

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Racecourse
by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 1 March 2014

Stewards: J. Petzer (Chairman), M. Santoro (M), L. Michalanney (HT), S. Callanan (F) (Stewards), D. Southgate, N. Henry, A. Quinton, M. Featherston (Deputy Stewards), Dr. P. Horridge & Dr. B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Dead 4 (*Upgraded to Good 3 at 10.50 am*)

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Out 6 metres 1200m to Winning Post, 4 metres Winning Post to 2000m, 3 metres remainder

RACE 1 : SPORTINGBET HANDICAP - 1800 metres

ABBA (M. Neilson) jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and contacted STACK THE TRUCK (J. Bowditch), which was taken out onto SOUTHERN METEOR (L. Currie), which was inconvenienced.

STACK THE TRUCK (J. Bowditch) laid out from the entrance to the straight.

ABBA (M. Neilson), which improved to the outside of STACK THE TRUCK (J. Bowditch) inside the 300 metres, was initially taken wider by STACK THE TRUCK as that gelding continued to lay out and shifted out, and approaching the 200 metres was accidentally struck on the nose by the whip of J. Bowditch.

J. Bowditch, the rider of STACK THE TRUCK, reported his mount laid out during the event and made a breathing noise on return to Scale. STACK THE TRUCK was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be exhibiting excess upper respiratory noise. Mr. J. Hickmott, the Trainer of STACK THE TRUCK, was advised the results of an endoscopic examination and a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

M. Neilson, the rider of ABBA, explained he had no instructions for this event but having regard for the size of the field and the manner in which the filly races, he expected to be in the one-one position. He added that after beginning awkwardly and given the formation of the field shortly after the start, he elected to not push forward but to allow the field to settle and take up a position towards the rear of the field with cover and was conscious of not being trapped wide in the early stages. He also stated that in the vicinity of the 600 metres, when being tested, the filly did not respond in the manner he expected and raced erratically and flicked its tail on several occasions. When questioned with respect to his election to improve his mount to the outside of STACK THE TRUCK (J. Bowditch) inside the 300 metres, rather than taking a run to that horse's inside, he stated that he was conscious of the racing manners of STACK THE TRUCK, considered it may roll back in, and for that reason elected to take a run to its outside and after doing so was inconvenienced for some distance due to that horse continuing to shift out. He added that in hindsight he may have been better served in taking the run to the inside of STACK THE TRUCK. He also added that ABBA did not finish the race off in the manner he expected. ABBA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2 : ALAN SHEPPARD CONSTRUCTIONS HANDICAP – 1050 metres

CASH IS COMING (H. Coffey) jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and contacted OUR PARADIGM (J. Maund). Shortly thereafter OUR PARADIGM was tightened onto the heels of CASH IS COMING by BURNRO (J. Holder), which was inclined to lay in and shifted in.

RACE 2 : ALAN SHEPPARD CONSTRUCTIONS HANDICAP – 1050 metres (Cont'd)

BURNRO (J. Holder) laid in, in the straight. BURNRO was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

J. Frew, the rider of CLASSY JACK, pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(c) for making a celebratory gesture prior to his mount passing the winning post and was fined \$200.

RACE 3 : HINDMARSH PLUMBING HANDICAP - 1050 metres

FORCE OF THREE (S. Westover) jumped away awkwardly and was slow to begin.

In the vicinity of the 900 metres COCO MISS (L. Currie) shifted in to improve and tightened PIONEER PRINCE (T. Baker), which got its head up, raced very ungenerously and became awkward on the heels of COCO MISS when the pace slackened for a short distance. L. Currie was severely reprimanded for shifting ground when insufficiently clear and his attention was drawn to the Rules relating to slackening the pace in races.

MOSQUE (S. Cahill) laid in, in the straight.

RACE 4 : MARSH HANDICAP - 1800 metres

Mr. A. Homann, the owner of L'ESPRIT, advised Stewards prior to the event that Jockey L. Currie will be instructed to attempt to obtain a forward position in running.

FLYING SKIPPER (B. Claridge) pulled hard in the early stages and was then obliged to race wide without cover in the middle stages of the event.

In the vicinity of the 200 metres TERRIFIC FLAIR (J. Holder) shifted in and away from L'ESPRIT (L. Currie) and onto NIGHT BREEZE (J. Bowditch), which was weakening, resulting in NIGHT BREEZE being inconvenienced when tightened onto the heels of SPANISH VIXEN (H. Coffey).

J. Toeroek, the rider of INSUPERABLE (NZ), reported it was not his intention to take up a forward position but due to the manner in which the gelding began, and the fact that it pulled hard in the early stages, he elected to allow it to stride forward.

TONS OF DASH was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 5 : ADELAIDE GALVANISING HANDICAP – 1200 metres

Inside the 200 metres QUICK LOVER (J. Toeroek) shifted out and away from DRAW FORWARD (L. Currie) and became awkwardly placed on the heels of KOSCIUSZKO'S SIDE (J. Bowditch). Shortly thereafter KOSCIUSZKO'S SIDE shifted in resulting in J. Toeroek having to check his mount to avoid the heels of that gelding. J. Bowditch was reprimanded and advised to take greater care in future when his mounts commence to shift ground.

Over the concluding stages BELFAST BOY (J. Childs) and LITTLE AKIE (S. Price) brushed on a number of occasions.

DRAW FORWARD was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the mare to be lame in the off hind leg. Mr. M. Price, the Trainer of DRAW FORWARD, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the mare for a future trial or race.

RACE 6 : SCHWEPPE'S HANDICAP - 1600 metres

C. Forrest, the rider of BARIGAN BOY, explained her instructions were to lead and attempt to lead by five lengths and then allow the gelding to settle midfield but to make her run from in the vicinity of the 700 metres. She stated that she was able to take up a forward position and lead as instructed in the event and in her opinion allowed the horse to settle midfield before complying with her instructions to encourage the horse from in the vicinity of the 700 metres. Stewards also questioned Mr. G Young, the Trainer of the BARIGAN BOY, who confirmed the instructions provided. C. Forrest and Mr. G Young were advised that Stewards would view previous race starts of the gelding to determine whether the gelding was ridden in a consistent manner. BARIGAN BOY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the horse to be lame in the off hind leg. Mr. Young was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

WHITTEN'S DELIGHT was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 7 : JAMES BOAG'S PREMIUM LORD REIMS STAKES - 2600 metres

WALTZING TO WIN, which became fractious in the mounting yard, reared and contacted the hedge and the outside perimeter fence, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon prior to leaving the mounting yard and ruled fit to proceed to the start. On arrival at the barriers WALTZING TO WIN was again examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the horse fit to race.

LUCKZAT (NZ) (M. Walters) jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and contacted RIALYA (J. Bowditch).

PROPER MADAM (J. Holder) shifted out at the start and contacted VIMA (S. Cahill).

WALTZING TO WIN (B. Claridge) pulled very hard in the early stages of the event.

Due to a lack of pace in the event a number of horses raced very keenly in the early stages.

In the vicinity of the 800 metres SKY RAIDER (J. Toeroek) shifted to the outside of WALTZING TO WIN (B. Claridge) to improve and in doing so, brushed with RIALYA (J. Bowditch) and raced in restricted room to the inside of that gelding. Shortly thereafter RIALYA shifted in, contacting SKY RAIDER and taking it in onto the heels of WALTZING TO WIN, resulting in J. Toeroek having to check his mount for several strides to avoid the heels of that mare. As a consequence, VIMA (S. Cahill), which was following, was inconvenienced and had to be steadied for a number of strides. J. Bowditch was severely reprimanded and advised to take greater care when shifting ground in future.

