THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Sunday. 12 January 2014

<u>Stewards</u>: M. Santoro (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (HT), D. Bucknell (F), A. Quinton (M) (Stewards), M. Featherston (Deputy Steward), Dr R. Hensael (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Dead 4 (Upgraded to Good 3 at 11.30 am)

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: True

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	TEMPORARY HOME	S. Price	P. Gatt	Indisposed
1	TRACY BLUE BLOOD	J. Potter	T. Pannell	Injured
2	ANNANDALE	A. Patterson	J. Holder	"
3	ELOVACHILL	S. Price	P. Gatt	Indisposed
3	JANICE MAY	J. Potter	J. Maund	Injured
4	VIBKA	S. Price	T. Pannell	Indisposed
4	ZOVISTA	J. Potter	C. Lindop	Injured
5	LADY LUSH	J. Potter	T. Pannell	"
5	SUPREME RULER	A. Patterson	J. Maund	"
6	MADAM KAFOOPS	J. Potter	J. Holder	"
6	ROYAL BUTLER	L. Stojakovic	H. McKechnie	"
7	PRETTY BLONDE	J. Potter	T. Pannell	"
7	CROSS CONSTANCE	A. Patterson	J. Maund	"
7	WHERE'S TIM	S. Price	L. Hopwood	Indisposed
8	MAHMENTUM	A. Patterson	D. Tourneur	Injured
8	USTINOV'S FURY	J. Potter	P. Gatt	n

RACE 1 : HOWLIN' GALE WINES / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 metres

TEMPORARY HOME (P. Gatt) was slow to begin.

APALA (A. Herrmann) over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event.

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

RACE 2 : BGC INDUSTRIAL CLEANING SUPPLIERS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE – 1200 metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes owing to BRUGIA (M. Neilson) refusing to load. BRUGIA was withdrawn by Stewards at 1.11 pm. Mr B. Peake, the Trainer of BRUGIA, was advised the mare would be required to load without delay in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

<u>RACE 2 : BGC INDUSTRIAL CLEANING SUPPLIERS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE</u> – 1200 metres (Cont'd)

BAD MEDICINE (S. Westover) jumped away awkwardly and shifted in onto RED MENACE (P. Gatt), which lost its position when tightened onto DELTA STAR (A. Herrmann).

BAD MEDICINE (S. Westover) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event and was inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

L. Hopwood, rider of EPONA REBEL, reported the gelding had raced greenly throughout the event.

SHEIK OF TWEAK, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had sustained speedy cuts.

JETMAKER was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had sustained speedy cuts.

RACE 3 : FINNISS LODGE / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 metres

ELOVACHILL, which struck its head on the barrier structure whilst being loaded, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to start.

BLEVICUS (C. Lindop) shifted out on jumping away, contacting JANICE MAY (J. Maund), which was hampered when tightened onto DAUNTING DREAM (H. McKechnie).

SIGNOR FAVILLA (M. Neilson) raced fiercely in the early stages whilst being restrained and hung out making the turn inside the 1400 metres.

FLYING CASINO (J. Frew), which commenced to give ground from the vicinity of the 800 metres, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

SIR CHOISIR and DAUNTING DREAM, which performed below expectations, were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4 : LION NATHAN CLASS 1 HANDICAP - 1250 metres

STAKE YOUR CLAIM, which initially refused to leave the mounting yard and then threw itself down, was a late scratching by order of Stewards at 2.16 pm. Ms K. Duffie, the Trainer of STAKE YOUR CLAIM, was advised the mare would be required to go to the start without delay in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

FLY THE COOP (C. Forrest) jumped away awkwardly, got its head up and was awkward in its action for a short distance after the start.

VIBKA (T. Pannell) was inclined to lay out throughout the event. VIBKA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

L. Hopwood, rider of CON NOW, reported the mare was inclined to lay in throughout the event and commenced to hang in when put under pressure in the straight. CON NOW was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 5 : ALEXANDRINA COUNCIL RATING 0-62 HANDICAP – 1350 metres

Shortly after the start JACKS JOURNEY (C. Forrest) shifted in onto LADY LUSH (T. Pannell), tightening that mare onto MAJOR DE (S. Westover), which was hampered and forced to steady off the heels of SUPREME RULER (J. Maund), which rolled out slightly. C. Forrest was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground.

Stewards questioned L. Hopwood, the rider of SERIOUS DANGER, into her instructions in this event. L. Hopwood explained she had been instructed to obtain a position on pace with cover if possible, however, due to the gelding's wide barrier draw, she was unable to obtain cover in the early stages and made the decision to push forward and lead rather than be caught wide. Mr K. Frew, the Co-trainer of SERIOUS DANGER, confirmed the instructions were to attempt to obtain a position forward of mid-field with cover, which were similar to those provided at the horse's most recent starts.

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

RACE 6 : BETFAIR RATING 0-62 HANDICAP – 2050 metres

FAINEANT (A. Herrmann) and KISS MY ARAZI (S. Cahill) jumped away awkwardly.

