THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Parks Racecourse by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 25 August 2012

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

TRACKS: Slow 7 WEATHER: Overcast Reclassified to Slow 6 at 12.36 pm. Reclassified to Slow 7 at 4.08pm Retrospective to Race 7. WEATHER: Overcast

RAIL: Normal

RACE 1 : REGENCY SCREENS & WARDROBES HANDICAP - 2400 metres

D. Tourneur, the rider of KUITPO LAD, which performed below expectations, explained the gelding had lead as anticipated and had travelled one off the fence as in his opinion, having walked the track, it offered better going than on the fence. He stated that KUITPO LAD had travelled comfortably and was relaxed. Although it was his intention to improve the tempo from the vicinity of the 1000 metres, he said he was unable to improve with ROBDON FLYER (A. Patterson) from the vicinity of the 800 metres. D. Tourneur added that after being headed, in his opinion KUITPO LAD had not been entirely genuine. KUITPO LAD was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the near hind leg. Mr. S. Theodore, the Trainer of KUITPO LAD, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 2 : ADELAIDE GALVANISING HANDICAP - 1000 metres

On jumping away NULLARBOR NYMPH (P. Gatt) shifted in and brushed VELONSKI (S. Cahill). Shortly after NULLARBOR NYMPH became extravagant in its action as it attempted to buck on a number of occasions. Mr. R. Jolly, the Trainer of NULLARBOR NYMPH, was advised similar behaviour in future may be lead to action being taken against the filly.

S. Cahill, the rider of VELONSKI, explained that he colt had not travelled well at any stage of the event. He stated that he had been warned that the VELONSKI could be sluggish away however he was surprised that it did not travel at any stage of the race. VELONSKI was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

In the straight, under pressure, MEADOWS MIST (L. Hopwood) was inclined to lay in.

TOAST THE HOST was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the filly to be lame in the off foreleg. Mr. S. Oxlande, the Trainer of TOAST THE HOST, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting for a future trial or race.

RACE 3 : MEDALLION HOMES HANDICAP - 1000 metres

In the vicinity of the 800 metres, when being restrained, NORTH BEACH (A. Herrmann) was inclined to race keenly and shift about.

RACE 3 : MEDALLION HOMES HANDICAP - 1000 metres (Cont'd)

J. Holder, the rider of BELDARA, explained that the mare had only travelled fairly in running and from the vicinity of the 400 metres had been inclined to lay out and under pressure had not responded to his riding in what he considered to be an out of character performance. BELDARA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

M. Rodd, the rider of WEEKEND SPECIAL, explained that the gelding normally travels further back and off the bit in its races however due to the lack of pace in the early and middle stages had raced more keenly and closer to the pace. He added that when EL MAGICO (J. Bowditch) sprinted prior to the corner, WEEKEND SPECIAL had been briefly left flat footed but had finished of its race generously. WEEKEND SPECIAL was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4 : ADELAIDE IMAGE PRINTING HANDICAP - 1550 metres

AULD BURNS (GB) (N. Rose) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto EBONY ROCK (S. Cahill) which was inconvenienced.

TOMMY TWO (J. Bowditch) was slow to jump away.

FOODEATER (B. Claridge) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

From inside the 400 metres until the vicinity of the 300 metres MAHMENTUM (K. Bishop) had difficulty obtaining clear ground when racing inside FOODEATER (B. Claridge) and behind RESLENDA (J. Potter), which had commenced to give ground.

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

RACE 5 : SCHWEPPES HANDICAP - 1400 metres

The start of this race was delayed owing to HOLDONTOYAHORSES (J. Maund) requiring to be resaddled.

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

ROCCIN JO (J. Kah) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

At the entrance to the straight AMOUR CACHE (J. Holder) rolled in onto HOLDONTOYAHORSES (J. Maund) which was inconvenienced.

M. Neilson, the rider of ELOISE THAT'S ME reported that the mare hung out throughout the event.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to permit P. Gatt, the rider of the second placegetter RHODAMINE and Trainer, Mr. L. Kennewell, to view the official footage in the vicinity of the 100 metres. After doing so P. Gatt lodged an objection against ROCCIN JO (J. Kah) being declared the winner on the grounds of the whip being used in a forehand manner on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres. After considering the evidence, on viewing the official footage, having regard to the position of both runners at the 100 metres, the manner in which both finished off the race and as the Stewards could not be satisfied that ROCCIN JO, as a consequence of J. Kah's use of the whip in contravention to the Rules, had either gained an advantage or had held its position in running prior to the 100 metres, Stewards *dismissed* P. Gatt's objection.

