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 Thursday, 27 June 2013

Stewards: L Michalanney (A/Chairman) & P Matthews (HT) (Stewards), R Packard (F), J Perry (M) & A Greenfield (Deputy Stewards), Dr D Anderson (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Dead 4

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Normal

RACE 1 : JM/DELI / SABOIS TWO-YEAR-OLD HCP - 1100 metres

On jumping away HARDERS (A Patterson) shifted out and brushed with TRUE SASSO (B Claridge).

From the vicinity of the 500 to the 400 metres, HARDERS (A Patterson) laid in under pressure.

J Toeroek, the rider of ERBAWI, reported that the filly was inclined to lay out in the straight.

B Claridge, the rider of TRUE SASSO, which performed below expectations, explained that the filly was a little fractious in the gates, however he was happy with his position throughout the event and he could not fault her action. TRUE SASSO, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2 : GERLACH MEDIA / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE – 1500 metres

In the vicinity of the 1300 metres, YALE (S Price), raced keenly for some distance on the heels of IMAGINARIUM (T O'Donnell) and was obliged to be restrained. As a result, YALE shifted out and brushed with ZIGZAG STREET (J Kah).

In the straight, IMAGINARIUM (T O'Donnell) laid in under pressure. IMAGINARIUM was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3 : CENTRAL AUGUSTA FOOTBALL CLUB / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE – 1100 metres

On arrival on course, RELATIVE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon, who reported a healing wound to the off hind cannon and was fit to race.

This race was delayed by approximately 4 minutes owing to track maintenance.

WARRASIDE (P Roff) and SAL'S SHINKO (D Stra) were slow to begin.

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

Mr D Bonetti, the Trainer of SEARCY, was questioned regarding the apparent improved performance of this filly. Mr Bonetti explained that there had been no change to the work of SEARCY in the lead up to this event, however, he was of the opinion she would suit the shorter distance of today's event and had instructed the rider to be more positive in their riding style as SEARCY can switch off in the later stages.

<u>RACE 3 : CENTRAL AUGUSTA FOOTBALL CLUB / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE</u> – 1100 metres (Cont'd)

MEADOWS STORM (R Bell) made the home turn awkwardly.

R Bell, the rider of MEADOWS STORM, which performed below expectations, explained that his intention was to go forward in the race, but the mare was sluggish out of the gates and did not travel throughout. He added that, in his opinion, MEADOWS STORM resented the dirt kicked back today and, as a result, had its head up throughout the event. MEADOWS STORM was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

D Stra, the rider of SAL'S SHINKO, reported that the gelding hung out through the event.

RACE 4 : PHILLIP KITTEL MEMORIAL RACING 0-74 HCP – 1400 metres

PRETTY DANZ (D Stra) jumped away awkwardly.

In the early stages, THORNY DEVIL (J Frew) raced ungenerously.

Approaching the 800 metres, AL CHICAGO (S Price), which was inclined to hang out, was obliged to be steadied off the heels of DELSHAR (J Potter).

Inside the 800 metres, AL CHICAGO (S Price), which continued to hang out, was again steadied off the heels of DELSHAR (J Potter).

In the vicinity of the 200 metres, AL CHICAGO (S Price) shifted in and momentarily inconvenienced THORNY DEVIL (J Frew).

PRETTY DANZ (D Stra) hung out throughout the event.

J Toeroek, the rider of TICKET TO VEGAS, reported that his mount was inclined to race keenly in the early stages of the event.

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

RACE 5 : BUSES R US RATING 0-74 HCP – 1100 metres

On jumping away SPECULATE (M Henderson) and EGO'S GOOD (K Brooks) came together and brushed.

In the vicinity of the 600 metres, MISS ELIZA (T O'Donnell) rolled out at the same time that PIXIU (J Potter) shifted in, resulting in PIXIU having to be steadied off the heels of MISS ELIZA.

Approaching the 300 metres, MISS ELIZA (T O'Donnell) was tightened between LAST PARDEE (J Toeroek), which shifted out to improve, and KING RODNEY (L Hopwood), which rolled in marginally, resulting in MISS ELIZA being buffeted between these runners.

KING RODNEY, which made some respiratory noise on return to Scale, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6 : HANNAHVILLE HOTEL RATING 0-59 HCP (1) – 1200 metres

RAMSGATE (B Claridge) was slow to begin.

