#### THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

# Report on Race Meeting held at Balaklava Racecourse by the Balaklava Racing Club on Wednesday, 23 March 2016

**<u>Stewards</u>**: M. Santoro (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (HT) & M. Williams (F) (Stewards), D. Southgate, N. Castle & N. Coldbeck (Deputy Stewards) & Dr. R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeon)

# TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Overcast

RAIL: True

# **RIDER CHANGES:**

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	BIT SPENSIVE	E. Finnegan	M. Poon	Not riding at meeting
1	RAISE A JET	M. Neilson		Late declaration
4	GAME BREAKER	J. Toeroek	D. Tourneur	Doubly engaged – explanation accepted
4	PITCH DARK	E. Finnegan	M. Poon	Not riding at meeting
5	OCTOBER DAWN	"	D. Caboche	"
5	SANIMA STAR	C. Jones	M. Poon	Indisposed
8	HIGHLAND HENRY	E. Finnegan	K. Brooks	Not riding at meeting

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#### RACE 1 : COOPERS / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres

**BEL SORBET** (C. Lindop) – slow to begin.

**BIT SPENSIVE** (M. Poon) – hung out over the concluding 600m of the event. 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 \$500.

**LET'S TANGO** (R. Hurdle) – hung out making the home turn.

GET IN THE BOWL (D. Caboche) - contacted on jumping away.

PLATINUM SET (J. Holder) – shifted out on jumping away and contacted GET IN THE BOWL.

**RAISE A JET** (M. Neilson) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Lost near hind plate during the event. Rider reported the mare felt short in its action in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed fresh bruising at both corners of the mouth.

# RACE 2 : STOLLER / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1200 metres

SHELBY APPLES (C. Lindop) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RED BEGONIA** (J. Holder) – held up from the entrance to the straight until approaching the 200m.

**SCRUM** (P. Gatt) – jumped away awkwardly.

**THE HARD WAY** (M. Poon) – forced to race in restricted room for a number of strides shortly after the start.

# RACE 3 : BALCO BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 2200 metres

**ANURADHA** (D. Caboche) – jumped away awkwardly and was slow into stride. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

**ALBORBROWN** (P. Gatt) – raced keenly in the middle stages.

**SURE GONE** (T. Pannell) – dipped in the vicinity of the 700m. Raced greenly in the straight and approaching the 200m was reluctant to take a run between the heels of FLYING FEATHERS and ANURADHA. A post-race veterinary examination revealed two superficial abrasions to the off hind leg, consistent with being galloped on.

**RICH PRIDE** (J. Toeroek) – jumped away awkwardly. Raced keenly in the middle stages of the event.

**BELLE OF THE SOUTH** (M. Poon) – inclined to hang out throughout the event.

#### RACE 4 : PRIMO CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1200 metres

**CYCLONE THOMAS** (Z. Spain) – inconvenienced on jumping away. Improved onto the heels of GREEN HORNET (NZ) near the 800m and had to be restrained.

**GREEN HORNET (NZ)** (P. Gatt) – shifted out on jumping away onto CYCLONE THOMAS.

**MIGHTY MAHER** (T. Pannell) – slow to begin.

**GAME BREAKER** (D. Tourneur) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MANHATTAN PRINCE** (S. Cahill) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

**WILD RUN** (D. Caboche) – improved onto the heels of CYCLONE THOMAS inside the 700m and had to be steadied.

# RACE 5 : AGFERT / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 metres

**DOUBTFUL BILLY** (R. Hurdle) – lost near hind and off fore plates during the event.

**EXCITE A SHANTY** (J. Holder) – jumped away awkwardly.

**I CAN STAY ALL DAY** (C. Lindop) – reluctant to race throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer Mr. S. Theodore advised a warning had been placed on the filly and should it perform in a similar manner in future, action may be taken against it.

**SANIMA STAR** (M. Poon) – jumped away awkwardly. Obliged to alter course to the outside of KING AMONGST MANY in the vicinity of the 200m to obtain clear ground. Lost its off fore plate during the event.

