THOROUGHBRED RACING AUTHORITY S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at the Port Augusta Racecourse by the Port Augusta Racing Club on Sunday, 8 July 2012

Stewards: G. Loch (Chairman), C. Deakin (HT) & L. Smith (M) (Stewards), R. Packard

(F), A. Greenfield (Deputy Stewards), Dr. D. Anderson (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 3 WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Normal

RACE 1: RADIO 5AU / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE (Division 1) - 1200 metres

Mr. D. Oxlade, the Trainer of HAPPY DAY FEELING, which proved difficult to load, was advised a repetition of the behaviour would lead to action being taken against it.

DON'T LOOK DOWN (Jordan Frew) jumped away awkwardly and shifted in onto DAZED (P. Roff), which was inconvenienced.

On jumping away FOLLOWTHEFOOTSTEPS (M. Tyndall) shifted out abruptly onto HEZAFRAAR (D. Stra), which lost its position when tightened onto TREJULS (K. Bishop), which was inconvenienced.

From the 700 metres HAPPY DAY FEELING (E. Boyd) hung out making the turn into the straight wide. HAPPY DAY FEELING was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

From the 600 metres HEZAFRAAR (D. Stra) was inclined to hang out. HEZAFRAAR was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

Inside the 600 metres WICKED KISS (W. Kerford), which had improved onto the heels of SMUG (J. Kah) as that gelding dropped the bit, shifted out onto TREJULS (K. Bishop), which was inconvenienced.

DON'T LOOK DOWN was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported an elevated heart rate.

When questioned regarding her riding of SMUG from the vicinity of the 500 metres until the entrance to the straight, J. Kah explained that after striding to the lead, SMUG dropped the bit and commenced to hang out, eventually brushing WICKED KISS (W. Kerford) on a number of occasions. She stated that she had not pressured SMUG to hold its position whilst attempting to keep the gelding off WICKED KISS. SMUG was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. The Stewards accepted J. Kah's explanation.

RACE 2: RADIO 5AU / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE (Division 2) - 1200 metres

HE'S NO MUG (S. Cahill) was slow to jump.

On jumping away STING LIKE A BEE (T. Pannell) shifted in onto THE JUDDERNAUT (A. Patterson), which was inconvenienced.

In the early stages THE JUDDERNAUT (A. Patterson) was inclined to get its head up and was extravagant in its action.

RACE 2: RADIO 5AU / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE (Division 2) - 1200 metres (Cont'd)

Near the 700 metres B. Claridge, the rider of DISHONOURED, accidentally dropped his whip. B. Claridge was reprimanded and advised carelessness in future may result in a penalty being imposed.

From the 500 metres MUGHAREEGA (J. Toeroek) was inclined to get its head up and lay out. MUGHAREEGA continued to lay out under pressure in the straight. MUGHAREEGA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Mr. K. Sweeney, the Trainer of MUGHAREEGA, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 3 : PORT AUGUSTA CITY COUNCIL / JACK FULLERTON MEMORIAL FLYING HANDICAP - 1200 metres

DASHMAN (A. Patterson) was slow to jump.

S. Westover, the rider of MISS ELIZA, reported the mare was uneven in its action during the event. MISS ELIZA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4: TASSIE & SKY TAVERNS RATING 0-77 HANDICAP - 1500 metres

DOODLES, which was observed with blood in its mouth, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit.

DOODLES (D. Stra) jumped away very awkwardly and shifted out, brushing MONSTARHIT (J. Kah).

Near the 1300 metres JUST A GIGGLE (W. Kerford) shifted in onto GOLD VINTAGE (S. Cahill), which was inconvenienced when tightened onto DOODLES (D. Stra) forcing that gelding to be eased when tightened for room. W. Kerford was reminded of his obligations when shifting ground in future.

RACE 5: MILHINCH HOURGLASS JEWELLERS RATING 0-61 HANDICAP – 1850 metres

MOUNTAIN CLIMBER (J. Toeroek) was slow to jump.

