

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse
by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Wednesday, 14 March 2012

Stewards: M. Santoro (A/Chairman), P. Matthews (HT), C. Deakin (F) & S. Callanan (M) (Stewards), M. Featherston (Deputy Steward) & Dr. P. Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Dead 4

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: True

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
3	ASHRIDGE	P. Gatt	M. Neilson	Indisposed
4	MOVIE'S LAST STAND	P. Marks	S. Cahill	Suspended
4	EXALTED VALUE	P. Gatt	M. Neilson	Indisposed
5	BRIGHTLANDS STAR	"	S. Price	"
7	ZAKUMI	"	J. Holder	"

RACE 1 : MINOTAUR EXPLORATION RATING 0-75 HANDICAP - 1350 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately thirteen minutes owing to the ambulance personnel being required to attend to a patron on course.

RACE 2 : METALS & CONCENTRATES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 metres

KANGAROO JACK (Jordon Frew) jumped away awkwardly and shifted in contacting MISS PRACTICALITY (J. Potter).

SWING ALONG (M. Neilson) shifted out on jumping away contacting HOBBS (C. Lindop) which was taken out onto MAGAREY MISS (S. Westover), which was inconvenienced when taken wider.

KANGAROO JACK (Jordon Frew) laid out from the vicinity of the 400 metres until the finish of the event. KANGAROO JACK was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg. Mr. K. Frew and Mrs. H. Frew, the Trainers of KANGAROO JACK, were advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to accepting for a future trial or race.

In the vicinity of the 200 metres HOBBS (C. Lindop) laid in under pressure and had to steady momentarily off the heels of MISS PRACTICALITY (J. Potter).

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

RACE 3 : INVESTEC / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately one minute owing to PRIDE OF OLIVIA (D. Tourneur) proving difficult to load. Mr. B. Mueller, the Trainer of PRIDE OF OLIVIA, was advised a warning had been placed on this gelding in relation to its barrier manners.

PRIDE OF OLIVIA (D. Tourneur) jumped away awkwardly.

RACE 3 : INVESTEC / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres (Cont'd)

HARAMI (J. Holder) was slow to begin.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres HENNY (D. Evans) was momentarily held up when it improved onto the heels of ASHRIDGE (M. Neilson).

Approaching the 100 metres HENNY (D. Evans) was inconvenienced and forced to momentarily steady when tightened onto PARMIGIANA (T. Baker) by WUTHERING HEIGHTS (R. Stewart) which rolled in.

EXALTED DUKE (S. Price) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

Correct weight was delayed to allow D. Evans, the rider of HENNY, to view the vision in the straight.

RACE 4 : TRANSAMINE / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 metres

TRACY TRUE BLOOD (M. Hoppo) was slow to begin.

Racing over the crossing approaching the 1400 metres FLYING COCONUT (T. Baker) lost its position when tightened by BOSSED (J. Holder), which was taken in by VILLE DE BERNE (L. Stojakovic), which had shifted in abruptly away from MYSTIC MORN (L. Hopwood), which had improved quickly to that gelding's outside. As a consequence, FLYING COCONUT lost ground resulting in LITTLE BUSTER (J. Potter) becoming inconvenienced for a short distance on that gelding's heels.

In the vicinity of the 1400 metres FORMOSA BLUES (NZ) (Jordon Frew) had to be steadied when tightened between MISS FABULEUX (S. Price), which made the turn awkwardly and shifted out slightly, and BOSSED (J. Holder) which had been taken in slightly by VILLE DE BERNE (L. Stojakovic).

In the vicinity of the 400 metres EXALTED VALUE (M. Neilson) shifted out in an attempt to improve and in doing so made contact with VILLE DE BERNE (L. Stojakovic) resulting in these runners brushing on several occasions.

GENERAL

As runners commenced to leave the mounting yard for Race 5, the Stewards became concerned with lightning activity in the area and all runners were returned to the mounting yard rather than continue to the start.

The Stewards continued to monitor the storm/lightening activity in the proximity of the Strathalbyn racecourse, radar images and were in direct discussion with the Bureau of Meteorology ("BOM") duty forecasters. However, after initially receiving information from the BOM that the weather would improve, further advice indicated it was unlikely the storm would abate.

At 4.20pm the Stewards, having reviewed the prevailing conditions together with the information from the BOM, determined there was little likelihood the conditions would alter or improve sufficiently to permit the race meeting to proceed safely and therefore abandoned the race meeting.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (1):

Race 2 – MAGAREY MISS (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Nil
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - KANGAROO JACK – Not to race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to accepting for a future trial or race – Lame near foreleg. Race 3 - PRIDE OF OLIVIA – Warned – Barrier manners.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

MS:ejb:SBYN140312