# RACE 6 : LIVESTOCK MARKETS LTD / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP – 1300 metres

**RITZY** (P. Gatt) – inconvenienced near the 900m.

**RIGHT HERE** (D. Tourneur) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**BEST FORTUNE** (R. Hurdle) – made the turn in the vicinity of the 900m awkwardly and shifted out, inconveniencing RITZY. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**ALOE VERA** (T. Pannell) – raced wide without cover throughout the event.

#### RACE 7 : THOMAS FOODS INTERNATIONAL BENCHMARK 75 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

The start of this race was delayed approximately one minute owing to RIVER'S LANE breaking through the barrier structure after being loaded.

**RIVER'S LANE** (D. Caboche) – broke through barrier structure after being loaded, was quickly restrained and returned to the start. A pre-race veterinary examination ruled the gelding fit to race. Shifted out under pressure in the vicinity of the 70m towards HAVE PLENTY.

**ROCKET COMMANDER** (Z. Spain) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**HAVE PLENTY** (J. Holder) – rider forced to take hold in the vicinity of the 1000m when it appeared to clip the heels of SOARING HIGH when that gelding shifted in. Inside the 100m shifted out and away from RIVER'S LANE onto BURNRO.

**USTINOV'S FURY** (R. Hurdle) – jumped away awkwardly and was slow to begin. Raced extremely fiercely in the early and middle stages of the event and near the 1100m shifted out abruptly of its own accord, making heavy contact with BURNRO. Trainer Mr. S. Oxlade was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its racing manners. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

 $\ensuremath{\text{BURNRO}}$  (P. Gatt) – hampered near the 1100m and taken wider when contacted by USTINOV'S FURY.

**SOARING HIGH** (C. Lindop) – shifted in, in the vicinity of the 1000m, when insufficiently clear of HAVE PLENTY, resulting in that gelding being forced to take hold and appearing to clip the heels of SOARING HIGH. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of Careless Riding under AR137(a) and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Monday, 28 March and to conclude at midnight on Sunday, 3 April 2016; a period of three (3) meetings. In the vicinity of the 350m, raced in restricted room for a number of strides between the heels of SOME DO and ROCKET COMMANDER.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to allow P. Gatt (BURNRO), placed fourth, and that gelding's Trainer, Mr. J. Hyam, and J. Holder (HAVE PLENTY), placed third, and that gelding's Trainer Mr. J. Hickmott, to view the official footage in the straight. After doing so J. Holder lodged an objection against RIVER'S LANE being declared the second placegetter on the grounds of alleged interference over the concluding 100m. After considering the evidence, on viewing the official footage and acting on their own observations, Stewards *dismissed* J. Holder's objection.

# RACE 8 : ROB SAINT RATING 0-58 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

LATIN HERO (J. Holder) – hampered at the start when tightened onto THOMASON.

**HIGHLAND HENRY** (K. Brooks) – shifted out on jumping away onto LATIN HERO. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**BANGARANG** (P. Gatt) – 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.

**INCANDESCENT** (C. Lindop) – slow to begin.

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#### **ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8)**

Race 1 – BEL SORBET (winner) Race 2 – SCRUM (winner) Race 3 – BELLE OF THE SOUTH (winner) Race 4 – SNAKE FARLEY (winner) Race 5 – DEFENCE WITNESS (winner) Race 6 – DE JORVIK (winner) Race 7 – SOME DO (winner) Race 8 – INCANDESCENT (winner)

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SUMMARY			
FINES	Race 1 – M. Poon (BIT SPENSIVE) – Fined \$500 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+1] – Whip Offence. Race 8 – P. Gatt (BANGARANG) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+4] – Whip Offence.		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil		
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SUSPENSIONS	Race 7 – C. Lindop (SOARING HIGH) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding – From midnight 28/3/16 to conclude at midnight 3/4/16 – 3 meetings.		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 5 – I CAN STAY ALL DAY – Warned – Reluctant to race throughout event. Race 7 – USTINOV'S FURY – Warned – Racing manners.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil		

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