THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Wednesday, 23 April 2014

<u>Stewards</u>: P. Ryan (A/Chairman), M. Santoro (HT), S. Callanan (F) & D. Southgate (M) (Stewards), A. Quinton (Deputy Stewards) & Dr. R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Out 3 metres 840 metres to Winning Post

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
3	TRUE LIBERTY	K. Post	H. McKechnie	Indisposed
4	FEEL LEICA KISS	T. Pannell	J. Toeroek	"
8	POTLUCK	"	D. Tourneur	"
8	ZOOM	L. Hopwood	R. Stewart	Doubly engaged – explanation accepted

RACE 1 : BECOME A MURRAY BRIDGE RACING CLUB MEMBER / SABOIS 3YO MAIDEN <u>PLATE</u> - 1206 metres

On jumping away STACK THE TRUCK (R. Mageean) shifted out, tightening HORSESHOE BAY (K. Bishop) onto BOLDACIOUS GIRL (L. Hopwood), which was tightened for room between that gelding and LISTENING DEVICE (M. Neilson). As a result BOLDACIOUS GIRL and HORSESHOE BAY had to be steadied and lost ground.

In the straight REAL FINNISS (C Forrest) was inclined to lay in under pressure and near the 200 metres dipped and became unbalanced.

J. Toeroek, the rider of BRINKLEY BLISS, which was having its first start today, reported on return to Scale that the filly raced greenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

M. Neilson, the rider of LISTENING DEVICE, which performed below expectations, explained in his opinion the gelding would be better suited in races over further distances than today's race. LISTENING DEVICE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

HORSESHOE BAY, which performed poorly, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. Mr. P. Seater, the Trainer of HORSESHOE BAY, was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding and should it prove uncompetitive again in the future, action may be taken against it.

RACE 2 : BECOME A MURRAY BRIDGE RACING CLUB SPONSOR / SABOIS F&M MAIDEN PLATE- 1406 metres

Shortly after the start, the saddle on EXALTED LILY (L. Hopwood) shifted back, placing its rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the race.

RACE 2 : BECOME A MURRAY BRIDGE RACING CLUB SPONSOR / SABOIS F&M MAIDEN PLATE- 1406 metres (Cont'd)

In the early stages of the event SILVER ILLUSION (A. Herrmann) was inclined to over-race and near the 1000 metres, after being brushed by ROUTINE MISS (J. Maund), got its head up when being steadied off the heels of MRS MARIELLA (Z. Spain).

Near the 200 metres MRS MARIELLA (Z. Spain) shifted in under pressure and brushed EXALTED LILY (L. Hopwood) before being straightened by its rider.

J. Maund, the rider of ROUTINE MISS, which had raced wide without cover throughout and gave ground over the concluding stages, could offer no explanation for the mare's performance today other than ROUTINE MISS raced wide. ROUTINE MISS was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3 : RACINGMURRAYBRIDGE.COM MAIDEN PLATE - 906 metres

On jumping away TONYS SAKE (K. Bishop) shifted in and made heavy contact with DELLORAH (Z. Spain).

Near the 600 metres CHAT ME UP (J. Holder), which had a tendency to race greenly, had to be checked when tightened for room by SMOOTH EXCELERATOR (D. Evans), which was taken in slightly by MISTY RIDGE (S. Westover), which, after shifting in, was then straightened by its rider. After taking into account all the circumstances, Stewards did not believe any one horse or rider was solely responsible for this incident and as a result took no action other than to advise D. Evans and S. Westover to do their best to protect their fellow riders when in similar circumstances in future.

At the entrance to the straight SMOOTH EXCELERATOR (D. Evans), when laying in, shifted in and brushed the running rail for a short distance. SMOOTH EXCELERATOR then continued to lay in for the remainder of the event.

Approaching the 100 metres HAKODATE (A. Herrmann) was hampered by MISTY RIDGE (S. Westover), which shifted out.

RACE 4 : SAMBEC SHEDS / SABOIS PLUS RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 2206 metres

On arrival on course FRANK THE RIPPER was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had sustained a laceration to the head in the float en route to the course and was unfit to race. First Aid was administered. Acting on that advice, Stewards withdrew FRANK THE RIPPER at 1.30 pm.

The start of this race was delayed approximately one minute owing to BEST OF MINX requiring resaddling on arrival at the barriers.

UMALUKA (L. Hopwood) knuckled on jumping away.

Near the 500 metres BUSINESS DECISION (D. Tourneur), which had commenced to give ground, had to be steadied when racing in restricted room to the inside of WHERE'S THAT (R. Stewart), which was taken in slightly by BEST OF MINX (T. Baker).

TERRIFIC FLAIR (C. Forrest) had a tendency to lay in, in the straight.

T. Baker, the rider of BEST OF MINX, was reminded of his obligations under AR137(b) to ride his mounts out to the end of the race.

RACE 4 : SAMBEC SHEDS / SABOIS PLUS RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 2206 metres (Cont'd)

T. Baker, the rider of BEST OF MINX, explained that due to the lack of pace in the race and as his mount had commenced to over-race, he elected to allow the gelding to stride forward and obtain a position outside the leaders near the 600 metres.

<u>RACE 5 : HOTELIERS RACEDAY – WEDNESDAY 21 MAY RATING 0-68 HANDICAP</u> - 906 metres

JUST A SPARK (D. Evans) was slow to begin.

