THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

<u>Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Racecourse</u> by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 25 February 2012

<u>Stewards</u>: G. Loch (Chairman), J. Petzer (HT), A. Hayles (M), S. Callanan (F) (Stewards), D. Southgate, M. Featherston, A. Hamilton & L. Milton (Deputy Stewards), Dr. P. Horridge & Dr. B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Hot

RAIL: Out 8 metres 1800m to Winning Post, 4 metres Remainder.

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	DASHITUDE	A. Herrmann	N. Rose	Injured
5	YESQUIRE	"	"	"
6	FALDANE	"	"	"

RACE 1 : SPORTINGBET PLATE - 1050 metres

Mr. J. Hickmott, the Trainer of FLYING SKIPPER, advised Stewards that in view of the gelding's disappointing performance at its previous start, he had discussed with Jockey M. Pegus to ride FLYING SKIPPER a little quieter to see whether it would finish its race off in the same manner as its initial two starts.

DAYTONA GREY (C. Lindop) jumped away awkwardly.

MISSY MOO (M. Neilson) was slow to jump.

On jumping away PLANET VOYAGE (J. Noonan) and DASHITUDE (N. Rose) brushed.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres, when racing keenly, DAYTONA GREY (C. Lindop) was forced to steady as it improved onto the heels of HOST WITH THE MOST (T. Baker).

Near the 200 metres PLANET VOYAGE (J. Noonan) rolled in and brushed DASHITUDE (N. Rose).

Near the 100 metres, when attempting to improve, MISSY MOO (M. Neilson) shifted out and brushed OUT OF COOBER (L. Hopwood).

IMPULSE BUY lost its off hind plate during the event.

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

HOST WITH THE MOST was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the filly to be tying up in both shoulders. First Aid was administered.

RACE 2 : BOOK NOW FOR ADELAIDE CUP HANDICAP - 1600 metres

The start of this race was delayed owing to DIRTY ONA DRINK, which loosened its near hind shoe en route to the start, requiring Farrier attention. DIRTY ONA DRINK was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to start.

RACE 2 : BOOK NOW FOR ADELAIDE CUP HANDICAP - 1600 metres (Cont'd)

After entering the straight, for a short distance, ANDRONICA (J. Holder), when attempting to improve inside SAVVY SMOKIN' (M. Neve), was unable to obtain clear ground.

RACE 3 : WORK SKILL HANDICAP - 1050 metres

J. Frew, the rider of BASIL DA MAN, explained although not satisfied with being forced to race wide without cover, he felt due to circumstances he had no other option. He stated he was satisfied with the manner in which the gelding travelled in running and added he did note post-race the gelding was inclined to blow. BASIL DA MAN was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

BALZONI was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the near fore knee. Mr. D. Baylis, the Trainer of BALZONI, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 4 : TERMIMESH HANDICAP - 1800 metres

At the 900 metres SYSMO (FR) (M. Neilson) shifted out onto STELLA GRACE (P. Gatt), which was hampered when taken wider. STELLA GRACE was obliged to race without cover for some distance thereafter. M. Neilson was severely reprimanded and advised to take greater care when shifting ground in future.

Inside the 500 metres ROCK CULTURE (M. Pegus) was obliged to steady when tightened between TSARINA WONDER (C. Lindop), which rolled out, and BESA BOLA (D. Tourneur), which rolled in.

At the entrance to the straight ALESSANDRA (J. Noonan) was eased out of the event. J. Noonan explained that although the filly's action was fine, he had formed the view that ALESSANDRA was struggling in the conditions as it had lost contact with the body of the field, he elected not to continue to pressure the filly. ALESSANDRA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the filly to be suffering atrial fibrillation. Mr. M.A.T. Kavanagh, the Trainer of ALLESSANDRA, was advised the results of an ECG are to be forwarded to the TRSA Veterinary Surgeon and the filly would be required to perform satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

M. Neilson, the rider of SYSMO (FR), explained that in discussions with Mr. T. McEvoy, the colt's Trainer, they had identified a lack of pace in the race and as a result of most similar races being 'sit and sprint' affairs, they had concluded to attempt to settle in the first four in running. He stated that the manner in which SYSMO (FR) jumped took away the option of settling more forward and from the vicinity of the 700 metres, he had elected to allow the colt to roll forward of its own accord in order to maintain its momentum under the weight. He stated that he was disappointed that SYSMO (FR) had not finished its race off with the same zest as its previous start. SYSMO (FR) was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

Subsequent to the running of this race, having regard to the prevailing conditions, Stewards sought the assistance of the Club Doctors and each rider with remaining riding engagements was examined in relation to their fitness and hydration levels. All riders were declared fit.

RACE 5 : WOODPEND PROJECTS HANDICAP - 2038 metres

M. Pegus, the rider of IRISH RHAPSODY, reported in his opinion the gelding pulled up lame. IRISH RHAPSODY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. First Aid was administered. Mr. J. Hickmott, the Trainer of IRISH RHAPSODY, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 5 : WOODPEND PROJECTS HANDICAP - 2038 metres (Cont'd)

M. Neilson, the rider of LENNYBE, explained he had been satisfied with the gelding's position in running and the manner in which it travelled into the race. He stated that having regard to the gelding's weight and conceding 2.5kgs to the winner IRISH RHAPSODY, its run had merit. LENNYBE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

KELLERMAN lost its near fore plate during the event.

RACE 6 : BRAMALCO HANDICAP - 1600 metres

FALDANE (N. Rose) jumped away awkwardly.

In the early and middle stages ELECTRONIC MILLION (NZ) (J. Frew) was inclined to get its head up and be ungenerous.

FAST FRANK (L. Stojakovic) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

From the 1200 metres FALDANE (N. Rose) raced wide without cover.

From the 500 metres ROCCIN JO (J. Noonan) laid out. ROCCIN JO was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

When questioned regarding his riding of GENERAL MAZERATTI from the vicinity of the 300 metres to the finish, T. Pannell stated he had been instructed, although the horse usually got back in its races, if possible, to attempt to ride the gelding as close as it was comfortable. He stated that GENERAL MAZERATTI travelled well in running, however, when placed under pressure in the vicinity of the 500 metres, immediately came off the bridle and in the straight was very one paced. He stated his recommendation to the connections would be to continue to step GENERAL MAZERATTI up in distance. GENERAL MAZERATTI was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. T. Pannell's explanation was noted. T. Pannell was reminded of his obligations to in future ride in a manner which does not invite question from the Stewards.

RACE 7 : PROJECTION GRAPHICS REDELVA STAKES - 1050 metres

SLIPPERY NINJA (A. Patterson) was slow to jump.

CASH BOUND (C. Lever) jumped away awkwardly.

SLIPPERY NINJA (A. Patterson) raced greenly in the middle stages of the event.

From the 400 metres until approaching the finish MAGIC MILADY (C. Lindop) had been unable to obtain clear ground initially when racing behind TYKOOK (P. Gatt) and then in the latter stages when racing behind DRAW FORWARD (M. Neilson). MAGIC MILADY was untested to the line.

From the 200 metres SHOCTONIC (J. Holder) was eased out of the event. J. Holder explained that in the vicinity of the 200 metres the filly had commenced to lose contact with the body of the field and although in his opinion there was nothing seriously amiss with the filly, he felt it was in its best interests not to pressure his mount. Stewards accepted J. Holder's explanation, however, he was cautioned the Rules did not provide riders with the discretion to not continue in a race. SHOCTONIC was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

ZIPPA THE RIPPA (NZ) was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the filly exhibited symptoms of heat stress. First Aid was administered.

RACE 7 : PROJECTION GRAPHICS REDELVA STAKES - 1050 metres (Cont'd)

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

RACE 8 : BETFAIR HANDICAP - 1200 metres

DEVILS FORCE (J. Noonan) jumped away awkwardly and rolled in, brushing the hindquarters of CONFEDERATE LASS (M. Neilson), which reacted and shifted back, resulting in DEVILS FORCE being inconvenienced.

FINIGUERRA (H. McKechnie) and BOWERBIRD (S. Price) were slow to jump.

DEVILS FORCE (J. Noonan), when being restrained in the middle stages, continued to fight the rider and be ungenerous.

DEVILS FORCE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a slow recovery and symptoms of low grade heat stress.

C. Lindop, the rider of PERFECT PUNCH, explained she could offer no excuse for the performance of the gelding, which raced closer than she had expected over the unsuitably short distance, other than given the prevailing weather it might not have handled racing after having trialled at Morphettville on Monday. Mr. A. Gluyas, joint Trainer of PERFECT PUNCH, undertook to report any abnormality which was identified in a post race veterinary examination.

GENERAL:

RACE 1 : SPORTINGBET PLATE - 1050 metres

P. Gatt, the rider of EXTREME IMPACT, was questioned regarding changing his boots after weighing out. P. Gatt was found guilty of a breach under ARR.118 and was reprimanded. In issuing this reprimand, Stewards noted P. Gatt had not breached this Rule in the previous five years.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (12):

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

- Race 2 ITALIAN DANZA, SIGIDAS.
- Race 4 FORTZA, BESA BOLA.
- Race 5 HE'S HOT TO TROT, IRISH RHAPSODY.
- Race 6 FAST FRANK, FALDANE, ROCCIN JO, ZAKUMI.
- Race 8 DEVILS FORCE, EXALTED BROTHER.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (12):

- Race 1DASHITUDE (winner)Race 4SYSMO (FR) (beaten fav.)Race 1PLANET VOYAGE (beaten fav.)Race 5IRISH RHAPSODY (winner)Race 2DIRTY ONA DRINK (winner)Race 5LENNYBE (beaten fav.)Race 3BELIEVE IN MORE (winner)Race 6TRIPLE TEE (winner)Race 3BASIL DA MAN (beaten fav.)Race 7CELEBRITY GIRL (winner)Race 4ROCK CULTURE (winner)Race 8SET AND FORGET (winner)
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SUMMARY			
FINES	Nil		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 4 – M. Neilson (SYSMO (FR)) – ARR.137(a) – Careless riding.		
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 – P. Gatt (OUT OF COOBER) – ARR.118A – Changing boots after weighing out.		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 3 – BALZONI – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame near fore knee.		
	Race 4 – ALESSANDRA – Not to race – Results of ECG to be forwarded to TRSA Vet and required to perform satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race – Atrial fibrillation.		
	Race 5 – IRISH RHAPSODY – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame off foreleg.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		

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