Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Naracoorte Racecourse by the Naracoorte Racing Club on Sunday, 2 May 2021



Stewards: M. Zarb (A/Chairman), G. Rudolph (HT) & D. Cookson (F) (Stewards), E. Scott (Cadet Steward), R. Rayson (Deputy Steward), Dr D. Golding (Veterinary Surgeon).

TRACK: Good 4 (Track with some give in it. Showing signs of wear from recent race meetings.)

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason	
2	FUNCKIA	A. Jordsjo	C. Lions	Dual Engagement	

RACE 1: COMBINED CARRIERS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 Metres

KEETTOM (E. Finnegan) - jumped awkwardly. Shortly after the start was crowded between horses and lost ground. Shifted in approaching the 100 metres to avoid the heels of the weakening DUMBSTRUCK.

PURDEET (R. Hurdle) - shifted in shortly after the start and crowded BEAUMIS on its inside.

MISS GATSBY (A. Chung) - shifted in slightly near the 800 metres.

BEAUMIS (J. Opperman) - shortly after the start was crowded by PURDEET on its outside and, as a consequence, lost ground. Hung in, in the home straight. Rider was advised to modify his whip action under AR132(6)(b) in that he raised his arm above shoulder height.

DUMBSTRUCK (S. Logan) - weakened over the concluding 150 metres.

SHE'S A TOFF (K. Crowther) - hung in in the home street.

SIXTYFOURTH STREET (B. Price) - A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 2: ELDERS MAIDEN HANDICAP - 1430 Metres

DONATIEN ALPHONSE (R. Hurdle) - whilst parading to the barriers bucked, dislodged its rider and broke through the outside fence into the car park area of the race course. To avoid an unreasonable delay, Stewards withdrew the colt at 1:20 pm. Trainer, Mr A. Bobbin, was advised the horse must trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to any future race.



DUGGEE'S BOY (J. Opperman) – raced wide throughout. Hung in from the 600 metres. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$300. In determining penalty, Stewards had regard for J. Opperman's record under this rule and the totality of the use of the whip by J. Opperman and noted that he only used his whip on one occasion over the last 100 metres.

RACE 2: ELDERS MAIDEN HANDICAP - 1430 Metres (Cont'd)

FUNCKIA (C. Lions) - rider reported that the horse raced greenly throughout.

ELIZA'S GOLD (E. Boyd) - slow to begin.

TURF BELLE (A. Jordsjo) - slow to begin.

RACE 3: G M HARFIELD MEMORIAL BENCHMARK 54 HANDICAP - 1430 Metres

A KNIGHT IN PARIS (S. Metcalfe) - very slow to begin (four lengths). A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

OUR BOY BAILEY (S. Wiseman) - acting on confirmed advice from Trainer, Mr P. Hardacre, that the gelding presented itself lame in both the off-fore and the off-hind leg when being loaded onto the float, Stewards declared OUR BOY BAILEY a late scratching at 11:22 am. Mr Hardacre was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness is required prior to a future race or trial.

CORAGGIO (K. Walters) – when questioned with regard to the tactics adopted in today's event, in particular the horse racing in the lead, rider explained that, after discussing tactics with the trainer prior to today's event it was agreed to have the horse in a mid to just forward of mid-field position from the wide barrier. She added that, on jumping away, she pushed the horse forward, however, was caught wide and as there was no pace in the race, she elected to allow the horse to move forward to take up the leading position and, in her opinion, the horse did so with ease.

EUROGEM (E. Boyd) - raced wide throughout. Rider reported that the horse hung out for the majority of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

AL MA BELLE (D Tootell (Snr)) - slow to begin. Momentarily held up approaching the 400 metres.

RACE 4: SAL BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP (1) - 1200 Metres

BROBAK (E. Wong) – shifted out near the 200 metres and had to be straightened. Approaching the 100 metres shifted out again whilst its rider was commencing to use the whip and in doing so shifted into the running of ATOMIC TEXIE resulting in ATOMIC TEXIE clipping the heels of BROBAK, stumbling and dislodging its rider. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR131(a) in that he failed to make a sufficient effort to prevent his mount from shifting out resulting in the fall. E. Wong was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Wednesday, 5th May 2021 and to conclude at midnight on Sunday, 23rd May, 2021; a period of eight meetings. In determining penalty Stewards took into account E. Wong's minimal riding experience, his guilty plea and an attempt was made to straighten his mount although not to the standard required. Further, Stewards ordered, under AR144(ii) that E. Wong attend the Riding Skills Panel in the immediate future.

