

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Mount Gambier Racecourse
by the Mount Gambier Racing Club on Friday, 15 May 2020

Stewards: S. Callanan (A/Chairman), C. Deakin (HT) (Stewards), E. Tickner, J. Ho (F) (Cadet Stewards), T. Reed (Deputy Steward), Dr D. Goulding (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Soft 5 (Track with a reasonable amount of give in it)

RAIL: Out 3 metre 1000 metres to 500 metres; 2 metres 500 metres to winning post, true remainder

WEATHER: Overcast

RACE 1: SOUTH EAST SPRAYING / SABOIS DISTANCE MAIDEN PLATE - 2058 Metres

ONE OF THESE DAYS (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly.

PROVOCATIVE MAN (D. Caboche) - slow to begin losing several lengths. Reluctant to race in the early stages of the event. Rider explained in relation to the gelding's racing manners, that the gelding was reluctant to race throughout the event, required strong encouragement and was very disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SUPERLEGGERA (NZ) (G. Cartwright) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

GONDOLIER (E. Boyd) - approaching the winning post on the first occasion, when racing keenly and being restrained, got its head up when HALLO POPPET shifted in.

HALLO POPPET (S. Fawke) - approaching the winning post on the first occasion shifted in onto GONDOLIER, which was being restrained and got its head up when being eased. Continued to shift in onto KADASHI, which was obliged to be restrained. Rider was reprimanded under AR131(a) for crossing GONDOLIER, was also issued a separate reprimand under AR131(a) for crossing KADASHI and was advised to take greater care in future. Laid out under pressure in the straight.

KADASHI (S. Logan) - approaching the winning post on the first occasion was obliged to be restrained as HALLO POPPET shifted in. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

RACE 2: GRIZZCON CONCRETE CONSTRUCTION / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 900 Metres

AARVI'S WISH (S. So) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and contacted FASHION DESIGNER.

EXPERIOR (L. Neindorf) - jumped away awkwardly and bumped UNSURE, which jumped away awkwardly and shifted in. Inclined to race greenly throughout the event.

FASHION DESIGNER (L. Halliday) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and contacted AARVI'S WISH. Rider reported her mount was inclined to hang in throughout the event.

UNSURE (C. Jones) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped EXPERIOR.

COMIENDO (J. Opperman) - was slightly slow to begin.

ENVYEM (S. Logan) - hung out from in the vicinity of the 400 metres until the finish.

RACE 3: HANCOCK BROTHERS CONTRACTING / SABOIS MAIDEN HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

BACK IN ACTION (C. Jones) - slow to begin.

ACE OF CLUBS (S. Logan) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course as it had not raced since 27 March 2019 and passed fit to race. In the vicinity of the 50 metres bumped with **OUT PROVEN** on a number of occasions.

OUT PROVEN (G. Cartwright) - raced keenly in the early stages when being restrained. Laid in from in the vicinity of the 300 metres and in the vicinity of the 50 metres raced in restricted room until the finish between **ANJAH** and **ACE OF CLUBS** and bumped with that gelding on a number of occasions.

BODIDLEY (J. Opperman) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

STRYKER STAR (L. Halliday) - jumped away awkwardly.

SHAKAMBER (E. Boyd) - stood flat-footed losing many lengths and from that point on failed to maintain contact with the field for the remainder of the event. Trainer Mr S. McIntyre was advised that the mare is required to complete an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race jump out prior to accepting for a future race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

Correct weight was delayed to allow G. Cartwright (**OUT PROVEN**) placed fourth, to view the vision in the straight.

RACE 4: TAB BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 900 Metres

KEPI BLANC (S. Fawke) - shortly after the start brushed with **WINE DANCE** on a number of occasions. Hung out throughout the event. Proved difficult for the rider to ride out in his normal manner. A post-race veterinary examination revealed minor abrasions to the mouth.

RODNEY (S. Logan) - rider reported in relation to the gelding's disappointing performance that **RODNEY** may not have handled today's track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RUSTLE UP (L. Neindorf) - when questioned, rider explained in relation to the tactics adopted in today's event that his instructions were to be neutral from the barrier. He added he felt he jumped well and had anticipated settling in behind the leaders however, given the early speed was at a high tempo, he was required to settle further back than he had anticipated. He further stated that the mare travelled well and finished the race off strongly.