RACE 5 : SCHWEPPES HANDICAP - 1400 metres (Cont'd)

J. Kah the rider of ROCCIN JO, was questioned regarding her use of the whip prior to the 100 metres. J. Kah pleaded guilty to a charge under ARR.137A(5)(a)(i)&(ii) in that she used her whip in a forehand manner in consecutive strides and on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded/fined \$300 under ARR.137A(5)(a)(i) and \$400 under ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii). In addition the Stewards ordered J. Kah attend a meeting with the Riding Skills Panel to review her use of the whip in this event. In determining this penalty the Stewards took into account apprentice, J. Kah's inexperience.

J. Maund, the rider of HOLDONTOYAHORSES, which performed below expectations, explained that the mare was reluctant to travel to the start and seemed lethargic pre-race. He stated that despite having blinkers on again HOLDONTOYAHORSES was not keen and alert and had failed to respond to his riding from the vicinity of the 400 metres. J. Maund added he had reported to his brother HOLDONTOYAHORSES may benefit from being freshened. Stewards will interview Mr. R. Maund, the Trainer of HOLDONTOYAHORSES, to obtain a post-race report.

RACE 6 : KEVIN SYKES MEMORIAL HANDICAP - 1250 metres

J. Rule the rider of YOKOZUNA, was questioned regarding a report from the Clerk of Scales that after having weighed out, he had changed his riding vest. When questioned J. Rule acknowledged his action and pleaded guilty to a charge under ARR.118A in that he had changed is riding vest without the permission of the Stewards and was fined \$400.

RACE 7 : SPORTINGBET PENNY EDITION STAKES - 1400 metres

RIALYA (J. Bowditch) jumped away awkwardly.

On jumping away SOUTHERN SPEED (C. Lindop) and ALCOPOP (D. Tourneur) brushed and shortly after ALCOPOP is inconvenienced when tightened onto SOUTHERN SPEED by RIALYA (J. Bowditch), which shifted out.

P. Gatt, the rider of THE EIGHTH MAKER, was questioned regarding his use of the whip prior to the 100 metres. P. Gatt pleaded guilty to a charge under ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip in a forehand manner on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded.

RACE 8 : ADELAIDE CASINO HANDICAP - 1400 metres

AMERICON TRILOGY (M. Neilson) jumped away awkwardly.

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

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

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RACE 4 : ADELAIDE IMAGE PRINTING HANDICAP - 1550 metres

As Stewards held no record of notification of a Licensed person being appointed in charge of HANDSOME AS, Trainer, Mr. W. Clarken was contacted by telephone. He stated that he had appointed Trainer Mr. A. Purcell to represent him and that his registered employee, Mr. W. Cafferty was attending HANDSOME AS. Mr. W. Clarken admitted he had not provided formal notification as required. An inquiry into the circumstances, as to why notification was not received by Stewards in accordance with LR20.8, will be conducted at a date to be fixed. When interviewed Mr. Purcell acknowledged he had agreed to attend HANDSOME AS for Mr. Clarken but admitted he was not present when the gelding was being prepared.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (17):

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

- Race 1 -STREAKY FELLA, SKY RAIDER, KUITPO LAD.
- Race 2 -DINKUM DIAMOND, VELONSKI.
- Race 3 -NORTH BEACH, WEEKEND SPECIAL.
- Race 4 -EBONY ROCK, HANDSOME AS.
- Race 5 -RHODAMINE, OUT DO ME.
- Race 6 -MOUNTAIN CAT, QUEUE FOR QUALITY.
- Race 7 -BAGMAN, MAGICAL PEARL.
- Race 8 -HOLLYWOOD AND VINE, FORTZA.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (11):

- Race 1 STREAKY FELLA (winner)
- Race 1 KUITPO LAD (beaten favourite)
- Race 2 DINKUM DIAMOND (winner)
- Race 3 EL MAGICO (winner)
- Race 3 WEEKEND SPECIAL (2nd placegetter)
- Race 5 **ROCCIN JO** (winner) YOKOZUNA (winner) Race 6 Race 7 SOUTHERN SPEED (winner) OUR FREED MAN (winner)

HANDSOME AS (beaten favourite)

Race 8

Race 4

Race 4 COMIC COMPOSER (NZ) (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 5 – J. Kah (ROCCIN JO) – ARR.137A(5)(a)(i) – Fined \$300 & ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) – Fined \$400 [+6] – Whip Offences. Race 6 – J. Rule (YOKOZUNA) – Fined \$400 – ARR.118A – Changing vests after weighing out.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 7– P. Gatt (THE EIGHTH MAKER) – ARR.137A(5)(a)(ii) [+2] – Whip Offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 – KUITPO LAD – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to presenting for future trial or race – Lame near hind leg. Race 2 – NULLARBOR NYMPH – Warned – Racing manners Race 2 – TOAST THE HOST – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to presenting for a future trial or race – Lame off foreleg.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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