THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

<u>Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse</u> by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Wednesday, 15 February 2012

<u>Stewards:</u> M. Santoro (Acting/Chairman), P. Matthews (F), A. Hayles (M) & L. Smith (HT) (Stewards), M. Featherston (Deputy Steward) & Dr. R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Normal

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
8	LAFAYETTE LADY	J. Maund	M. Neilson	Overweight

RACE 1 : BETFAIR / SABOIS 3YO MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres

CONSIDER THIS (B. Hoppo) stood flat footed and was slow to begin.

STAR DISTRACTION (J. Toeroek) shifted out on jumping away and brushed RORY'S UNION (C. Lindop).

ELLDAMI (P. Gatt) jumped away awkwardly.

Approaching the 400 metres QUICK SINGLE (M. Neve) improved onto the heels of MISS PARKER (T. Zanker) which had commenced to weaken resulting in QUICK SINGLE having to be steadied. In being steadied the saddle of M. Neve shifted to the off side placing that rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the event.

C. Lindop, the rider of RORY'S UNION, reported to Stewards that the gelding had travelled well in the early and middle stages of the event and had initially let down well when asked for an effort however over the concluding 100 metres she had become concerned with RORY'S UNION. RORY'S UNION was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

INSTANT CONVERT, which performed poorly, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a lower than expected heart rate.

RACE 2 : CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres

Mr. T. Jolly, the Trainer of CHLOE'S WAYS, reported to Stewards that the mare had struck its head in the float on route to the course. CHLOE'S WAY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a minor abrasion to the forehead and passed CHLOE'S WAY fit to start.

CHLOE'S WAY (B. Hoppo) and LA VITA MOMENTO (M. Hoppo) jumped away awkwardly.

AGED IN OAK (S. Price) was slow to begin.

MEADOWS CAT (D. Evans) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto EBONY DIVA (A. Patterson) which shifted out abruptly away from that filly.

RACE 2 : CARLTON DRAUGHT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres (Cont'd)

The saddle of M. Neve, the rider of FLORENTINA MAX, shifted to the off side on jumping away resulting in her losing the use of her off side iron for the remainder of the event placing this rider at a disadvantage throughout the event.

In the vicinity of the 800 metres MEADOWS CAT (D. Evans) shifted in onto KISSENFIRE (P. Gatt) which had to be steadied momentarily. Shortly after MEADOWS CAT shifted in onto FLORENTINA MAX (M. Neve) momentarily inconveniencing that mare.

D. Evans was reminded of his obligations and advised in future to ensure he was clear prior to commencing to shift ground.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres POLLY GARTER (C. Lindop) improved onto the heels of MADAM DAWN (A. Herrmann) and got its head up and raced keenly for a shirt distance whilst being restrained.

Rounding the home turn LUCKY TOY (T. Pannell) was momentarily held up when racing in restricted room between the heels of DASHA CHILLI (T. Baker), which rolled out slightly and LA VITA MOMENTO (M. Hoppo).

KISSENFIRE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the filly had a minor abrasion to the nose.

T. Baker, rider of DASHA CHILLI reported that that mare was inclined to lay out throughout the event. DASHA CHILLI was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3 : CLARKE GRAIN PTY LTD RATING 0-71 HANDICAP - 900 metres

SHARK EYE (J. Potter) jumped away awkwardly and was slow into stride.

SHAKETHEGROUND (T. Zanker) jumped away awkwardly.

RACE 4 : DAISH IRRIGATION / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 metres

Mr. J. Hyam the Trainer of CAPTAIN FINNISS, which was fractious in the mounting yard, was advised that a warning had been placed on this gelding in relation to its pre-race behaviour.

HALOS LITTLE HUSSY (C. Lindop) was slow to begin.

UMALUKA (C. Lever) and MEADOWS MACKS (A. Herrmann) jumped away awkwardly.

Approaching the 1300 metres LADY ALASKA (P. Gatt) rolled out slightly onto JUST RANGER (J. Frew) which shifted out and away abruptly onto UMALUKA (C. Lever) which was inconvenienced when taken out onto SMARTY WELLS (S. Price) which was taken wider on the track.

In the vicinity of the 1000 metres GOLDEN LION (D. Evans) shifted in onto MISS DOUBTFIRE (M. Neilson) which was momentarily inconvenienced.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres MISS DOUBTFIRE (M. Neilson) was held up for a short distance when racing on the heels of SMARTY WELLS (S. Price) and inside of MEADOWS MACKS (A. Herrmann).

RACE 4 : DAISH IRRIGATION / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 metres (Cont'd)

In the vicinity of the 400 metres until near the 300 metres UMALUKA (C. Lever) was held up when awkwardly placed between the heels of WHERE'S TIM (J. Potter), which rolled out slightly, and MAID OF FINNISS (T. Baker).

M. Neve, the rider of RESCUED, accidentally dropped her whip in the vicinity of the 300 metres. She was reprimanded under ARR.137(a) and advised that future carelessness may result in a penalty being imposed.