ZOFFAY MAGIC (D. McWhinney) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

LICORICE BULLET (G. Cartwright) - in the vicinity of the 50 metres was obliged to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **BENOVSKY** for a short distance and shifted out in an attempt to obtain clear running.

BENOVSKY (L. Halliday) - Co-Trainer Mr K. Post was questioned in relation to the gelding's apparent improved performance in today's event. Mr Post advised that they have only had the gelding for a number of starts and the horse had improved with each run that it had, in particular at its last race start at Stawell where it lead the field. He added shortly after that run the gelding was required to be spelled due to suffering a spider bite. He stated that **BENOVSKY** was given time off, returned to work approximately 10 weeks ago and had been working well in the lead up to today's event. He further added that in his opinion, the gelding benefited from the 4kg claim in today's event.

WINE DANCE (S. So) - jumped away awkwardly. Shortly after the start brushed with **KEPI BLANC** on a number of occasions.

RACE 4: TAB BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 900 Metres (Cont'd)

Correct weight was delayed to allow J. Opperman (DESERT SPIRIT) placed second and Trainer Ms S. Murphy to view the photo finish.

RACE 5: KOONARA WINES BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

REDEEKA (J. Opperman) - restrained from its wide barrier and shifted in to obtain cover.

LADY DRAKE (NZ) (J. Maund) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BRIGHT BELLE (L. Halliday) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. Rider was reminded of her obligation under AR132(6)(g) for using her whip when her mount was clearly winning.

ANGEL'S WISH (S. Logan) - hung out under pressure in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DENOMINATOR (NZ) (S. Fawke) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

RACE 6: SCOTT GROUP OF COMPANIES BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

PRETTY GLASS (M. Collett) - inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

ENKI (E. Annells) - raced wide without cover in the early and middle stages of the event. In the vicinity of the 600 metres was allowed to stride forward to settle outside the leader. In the vicinity of the 300 metres commenced to hang out, shifted out and bumped **CANNY MOVE**. Hung out for the remainder of the event. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) for using her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded.

DYAGILEV (J. Maund) - in the vicinity of the 500 metres became awkwardly placed on the heels of **LONGMIRE**, which was weakening. Shifted out and bumped **WILD COLONIA BOY**.

RHYTHMATIC (J. Opperman) - jumped away awkwardly and as a result was slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

CANNY MOVE (C. Jones) - in the vicinity of the 300 metres bumped with **ENKI**, which was hanging out and shifted out.

WILD COLONIAL BOY (L. Neindorf) - in the vicinity of the 500 metres bumped with **DYAGILEV**, which shifted out.

RACE 7: CARLTON DRAUGHT BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1550 Metres

IS THAT SO (D. Caboche) - rider reported the gelding may not have handled today's track conditions. He added **IS THAT SO** dipped on a number of occasion during the event and was not comfortable in its action on return to scale. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MUNTHAM MISSILE (L. Neindorf) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped **TECOFSKY**. Approaching the finish was steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **OLATUNJI**.

BASSONS (G. Cartwright) - near the 1000 metres got it head up when being restrained.

SPOTAKOVA (L. Halliday) - raced wide without cover throughout the event.

RACE 7: CARLTON DRAUGHT BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1550 Metres (Cont'd)

THE HOTZ (NZ) - was beaten 32.9 lengths. Trainer Mr J. A O' Connor was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its competitiveness. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TECOFSKY (K. Bishop) - on jumping away bumped with **MUNTHAM MISSILE**, which shifted out.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (4):

- Race 3 - REVOLUTION BABAY (winner)
- Race 4 - BENOVSKY (winner)
- Race 5 - BRIGHT BELLE (winner)
- Race 7 - BEAR ARMS (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 - S. Fawke (HALLO POPPET) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding Race 1 - S. Fawke (HALLO POPPET) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding Race 6 - E. Anells (ENKI) - AR132(7)(a)(ii)[+3] - Whip offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 3 - SHAKAMBER - Suspended - Required to complete an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race jump out prior to accepting for a future race - Stood flat-footed. Race 7 - THE HOTZ (NZ) - Warned - Uncompetitive.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil