

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Balaklava Racecourse
by the Balaklava Racing Club on Wednesday, 11 May 2016

Stewards: J. Adams (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (HT), C. Deakin (F) & D. Jonas (Stewards), M. Williams, D. Southgate & B. Lambert (Deputy Stewards) & Dr P. Horridge and Dr. R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Soft 5

WEATHER: Overcast / Showers

RAIL: True

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
2	CORRECT CALL	C. Lindop	Z. Spain	Indisposed

RACE 1 : COOPERS MILD ALE MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres

On arrival on course at 11am, Stewards along with a delegation of senior riders examined the racing surface, mainly a section between the 1600 metres and the 1100 metres, 3 metres off the running rail. With strong winds present, Stewards along with the delegation of senior riders, decided to allow the track time to dry and to re-examine the track prior to the running of Race 2, a delay of three hours.

The start of this event was delayed approximately twelve minutes.

I'M OUT (C Jones) – hung in throughout the event.

ROTHMOORE (J Holder) – hampered shortly after the start when tightened for room between JUST PEGGY, which shifted out and HOLY JUAN, which was carried in by I'M OUT. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BITTER TWIST (P Gatt) – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination, after dislodging its rider in the mounting yard, and was passed fit to start. P. Gatt was examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and was passed fit to ride.

ZINETTA (D Caboche) – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after being fractious en route to the track which revealed minor abrasions to its head and passed fit to race. Began awkwardly.

JUST PEGGY (J Kah) – hung out shortly after the start and hampered ROTHMOORE.

REYIA (A Doyle) - laid in when placed under pressure over the concluding stages.

Following the running of Race 1, Stewards and a delegation of senior riders examined the section of track between the 1600 metres and 1100 metres. With the track not drying out sufficiently to safely race from the 1200 metres start, Stewards interviewed trainers in Race 2 in relation to shortening the race distance from 1200 metres to 1050 metres to allow further time for the track to dry, with the trainers being able to scratch their runners and this was unanimously agreed upon.

RACE 2 : COOPERS CLEAR / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres

The start of this event was delayed to commence at 1.50 pm to allow Sky Channel coverage.

BUTTERBEER (C Jones) – in the vicinity of the 200 metres shifted out to improve and bumped DANISH GOLD DIGGER.

RACE 2 : COOPERS CLEAR / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres
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CYBER ZERO (R Hurdle) – in the vicinity of the 150 metres had to be restrained to avoid the heels of VINTAGE GROOVE, which shifted in and AMINTIRE, which shifted out after having its hindquarters turned in.

PUBLICANS PROMISE (J Kah) - in the vicinity of the 150 metres had to be restrained to avoid the heels of CYBER ZERO which was hampered.

SENECA'S PRIDE (D Tourneur) – held up for clear running from the vicinity of the 300 metres to the 100 metres.

VINTAGE GROOVE (P Gatt) – in the vicinity of the 150 metres shifted in and tightened CYBER ZERO in onto AMINTIRE. Rider reminded of his obligation to stop and straighten his mounts when they begin to shift ground.

AMINTIRE (T Pannell) – in the vicinity of the 150 metres was hampered after having its hindquarters turned in by CYBER ZERO.

CORRECT CALL (Z Spain) – held up for clear running in the vicinity of the 400 metres to the 300 metres and had to shift out to improve.

DANISH GOLD DIGGER (K Brooks) – hampered in the vicinity of the 200 metres.

Following the declaration of Correct Weight for this event, Stewards established that CYBER ZERO (R. Hurdle) had started from barrier six instead of barrier seven and that CORRECT CALL (Z. Spain) had jumped from barrier seven instead of barrier six. Stewards questioned starter, Mr S. Pearson, Assistant Starter Mr W. Bartlett and apprentice riders, R. Hurdle and Z. Spain to establish how both runners had started from the incorrect barrier stall. Stewards determined that these two runners were the last two loaded when the starter was on the platform side-on to the barriers and that both had been inadvertently placed in the wrong barriers by barrier attendants. After considering the evidence provided by all parties, Stewards were unable to attribute full responsibility to any one person, however, cautioned Mr S. Pearson and advised him to ensure he had measures in place so that an error of this kind did not occur again. Riders R. Hurdle and Z. Spain, although providing a satisfactory explanation as to how the error occurred, were advised that it remained the rider's obligation under AR128 to ensure that his horse occupies its allotted barrier stall.

Following showers after the running of Race 2, Stewards along with a delegation of senior riders, re-examined the racing surface between the 1600 metres and the 1100 metres. It was the opinion of both the Stewards and the delegation of senior riders that the track had not improved and was unsafe for racing.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (2)

Race 1 – JUST PEGGY (winner)

Race 2 – CORRECT CALL (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Nil
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	C. Lindop