ACTION IN CAIRNS (C. Jones) - hampered slightly near the 50 metres by a fallen rider forward of it.

ATOMIC TEXIE (B. Price) - approaching the 100 metres was crowded by BROBAK on its inside which shifted out. Shortly after was again crowded by BROBAK which continued to shift out resulting in ATOMIC TEXIE clipping the heels of BROBAK near the 50 metres and dislodging B. Price. B. Price was later examined by First Care Medical Attendants and passed fit to continue his remaining engagements.

BLUEBERRY BOY (J. Opperman) - jumped awkwardly.

REAL VALENTIA (S. Wiseman) - hampered as a result of an incident to its inside over the concluding 100 metres where ATOMIC TEXIE which clipped the heels of BROBAK which shifted out. Resulting in B. Price being dislodged from ATOMIC TEXIE. Protested unsuccessfully against the second placed BROBAK.

CARBONE (S. Metcalfe) – jumped awkwardly, lost ground and was then hampered by LA TESORA shortly after the start.

RACE 4: SAL BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP (1) - 1200 Metres (Cont'd)

TRUPORTH (S. Fawke) - finished the event a distant last. Trainer Mr. B. Carraill, was of the opinion the gelding had a tough run and, given the fact it has had a long campaign, it is now his intention to give it a freshen up prior to starting again.

WURLIES LASTCHANCE (A. Jordsjo) - when questioned with regard to the riding tactics, in particular the reason why she did not take a run near the 350 metres between ACTION IN CAIRNS on her inside forward of her and COUNTER SPIN on her outside and forward of her, A. Jordsjo explained that her mare is a timid horse and appreciates racing room. She added that, prior to the 350 metres she committed to a run to the outside of COUNTER SPIN and, although COUNTER SPIN shifted out and gave her room to the inside, she felt, at that stage, her best option was to continue to the run on the outside of COUNTER SPIN. She added, on reviewing the vision, in her opinion it may have been a better option to obtain the run between ACTION IN CAIRNS and COUNTER SPIN, however she felt it made very little difference to the finishing position of her horse.

LA TESORA (C. Puls) - jumped awkwardly, shifted in and bumped CARBONE.

COUNTER SPIN (E. Boyd) – raced wide throughout the event. Hampered slightly near the 50 metres by a fallen rider on its inside.

General: Correct weight of this event was delayed to allow S. Wiseman (REAL VALENTIA), placed 5th to view the vision in the straight. After doing so, S. Wiseman, lodged an objection against the second placed horse, BROBAK, ridden by E. Wong, alleging interference over the final 100 metres. After taking evidence from both riders and Ms K. Trembath, the trainer of BROBAK and Mr D. Murphy, Riders' Representative assisting E. Wong, Stewards were of the opinion that, given the beaten margin of three lengths between the two horses and the proximity of the incident, had the interference not occurred, BROBAK would still have finished ahead of REAL VALENTIA and, therefore, the objection was dismissed.

RACE 5: PATRONS BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP (2) - 1200 Metres

THANASI (J. Opperman) - fractious in the barriers. Hung in, in the home straight.

WILD WILLY (S. Logan) - slow to begin.

JAYWICK (K. Zechner) - fractious in the barriers.

DON'T DISMISS (C. Lions) - raced wide from the 900 metres.

THAT SAID (NZ) (K. Walters) - weakened noticeably from the 500 metres.

AFTER YOU (K. Crowther) - shifted in and brushed the running rail near the 150 metres.

SOCIAL MEDIA (F. Atkinson) - jumped awkwardly with its head up.

RACE 6: TDC LIVESTOCK AND PROPERTY BENCHMARK 62 HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

ROHLON DRUNK (A. Chung) - stood awkwardly in its barriers and on jumping shifted out abruptly and bumped the outside of its gate. Rider advised he injured his right foot in this incident. Rider dropped his whip near the 100 metres.

WANDO BEL (R. Hurdle) - jumped awkwardly and shifted out.

ATOMIC WIZARD (J. Opperman) – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after being kicked by another runner whilst parading behind the barriers and was passed fit to start. Jumped awkwardly and, consequently, lost ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the horse to be lame in the near foreleg. Trainer, Mr L. Creek, was advised a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness is required prior to any future race or trial.

KEV'S GIRL (J. Toeroek) - hampered on jumping by WANDOO BEL on its inside. Rider reported the horse failed to handle the track and became unbalanced on several occasions between the 600 metres and the 400 metres.



LICORICE BULLET (F. Atkinson) - jumped away awkwardly and lost considerable ground. Hung out in the home straight.

RACE 7: PPHS BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP - 2000 Metres

BRIGADIER (NZ) (L. Halliday) - failed to handle the track conditions between the 750 metres and the 600 metres and stumbled and became unbalanced on several occasions.

EXALTED BEAST (R. Hurdle) - laid in, in the early stage of the home straight when placed under pressure. Shifted out under pressure over the final stages of the event.

KYSHAKA (B. Price) – rider advised that he was caught wide passing the winning post on the first occasion and, therefore, pushed his mount forward to obtain the lead. He added that his mount travelled well in the middle stages of the event, however, was under pressure from the 800 metres and did not handle today's track conditions.

BRONSKI (E. Boyd) - stumbled and became unbalanced on several occasions between the 800 metres and the 600 metres.

O'MIZZNA (J. Opperman) - stumbled badly passing the 1500 metres. Shifted in and bumped the running rail.

JUST ROLLING (A. Jordsjo) - raced wide from the 750 metres.

RACE 8: WESTERN AG BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP- 1430 Metres

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General: Track Report

Upon arriving on course Stewards inspected the track, rated it a Good 4 and, although satisfied that the track was safe, did note that the track was showing signs of wear from recent race meetings. After Race 1 senior riders reported that the track was showing wear from previous race meetings. After Race 4 one senior rider expressed concern with divots and wear of the track between the 1200 metres and the 1100 metres on the course proper. Several riders reported concerns with the track opening up. After Race 4 Stewards inspected the track and advised Club staff to patch and fill in divots between the 1200 metres and the 1100 metres on the course proper and also in the vicinity of the 400 metres prior to the running of Race 5. After Race 6 a senior rider advised his horse felt uncomfortable in its action between the 600 and 400 metres and the track had deteriorated further. Prior to Race 7 the track was again inspected between the 600 and 400 metres. After the running of Race 7 several riders expressed concerns regarding the track near the 1500 metres, from the 1200 metres to the 1100 metres and from the 800 metres to the 400 metres. Four senior riders and Stewards inspected the track from the 1200 to the 1100 metres and deemed that section of the track to be safe, however, on inspection of the track between the 800 metres and the 600 metres riders and Stewards were of the opinion the track had deteriorated to a stage where it was unsafe to continue racing. In view of the track condition, Stewards abandoned Race 8 and the two scheduled trials.

PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (2):

Blood samples were taken from the following horses for, but not limited to, TCO₂ purposes:

Race 3 - EUROGEM Race 7 - MIGHTY OASIS (GB)





Race 1 - NANA DULCE (winner)
Race 3 - CORAGGIO (winner)
Race 4 - TOUGH LASSIE (winner)
Race 5 - AFTER YOU (winner)
Race 6 - RUNDRO (winner)

Race 7 - RUNBRO (winner)

SUMMARY				
FINES	Race 2 - J. Opperman - Fined \$300 - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip Offence [+4]			
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil			
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SUSPENSIONS	Race 4 - E. Wong (BROBAK) - AR131(a) - Careless riding - was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on 05/05/21 and to conclude at midnight on 23/05/21 - 8 meetings			
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - DONATIEN ALPHONSE - not to race - must trial prior to any future race - pre-race manners. Race 3 - OUR BOY BAILEY - not to race - Vet Cert required - lame off hind and off fore legs Race 6 - ATOMIC WIZARD - not to race - Vet Cert required - lame near foreleg.			
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil			
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil			