J. Holder, the rider of PROPER MADAM, was questioned regarding his use of the whip prior to the 100 metres. He pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(i) for using his whip in consecutive strides and was reprimanded. He also pleaded guilty to a charge AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200.

REMORSE, which kicked the side of its stall subsequent to the event, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a laceration through the off hind tendon sheath. REMORSE was referred to the Morphetville Equine Clinic.

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

RACE 8 : TATSBET ADELAIDE CUP 10TH MARCH HANDICAP - 1200 metres

SANDHILL WARRIOR (J. Toeroek) knuckled at the start, unbalancing its rider, and as a consequence was slow to begin, losing three to four lengths.

SLIPPERY NINJA (S. Westover) was slow to begin.

GAV'S GIFT (A. Herrmann) raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

DEBEERSONUS (C. Forrest) hung out from in the vicinity of the 600 metres.

At the entrance to the straight GREEN GINGER (T. Zanker) became awkward on the heels of GAV'S GIFT (A. Herrmann) and was obliged to steady and alter course to the outside of that gelding to obtain clear running.

Over the concluding stages SLIPPERY NINJA (S. Westover), which continued to hang out under riding, shifted out abruptly and crossed the running of DEBEERSONUS (C. Forrest), resulting in C. Forrest having to steady her mount and alter course to the inside of DEBEERSONUS. S. Westover was reminded of his obligations when his mounts commence to shift ground in future.

C. Forrest, the rider of DEBEERSONUS, reported her mount hung out during the event. DEBEERSONUS was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off hind leg. Mr. T. Dansie, the Co-trainer of DEBEERSONUS, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

S. Westover, the rider of SLIPPERY NINJA, reported his mount hung out in the straight.

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

PRE-RACE SAMPLES (12)

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

Race 7 RIALYA, VIMA, SKY RAIDER, BASE (NZ), DISTILLATION, FULL BORE, LITTLE ADAM, UMALUKA, PROPER MADAM, REMORSE, LUCKZAT (NZ), WALTZING TO WIN.

POST-RACE SAMPLES (5)

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

Race 7 DISTILLATION, BASE (NZ), WALTZING TO WIN, PROPER MADAM, FULL BORE.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (12)

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| Race 1 | SCALAIRE (winner) | Race 5 | RIZIZ (winner) |
| Race 1 | ABBA (beaten fav.) | Race 6 | MAGICAL PEARL (winner) |
| Race 2 | CLASSY JACK (winner) | Race 6 | WHITTEN'S DELIGHT (beaten fav.) |
| Race 3 | AZZCOOL (winner) | Race 7 | DISTILLATION (winner) |
| Race 4 | AMALGAMATE (winner) | Race 7 | BASE (NZ) (second) |
| Race 4 | L'ESPRIT (fourth) | Race 8 | SLIPPERY NINJA (winner) |

| SUMMARY | |
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| FINES | Race 2 – J. Frew (CLASSY JACK) – Fined \$200 – AR137(c) – Celebratory gesture prior to passing the winning post Race 7 – J. Holder (PROPER MADAM) - \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii) +2 – Whip use |
| SEVERE REPRIMANDS | Race 3 – L. Currie (COCO MISS) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding Race 7 – J. Bowditch (RIALYA) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding |
| REPRIMANDS | Race 5 – J. Bowditch (KOSCIUSZKO'S SIDE) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding Race 7 – J. Holder (PROPER MADAM) – AR137A(5)(a)(i) + 1 – Whip Offence |
| SUSPENSIONS | Nil |
| HORSE ACTIONS | Race 1 – STACK THE TRUCK – Not to race – Results of endoscopic examination and Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Excess upper respiratory noise Race 5 – DRAW FORWARD – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – lame off hind leg Race 6 – BARIGAN BOY – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – lame off hind leg Race 8 – DEBEERSONUS – Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – lame off hind leg |
| ADJOURNED INQUIRIES | Nil |