

Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Gawler Racecourse
by the Gawler & Barossa Jockey Club on Saturday,
16 December 2023



Stewards Panel: P. Ryan (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (MT), H. Matthews (HT) & L. Murch (F)
Deputy Stewards: D. Jonas, K. Santoro, M. Arthur, A. Deakin & A. Turner.
Veterinary Surgeons: Dr T. Koenig & Dr B. Agnew.

TRACK: Soft 5 (Track with a reasonable amount of give in it)
Upgraded to Good 4 11.00am (Track with some give in it)

RAIL: True.

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
7	WEE DRAM	T. Voorham		Emergency - notified

RACE 1: IRONGATE AUSTRALIA HANDICAP - 1500 Metres

MIDNIGHT MASS (NZ) (D. Tourneur) - slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

EXCELMAN (NZ) (R. Milnes) - raced wide without cover throughout the event. Laid in under pressure in the straight. Rider reported that the gelding raced keenly in the early stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DIXIE WHISTLER (A. Livesey) - contacted a rail in the mounting yard pre-race. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was deemed suitable to start.

RACE 2: CRANE SERVICES HANDICAP - 1700 Metres

THRILL KILL (M. Collett) - hampered on jumping away by BOND STREET BEAU (NZ), which began awkwardly and shifted in.

BOND STREET BEAU (NZ) (J. Toeroek) - began awkwardly, shifted in and made contact with THRILL KILL. Approaching the winning post, when laying in, was brushed by MONSEAGLE, which was laying out under pressure.

DAZZLING PROSPECT (D. Tourneur) - laid in under pressure in the straight. Rider reported that in his opinion the gelding was not suited by the strong tempo of today's event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

CHILKO LAKE (K. Crowther) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near hind leg (2/5). Co-trainers, Mr A. Bain and Mr N. Taylor, were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

MONSEAGLE (B. Price) - laid out under pressure in the straight and approaching the winning post shifted out and brushed BOND STREET BEAU (NZ).



RACE 3: MATRIX SOLAR SOLUTIONS HANDICAP - 1700 Metres

HIT THE SLOPES (J. Toeroek) – slow to begin. Rider reported that in his opinion the gelding was not suited to the moderate tempo in the early and middle stages of the race, and was disappointing when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BLACK MARMALADE (NZ) (B. Price) – slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Near the 400m laid out and was steadied when awkwardly placed near the heels of JEWEL DE LUNE.

RETELL (T. Voorham) – acting on confirmed advice from trainer, Ms R. McDonald, that the horse would not make it on course in time for its engagement due to transport difficulties Stewards declared RETELL a late scratching at 11.24pm.

RACE 4: COMMERCIAL HOSPITALITY SERVICES HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

HALLSTATT (B. Price) – rider reported that after passing the 200m he felt that there may have been something amiss with the gelding's action, and for this reason he did not ride HALLSTATT out for the remainder of the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off hind leg (1/5). Co-trainers, Mr G. Richards and Mr D. Moyle, were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

NICAJON (S. Clarke) – slow to begin. Shortly after the start was steadied when awkwardly placed near the heels of EXALTED DAME, which had been taken out. Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the event and near the 800m was steadied when awkwardly placed near the heels of EXALTED DAME. Laid in for the majority of the straight proving difficult for its rider to ride out in her normal manner.

MUG'S GAME (C. Murray) – on jumping away was hampered and taken out by MIGHTY SAPPHIRE, which had began awkwardly and shifted out. Rider reported that the mare, which was first up today, may derive benefit from today's race start.

EXALTED DAME (J. Holder) – lost its near fore plate en route to the barrier and required farrier attention to be replated. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was deemed suitable to start. On jumping away was hampered when bumped by MUG'S GAME, which had been taken out by MIGHTY SAPPHIRE.

NOBLE MAGNATE (J. Toeroek) – began awkwardly.

MIGHTY SAPPHIRE (J. Opperman) – began awkwardly and shifted out abruptly making contact with MUG'S GAME.

SUGGESTIVE MISS (D. Tourneur) – rider reported that there may have been something amiss with the mare's action over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 5: LJ HOOKER PROPERTY SPECIALISTS GAWLER & BAROSSA HANDICAP - 2100 Metres

TRUMPSTA (S. Clarke) – rider accidentally dropped her whip near the 150m.

SET TO PROPHET (B. Price) – change of tactics – attempt to be ridden with cover – settled worse than midfield. Trainer, Mr G. Young, was reprimanded under AR100(1)(b) for his late notification of the change of tactics.

