THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville & Morphettville Parks by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 31 December 2011

<u>Stewards</u>: G. Loch (Chairman), M. Santoro (HT), C. Deakin (F), L. Smith (M) & S. Callanan

(Stewards), N. Castle, D. Southgate, A. Hamilton & L. Milton (Deputy Stewards),

Dr. P. Horridge & Dr. D. Bowden (Veterinary Surgeons).

BOTH TRACKS: Good 3 WEATHER: Hot

RAIL: Out 11 metres 1200m to Winning Post, 8 metres remainder.

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
3	ASSO BELLO	M. Pegus	T. Pannell	Overweight
3	ASSO BELLO	T. Pannell	S. Price	"
4	ARMSTRONG CREEK	S. Price	N. Rose	"
6	C'MON NOW	T. Baker		Late notification
6	UMA WAVE	S. Price	H. McKechnie	Overweight
8	DON'T TELL ACK	C. Lindop		Notified

RACE 1 : SPORTINGBET HANDICAP - 1540 metres

RICH GYPSY (B. Hoppo) jumped away awkwardly.

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

RACE 2 : ADELAIDE CASINO HANDICAP - 1600 metres

In the straight GENEROUS BEAU (J. Holder) was inclined to lay out under pressure.

Inside the 200 metres GENEROUS BEAU (J. Holder) was disappointed and obliged to alter course when attempting to improve inside BLACKBRIAR (N. Rose), which rolled in.

C. Lindop, the rider of MISS WITH ATTITUDE, explained that after coming to the outside of ACE OR JOKA (S. Cahill) in the vicinity of the 600 metres, the mare was immediately off the bridle and was disappointing in its finishing effort. The rider could offer no explanation for the seemingly disappointing performance. MISS WITH ATTITUDE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a lower than expected heart rate. Joint Trainer Mr. A. Gluyas, undertook to report any post-race abnormalities.

When questioned with regard to his reasons for persisting in attempting to improve into a run inside BLACKBRIAR (N. Rose) after entering the straight, J. Holder, the rider of GENEROUS BEAU, explained that in the vicinity of the 400 metres, although he had been instructed to attempt to give the gelding room when making its run, he considered the position of ACE OR JOKA (S. Cahill) and MISS WITH ATTITUDE (C. Lindop) to his outside would prevent him from fulfilling his instructions and had therefore attempted to improve inside BLACKBRIAR which, in his opinion, was inclined to roll about. He added that despite GENEROUS BEAU being a little difficult to manage when laying out, until BLACKBRIAR had rolled inwards in the vicinity of the 200 metres, he had considered that run was his best option. J. Holder was advised his explanation would be reported.

RACE 2 : ADELAIDE CASINO HANDICAP - 1600 metres (Cont'd)

When questioned regarding the tactics of Apprentice N. Rose on BLACKBRIAR, Trainer Ms. M. Boothby explained the gelding's usual racing pattern was to lead or settle on pace and her instructions were consistent with those provided at its previous start and she stated in its previous race circumstances shortly after the start dictated BLACKBRIAR settled further back than she would have preferred. Stewards noted Ms. Boothby's explanation.

RACE 3: BETFAIR HANDICAP - 2500 metres

Near the 500 metres A. Patterson, the rider of HE'S HOT TO TROT, accidentally dropped his whip. A. Patterson was reprimanded and advised future breaches may lead to a penalty being imposed.

From the vicinity of the 200 metres HONOURABLE KIND (P. Gatt) was eased out of the race. P. Gatt explained that on two occasions during the race the gelding had not been genuine and required riding to maintain its position and having been tested prior to the 400 metres, had lost touch with the body of the field, therefore, after entering the straight, he elected not to persist in riding the gelding. HONOURABLE KIND was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. Mr. L. Kennewell, the Trainer of HONOURABLE KIND, stated that following its previous performance which disappointed the stable, the gelding had undergone an extensive veterinary examination which failed to reveal any apparent abnormalities, however, as a consequence of today's disappointing performance, the gelding would now be spelled.

When questioned regarding his riding of FAINEANT for a brief period in the vicinity of the 600 metres, N. Rose explained he was satisfied tracking the eventual winner FITOUSSI (C. Lindop) into the race at that point and felt his horse would let down genuinely, however, in the vicinity of the 500 metres was surprised with the turn of foot displayed by FITOUSSI when that gelding obtained a break on his mount. Stewards accepted N. Rose's explanation.

LUVBITE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported slight soreness to the outside bar area of both front feet. Mr. S. Turner, the Trainer of LUVBITE, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

FITOUSSI lost its near fore plate during the event.

RACE 4: DISTINCTIVE HOMES HANDICAP - 1050 metres

As S. Price was unable to make the weight on ARMSTRONG CREEK and as no other senior rider was available, permission was granted for apprentice N. Rose to replace S. Price.

From the vicinity of the 400 metres and in making the turn into the straight, SWEET NEVER (A. Patterson) was inclined to lay out.

Inside the 200 metres SWEET NEVER (A. Patterson) was inclined to race greenly and shift about under pressure.

COUNTER SIGN was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 5: MICHELLE & MARK'S WEDDING HANDICAP - 1200 metres

C. Lindop, the rider of TRIPLE TEE, advised Stewards that Trainer Mr. M. Minervini had given her an option to settle more forward than at the gelding's recent starts if possible.

