

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Roxby Downs Racecourse
by the Roxby Downs & District Racing Club on Saturday, 2 August 2014

Stewards: D. Bucknell (A/Chairman), D. Jonas (F), R. Packard (M) & A. Greenfield (Deputy Stewards) Dr. D. Anderson (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Fine

Rail: Normal

RACE 1 : CONVATECH / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres

Prior to arriving on course, J. Matthews, the rider of EXALTED FEATURES, advised Stewards that he would be unable to make the filly's allotted weight of 55 kg. As no suitable senior riders were available J. Matthews was permitted to ride EXALTED FEATURES a half a kilogram overweight. Having given consideration to J. Matthews' good recent record in regard to weight related issues, he was reprimanded under AR120(b).

After arriving at the barriers JUNKET reared up and dislodged its rider and in doing so went down on its hind hocks before regaining its feet. JUNKET was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled the mare fit to start. D. Tootell was examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and passed fit to fulfil his engagement. Mr S. Whittle, the Trainer of JUNKET, was advised that a warning had been placed on the mare with regard to its pre-race behaviour. Mr Whittle advised he intended to give the mare a freshen up.

AERONUT (A. Doyle) and MADAM ZARA (R. Bell) were slow into stride.

O. Ridge, the rider of IBERIAN RUBI, explained that he had intended to take up an on pace position, however, his mount lacked early speed and over the concluding stages was unable to make ground on the leaders. IBERIAN RUBI, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2 : LINFOX 'VISION ZERO' SHIELD RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 1000 metres

BLACK JUGAH was kicked behind the barriers and was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who passed the mare fit to start.

ARTHURIAN LEGEND (D. Tootell), SHEPHERDS TALE (L. Stojakovic) and RETAIN BELIEF (T. Zanker) were slow to begin.

Upon return to scale D. Tootell, the rider of ARTHURIAN LEGEND, made application for his mount to be declared a non-runner on the grounds that as the gates opened the Barrier Attendant assisting him still had a hold of his mount. After taking evidence from D. Tootell and Mr M. Patton, the Official Starter, it was established that ARTHURIAN LEGEND had become mildly fractious as the barrier gates had opened and for this reason the Barrier Attendant had retained his hold on the gelding. After considering the evidence and acting on their own observations Stewards were of the opinion that ARTHURIAN LEGEND had not been denied a fair start rather that its barrier manners had cost it the opportunity to jump away with the rest of the field and on these grounds ARTHURIAN LEGEND was declared a runner.

RACE 3 : CANCER COUNCIL SA / FLINDERS LODGE RATING 0-58 HANDICAP
- 1200 metres

After taking submissions from Mr J. Hickmott, the Trainer of HAPPY LANE, permission was granted for J. Mathews to ride that gelding a half kilogram overweight as he was unable to make the gelding's allotted weight of 55 kg.

On jumping away SEYAADAY (T. Zanker) shifted out onto ON THE REBOUND (Z. Spain), which was hampered.

Approaching the 500 metres YOU AND ME (A. Doyle) became unbalanced and stumbled. YOU AND ME was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

T. Zanker, the rider of SEYAADAY, reported that approaching the 800 metres she elected to restrain her mount in order to come back and obtain a position closer to the rail as opposed to being trapped wide.

ON THE REBOUND, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities other than the gelding had lost its off fore plate.

RACE 4 : BLUESCOPE RATING 0-58 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately 26 minutes owing to the First Care Medical Personnel attending to the Clerk of the Course.

Mr. D. Smedley, the Trainer of ST JAMES GATE, was fined \$50 under AR59A for failing to produce the Thoroughbred Identification Card for that gelding. As Stewards were able to identify ST JAMES GATE from their own records the gelding was permitted to start.

The field was loaded with the exception of ANYTHINGTHATMOVES and HARLEY'S MATE when the gates prematurely opened and a false start was declared. All runners were examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and ruled fit to race with the exception of MOTOCADÉ, which dislodged its rider and galloped a considerable distance. MOTOCADÉ was withdrawn by Stewards at 3.29 pm. Stewards declared that all monies invested on MOTOCADÉ be refunded and all successful wagers be subject to the deduction of six cents in the dollar for a win and seven cents in the dollar for a place.

HAPPY ENDO was slow into stride.

THE BIG RED VEE (C. Forrest) lost contact with the field in the early stages.

E. Finnegan, the rider of MOTOCADÉ was examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and passed fit to fulfil her remaining engagements.

RACE 5 : BHP BILLITON ROXBY DOWNS OUTBACK CUP - 1800 metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately 20 minutes owing to the delay in the previous event.

Shortly after the start FINNISS MOMENT (R. Mageean) was buffeted between ACE OR JOKA (Z. Spain) and HEY BIG BENDER (R. Bell).

Approaching the winning post on the first occasion BLAKELEY (C. Forrest) shifted in when insufficiently clear of BARRIERS (T. Zanker), which commenced to over-race when being restrained off that runner's heels. Shortly after HEY BIG BENDER (R. Bell) shifted in when insufficiently clear of BLAKELEY and as a result, C. Forrest was obliged to ease her mount.

RACE 5 : BHP BILLITON ROXBY DOWNS OUTBACK CUP - 1800 metres (Cont'd)

BARRIERS which was following, was further inconvenienced. Both C. Forrest and R. Bell were advised to exercise more care when shifting ground in future.

O. Ridge, the rider of ASSERTIVE BILLY, was questioned regarding his use of the whip over the concluding stages. He was reminded of his obligations under AR137A(5)(a)(ii).

RACE 6 : AEM CONSOLIDATED RATING 0-62 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

The start of this event was delayed by five minutes owing to the delay in the previous event.

BESA BOLA (W. Kerford) reared on jumping away.

SAREM (L. Stojakovic) was slow to begin.

SOCIAL FINALE (T. Zanker) was slow to begin, shifted out and was obliged to be restrained off the heels of SAREM (L. Stojakovic).

Approaching the winning post on the final occasion MOUNTAIN CLIMBER (A. Doyle) was improving into a narrow run between WEARETHESTORM (NZ) (T. O' Donnell) and JUAN TUFFAMIGO (M. Heagney) both of which shifted ground. As a result A. Doyle was obliged to check his mount for a number of strides. Both M. Heagney and T. O' Donnell were advised to exercise greater care when shifting ground in future.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to allow T. O' Donnell, the rider of the second placegetter WEARETHESTORM (NZ), to view the official photo finish for first. Correct Weight was further delayed to allow A. Doyle, the rider of the fourth placegetter MOUNTAIN CLIMBER, to view the official footage over the concluding stages.

Mr D. Halliday, the Trainer of BESA BOLA, was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its barrier manners.

GENERAL

Following the running of Race 3 the Clerk of the Course, Mr B. Atkinson, was dislodged from his horse and required medical attention from the First Care Medical Personnel. Mr B. Atkinson was transported to hospital for treatment.

RACE 4 : BLUESCOPE RATING 0-58 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

On Monday, 4 August 2014 Stewards were alerted to the possibility that HARLEY'S MATE had not started in this event. Stewards subsequently enquired into the matter on Thursday, 7 August 2014 and the report detailing the findings are attached separately.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (2):

Race 1 – CHARLIE'S PRINCESS (winner)

Race 5 – HEY BIG BENDER (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 4 – Mr D. Smedley – Fined \$50 – AR59A – Failed to produce TIC
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 – J. Matthews (EXALTED FEATURES) – AR120(b) - Overweight

SUMMARY (Cont'd)	
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 – JUNKET – Warned – Pre-race behaviour Race 6 – BESA BOLA –Warned – Barrier manners
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil

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