RACE 6 : HANNAHVILLE HOTEL RATING 0-59 HCP (1) – 1200 metres (Cont'd)

On jumping away CONTESSINA DEBARDI (L Stojakovic) shifted in abruptly, making heavy contact with BIGBADBARRY (J Kah), resulting in CONTESSINA DEBARDI becoming unbalanced.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres, FLYING CLUB (P Roff) rolled out at the same time that HEZAFRAAR (J Frew), which was weakening, rolled in, resulting in MISS CUTHBERT (L Hopwood) becoming tightened between those two runners.

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

J Frew, the rider of HEZAFRAAR, reported that the gelding had knuckled in the back straight and he felt the gelding was not comfortable in its action throughout the event. He added, for this reason, he did not persevere with his riding of the gelding from the 300 metres. HEZAFRAAR was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had a lower than expected heart rate.

RACE 7 : JACINTA SCHUSTER DECORATING & DESIGN RATING 0-64 HCP – 1600 metres

DAZED (T Pannell), which was slow to begin and failed to maintain contact with the field throughout the event, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a lower than expected heart rate. Mrs S Stott, the Trainer of DAZED, was advised the gelding would be required to perform to Stewards' satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

On jumping away, HAPPYENDO (P Roff) and EIGHT RED (T O'Donnell) came together and brushed.

From the 1000 metres, for the remainder of the event, TONI'S CONNECTION (M Henderson) laid out.

RACE 8 : OFFICE NATIONAL SQUATTER'S CUP – 1850 metres

On arrival at the gates, AUSSIE BLUE had its tongue tie re-fitted.

GRAND GROUP (J Kay) and GIMME SOME SAVINGS (B Claridge) were slow to begin.

THE CATCHER (J Frew) raced keenly in the middle stages.

From the 200 metres, BRAD STAR (W Kerford) was eased out of the event. BRAD STAR was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had ruptured its gastrol tendon from the near hind hock. First Aid was administered. Ms K McKerlie, the Trainer of BRAD STAR, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required before accepting for a future trial or race.

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

J Frew, the rider of THE CATCHER, explained that the gelding had jumped away satisfactorily and as, in his opinion, there was no speed in the event, and due to the formation of the field, he had elected to take up a position further forward than he normally would. He added THE CATCHER travelled well, but could not sprint when he put the gelding under pressure in the vicinity of the 700 metres.

RACE 8 : OFFICE NATIONAL SQUATTER'S CUP – 1850 metres (Cont'd)

Mr W Bencic, the Trainer of PACINO, was questioned regarding the apparent improved performance of this gelding. Mr Bencic explained since its last race, he had removed PACINO's blinkers and tongue tie, and not galloped the gelding to keep him fresh. He was of the opinion that PACINO had enormous ability and always worked well, however, had the tendency to switch off in races.

RACE 9 : HANNAHVILLE HOTEL RATING 0-59 HCP (2) – 1200 metres

From the vicinity of the 1000 metres, WORTH THE EFFORT (J Frew) had its head on the side and laid in severely throughout the event. WORTH THE EFFORT was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who no visible abnormality.

In the vicinity of the 800 metres, ARAKAZEL (S Price) shifted in onto ORDYNSKI'S HILL (T O'Donnell), resulting in ORDYNSKI'S HILL having to be restrained off that mare's heels.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to allow C Lever, the rider of the second place getter, DEFONET, to view the official photo for first.

L Stojakovic, the rider of JUSTONETWOMANY, reported that the gelding compounded badly in the straight. JUSTONETWOMANY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported that the gelding was lame in its near foreleg. Mr R Atkinson, the Trainer of JUSTONETWOMANY, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required before accepting for a future trial or race.

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

SWABBING (4):

Race 2 – YALE (winner)

Race 3 - SEARCY (winner)

Race 8 - PACINO (winner)

Race 9 - SIR TRENTIN (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil.
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SUSPENSIONS	Nil.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 7 – DAZED – Suspended –Uncompetitive – Required to perform to Stewards' satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race. Race 8 – JUSTONETWOMANY- Not to Race - Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame near foreleg. Race 8 – BRAD STAR – Not to Race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race - Ruptured gastrol tendon near hock.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil.

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