THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Ceduna Racecourse by the Ceduna Racing Club on Saturday, 16 January 2016

<u>Stewards Panel:</u> D. Bucknell (A/Chairman), M. Williams (HT) & P. Dearman (Stewards), G. Harvey (F) & M. Chandler (M) (Deputy Stewards) Dr. D. Anderson (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: Normal

RACE 1 : FLINDERS PORTS BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1000 metres

MILOS (G. Coetzee) – rider reported, in his opinion, the gelding did not appreciate racing on a dirt surface. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SCENIC MINT (B. Griffiths) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100m and was fined \$200. In assessing penalty, Stewards took into account that this was B. Griffiths first breach of any Rule of Racing.

RACE 2 : CEDUNA MEAT / OTR / COMPLETE BUS & ACC/MOZZIES TRUCK / SABOIS MAIDENPLATE - 1000 metres

AL ZAFIR (B. Griffiths) – slow to begin.

CONTEGO (T. O'Donnell) – slow to begin.

AL MU'TAZZ (L. Stojakovic) – a pre-race veterinary examination ruled the mare unfit to race. Acting on that advice, Stewards withdrew AL MU'TAZZ at 1.31 pm. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on AL MU'TAZZ be refunded and that all successful wagers be subject to the deductions of 19 cents in the dollar for a win and 20 cents in the dollar for a place.

CELLULOID (G. Willoughby) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that she used her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100m and was fined \$300. G. Willoughby also pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(i) in that she used her whip in consecutive strides prior to the 100m and was fined \$200. In assessing penalty, Stewards took into account that these breaches constituted the apprentice's first breach of any whip Rules. G. Willoughby was advised that any similar breaches in the near future would lead to her being referred to the Riders Advisory Panel.

RACE 3 : TOYOTA AUSTRALIA FEATURE SPRINT - 1200 metres

SPIRIT OF FLATLEY (A. Doyle) – rider could offer no explanation for the performance of the gelding today. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MY BOY BRANDO (T. O'Donnell) – rider stated the only explanation she could offer for the gelding's performance today was that it had not appreciated the kick back from the dirt surface. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4 : THEVENARD JIM'S IGA BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1300 metres

BITEY HORSEY (Jordan Frew) – slow to begin. Rider reported the gelding was reluctant to race in the early stages.

MINDSTORMS (T. O'Donnell) – obliged to be steadied approaching the 1200m when MORE READY shifted in.

RACE 4 : THEVENARD JIM'S IGA BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1300 metres (Cont'd)

STRAVINSKA (A. Doyle) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(i) in that he used his whip on consecutive occasions prior to the 100m and was fined \$200. He also pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100m and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 23 January and to conclude at midnight on Wednesday, 27 January 2016; a period of three (3) meetings. In assessing penalty, Stewards took into account the magnitude of the breach, the totality of the penalty and A. Doyle's previous record in relation to whip breaches.

BOURBONDETTA (B. Griffiths) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MORE READY (G. Coetzee) – approaching the 1200m shifted in when insufficiently clear of MINDSTORMS. G. Coetzee was severely reprimanded and advised he must ensure he is clear prior to shifting ground in future.

RACE 5 : CEDUNA FORESHORE HOTEL CEDUNA CUP - 1600 metres

JAPAN (Jordan Frew) – as no other rider was available, permission was granted for Jordan Frew to ride the gelding 0.5kg over its allotted weight. Fractious in tie up stalls. A pre-race veterinary examination ruled the gelding fit to race. Rider reported the gelding had travelled well, however, failed to respond when placed under pressure and was disappointing in its performance. He added that making the home turn the gelding did not feel comfortable in its action and for that reason he didn't ride it out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Ms. A. Forster, was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its performance.

NEW WAVE (M. Poon) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100m and was fined \$200.

NOBLE ROMP (K. Brooks) – fractious in barriers after being loaded. A pre-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding had lost its near fore plate. After consultation with the gelding's Trainer, Mr. C. Cox, permission was given to remove the off fore plate and NOBLE ROMP was permitted to race bare in front. Prior to being re-loaded, NOBLE ROMP was again examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who ruled it fit to race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg. Trainer Mr. C. Cox was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race.

RACE 6 : WCT RURAL BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

ALERT THE WORLD (T. O'Donnell) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that she used her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100m and was reprimanded.

HERO TO VILLIAN (Jemma Frew) – became awkward in its action approaching the 1300m, however, quickly regained its stride. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

WAADOO (G. Willoughby) – fractious in the float en route to the course. A pre-race veterinary examination ruled the gelding unfit to race. Acting on that advice, Stewards withdrew WAADOO at 12.30 pm.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (2):

Race 4 – FACE LEICA STAR (winner) Race 5 – TESTATE (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 1 – B. Griffiths (SCENIC MINT) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+5] – Whip offence.
	Race 2 – G. Willoughby (CELLULOID) – Fined \$300 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+6] – Whip offence.
	Race 2 – G. Willoughby (CELLULOID) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(i)[+8] – Whip offence.
	Race 4 – A. Doyle (STRAVINSKA) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(i)[+5] – Whip offence.
	Race 5 – M. Poon (NEW WAVE) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+3] – Whip offence.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 4 – G. Coetzee (MORE READY) – Careless Riding.
REPRIMANDS	Race 6 – T. O'Donnell (ALERT THE WORLD) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+1] – Whip offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Race 4 – A. Doyle (STRAVINSKA) - AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+8] – Whip Offence – From midnight 23/1/16 to conclude at midnight 27/1/16 – 3 meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 5 – NOBLE ROMP - Not to race – Vet Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race – Lame off foreleg.
	Race 5 – JAPAN – Warned – Poor performance.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil