

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Racecourse
by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 18 August 2012

Stewards: G. Loch (Chairman), A. Hayles (M), C. Deakin (HT), L. Smith (F) & S. Callanan (Stewards), D. Southgate & C. Parks (Deputy Stewards) & Dr. P. Horridge & Dr. B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Morphettville – Heavy 8
Morphettville Parks – Slow 7

WEATHER: Overcast

RAIL: Morphettville - Out 12 metres from 1200m to Winning Post, 9 metres remainder.
Morphettville Parks – Out 3 metres from 1400m to Winning Post, true remainder.

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	BORDER EXPRESS	C. Lever	P. Gatt	Indisposed
2	GOLDBYA	“	S. Cahill	“
4	STRAVINSKY CODE	S. Westover	J. Duffy	“
6	IN THE CHAIR	C. Lever	S. Cahill	“
7	GENEROUS BEAU	S. Westover	M. Neilson	“

RACE 1 : SPORTINGBET HANDICAP - 2050 metres

APOSTLE, BRILLIANT WEEN and MIAMI INK were withdrawn by Stewards at 12.33 pm as the horses had not arrived on course and the Stewards were unsuccessful in attempts to contact the Trainer, Mr. J.A. O'Connor. Stewards will interview Mr. O'Connor at a date to be fixed to ascertain the circumstances regarding the non-arrival of these runners.

Shortly after the start BORDER EXPRESS (P. Gatt) shifted out onto BLEVIC LAD (J. Duffy), which lost its position when tightened onto SLEEP'N PETE (J. Holder).

Approaching the crossing in the vicinity of the 1800 metres VIMA (S. Westover) commenced to race keenly and for some distance and continued to race keenly on the heels of runners despite the efforts of its rider.

In the vicinity of the 1400 metres, for some distance, STURGIS (NZ) (J. Kah) was inconvenienced due to the racing manners of VIMA (S. Westover), which shifted out when being restrained off heels.

From the 1300 metres VIMA (S. Westover) raced three wide without cover.

S. Westover, the rider of VIMA, reported that in the early stages of the race when VIMA had raced keenly, his saddle had shifted forward disadvantaging him.

VIMA and SLEEP'N PETE were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

Following this race, S. Westover was examined by the Club's Doctor who ruled him unfit to fulfil his remaining riding engagements.

RACE 2 : HINDMARSH PLUMBING HANDICAP - 1200 metres

C. Lindop, the rider of DAYTONA GREY, informed Stewards that although the gelding had led through circumstance in a three horse field at its previous start, her instructions were to settle off the pace if possible today.

HIOCTDANE (P. Gatt) reared as the gates opened.

In the vicinity of the 900 metres HIOCTDANE (P. Gatt) was obliged to ease when tightened for room by DAYTONA GREY (C. Lindop), which rolled in as that gelding improved inside the heels of CONFORMIST (J. Duffy).

J. Holder, the rider of BELLCHUCA, reported the gelding did not appear to handle the going.

J. Duffy, the rider of CONFORMIST, explained he had intended to settle behind mid-field, however, as he was three wide without cover, had eased wider due to an incident to his inside. Near the 900 metres he had rolled forward in an attempt to be closer to the rail. He stated that when put under pressure at the entrance to the straight, the colt had not let down as he had expected. As a consequence CONFORMIST had raced more forward than anticipated. CONFORMIST was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

GOLDBYA and MORE THAN EAGLE were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a slower than expected cardiac and respiratory recovery.

RACE 3 : LESLIE SHORT GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE - 3500 metres *(run on Morphetville Parks Track)*

Inside the 600 metres JOCKEY JACK (L. Horner) faltered and was pulled up by its rider. JOCKEY JACK was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had fractured its near fore fetlock. JOCKEY JACK was humanely euthanased.

Form the 500 metres AL KARAM (NZ) (G. Bedggood) and IGUAZU (A. Lynch) were eased out of the event.

YESQUIRE (M. Kelly) jumped the last steeple inside the 200 metres awkwardly and knuckled on landing.

IGUAZU was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. First Aid was administered. Mr. C. Maher, the Trainer of IGUAZU, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

HALF MOON RISING was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4 : DISTINCTIVE HOMES HANDICAP - 1200 metres

ZEN (A. Herrmann) was slow to begin.

On jumping away SANDHILL CHIEF (D. Tourneur) knuckled severely.

On jumping away FRENCH CHARGE (L. Hopwood) shifted in onto STRAVINSKY CODE (J. Duffy), which was inconvenienced.

Near the 1000 metres SOCIAL ASSASSIN (P. Gatt) rolled in onto BELSYND (J. Holder), which, although inclined to race ungenerously with its head up, was inconvenienced.

