THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Racecourse by the South Australian Jockey Club on Friday, 26 December 2014

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

(Stewards), D. Jonas, N. Castle, A. Quinton, M. Featherston, (Deputy Stewards),

Dr. P. Horridge & Dr. B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons)

TRACK (Morphettville): Good 4

WEATHER: Fine

TRACK (Morphettville Parks) – Good 4 (Upgraded to Good 3 at 4.11 pm)

RAIL: Out 14 metres 1200m – Winning Post; 11 metres remainder.

RACE 1: TATTSBET ADELAIDE CUP 9TH MARCH HANDICAP - 1800 metres

FREECLOUD (J. Holder) was slow to begin.

DISCERN (R. Stewart) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

SCHERZOSO (M. Neilson) was inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

FREECLOUD (J. Holder) laid in under pressure in the straight.

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

RACE 2: NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM HANDICAP - 1200 metres

CAPTAIN PUNCH (J. Toeroek) shifted out on jumping away, contacting BRIDGEY FLYER (J. Holder).

CAPTAIN PUNCH (J. Toeroek) was inclined to lay out throughout the event.

COMMANDING DIVA (T. Baker) was inclined to hang in, in the straight and in the vicinity of the 100 metres shifted in onto the heels of CAPTAIN PUNCH (J. Toeroek) and had to be corrected. Mr. T. Snelling, the Trainer of COMMANDING DIVA, was advised a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its racing manners.

In the vicinity of the 150 metres S. Cahill, the rider of NEXT DAY, accidentally dropped his whip. S. Cahill was reprimanded for carelessness under AR137(a).

BRIDGEY FLYER was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding to be lame in the off hind leg. Mr. L. Macdonald and Mr. A. Gluyas, the Co-trainers of BRIDGEY FLYER, were advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to presenting the gelding for a future trial or race.

COMMANDING DIVA was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3 : SCHWEPPES MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately one minute to avoid a clash with an interstate event.

RACE 3: SCHWEPPES MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres (Cont'd)

REGAL SPUR (T. Pannell) jumped away awkwardly.

INFIDEL (S. Carr) was slow to begin.

JIMASSI (M. Neilson) and BRUGIA (K. Bishop) raced greenly throughout the event and in the vicinity of the 700 metres JIMASSI shifted out and became awkwardly placed on the heels of BRUGIA, which rolled in.

At the entrance to the straight JIMASSI (M. Neilson) became awkwardly placed on the heels of BRUGIA (K. Bishop) and shifted out, inconveniencing REGAL SPUR (T. Pannell), which was taken wider on the track.

In the vicinity of the 100 metres TYCOON CHESTER (J. Cartwright) improved onto the heels of BRUGIA (K. Bishop) as that mare commenced to give ground, resulting in TYCOON CHESTER being forced to alter course.

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

RACE 4: PURA MILK HANDICAP - 1100 metres

MACCY FIELDS (A. Patterson) was slow to begin.

Shortly after the start MIDNIGHT SONG (J. Toeroek) commenced to buck for a number of strides, losing ground. Mr. L. Kennewell, the Trainer of MIDNIGHT SONG, was advised the filly would be required to perform satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

J. Toeroek, the rider of MIDNIGHT SONG, reported his saddle shifted back in the early stages of the event.

A. Patterson, the rider of MACCY FIELDS, which performed below expectations, explained the mare had travelled well in the early and middle stages of the event, however, when placed under pressure, had not responded as he had anticipated. MACCY FIELDS was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

MIDNIGHT SONG was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 5: ATLAS MCNEIL HANDICAP - 1600 metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately one minute to avoid a clash with an interstate event.

MONICA KATE (M. Vance) was slow to begin.

In the vicinity of the 1200 metres WOTZITWORTH (J. Maund) had to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of BAD MEDICINE (T. Baker), which rolled in slightly.

BALLYPATRICK (M. Neilson) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

In the vicinity of the 700 metres BAD MEDICINE (T. Baker) shifted out to improve, inconveniencing MOON BRICKS (S. Cahill), which was taken wider on the track.

RACE 5: ATLAS MCNEIL HANDICAP - 1600 metres (Cont'd)

The saddle of TEAM LAGO (K. Bishop) shifted back shortly after entering the straight, placing that rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the event.

BAD MEDICINE (T. Baker) hung in under pressure in the straight. BAD MEDICINE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

TEAM LAGO was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a lower than expected heart rate.

MOON BRICKS was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: PETER ELBERG FUNERALS HANDICAP - 1100 metres

WHITLAM, which kicked out in its race day stall on a number of occasions, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a laceration to the off hind fetlock and ruled the gelding unfit to race. First Aid was administered. Acting on that advice, Stewards withdrew WHITLAM at 3.41 pm.

LAST DAY (NZ) (J. Holder) and BELFAST BOY (T. Pannell) were slow to begin.

Approaching the 200 metres MEADOWS JIM (T. Baker) knuckled, dislodging its rider. As a consequence LAST DAY (NZ) (J. Holder) was hampered when avoiding the fallen rider and shifted in, inconveniencing BRIMARVI PRINCE (J. Toeroek). LAST DAY (NZ) continued to shift in onto NEAREST TO PIN (C. Lindop), which was taken in, hampering THIAMANDI (M. Neilson). At the same time KOSCIUSZKO'S SIDE (S. Carr), in avoiding the fallen rider, shifted out onto BELFAST BOY (T. Pannell), which was hampered. MEADOWS JIM was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had fractured its off fore shoulder. MEADOWS JIM was humanely euthanased. T. Baker was examined by the First Care Medical personnel who reported general soreness.