RACE 6: THE OLIVERBEER GROUP / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES RATING 0-64 HANDICAP - 1200 metres

TWOSTEP (W. Kerford) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto MONFILS (B. Claridge) taking that mare out onto BAR ROOM BELLE (L. Hopwood), which was inconvenienced. Shortly after ATTITUDE PROBLEM (T. Pannell) shifted in marginally onto BAR ROOM BELLE, which was severely hampered, losing its position.

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

RACE 7: COATES HIRE RATING 0-59 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

GALADAN was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit.

RACE 7: COATES HIRE RATING 0-59 HANDICAP - 1400 metres (Cont'd)

The start of this race was delayed owing to LYNVAN ROSE initially being reluctant to travel to the start and, approaching the starting point, contacting the inside rail. LYNVAN ROSE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the mare unfit. Acting on that advice, LYNVAN ROSE was withdrawn by Stewards at 2.55 pm. Mrs. S. Ratsch, the Trainer of LYNVAN ROSE, was advised the mare was suspended from racing until it can travel to the start unassisted and perform to the Stewards' satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial.

KING RODNEY (S. Cahill) reared as the gates opened.

PRETTY DANZ (D. Evans) jumped away awkwardly.

RACE 8: XXXX GOLD PORT AUGUSTA CUP - 2250 metres

Ms. K. McKerlie, the Trainer of COLLEGE KING, advised Stewards that COLLEGE KING was exhibiting an acute allergic reaction and provided a Veterinary Certificate confirming the condition. Acting on that advice, COLLEGE KING was withdrawn by Stewards at 12.05 pm.

OUT DO ME (A. Patterson) was slow to jump.

BRACKEN BLUE (W. Kerford) reared as the gates opened.

In the early and middle stages ST IVES (NZ) (L. Hopwood) was inclined to race fiercely. L. Hopwood reported that after reaching the lead ST IVES (NZ) hung out in the vicinity of the 1800 metres.

Near the 1300 metres OUT DO ME (A. Patterson) raced ungenerously for a short distance.

RACE 9: PA & CI MARTIN RATING 0-61 HANDICAP - 1100 metres

SIR TRNETIN (M. Tyndall) was slow to jump.

Approaching the 400 metres TEST PILOT (D. Stra) clipped the heels of JUSTONETWOMANY (W. Kerford) as that gelding rolled in. W. Kerford was advised of his obligations when shifting ground in future.

In the vicinity of the 100 metres MEAN JEAN (K. Bishop) shifted out onto BIGBADBARRY (J. Toeroek), which was momentarily inconvenienced. MEAN JEAN continued to shift out under pressure for the remainder of the event. K. Bishop was advised in similar circumstances in future she would be expected to make an attempt to straighten her mounts.

TEST PILOT and TAOS LIGHTNING were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

GENERAL:

RACE 7 : COATES HIRE RATING 0-59 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

Mr. D. Halliday, the Trainer of GALADAN, was questioned regarding the notification on race morning of Jockey B. Claridge to replace S. Westover, a non-claiming Apprentice. Mr. Halliday stated that he had instigated this action in the belief S. Westover had also been declared for another runner, JAEN. The Stewards established that at the time for declaration of riders on Thursday, 5 July 2012, S. Westover was declared for GALADAN only and that RISA staff had not followed protocol in announcing the replacement rider. The Stewards ruled that S. Westover retain the ride on GALANDAN, for which he had been engaged. Mr. Halliday was cautioned in future that he would be required to make a greater effort to verify his facts in such matters.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (6):

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

Race 7 ALISIMTO, MILLIGANS.

Race 8 WILLEGO, BRACKEN BLUE.

Race 9 JUSTONETWOMANY, RUBY'S ANGEL.

SWABBING (4):

Race 3 – MAKTUUB (winner)

Race 5 – LEVEN'S LANE (winner)

Race 6 - MARINA DEL REY (winner)

Race 8 – PELEKUNU VALLYE (NZ) (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 2 – B. Claridge (DISHONOURED) – ARR.137(a) – Carelessness in dropping whip.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 – MUGHAREEGA – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame off foreleg. Race 7 – LYNVAN ROSE – Suspended – Required to prove it can travel to the start unassisted and perform to Stewards' satisfaction in Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race – Reluctant to travel to start & contacted inside rail.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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