

Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn
Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on
Wednesday, 15 February 2023



RACINGS A

Stewards: P. Ryan (A/Chairman), & M. Zarb (HT) (Stewards), H. Matthews (F) & B. Jarman (Cadet Stewards) K. Rayson & M. Arthur (Deputy Stewards), Dr T. Koenig (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Good 4 (Track with some give in it)

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	HOTFOOTIT	E. Finnegan	S. Logan	Indisposed
3	LEGGY PEGGY	"	C. Murray	"
5	POLLYANNA	"	C. Jones	"
8	MORPHETT ROAD	A. Jordsjo		Emergency - notified

RACE 1: HORSE RECORDS MAIDEN PLATE - 2050 Metres

BONJOUR BLUE (B. Vorster) - near the 200m shifted out slightly and brushed BUGATTI GOLD, which shifted in slightly. Inside the 100m was brushed by BUGATTI GOLD, which shifted in under pressure.

DANS LE SAVOIR (T. Pannell) - raced wide throughout the event. Rider reported the gelding hung out severely rounding the home turn. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Mr R. Wilkinson, was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its racing manners.

HOTFOOTIT (S. Logan) - held up from near the 550m until the 300m.

REBEL CADEAU (D. Caboche) - severely hampered on jumping away by BUGATTI GOLD, which began very awkwardly and shifted in.

WAKE ME UP WINSTON (S. Metcalfe) - hampered and lost ground shortly after the start when tightened for room between BULL ANDT and PORTO RAFTI, which was taken in by REBEL CADEAU, which was in turn taken in by BUGATTI GOLD. Near the 1900m had to be checked to avoid the heels of REBEL CADEAU, which was taken in by BUGATTI GOLD, which shifted in. Eased out by its rider in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Ms K. Evans, was advised that the gelding must now perform to the satisfaction of Stewards in either an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race Jump-out prior to a future race start.



RACE 1: HORSE RECORDS MAIDEN PLATE - 2050 Metres (cont'd)

PORTO RAFTI (K. Crowther) – had to be checked and lost ground at the start when tightened between WAKE ME UP WINSTON, which was taken out marginally by BULL ANDT, and REBEL CADEAU, which was taken in by BUGATTI GOLD. As a result PORTO RAFTI lost considerable ground.

BUGATTI GOLD (J. Holder) – began extremely awkwardly and shifted in abruptly on jumping away. Near the 1900m shifted in when insufficiently clear of REBEL CADEAU tightening that gelding and taking it in onto WAKE ME UP WINSTON, which was tightened and had to be checked. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence midnight Saturday, 18 February 2024 and to conclude midnight Saturday, 25 February 2023, a period of three meetings. Laid in under pressure in the straight. Near the 200m shifted in and brushed with BONJOUR BLUE, which was laying out. Inside the 100m shifted in and brushed with BONJOUR BLUE.

Correct weight for this event was delayed to allow B. Vorster (BONJOUR BLUE), placed second, to view the vision in the straight. After doing so B. Vorster lodged an objection against BUGATTI GOLD (J. Holder) being declared the winner on the grounds of alleged interference in the straight. After considering the evidence, viewing the vision and acting on their own observations Stewards *dismissed* the protest.

RACE 2: NIKKITA LODGE EQUESTRIAN MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 Metres

STAY AT HOME (E. Boyd) – slow to begin.

WHYS (D. Caboche) – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course as it had not raced in over twelve months and was deemed suitable to start. Eased out of the event in the straight. Rider explained that he was of the opinion that WHYS had choked down. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Mr T. Day, reported that he would add a tongue-tie to the gelding's gear prior to its next start.

NOT SO INNOCENT (NZ) (C. Murray) – laid in under pressure in the straight and near the 150m brushed the running rail and became unbalanced.

RACE 3: HAPPY 80TH JILL CLARKEN MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres

BEOWULF (S. Logan) – raced wide without cover throughout the event.


INOTELL (T. Pannell) – began awkwardly. Held up for clear running from near the 500m until the 200m. Passing the 200m shifted out to improve taking INOTELL out onto BARBRA'S WISH, which was hampered and taken out. Rider was severely reprimanded and advised to ensure he was clear of other runners when shifting ground in future.

BARBRA'S WISH (B. Vorster) – held up for clear running from near the 400m until approaching the 200m. Passing the 200m was hampered and taken out onto STELLA NOTATION by INOTELL

LEGGY PEGGY (C. Murray) – tightened on jumping away. Rider reported that the mare hung out throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Mr J. Macmillan, was advised that a warning had been placed on the mare.

STELLA NOTATION (D. Caboche) – passing the 200m was hampered and taken out by BARBRA'S WISH, which was taken out by INOTELL, which shifted out to improve when insufficiently clear.

RACE 4: THE ELEPHANT AND CASTLE HOTEL MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres



DANTE ALEXANDER (E. Wong) – began awkwardly and then had to be steadied when tightened by BARTY AYA, which began awkwardly and shifted out. Held up for clear running from near the 600m until the 300m. Near the 400m had to be steadied when awkwardly placed near the heels of JAJITTA BUG.

JAJITTA BUG (J. Potter) – near the 800m raced tight to the inside of GALLIUM for a short distance.



RACE 4: THE ELEPHANT AND CASTLE HOTEL MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres (cont'd)

BARTY AYA (C. Murray) - began awkwardly and shifted out tightening DANTE ALEXANDER.

BONNIESIX (S. Logan) - bumped on jumping away by DANTE ALEXANDER, which began awkwardly and as a result became unbalanced. Near the 400m had to be steadied when racing tight between MY BOY JETT and DANTE ALEXANDER, which shifted out slightly whilst being steadied.

VIVA LA VIDA (B. Wong) - began awkwardly. Rider explained that the filly did not respond to her riding when placed under pressure and was disappointing. She added that VIVA LA VIDA had pulled up in a normal manner.

RACE 5: HAPPY VALENTINES DAY FILLIES & MARES BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1350 Metres

STAR ESPRESSO (F. Atkinson) - near the 400m was disappointed for a run between DECIBELLES, which was giving ground quickly, and PARISIENNE MONDE where there was insufficient room to improve, had to be steadied and shifted to the outside of PARISIENNE MONDE to gain clear running. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a slower than expected recovery.

SWAMP VIXEN (J. Toeroek) - began awkwardly.

QUEBECOIS (C. Murray) - slow to begin (three lengths). Held up for clear running from near the 400m to the 300m. Rider reported that he did not ride the mare out fully over the concluding stages as he was mindful of BALCREST BELLE shifting out in front of him approaching the winning post. Stewards noted C. Murray's explanation.

BALCREST BELLE (J. Holder) - began awkwardly. Held up from near the 600m until near the 300m.

TIAMAT (R. Milnes) - rider reported that the mare laid in under pressure in the straight.

POLLYANNA (C. Jones) - raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

RACE 6: STRATH SMALL ENGINES COLTS, GELDINGS & ENTIRES BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1350 Metres

THANASI (B. Wong) - rider reported that the gelding raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

STRICTLY PHYSICAL (C. Murray) - eased down by its rider in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Ms K. Byrnes, was advised that the gelding must perform to the Stewards' satisfaction in either an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race Jump-Out prior to a future race start.

CHARM SLINGA (NZ) (B. Vorster) - raced wide throughout the event.

COVERED CALL (S. Callow) - laid in for the majority of the event.

CUT TO PIECES (T. Voorham) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers which revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg (2/5) and deemed unsuitable to race. Acting on this advice Stewards withdrew CUT TO PIECES at 3.58 pm. Trainer, Mr D. Penna, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

RACE 7: HARRY OF ALL TRADES BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

COMFORT GIRL (C. Tootell) - slow to begin.

WARRANTYTE ROAD (J. Eaton) - near the 100m was hampered when tightened for room by LAST ZERPRISE, which was taken in by SIRMAZE.



RACE 7: HARRY OF ALL TRADES BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (cont'd)

LAST ZERPRISE (B. Vorster) – raced wide throughout the event. Near the 100m was tightened for room and taken in by SIRMAZE and as a result had to be checked and lost its running.

SIRMAZE (S. Callow) – approaching the 100m commenced to shift in taking LAST ZERPRISE in and tightening that mare onto WARRANDYTE ROAD. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence midnight Sunday, 19 February 2023 to conclude midnight Sunday, 26 February 2023, a period of three meetings.

SACRED KIWI (NZ) (B. Wong) – when questioned rider explained that she was instructed to ride the gelding in a forward position and if possible to establish a sizeable lead. Trainer, Mr S. Whittle, confirmed these instructions and indicated that in an attempt to have the gelding's form improve he had instructed B. Wong to ride SACRED KIWI (NZ) in the lead if possible and to attempt to obtain a substantial lead. He further explained that after today's performance he would recommend to the owners that gelding not continue with its preparation in his stable. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8: GOOLWA HOTEL BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

NORSE MYTHOLOGY (E. Wong) – on jumping away had to be steadied when tightened for room between BENEVOLENT (IRE), which shifted out, and HOT SPARKY, which shifted in.

TAVIKAT (NZ) (J. Holder) – raced wide throughout the event.

BENEVOLENT (IRE) (T. Voorham) – began awkwardly and shifted out.

GLACIER GREY (B. Vorster) – slow to begin. Near the 400m had to be steadied when disappointed for a run between NOT A SINGLE BID and I'M OH SO PRETTY, when there was insufficient room to improve.

GENERAL MINT (J. Potter) – over-raced in the early stages of the event.

L'IL PIPER (L. Neindorf) – over-raced in the early stages of the event. Approaching the winning post was steadied when tightened for room between TAVIKAT (NZ) and JIVE BABY, which both shifted ground marginally.

HOT SPARKY (S. Payne) – began awkward and was then tightened between NORSE MYTHOLOGY, which began awkwardly and shifted out, and NOT A SINGLE BID, which shifted in. Held up for clear running from near the 400m and near the 100m was disappointed for a run between WINE FROM TEARS and L'IL PIPER, where the was insufficient room to improve, and did not obtain clear running until approaching the winning post.

NOT A SINGLE BID (S. Callow) – hampered at the start when its hindquarters were brushed by HOT SPARKY, which shifted out. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

JIVE BABY (J. Toeroek) – slow to begin. Held up for clear running from near the 400m until near the 200m.

I'M OH SO PRETTY (D. Caboche) – slow to begin.

MORPHETT ROAD (A. Jordsjo) – began awkwardly.

DR COPPER (B. Wong) – laid in, in the straight and near the 100m had to be straightened to avoid the heels of I'M OH SO PRETTY.



ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):

- Race 1 - BUGATTI GOLD (winner)
- Race 2 - OUR SELECTION (NZ) (winner)
- Race 3 - MISSION SUPREME (winner)
- Race 4 - TESTA DEXTA (winner)
- Race 5 - SPEARS(winner)
- Race 6 - MARVELOUS NIGHT (winner)
- Race 7 - COMFORT GIRL (winner)
- Race 8 - DAWNBURST (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 3 - T. Pannell (INOTELL) - AR131(a) - Careless riding.
REPRIMANDS	Nil
SUSPENSIONS	Race 1 - J. Holder (BUGATTI GOLD) - AR131(a) - Careless riding - From midnight 18/02/23 to midnight 25/02/23 - 3 meetings. Race 7 - S. Callow (SIRMAZE) - AR131(a) - Careless riding - From midnight 19/02/23 to midnight 26/02/23 - 3 meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 - DANS LE SAVOIR - Warned - Racing manners - Hung out. Race 1 - WAKE ME UP WINSTON - Suspended - Must perform to the Stewards' satisfaction in an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race Jump-Out prior to a future race start - Uncompetitive. Race 3 - LEGGY PEGGY - Warned - Racing manners - Hung out. Race 6 - STRICTLY PHYSICAL - Suspended - Must complete an Official Barrier Trial or Approval to Race Jump-out to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to a future race start - Uncompetitive. Race 6 - CUT TO PIECES - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lamé near foreleg (2/5).
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	E. Finnegan

