THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Wednesday, 11 December 2013

Stewards: M. Santoro (A/Chairman), A. Hayles (F), S. Callanan (M) & D. Bucknell (HT)

(Stewards), A. Quinton (Deputy Steward), Dr. P. Horridge (Veterinary

Surgeon)

TRACK: Dead 5 (Upgraded to Dead 4 at 11.20 am) WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Normal

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	WICKED KISS	T. O'Donnell	C. Forrest	Indisposed
2	ORCHESTRAL	"	"	"
4	DANCER'S DREAM	"	D. Evans	"
7	USTINOV'S FURY	S. Price		Late notification
8	FULLOTRIX	T. O'Donnell	C. Forrest	Indisposed

RACE 1 : MCLEAY & SONS CARPETS FOUR-YEARS-OLD & OVER MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres

GREYABBEY (T. Baker) was slow to begin and raced greenly throughout the event.

PROMISES (M. Neilson) raced greenly throughout the event, made the home turn awkwardly and shifted wider on the track.

S. Cahill, the rider of DANISH VALUE, reported he had become concerned with the gelding's action from the vicinity of the 500 metres and for that reason did not ride DANISH VALUE out in his normal manner over the concluding stages. DANISH VALUE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

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

RACE 2: MCLEAY & SONS CARPETS CLASS 2 HANDICAP - 1200 metres

On arrival at the barriers Apprentice J. Kah was dislodged from JACKS JOURNEY. J. Kah was examined by the First Care Medical personnel and ruled fit to fulfil her engagement.

AZNA (L. Hopwood) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 3 : MCLEAY & SONS CARPETS / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres

ROBOCOP (J. Potter) jumped away awkwardly.

Approaching the 400 metres FRAYVILLE (L. Hopwood) became awkwardly placed on the heels of STRAWBERRY CANYON (A. Patterson) for a short distance when COMSTRUM (J. Holder) improved quickly to its outside.

RACE 4 : MCLEAY & SONS CARPETS / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 metres

Whilst being loaded the bridle on MEG'S CASTLE broke. When attempting to replace the bridle, MEG'S CASTLE became agitated, reared up and fell, breaking through a rail and being recaptured on the inside track. MEG'S CASTLE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the mare unfit to race. Acting on that advice, Stewards withdrew MEG'S CASTLE at 2.27 pm.

SHAHERAZADE (J. Kah) jumped away awkwardly and shifted in, brushing THE GET GO (L. Hopwood).

RACE 5 : FELTEX CARPETS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 metres

On jumping away JOSEPH ED (L. Stojakovic) was hampered and lost its position when tightened between MISTER EATON (T. Zanker), which shifted in, and VALIK (J. Potter), which shifted out.

VALIK (J. Potter) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

Inside the 200 metres EXALTED COCO (L. Hopwood) dipped for no apparent reason, unbalancing its rider.

- T. Baker, the rider of BLACK MOON, reported that in the vicinity of the 800 metres his mount had rolled in and contacted the running rail for a short distance.
- L. Stojakovic, the rider of JOSEPH ED, reported she had become concerned with the gelding's action in the straight. JOSEPH ED was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a lower than expected heart rate.

RACE 6 : MCLEAY & SONS CARPETS / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 1100 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately two minutes owing to LADY PHOENIX proving difficult to load. Mr. F. Meuring, the Trainer of LADY PHOENIX, was advised the mare would be required to load without delay in an Approval Jump Out or an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

CHOISELLE (J. Holder) was slow to begin.

THE PRINCESS (A. Doyle) jumped away awkwardly.

KILL BILL (A. Herrmann) raced wide without cover throughout the event and from the vicinity of the 700 metres was inclined to hang out. KILL BILL was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a minor laceration to the near corner of the mouth.

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

RACE 7: MCLEAY & SONS CARPETS RATING 0-72 HANDICAP - 1350 metres

USTINOV'S FURY (S. Price) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

Inside the 100 metres PORTICI (T. Pannell) rolled out and contacted ROWDY ROCKER (J. Toeroek), which was inconvenienced.

ETHBAAL, which performed poorly, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8: REDBOOK CARPETS RATING 0-62 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

MILD MANNERED (C. Lindop) raced extremely fiercely in the early and middle stages whilst being restrained off the heels of SHADOWS OF VENUS (J. Maund) due to the pace of the event.

BARRIERS (E. Boyd) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

Stewards questioned J. Maund, the rider of SHADOWS OF VENUS, into his riding of the gelding over the concluding stages of the event. After considering his explanation, J. Maund was charged under AR137(b) in that he had failed to ride his mount out to the end of the race. He pleaded guilty and was fined \$150.

Stewards questioned J. Holder, the rider of NATIVE RHYTHM, into his instructions in this event as they were concerned the mare had led. J. Holder explained he had been instructed to see how the mare jumped away and have it in a comfortable position but to be mindful that NATIVE RHYTHM has a habit of missing the start. He added NATIVE RHYTHM jumped away far better than he had anticipated and in the vicinity of the 1400 metres had found himself racing wide outside the leaders without cover and made an assessment that due to the pace of the race and both LURCH (J. Toeroek) and SHADOWS OF VENUS (J. Maund), who were racing to his inside, had been restrained, he would be unable to obtain cover behind them and for this reason elected to show initiative and push forward to obtain the lead. He stated the mare had settled well in front and he was pleased with how the mare finished off the event. Mr. D. O'Leary, the Trainer of NATIVE RHYTHM, confirmed the instructions, however, advised he had not expected the mare to lead in the event.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (4):

Race 2 – JACKS JOURNEY (winner)

Race 3 – TINY TEMPER (winner)

Race 6 – SPARKLING BELLA (winner)

Race 7 – SNIP 'N' RUN (winner)

SUMMARY			
FINES	Race 7 – Mr. S. Oxlade – Fined \$50 – LR.18.1 – Late declaration of a rider for USTINOV'S FURY.		
	Race 8 – J. Maund (SHADOWS OF VENUS) – Fined \$150 – AR137(b) – Failing to ride his mount out to end of race.		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil		
REPRIMANDS	Nil		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 6 – LADY PHOENIX – Suspended – Required to load without delay in Approval Jump Out or Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race – Difficult to load.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		

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