On jumping away TIGARA'S GEM (K. Brooks) shifted out and made contact with OUR BELVOIR (R. Stewart), which was taken out and made contact with SWINGING ARMS (D. Tourneur).

Prior to the home turn WICKED TYCOON (M. Neilson) was momentarily held up for clear running.

WICKED TYCOON (M. Neilson) was again held up for clear running near the 300 metres and was obliged to shift to the outside of SWINGING ARMS (D. Tourneur) to obtain clear running.

O. Ay, the rider of HALL OF PEACE, was questioned regarding the use of his whip prior to the 100 metres. He pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip in a forehand manner on more than five occasions and was fined \$100.

RACE 6 : CARLTON DRAUGHT RATING 0-78 HANDICAP - 1206 metres

HALAYR JET (S. Cahill) jumped away awkwardly and lost ground.

ICONSEEFRAARAWAY (C. Forrest) was slow to begin.

Shortly after the start MOSQUE (R. Mayers) had to be steadied to avoid the heels of HAPPY SYMBOL (R. Mageean), which shifted in.

Near the 1000 metres MOSQUE (R. Mayers) again had to be steadied to avoid the heels of ICONSEEFRAARAWAY (C. Forrest), which shifted in slightly, and thereafter was obliged to race wide without cover.

Approaching the 200 metres K. Brooks, the rider of EGO'S GOOD, momentarily lost the use of her off side iron.

Approaching the 100 metres EGO'S GOOD (K. Brooks) was obliged to be steadied when racing in restricted room between JUST RANGER (L. Hopwood), which shifted out marginally, and ZAAMISSION (D. Tourneur), which shifted in slightly under pressure.

RACE 7 : BETFAIR RATING 0-72 HANDICAP - 1606 metres

IT AND A BIT (J. Holder) jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto CALLME BISCUIT (J. Toeroek).

Shortly after the start EXALTED LADY (Z. Spain) had to be steadied when tightened for room between BENEFIT (A. Herrmann) and NEHRU (D. Tourneur), which shifted in.

SIMPATICO (M. Neilson) over-raced in the early stages of the event.

HIGHNESS (R. Mayers) was obliged to race wide without cover throughout the event.

Near the 1200 metres FLYING CASINO (B. Claridge) had to be steadied to avoid the heels of IT AND A BIT (J. Holder), which shifted in when insufficiently clear. J. Holder was severely reprimanded and advised in future to only shift ground when entitled to do so.

RACE 7 : BETFAIR RATING 0-72 HANDICAP - 1606 metres (Cont'd)

IT AND A BIT (J. Holder) was held up for a clear run prior to the home turn.

Approaching the 300 metres HIGHNESS (R. Mayers) shifted out and hampered NEHRU (D. Tourneur).

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

RACE 8 : ANZAC DAY – MURRAY BRIDGE RACING CLUB REMEMBERS THEM CLASS 1 HANDICAP - 1406 metres

FANTAUZZO (T. Baker) was slow to begin.

RACHECK'S LEGACY (D. Tootell) and POTLUCK (D. Tourneur) jumped away awkwardly.

Shortly after the start MOORE ALPHA (M. Neilson) shifted out and contacted with SNAZZY RAY (J. Maund).

FANTAUZZO (T. Baker) and RACECK'S LEGACY (D. Tootell) failed to muster early speed despite the efforts of their riders.

In the early and middle stages TILDY LAD (H. McKechnie) over-raced badly and hung out.

RACHECK'S LEGACY (D. Tootell) was held up for a clear run prior to the home turn.

Near the 300 metres RACHECK'S LEGACY (D. Tootell), when improving, had to be steadied off the heels of MY BOY BRANDO (A. Patterson), which had commenced to weaken.

Stewards questioned H. McKechnie, the rider of TILDY LAD, which raced in a more forward position than at its previous starts. H. McKechnie explained the instructions were always to attempt to ride TILDY LAD in a forward position, however, the gelding had not jumped away well at its previous starts and as a result she had been unable to ride it in a forward position. She further added TILDY LAD jumped away well today and as a result she was able to comply with her instructions.

GENERAL:

Jockey K. Post was advised he would be required to produce a Medical Certificate prior to presenting to ride in a race again.

OAKBANK - SATURDAY, 19 APRIL 2014

RACE 2 : TATTSBET HANDICAP - 3600 metres

Stewards acceded to a request from Jockey B. Claridge, the rider of NISHIAZABU, to alter the dates of his suspension to commence at midnight on Friday, 25 April and to conclude at midnight on Wednesday, 14 May 2014; a period of nine (9) meetings.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (5)

Race 1 – LISTENING DEVICE (beaten favourite)

Race 3 – STREETCAR ISABELLE (winner)

Race 5 – SWINGING ARMS (winner)

Race 7 – IT AND A BIT (winner)

Race 8 – TILDY LAD (winner)

SUMMARY			
FINES	Race 5 – O. Ay (HALL OF PEACE) – Fined \$100 - AR137A(5)(a)(ii)+2 – Whip offence.		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 7 – J. Holder (IT AND A BIT) – AR137(a) – Careless riding.		
REPRIMANDS	Nil		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 – HORSESHOE BAY – Warned – Uncompetitive.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		

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