THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Sunday, 1 January 2012

<u>Stewards:</u> G. Loch (Chairman), A. Hayles (), C. Deakin () & S. Callanan () (Stewards), M. Featherston (Deputy Steward) & Dr. P. Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Hot

RAIL: True.

RACE 1 : RAFTER P RACING / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 900 metres

REAL SHARP, which injured a hind leg in the stalls after being saddled, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled unfit to race. Acting on that advice, REAL SHARP was withdrawn by Stewards at 12.25 pm.

Mr. B. Cozamanis, the Trainer of MOONTA BAY which proved difficult to load, was advised a repetition of the gelding's behaviour may lead to action being taken against it.

MOONTA BAY (T. Baker) jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and brushed GOING CONCERN (M. Neilson).

QUILATION (D. Evans) jumped away awkwardly.

Shortly after the start LA CARAMBA (S. Price) shifted out onto HEURIGER (B. Hoppo) which was inconvenienced.

QUILATION was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the mare suffered a bi-lateral bleeding attack during the event. Mr. K. Buick, the Trainer of QUILATION, was advised the mare was suspended from racing for a period of three (3) months in accordance with ARR.53A(4).

T. Baker, the rider of MOONTA BAY, was questioned regarding his use of the whip prior to the 100 metres. T. Baker pleaded guilty to a charge under ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii)(+2) in that he used his whip in a forehand manner on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200.

RACE 2 : MURRAY BRIDGE VILLAGE BUTCHER / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE – 1600 metres

NESS (J. Maund) was slow to jump.

Near the 1300 metres FANTASTIC REIGN (A. Herrmann) was obliged to steady when tightened for room by GOLDEN LION (D. Evans) which rolled in.

In the straight both FANTASTIC REIGN (A. Herrmann) and MORNING TZAR (L. Stojakovic) were inclined to lay in under pressure.

RACE 3 : MILL PARK STUD / SABOIS 3YO MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres

BALARAT lost its near fore plate during the event.

OUR SNIPPY (J. Holder) jumped away very awkwardly.

RACE 3 : MILL PARK STUD / SABOIS 3YO MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres (Cont'd)

STRAYING TIGER (L. Stojakovic) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto AMICI MIEI (A. Patterson) which was inconvenienced.

In the straight OUR SNIPPY (J. Holder) was inclined to lay out under pressure.

RACE 4 : LONG'S SAND & METAL CLASS 2 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

RISE ABOVE IT (W. Kerford) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out brushing LOTTALAGO (C. Lindop).

Shortly after the start ROBEECA (J. Maund) lost its position when tightened between NIC'S BUDDY (M. Neilson), which rolled out, and DEED OF HONOR (J. Holder), which shifted in.

Inside the 100 metres, for a short distance, DEED OF HONOR (J. Holder) was obliged to stop riding as RISE ABOVE IT (W. Kerford) shifted out.

C. Lindop, the rider of LOTTALAGO, reported that gelding was inclined to lay out throughout the event. The rider also explained that in her opinion LOTTALAGO has not performed genuinely in the familiar surrounds of its home track. LOTTALAGO was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding exhibited signs of having sucked air into its rectum during the race.

M. Neilson, the rider of NIC'S BUDDY, also reported that gelding was inclined to lay out throughout the event. NIC'S BUDDY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

<u>RACE 5 : CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE</u> - 1400 metres

Acting on confirmed phone advice from Mr. A. Day, the Trainer of INDEE'S HOPE, that he was experiencing transport difficulties, INDEE'S HOPE was withdrawn by Stewards at 12.22 pm.

DESERT TALES which became loose in the stall area for a brief period was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to start.

HALOS LITTLE HUSSY (C. Lindop) jumped away awkwardly.

From the entrance to the straight until the vicinity of the 200 meters CHARLOTTE'S JOY (M. Hoppo) had difficulty obtaining clear ground when racing behind DESERT TALES (J. Maund) and inside SHADOW JUDGEMENT (S. Price).

Approaching the 200 metres FORMOSA BLUES (NZ) (J. Frew) was disappointed and obliged to alter course when attempting to improve between JEWEL OF CADENCE (T. Pannell), which rolled in, and TSARINA WONDER (S. Westover), which shifted out.

RACE 6 : BETFAIR RATING 0-75 HANDICAP - 900 metres

GRAND TITLE (B. Hoppo) was slow to jump.

On jumping away BIT OF A DUDE (M. Hoppo) shifted in onto BRIMARVI MAGIC (M. Neilson) which was inconvenienced.

RACE 7 : AUSTRALIA DAY BEACH PARTY RACES HANDICAP - 1400 metres

On jumping away GRANZIG (E. Brooks) shifted out onto CIRO PRINCE (G. Hoobin) turning that gelding out onto SILENT REWARD (J. Frew) which was inconvenienced.

RACE 8 : BGC INDUSTRIAL CLEANING SUPPLIES RATING 0-71 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

Acting on confirmed phone advice from Mr. D. O'Leary, the Trainer of BREAK THE DRY, that the mare was exhibiting the initial signs of a virus, BREAK THE DRY was withdrawn by Stewards at 12.19 pm.

After entering the straight until the vicinity of the 100 metres KATE'S DREAM (T. Pannell) was unable to obtain clear ground when racing behind CAVALRY BLACK (T. Zanker) and inside TICKET TO VEGAS (S. Westover).

After entering the straight REGANSBURG (T. Baker) was unable to obtain clear ground and was untested in running to the line.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (6):

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

- Race 4 NIC'S BUDDY, LOTTALAGO
- Race 7 AKHABRACH, BOLD LINE
- Race 8 KATE'S DREAM, IRISH CHEER

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (3):

Race 2 – NESS (winner) Race 5 – MEADOWS MAGIC (winner) Race 7 – BOLD LINE (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 1 – T. Baker - MOONTA BAY – Fined \$200 - ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) (+2) – Whip Offence.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 – T. Baker – MOONTA BAY – ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) (+2) – Whip Offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 – MOONTA BAY – Warned – Difficult to load. Race 1 - QUILATION – Bled – Suspended for 3 months in accordance with ARR.53A(4).
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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