RACE 5: MICHELLE & MARK'S WEDDING HANDICAP - 1200 metres (Cont'd)

Near the 300 metres PROTECTOR (M. Neve) was disappointed when attempting to improve between CHUNKY CUSTARD (T. Baker), which rolled out marginally as it commenced to give ground, and TAN TAT JET (T. Pannell), which rolled in and away from TRIPLE TEE (C. Lindop) to its outside.

In the vicinity of the 50 metres S. Westover, the rider of VERCO ROAD, dropped his off side rein.

TAN TAT JET was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: YALUMBA HANDICAP - 1200 metres

YOU ARE SO VAIN (N. Rose) jumped away awkwardly.

SUKI (S. Westover) and YOU ARE SO VAIN (N. Rose) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

From the 700 metres AL JUMAN (C. Lindop) was inclined to lay out.

From the 400 metres until approaching the 200 metres GLAZE (NZ) (P. Gatt) had difficulty obtaining clear ground when racing behind AVALON (T. Pannell) as that mare commenced to give ground.

AVALON lost its off fore plate during the event.

RACE 7 : DOMINANT HANDICAP - 1600 metres

Mr. J. MacMillan, the Trainer of ZAKUMI, advised Stewards that in order to have the gelding finish a 1600 metre race strongly, he would instruct jockey S. Cahill to attempt to ride ZAKUMI off the pace with cover in contrast to its recent starts.

The start of this race was delayed approximately two minutes owing to COUSTELLET refusing to load. COUSTELLET was withdrawn by Stewards at 4.27 pm. Mr. P. Stokes, the Trainer of COUSTELLET, was advised the mare would be required to prove it can load without delay in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

SPARKLING VICTORY (N. Rose) jumped away awkwardly.

ZAKUMI (S. Cahill) jumped away awkwardly and shortly afterwards brushed with BIRDMAN (M. Neilson), which shifted out.

PUERTO BANUS (J. Frew) was slow to begin.

BIRDMAN (M. Neilson) raced three wide throughout the event.

From the entrance to the straight SPARKLING VICTORY (N. Rose) was unable to obtain clear ground when racing inside the heels of RHODES TO GLORY (L. Stojakovic) and near the 100 metres was obliged to ease away from the heels of INDEED I AM (C. Lindop) as that gelding commenced to give ground. SPARKLING VICTORY was untested in running to the line

From the 200 metres ZAKUMI (S. Cahill) was inclined to lay in under pressure.

RACE 7: DOMINANT HANDICAP - 1600 metres (Cont'd)

Inside the 200 metres DUBAI DAWN (J. Holder) was obliged to steady when tightened for room by FRENCH ACADEMY (T. Pannell) as that gelding was taken in by INDEED I AM (C. Lindop) when taken in by SANDHILL CHIEF (A. Patterson). A. Patterson was advised of his obligations when his mounts commence to shift ground in future.

DUBAI DAWN was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. Mr. D. Balfour, the Trainer of DUBAI DAWN, confirmed the mare would now be spelled.

RACE 8 : SCHWEPPES TONIC HANDICAP - 1200 metres

The start of this race was delayed owing to DON'T TELL ACK requiring a gear adjustment.

DON'T TELL ACK (C. Lindop) was slow to jump.

TUCSON TRAIL (S. Cahill) jumped away awkwardly.

UNDER THE RADAR (J. Frew) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

Approaching the 500 metres, for some distance, HIGH FINANCE (T. Pannell) was inclined to get its head up and lay out.

Near the 200 metres UNDER THE RADAR (J. Frew) was obliged to steady momentarily away from the heels of BERMONDSEY (N. Rose), which shifted out.

TUCSON TRAIL was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

GENERAL:

RACE 6 : YALUMBA HANDICAP - 1200 metres

Mr. D. Hewitt, the Trainer of C'MON NOW, will be interviewed at a later date in relation to his failure to declare a rider for the mare by the required time.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (13):

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

Race 1 – ASSERTIVE EAGLE, RICH PRIDE.

Race 2 - BLACKBRIAR, GENEROUS BEAU.

Race 3 - HONOURABLE KIND, FITOUSSI.

Race 4 - ALPHA MAN, SWEET NEVER.

Race 5 - CHUNKY CUSTARD, STREETCAR REALITY.

Race 7 – PUERTO BANUS, ZAKUMI, TIGER GOOD.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (11):

Race 1	ASSERTIVE EAGLE (winner)	Race 4	COUNTER SIGN (beaten fav)
Race 2	FAST FRANK (winner)	Race 5	STREETCAR REALITY (winner)
Race 2	MISS WITH ATTITUDE (beaten fav)	Race 6	AL JUMAN (winner)
Race 3	FITOUSSI (winner)	Race 7	PUERTO BANUS (winner)
Race 3	HONOURABLE KIND (random)	Race 8	HIGH FINANCE (winner)
Race 4	ALPHA MAN (winner)		·

SUMMARY				
FINES	Race 3 – S. Price – Fined \$100 – ARR.120(b) – Overweight and having to be replaced on ARMSTRONG CREEK.			
	Race 3 – M. Pegus – Fined \$100 – ARR.120(b) – Overweight and having to be replaced on ASSO BELLO.			
	Race 6 - S. Price - Fined \$100 - ARR.120(b) - Overweight and having to be replaced on UMA WAVE.			
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil			
REPRIMANDS	Race 3 – A. Patterson (HE'S HOT TO TROT) – ARR.137(a) – Carelessness in dropping his whip.			
SUSPENSIONS	Nil			
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 3 – LUVBITE – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Slight soreness to outside bar area of both front feet.			
	Race 7 - COUSTELLET - Suspended - Required to prove it can load without delay in Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race - Refused to load.			
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil			

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