RACE 4 : DISTINCTIVE HOMES HANDICAP - 1200 metres (Cont'd)

Approaching the 700 metres SOCIAL ASSASSIN (P. Gatt), which had commenced to race keenly and improve onto the heels of ABOUT ME, when being eased, shifted out contacting SANDHILL CHIEF (D. Tourneur), resulting in that gelding being forced to race wider.

Inside the 600 metres SOCIAL ASSASSIN (P. Gatt) shifted out onto BELSYND (J. Holder), which was inconvenienced when taken out, contacting ZEN (A. Herrmann), unbalancing that gelding. P. Gatt was reprimanded and advised in future to take greater care when shifting ground.

From the 200 metres BELSYND (J. Holder) was eased out of the event. J. Holder explained he had been instructed, if possible, to attempt to get to the outside of the field as in previous starts the gelding was not comfortable when racing inside or between runners. He stated BELSYND was never comfortable in the going today. BELSYND was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a slow recovery. Mr. D. Jolly, the Trainer of BELSYND, confirmed he would recommend to the owners the gelding be eased in its work before considering its future programme.

STRAVINSKY CODE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg. Mr. J. Hyam, the Trainer of STRAVINSKY CODE, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 5 : CENTREBET HANDICAP - 1200 metres

Shortly after the start SILENT ATTITUDE (S. Cahill) rolled out and brushed A WEE DRAM (T. Pannell).

In the vicinity of the 800 metres, when being restrained off the heels of EXALTED WONDER (J. Kah), A WEE DRAM (T. Pannell) was inclined to get its head up and race ungenerously for a short distance.

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

J. Duffy, the rider of BELLE OF THE COURT, explained over the concluding stages the mare appeared to lose its action and he was concerned after the race that it was inclined to be short in front. BELLE OF THE COURT was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

A WEE DRAM was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported bilateral stiffness/soreness to the hindquarters. Mr. D. Balfour, the Trainer of A WEE DRAM, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 6 : ONE SOLUTION MOBILE AND DATA HANDICAP - 1100 metres

Inside the 300 metres KOSCIUSZKO'S SIDE (D. Tourneur) rolled in and brushed RIAHGRAND (J. Duffy) as that gelding rolled out.

IN THE CHAIR was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 7 : DOMINANT HANDICAP - 1600 metres

Stewards acceded to a request from Mr. R. Balfour, representing Mr. D. Balfour, the Trainer of GENEROUS BEAU, to have M. Neilson replace S. Westover as the rider of the gelding as the stable was of the opinion the gelding would be too strong for the only available Apprentice.

OREGON SPIRIT (J. Duffy) was slow to jump.

In the vicinity of the 700 metres, when attempting to improve outside the heels of GENEROUS BEAU (M. Neilson), ROAD WARRIOR (J. Holder) shifted out onto RICEMAN (A. Herrmann). In consequence of ROAD WARRIOR reacting away from the heels of GENEROUS BEAU, it shifted out and hampered RICEMAN. J. Holder was severely reprimanded and advised in future to shift ground only when entitled to do so.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to permit A. Herrmann, the rider of the third placegetter RICEMAN, and that gelding's Trainer Mr. D. Saxon, to view the official footage from in the vicinity of the 700 metres. After doing so A. Herrmann lodged an objection against ROAD WARRIOR (J. Holder) being declared the second placegetter on the grounds of alleged interference in the vicinity of the 700 metres. After considering the evidence, on viewing the official footage and acting on their own observations, Stewards *dismissed* A. Herrmann's objection.

The Stewards intend, at a future date, to question C. Lindop, the rider of CONDUCTION, with regard to her riding of that gelding in particular in the early stages of the event.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (7):

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

- Race 3 AL KARAM (NZ), VIA SAVOIA, BERLIOZ (NZ), JOCKEY JACK.
- Race 7 OREGON SPIRIT, RICEMAN, AKHABRACH.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):

- Race 1 BORDER EXPRESS (winner)
- Race 2 LEGCUT (winner)
- Race 3 BERLIOZ (NZ) (winner)
- Race 4 DARK KNIGHT (winner)
- Race 4 SOCIAL ASSASSIN (beaten fav.)
- Race 5 EXALTED WONDER (winner)
- Race 6 KOSCIUSZKO'S SIDE (winner)
- Race 7 OREGON SPIRIT (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 7 – J. Holder (ROAD WARRIOR) – ARR.137(a) – Careless Riding.
REPRIMANDS	Race 4 – P. Gatt (SOCIAL ASSASSIN) – ARR.137(a) – Careless Riding.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 3 – IGUAZU – Not to Race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lameness off foreleg. Race 4 – STRAVINSKY CODE – Not to Race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lameness near foreleg. Race 5 – A WEE DRAM – Not to Race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Bilateral stiffness/soreness to hindquarters.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Race 1 – Into reasons for non-arrival of APOSTLE, BRILLIANT WEEN and MIAMI INK. Race 7 – Into C. Lindop's riding of CONDUCTION in the early stages of the event.