THIAMANDI was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the mare had shifted its off hind plate during the event.

RACE 7 : ADELAIDE GALVANISING CHRISTMAS HANDICAP - 1400 metres (Run on Morphettville Parks Track)

KATE'S DREAM (C. Lindop) jumped away awkwardly.

SANDHILL WARRIOR (A. Herrmann) was slow to begin.

In the vicinity of the 100 metres EXODUS (A. Patterson) rolled out slightly onto SANDHILL WARRIOR (A. Herrmann), which had to be eased momentarily.

Inside the 100 metres STELLA LANTE (J. Holder) attempted a tight run to the outside of CONSERVATORIUM (M. Neilson), which commenced to roll out slightly, resulting in STELLA LANTE becoming hampered and making contact with OUTLANDISH LAD (T. Pannell), which was inconvenienced. M. Neilson was reminded of his obligations when his mounts commence to shift ground in future.

A. Herrmann, the rider of SANDHILL WARRIOR, explained she had been instructed to lead in the event, however, after being slow to begin she was unable to do so and due to the formation of the field had been caught wide without cover in the early and middle stages. She added that due to the pace of the event she elected to push forward in the vicinity of the 800 metres, however, when she placed the gelding under pressure at the entrance to the straight it had not responded to her riding.

MOSSEGO, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding had pulled its off fore shoe during the event.

RACE 8 : DRINK DRIVING? GROW UP STAR OF CHRISTMAS FINAL - 1400 metres (Run on Morphettville Parks Track)

STRAYING TIGER (J. Maund) was slow to begin.

ONEHUNDREDCLICKS (NZ) (K. Cross) shifted out on jumping away onto TUSCAN RANGER (C. Lindop), which was hampered when taken out onto PRESIDIUM (T. Pannell), turning that gelding's hindquarters out.

In the vicinity of the 1200 metres ONEHUNDREDCLICKS (NZ) (K. Cross) shifted in onto SHEEZ ON TOP (S. Carr), which was forced to steady for a number of strides. K. Cross was severely reprimanded and advised in future to ensure she was sufficiently clear prior to commencing to shift ground.

REWIND TIME (M. Neilson) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

At the entrance to the straight FASTCAR (J. Cartwright) improved into restricted room between the heels of AKBAR MAHAL (J. Kah), which rolled out slightly as it commenced to weaken, and SHEEZ ON TOP (S. Carr), which shifted in and away slightly from PRESIDIUM (T. Pannell), resulting in FASTCAR being disappointed for that run and having to be severely checked and clipping the heels of AKBAR MAHAL. J. Cartwright was severely reprimanded and advised in future to ensure there was sufficient room prior to improving into runs.

Approaching the finish IT AND A BIT (J. Holder) shifted out marginally onto SHEEZ ON TOP (S. Carr), which was obliged to alter course to that gelding's outside, brushing the hindquarters of PRESIDIUM (T. Pannell), turning that gelding in, resulting in PRESIDIUM becoming unbalanced and S. Carr being forced to take hold of SHEEZ ON TOP. In this incident SHEEZ ON TOP was accidentally struck on the head by the whip of J. Holder, the rider of IT AND A BIT.

Correct Weight for this race was delayed to allow S. Carr, rider of the third placegetter SHEEZ ON TOP, and that mare's Co-Trainer, Mr. T. Dansie, to view the official vision in the straight. After doing so, S. Carr lodged an objection against PRESIDIUM (T. Pannell) being declared the second placegetter on the grounds of alleged interference in the straight. After considering the evidence, on viewing the official footage and acting on their own observations, Stewards dismissed the objection. S. Carr was advised that in the opinion of Stewards her protest was bordering on being deemed frivolous.

- M. Neilson, the rider of REWIND TIME, reported in his opinion the gelding had not handled the track condition.
- C. Lindop, the rider of TUSCAN RANGER, reported the gelding was inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight and she had become concerned with its action over the concluding stages. TUSCAN RANGER was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

REWIND TIME was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

BREATH TESTING:

All 19 riders provided a breath sample prior to riding. All returned negative.

PRE RACE SAMPLES (6):

Blood Samples were taken from the following horses:

Race 7 CONSERVATORIUM, BORISTAR, DUBAWI GOLD, OUTLANDISH LAD, EXODUS, STELLA LANTE

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):

Race 1	SCHERZOSO (winner)	Race 6	SANDHILL FLASH (winner)
Race 2	NEXT DAY (winner)	Race 7	BORISTAR (winner)
Race 3	INNOVATIVE JILL (winner)	Race 7	EXODUS (second)
Race 4	CALIANCO (winner)	Race 8	IT AND A BIT (winner)
Race 5	OUR PARADIGM (winner)		

SUMMARY		
FINES	Nil	
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 8 – K. Cross (ONEHUNDREDCLICKS (NZ)) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding	
	Race 8 – J. Cartwright (FASTCAR) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding	
REPRIMANDS	Race 2 – S. Cahill (NEXT DAY) – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping his whip	
SUSPENSIONS	Nil	
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - COMMANDING DIVA - Warning - Racing manners.	
	Race 2 – BRIDGEY FLYER – Suspended – Veterinary certificate of fitness prior to trial or race – Lame off hind leg	
	Race 4 - MIDNIGHT SONG - Suspended - Official trial prior to accepting for race - Bucked after start	
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil	