

THOROUGHBRED RACING AUTHORITY S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at the Mount Gambier Racecourse
By the Mount Gambier Racing Club on Thursday, 22 December 2011

Stewards: M. Santoro (A/Chairman) & C. Deakin (HT), (Stewards), R. Spillman, J. Foster (M), S. Bright (F) (Deputy Stewards), Dr. D. Goulding (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Normal

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
5	ASPHALT JUNGLE (NZ)	A. Patterson	M. Pegus	Clerical error.
7	NIKOLAEV	E. Brooks		Late notification – explanation accepted
8	ARIZALAAR	E. Brooks		“

RACE 1 : SCOTT GROUP OF COMPANIES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 900 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately three minutes owing to MISS ANITORES being presented with reins attached to the bit by buckles, which are banned in South Australia, resulting in that mare having to be refitted with reins. Mr. D. Cannon, the Trainer of MISS ANITORES, advised he was unaware of the direction previously provided in South Australia.

MISS ANITORES (N. McLean) jumped away awkwardly.

Inside the 600 metres SILVER THRUPENCE (S. Harrison) had to be steadied momentarily when that mare shifted out at the same time as BROADWAY PAUL (J. Beriman) shifted in slightly.

Approaching the 400 metres COSTLY ARGUMENT (J. Potter) improved onto the heels of LITTLE BIG SHOT (H. McKechnie) and had to be steadied. In being steadied COSTLY ARGUMENT shifted out and inconvenienced BROADWAY PAUL (J. Beriman).

RACE 2 : CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1550 metres

THE CASTLE (NZ) (M. Walters) jumped away awkwardly and was slow into stride, losing several lengths.

Inside the 1500 metres BACKETT (A. Patterson) shifted in abruptly into the gap where the course proper meets the chute, resulting in that gelding losing significant ground when being corrected.

KINGJAKE (K. Post) made the turn in the vicinity of the 900 metres awkwardly and got its head up whilst being restrained.

K. Post, the rider of KINGJAKE, pleaded guilty to a charge under ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he had used his whip in a forehand manner on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200.

RACE 2 : CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1550 metres (Cont'd)

N. McLean, the rider of KING EL, explained the horse travelled well in the early stages of the event, however, in the vicinity of the 500 metres when placed under pressure, it failed to respond to her riding and commenced to weaken from the event. KING EL was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3 : REDGUM COUNTRY / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately fifteen minutes owing to LITTLE MITZI breaking through a running rail in the vicinity of the 1400 metres en route to the barriers. LITTLE MITZI was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the mare had fractured its near hind leg. LITTLE MITZI was humanely euthanased.

Mr. R. Lont, the Trainer of HODGE, was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its manners en route to and behind the barriers.

CAITLONAYA (P. Marks) was slow to begin.

In the vicinity of the 1000 metres DONNIDI SULINA (NZ) (M. Walters) had to be eased momentarily when tightened by MOON CIRCLE (N. McLean), which rolled in slightly.

In the vicinity of the 900 metres SHEHARA (H. McKechnie) had to be steadied momentarily when it improved onto the heels of KVINNAKEL (M. Neilson).

Approaching the 100 metres SHEHARA (H. McKechnie) was disappointed and had to be steadied when attempting a tight run between the heels of BABY BOY (N. Rose) and MOON CIRCLE (N. McLean), which both rolled marginally.

KVINNAKEL (M. Neilson) was inclined to lay out over the final 100 metres and in the vicinity of the 50 metres shifted out onto DONNIDI SULINA (NZ) (M. Walters), which was momentarily inconvenienced.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to allow M. Walters, the rider of the second placegetter DONNIDI SULINA (NZ), to view the official footage over the concluding 200 metres.

RACE 4 : MANSELL FENCING SERVICE & SALES CLASS 2 HANDICAP – 1400 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately six minutes owing to the delay in the previous event.

LIQUID NAILS (E. Brooks) was slow to begin.

AUGUR (J. Potter) jumped away awkwardly.

SOLITARY MAN (NZ) (M. Walters) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

In the vicinity of the 200 metres VICSON (N. McLean) rolled in slightly onto GRACEFUL EDGE (D. Thornton), resulting in GRACEFUL EDGE laying back and brushing VICSON on a couple of occasions until the vicinity of the 100 metres.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to allow N. McLean, the rider of the second placegetter VICSON, to view the official footage in the straight.

RACE 5 : STAN CLOVER MEMORIAL RATING 64 & OVER HANDICAP – 1300 metres

ASPHALT JUNGLE (NZ) (M. Pegasus) was inconvenienced on jumping away when tightened onto DJATALA (N. McLean) by DIVINE FORCE (H. McKechnie), which jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

THIRTY SEVEN MEGS (K. Walters) and BROOKLYN ROADS (NZ) (M. Walters) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

From the vicinity of the 400 metres until inside the 200 metres BROOKLYN ROADS (NZ) (M. Walters) was held up when racing behind MISTER FARINELLI (S. Cahill) and inside OUR MOVIE STAR (S. Harrison).

M. Neilson, the rider of CHANGING EYES (NZ), reported the gelding had not let down as he had anticipated and in his opinion may be sore. CHANGING EYES (NZ) was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6 : SAWLEY LOCK O'CALLAGHAN RATING 0-65 HANDICAP – 1200 metres

OURHALO (K. Walters) was slow to begin.

On jumping away BEPROUD (K. Post) and CASINO MISS (A. Patterson) came together and contacted resulting in BEPROUD being taken back in, inconveniencing HEAVENLY HARRY (H. McKechnie).

Rounding the turn in the vicinity of the 900 metres CASINO MISS (A. Patterson) eased slightly resulting in LORD CHARLES (M. Neilson), which was racing behind that mare, becoming awkwardly placed on heels and in being eased shifting out, hampering JESTA TIGER (N. McLean).

Approaching the 400 metres LORD CHARLES (M. Neilson) shifted out in an attempt to improve and in doing so made contact with JESTA TIGER (N. McLean), resulting in that gelding laying back and these two runners making contact on a number of occasions.

Inside the 400 metres ST GERMEIN (E. Brooks) rolled out slightly onto BROMS EXPRESS (D. Thornton), which was inconvenienced.

VOODOO CULT (P. Marks) was inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight and inside the 200 metres shifted in slightly onto CASINO MISS (A. Patterson), which had to ease momentarily.

RACE 7 : BRIAN CLAYFIELD MEMORIAL RATING 0-68 HANDICAP – 2050 metres

CORAL CAT (L. Hopwood) jumped away awkwardly.

SIR BRIEF (K. Post) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto OUT DO ME (S. Harrison), which was hampered and lost its position.

NIKOLAEV (E. Brooks) raced fiercely in the early and middle stages of the event.

Passing the winning post on the first occasion ULTRA SAVINGS (M. Neilson) shifted in onto CORAL CAT (L. Hopwood), which was inconvenienced.

CORAL CAT (L. Hopwood) raced fiercely whilst being restrained in the middle stages of the event.

RACE 7 : BRIAN CLAYFIELD MEMORIAL RATING 0-68 HANDICAP – 2050 metres

(Cont'd)

In the vicinity of the 900 metres NIKOLAEV (E. Brooks), which was inclined to shift about throughout the event, shifted in onto WAIT FORETTE (H. McKechnie), which was inconvenienced.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres OUT DO ME (S. Harrison), which had commenced to race erratically, shifted in onto BISHOP OF DERRY (D. Thornton), which was forced to steady. OUT DO ME continued to race erratically for the remainder of the event and throw its head around. S. Harrison explained the mare had been difficult to ride throughout the event and in his opinion was resenting the cross over noseband and he had recommended to the Trainer to experiment with the gear. OUT DO ME was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the mare was lame in the off foreleg. Mr. J. Opperman, the Trainer of OUT DO ME, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

Approaching the finish PEACE AN QUIET (M. Walters) shifted out tightening ULTRA SAVINGS (M. Neilson) onto MR MALTIKA (NZ) (K. Walters).

AUSPICIOUS, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8 : FINN'S FINE FOODS RATING 0-65 HANDICAP - 1550 metres

KOBAN, which was fractious in the barriers after being loaded, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to start. Mr. C. Oxlade, the Trainer of KOBAN, was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its barrier manners.

KOBAN (N. McLean) jumped away extremely awkwardly, losing several lengths.

BLUE HIGHWAY (NZ) (M. Walters) jumped away awkwardly and shifted in, inconveniencing ELLIMINYT MISS (M. Pegasus).

ARIZALAAR (E. Brooks) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

ELLIMINYT MISS (M. Pegasus) had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the vicinity of the 300 metres until inside the 100 metres.

H. McKechnie, the rider of TONTO'S PRIDE, explained the gelding had not travelled in the early and middle stages of the event despite her efforts, however, she was of the opinion TONTO'S PRIDE felt sound and for this reason continued to encourage it. She added that approaching the 400 metres TONTO'S PRIDE had grabbed the bit and in her opinion had finished the race off extremely strongly. TONTO'S PRIDE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

BLUE HIGHWAY (NZ), which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

GENERAL:

NARACOORTE – THURSDAY, 24 NOVEMBER 2011

RACE 2 : WOLF BLASS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres

Stewards resumed their inquiry today to allow J. Beriman, the rider of SHEHARA, who was dislodged approaching the 100 metres to be present. After considering evidence from L. Hopwood, the rider of GENARKA STAR, provided on 24 November and again today and evidence from J. Beriman, the rider of SHEHARA, and that rider's Master, Mr. J. McLean, and viewing the official footage, Stewards determined that racing to the 100 metres SHEHARA attempted a tight run to the inside of GENARKA STAR, which rolled in marginally. Shortly after SHEHARA shifted out and made contact with the hindquarters of GENARKA STAR, resulting in J. Beriman becoming unbalanced in the saddle and falling. Stewards deemed no one rider to be responsible for the incident and took into account the evidence provided was that the alignment of the running rail may have played a part in the incident.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (5):

Blood Samples were taken from the following horses for the purpose of TCO₂ testing:

- Race 2 GATALISTIC.
Race 7 AUSPICIOUS, WAIT FORETTE.
Race 8 FEELING INVINCIBLE, KOBAN.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (2):

- Race 4 – GRACEFUL EDGE (winner)
Race 6 – LE GRAND ACE (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 2 – K. Post (KINGJAKE) – Fined \$200 – ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) +5 – Whip offence.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
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SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 3 – HODGE – Warned – Manners en route to and behind barriers. Race 7 – OUT DO ME – Not to Race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lameness off foreleg. Race 8 – KOBAN – Warned – Fractious in barriers.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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