On jumping away LONCAY (C. Lindop) shifted in onto MADAM KAFOOPS (J. Holder), which was inconvenienced when tightened onto WAGEN (NZ) (C. Forrest), which shifted out.

Inside the 600 metres MADAM KAFOOPS (J. Holder) rolled in onto FAINEANT (A. Herrmann), which was forced to steady when tightened onto DON'T TELL ACK (K. Bishop). Shortly after, MADAM KAFOOPS continued to shift in onto DON'T TELL ACK, resulting in K. Bishop being forced to stop riding for a number of strides. J. Holder was reprimanded and advised in future he would be required to make a greater effort to keep his mounts straight when they commence to shift.

At the entrance to the straight OCEAN STREET (D. Tourneur) became held up when awkwardly placed between the heels of KELLERMAN (M. Neilson) and DON'T TELL ACK (K. Bishop), which had commenced to give ground, until the vicinity of the 100 metres when able to alter course to the outside of DON'T TELL ACK.

Stewards questioned S. Cahill, the rider of KISS MY ARAZI, in relation to his use of the whip in the vicinity of the 100 metres. After considering his explanation and viewing the vision, S. Cahill pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(4)(a) in that he had used his whip forward of the horse's shoulder and in the vicinity of its head and was fined \$200. In considering penalty, Stewards took into account S. Cahill's explanation that he had pulled the whip through to his non-natural left hand and he became out of rhythm and had accidentally struck the horse with the whip forward of its shoulder.

C. Forrest, the rider of WAGEN (NZ), explained the gelding was off the bit throughout the event, was reluctant to stretch out despite her efforts and she had become concerned with the gelding's action in the vicinity of the 600 metres. WAGEN (NZ) was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Mr G. Richards, the Trainer of WAGEN (NZ), was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

KISS MY ARAZI and KELLERMAN were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 7 : PERRI CUTTEN SABOIS+ STRATHALBYN CUP – 2050 metres

VIMA (S. Cahill) jumped away awkwardly.

CABLE BAY (NZ) (S. Westover) shifted out on jumping away onto ELGIRANA (C. Lindop), which was taken out, making contact with LITTLE ADAM (J. Holder), which was hampered.

VIMA (S. Cahill) over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event.

In the vicinity of the 500 metres WHERE'S TIM (L. Hopwood) improved onto and became awkwardly placed on the heels of WILLEGO (J. Toeroek), which had commenced to give ground, for several strides.

LITTLE ADAM (J. Holder) was held up from the vicinity of the 400 metres until near the 200 metres when racing behind SKY RAIDER (D. Tourneur) and inside CABLE BAY (NZ) (S. Westover).

J. Toeroek, the rider of WILLEGO, reported the gelding was inclined to roll about throughout the event and he had become concerned with its action in the vicinity of the 500 metres. WILLEGO was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had suffered a bilateral bleeding attack during the event. Mr S. Oxlade, the Trainer of WILLEGO, was advised that as this was the gelding's second bleeding attack, WILLEGO was now barred from racing in accordance with AR53A(5).

VIMA and WHERE'S TIM, which both performed below expectations, were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8 : SCHWEPPES RATING 0-78 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

Shortly after the start WICKED DREAMS (M. Neilson) lost ground for no apparent reason.

In the vicinity of the 800 metres DITCHED (D. Tootell) became awkwardly placed on the heels of FRAANIKOVA (C. Forrest) as the pace slackened.

MONICA KATE (A. Herrmann) laid in under pressure in the straight.

FRAANIKOVA, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported that the horse had fresh bruising to the inside of the mouth.

M. Neilson, the rider of WICKED DREAMS, which performed below expectations, explained the mare was reluctant racing inside other runners and after jumping away well had baulked and was reluctant to race in the early and middle stages of the event. He said that in the vicinity of the 500 metres he had considered an option to come around the field but was of the opinion he would have been forced too wide on the track and for this reason had elected to make a run between runners. He added that in his opinion WICKED DREAMS had finished the race off only moderately. WICKED DREAMS was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.



ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (3)

Race 4ZOVISTA (winner)Race 6MADAM KAFOOPS (winner)Race 8SNIP 'N' RUN (winner)

SUMMARY				
FINES	Race 6 – S. Cahill (KISS MY ARAZI) - Fined \$200 – AR137A(4)(a) – Whip offence.			
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil			
REPRIMANDS	Race 6 – J. Holder (MADAM KAFOOPS) – AR137(a) – Careless riding.			
SUSPENSIONS	Nil			
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 – BRUGIA – Suspended – Required to load without delay in Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race – Refused to load. Race 4 – STAKE YOUR CLAIM – Suspended – Required to proceed to start without delay in Official Barrier Trial – Refused to leave mounting yard. Race 6 – WAGEN (NZ) – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame off foreleg. Race 7 – WILLEGO – Barred from racing – AR53A(5) – 2 nd bilateral bleeding attack.			
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil			