZ) (C. Lindop) commenced to over-race and as a result raced ungenerously for some distance until allowed to stride and go forward racing to the 1200 metres.

Passing the 500 metres NEW SONG (G. Davis) raced up onto the heels of WALCOURT (J. Matthews), had to be checked and lost ground and as a consequence LIL' PEBBLES (P. Gatt) had to be checked and shifted out to avoid the heels of NEW SONG.

NEW SONG was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2: BETFAIR / SABOIS 3YO MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 metres

On arrival at the barriers GRANULATOR was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Acting on this advice, GRANULATOR was withdrawn by Stewards at 1.15 pm. Ms. R. Day, the Trainer of GRANULATOR, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

The start of this race was delayed four minutes owing to the ambulance having to attend a member of the public and also due to the late withdrawal of GRANULATOR.

On jumping away BEAU OF BLUE (B. Hoppo) shifted out and inconvenienced STASIS (A. Herrmann), which in turn hampered THORNY DEVIL (D. Tourneur).

RAVENHURST (J. Maund) raced ungenerously and got its head up in the middle stages of the event.

THORNY DEVIL (D. Tourneur) had a tendency to lay in over the concluding stages of the race and as a result D. Tourneur had to stop riding and straight the gelding.

RACE 3: WELCOME TO CELLARBRATIONS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 metres

After being presented in the mounting enclosure, SPIRITS FLY became very fractious. Mr. D. Jolly, the trainer of SPIRITS FLY, approached the Stewards with respect to the gelding's manners and requested permission to remove the bit lifter, which, in his opinion, was upsetting the horse. The Stewards acceded to that request and the bit lifter on SPIRITS FLY was removed and the gelding raced in a standard bit.

RACE 3: WELCOME TO CELLARBRATIONS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 metres (Cont'd)

STAR DESIRE (T. Baker) was slow to begin.

BOUNTIFUL GODDA (M. Hoppo) shifted out on jumping away brushing PERFECTAMUNDO (J. Maund), which was taken out, brushing BARDZO (H. McKechnie), which in turn hampered ALISIMTO (L. Stojakovic).

Racing to the 400 metres PERFECTAMUNDO (J. Maund) shifted out to improve and as a result inconvenienced ALISIMTO (L. Stojakovic).

Approaching the 300 metres DON'T TELL ACK (D. Tourneur) commenced to improve and was held up on the heels of SPIRITS FLY (J. Potter) and shifted out contacting BOUNTIFUL GODDA (M. Hoppo), which shifted out, making contact with DRAFTED (P. Gatt).

ITALIAN DANZA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

Stewards questioned Mr. F. Meuring, the Trainer of DON'T TELL ACK, regarding the apparent improved performance of the gelding in this race. Mr. Meuring explained the stable always considered the gelding had good ability and it had prior to racing at Gawler, won a trial. He further explained he was of the opinion that DON'T TELL ACK had not handled the heavy track over 1500 metres at Gawler and he felt the improvement was down to the fact that DON'T TELL ACK was racing on its home track and that it had been working well and he had considered that the gelding would race well today but was himself somewhat surprised at it winning the race

RACE 4: BETFAIR MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres

On arrival at the barriers KLONDIKE LIL, which was kicked by another runner, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the mare unfit. Acting on that advice, Stewards withdrew KLONDIKE LIL at 2.20 pm.

MONSTARHIT (T. Pannell) shifted out on jumping away and brushed SPARKLING KRIS (S. Rowley), which was inconvenienced.

KOODA DESTINY (G. Davis) shifted out shortly after the start resulting in LE CHARMANT (L. Stojakovic) shifting out onto MEADOWS MAID (J. Matthews), which laid back in, resulting in those horses contacting for several strides.

Shortly after the start KOODA DESTINY (G. Davis) was hampered and lost its position owing to MEADOWS MAID (J. Matthews) laying in and away from THE VISIONARY (J. Potter).

Inside the 1000 metres LOVITTA (N. Rose) became unbalanced for a few strides when avoiding the heels of THE VISIONARY (J. Potter).

AURABELLE (A. Herrmann) raced wide and greenly throughout the event.

Approaching the home turn KOODA DESTINY (G. Davis) had a tendency to lay out.

RACE 5: BETFAIR CLASS 1 HANDICAP - 1200 metres

BRINKLEY BULLET (A. Herrmann) shifted out on jumping away and bumped PICOBELLO (H. McKechnie).

Shortly after the start CRUZIERO (J. Frew) and JUSTIFY THAT (T. Baker) bumped.

RACE 5: BETFAIR CLASS 1 HANDICAP - 1200 metres (Cont'd)

Racing to the 1100 metres CRUZIERO (J. Frew) shifted out resulting in JUSTIFY THAT (T. Baker), which was racing greenly, being inconvenienced and as a consequence PICOBELLO (H. McKechnie) was hampered and taken wider.

L. Stojakovic, the rider of CHOCOLATE FOX, reported the gelding laid out throughout the event

RACE 6: BETFAIR RATING 0-75 HANDICAP - 1350 metres

ALMOST CHEVAL (J. Frew) shifted out on jumping away and inconvenienced DARK KNIGHT (J. Maund), which shifted out and brushed MERLOT NOW (M. Hoppo).

RACE 7: BETFAIR RATING 0-62 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

On arrival at the barriers FINISTAR was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the mare fit to race.

Prior to entering the barriers, P. Gatt, the rider of TANQUERAY LADY, was given permission to dismount from the mare and before being loaded TANQUERAY LADY became fractious and got over the outside running rail. TANQUERAY LADY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the mare unfit to race. Acting on that advice Stewards withdrew TANQUERAY LADY at 4.16 pm. Mr. D. Jolly, the Trainer of TANQUERAY LADY, was advised a warning had been placed on the mare with respect to its manners at the barrier and a repetition could lead to action being taken against it.

CRUZ'N NOW (M. Hoppo) and THENNEK (T. Pannell) were slow to begin.

When the gates were released MORELIA (NZ) (J. Frew) and TURF CUTTER (G. Davis) brushed.

At the entrance to the straight O'REILLY'S SON (NZ) (D. Tourneur) and RETAIN BELIEF (J. Matthews) brushed.

L. Stojakovic, the rider of VILLE DE BERNE, reported the gelding hung out on the home turn.

RACE 8: HYGAIN RATING 0-62 HANDICAP - 1350 metres

Acting on a confirmed call from Mr. D. Koch, the Trainer of KUAKA, that the gelding had an elevated temperature and was unfit to race, Stewards withdrew KUAKA at 10.15 am.

On jumping away WELL SAID (A. Patterson) shifted out and brushed BRUTE BERNARD (T. Baker), which shifted out and inconvenienced LOVE A GIGGLE (D. Tourneur), which lost its position.

BANDIT COUNTRY (M. Tyndall) raced wide without cover throughout the race.

YOU ARE SO VAIN (N. Rose) was held up for clear running from the 500 metres until entering the straight.

D. Tourneur, the rider of LOVE A GIGGLE, was found guilty of a charge of Careless Riding under ARR.137(a) in that racing to the 300 metres he permitted his mount to shift out when insufficiently clear of BRUTE BERNARD (T. Baker), resulting in that gelding having to be checked. D. Tourneur was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Sunday, 11 September and to conclude at midnight on Thursday, 22 September 2011; a period of five (5) meetings.

RACE 8: HYGAIN RATING 0-62 HANDICAP - 1350 metres (Cont'd)

KELLY'S GOLD was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported lacerations to both heels on the off hind leg and abrasions to the cannon on the near hind leg. First Aid was administered. Miss P. Trenwith, the Trainer of KELLY'S GOLD, was advised a follow up Veterinary examination was recommended.

GENERAL:

BALAKLAVA – WEDNESDAY, 31 AUGUST 2011 RACE 8: MALAYSIA AIRLINES / ADVERTISER NEWSPAPERS BALAKLAVA CUP - 1600 metres

Stewards questioned Mr. W. Clarken, the Trainer of ARTON, which was a late scratching, as to why he failed to report the gelding had suffered an injury to its head en route to the course. After taking evidence from Mr. Clarken, he was charged under ARR.140(a) in that he failed to report to the Stewards as soon as practical any condition or occurrence that may have affected the running of ARTON. Upon pleading guilty, Mr. Clarken was fined \$200.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES:

Race 3 - DON'T TELL ACK (winner)
Race 6 - RING ME NOT (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Balaklava – Wednesday, 31 August 2011
	Race 8 – Mr W. Clarken – Fined \$200 – ARR.140(a) – Failing to report a condition which may have affected the running of ARTON.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
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SUSPENSIONS	Race 8 – D. Tourneur (LOVE A GIGGLE) – ARR.137(a) – Careless Riding – From midnight 11/9/11 to midnight 22/9/11 – 5 meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 – GRANULATOR – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame off foreleg.
	Race 7 – TANQUERAY LADY – Warned – Barrier manners.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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