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

RACE 5 : RAMSEY BROS RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 2200 metres

SULTAN OF SPEED (P. Gatt) jumped away awkwardly and got its head up shortly after the start.

MASTER ROBBIE (T. Zanker) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto MUSTY SPRINGS (M. Neve), which was taken out onto JALEO (NZ) (C. Lindop), which lost its position when tightened onto GOLDSTINGER (D. Tootell).

LORD DE VEER (J. Frew) jumped away awkwardly.

Inside the 200 metres ITALIAN DANZA (M. Hoppo) became held up when racing on the heels of MASTER ROBBIE (T. Zanker) and inside NIC'S BUDDY (D. Tourneur) and was untested to the line.

B. Hoppo, the rider of DAN'S A LADY, reported that that mare hung out throughout the event. DAN'S A LADY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported speedy cuts to both hind fetlocks.

RACE 6 : ACKMAC IRRIGATION RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

Mr. D. Pannell, the Trainer of CAVALRY BLACK, advised Stewards that he was of the opinion that CAVALRY BLACK had lost its composure and may not be fit to race. CAVALRY BLACK was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon that the gelding was sweating profusely and had an increased respiratory and heart rate and would be unfit to race. Acting on this advice, Stewards withdrew CAVALRY BLACK at 2.35pm.

PENINSULA (B. Hoppo) was slow to begin.

On jumping away BELLA ROSSANA (M. Hoppo) shifted out and contacted O'REILLY'S SON (NZ) (R. Stewart).

STRATOCRUISER (NZ) (L. Hopwood) jumped away awkwardly.

IMPACT POINT (M. Pegus) was inclined to lay out under pressure from the vicinity of the 600 metres.

STRATOCRUISER (NZ), which performed poorly, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

B. Hoppo, the rider of PENINSULA, reported that he was concerned with that gelding's action in the straight. PENINSULA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had injured its off fore flexor tendon. First aid was administered. Mr. J. Hickmott, the Trainer of PENINSULA, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to accepting for a future trial or race.

RACE 7 : MURRAYLANDS LAUNDRY SERVICE RATING 0-62 HANDICAP -1200 metres

C'MON NOW (M. Hoppo) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto RUB DOUBT (J. Frew) which was inconvenienced.

RILEYS LUCK (M. Pegus) jumped away awkwardly.

When questioned regarding his riding of C'MON NOW, over the concluding 100 metres, M. Hoppo explained that he was concerned that the mare may have been short in its action. M. Hoppo was reminded of his obligations under ARR140(b) in relation to reporting as soon as practicable anything which may have affected the running of his horse in a race. Trainer, Mr. D. Hewitt, advised Stewards that on return to his stables C'MON NOW was slightly sore in its feet and would now be spelled.

RACE 8 : ALBANESI CONCRETING SERVICES CLASS 2 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

STAR TOPAZE lost its off hind plate in the parade ring and had to be reshoed.

On arrival at the barrier STAR TOPAZE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and passed fit to start.

BRINKLEY BULLET (D. Tootell) and DAMAGES (J. Holder) were slow to begin.

RAKI (J. Toeroek) jumped away awkwardly.

From the vicinity of the 800 metres until the entrance to the straight LECKEY (D. Tourneur), which was racing keenly, had to be steadied on a number of occasions when racing on the heels of KUITPO LAD (L. Hopwood) and inside of DIRTY ONA DRINK (T. Pannell).

From the vicinity of the 800 metres until the entrance to the straight ARCTIC CASH (S. Westover), which was racing keenly, had to be steadied on a number of occasions when racing on the heels of CALL ME BISCUIT (M. Hoppo) and inside of LECKEY (D. Tourneur).

At the entrance to the straight ARCTIC CASH (S. Westover) shifted out and brushed LECKEY (D. Tourneur).

Approaching the 100 metres KUITPO LAD (L. Hopwood) had to take hold when tightened between the heels of LAFAYETTE LADY (J. Maund) which shifted in to attempt a run to the inside of LECKEY (D. Tourneur) and BRINKLEY BULLET (D. Tootell) which shifted out. J. Maund was reminded of his obligations when shifting ground.

WALCOURT lost its off hind plate during the running of the event.

Correct weight was delayed to allow J. Potter, rider of the second placegetter, BICKER, to view the official photo image for first.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (4):

Race 2 – MEADOWS CAT (winner) Race 4 – RESCUED (winner) Race 7 – UMA WAVE (winner)

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SUMMARY			
FINES	Race 8 – M. Neilson – Fined \$100 – ARR.120(b) - Overweight		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil		
REPRIMANDS	Race 4 - M. Neve – (RESCUED) – ARR.137(a) – Carelessness		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 4 - CAPTAIN FINNISS – Warned - Pre-race behaviour. Race 6 – PENINSULA – Not to race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to accepting for a future trial or race - injured off fore flex tendon.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		

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