MASTER OF ZERPRISE (M. Collett) – knuckled on jumping away. Raced wide without cover throughout the event. Rider reported that she felt there was something amiss with the gelding's action in the straight, and for this reason she did not ride MASTER OF ZERPRISE out to the line. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have significantly shifted its near fore plate during the event.



RACE 6: GAWLER RACES GOES PINK 6TH JAN HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes to avoid a clash with an interstate event.

SHOOTING FOR STARS (B. Price) - began awkwardly.

DANCING STREAM (H. Yuen) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and found to be lame in its off hind leg (2/5), and therefore deemed unsuitable to start. Acting on this advice Stewards declared DANCING STREAM a late scratching at 3.19pm. Co-trainers Mr G & Mrs N Searle, and Mrs B. Callanan, were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

JUST LIKE LISA (M. Collett) - began awkwardly. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Near the 800m was steadied to avoid the heels of PULAMBI, which shifted in when insufficiently clear. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

LUCKY FORTUNA (C. Murray) - held up from near the 300m until near the 100m. Over the concluding stages raced tight between PULAMBI, which shifted out slightly, and STORM VOYAGER, which laid in slightly, resulting in the mare not being fully tested to the line.

PULAMBI (J. Toeroek) - near the 800m shifted in when insufficiently clear of JUST LIKE LISA, resulting in that mare having to be steadied to avoid the heels of PULAMBI. Rider was reprimanded and advised to exercise far greater care when in similar circumstances.

IN THE DARKNESS (NZ) (J. Eaton) - held up from approaching the 300m until near the 250m.

SHEZ BETTY (J. Opperman) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and found to be lame in the off hind leg (2/5), and therefore deemed unsuitable to start. Acting on this advice Stewards declared SHEZ BETTY to be a late scratching at 3.18pm. Trainer, Mr K. Sweeney, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

RACE 7: ADRIAN UNDERWOOD'S 60TH BIRTHDAY HANDICAP - 1100 Metres

BRAVE ACTION (S. Payne) - shifted out under pressure over the concluding stages of the event at the same time as SIOUX WARRIOR shifted in under pressure, resulting in HARLEY'N'ROSE, being checked. Rider was severely reprimanded under AR131(a) and was advised in future he must ensure that he stops riding and straightens his mount when in similar circumstances.

HARLEY'N'ROSE (T. Pannell) - hung in under pressure in the straight. Had difficulty obtaining clear running near the 200m for a short distance. Approaching the 50m was checked when tightened for room between BRAVE ACTION, which shifted out, and SIOUX WARRIOR, which shifted in after being brushed by VEXATIOUS DANCER.

OUR DIVINYL (J. Holder) - hampered at the start by REGAL DANCER, which was taken out by VEXATIOUS DANCER. Rider reported that from rounding the home turn and in the straight he felt there might be something amiss with the gelding's action. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

REGAL DANCER (J. Opperman) - hampered at the start by VEXATIOUS DANCER, which shifted out. Rider reported that the gelding over-raced in the early stages and raced greenly throughout the event, and this was detrimental to its chances today. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SIOUX WARRIOR (A. Lindsay) - over-raced in the early stages of the event. Passing the 100m, after being brushed by VEXATIOUS DANCER, shifted in. Rider was advised that she would be required to make a far greater effort to correct her mounts when they began to shift in future.

VEXATIOUS DANCER (C. Murray) - began extremely awkwardly, shifted out and hampered LAPILLI.

WEE DRAM (T. Voorham) - began awkwardly.





RACE 8: GAWLER ARMS HOTEL HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

CELSIUS STAR (S. Clarke) – slow to begin.

JACKS ON ICE (A. Livesey) – fractious in the horse transport en route to the course. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course which revealed a minor abrasion in the vicinity of the eye and was deemed suitable to start. Approaching the 1000m shifted in when laying in tightening the running of THE GUAVA, which in turn shifted in and tightened the running of TAHNEE TRADITION, before being straightened by its rider.

TAHNEE TRADITION (J. Holder) – approaching the 1000m for short distance raced tight to the inside of SHOOTOOSE, which was taken in by JACKS ON ICE.

PRESS DOWN (C. Murray) – near the 1100m shifted in when insufficiently clear of TAPINFORPAR, resulting in that gelding being steadied. Rider was severely reprimanded under AR131(a) and was advised that he must ensure he was clear of other runners when shifting ground in future.

SHOOTOOSE (J. Opperman) – approaching the 1000m raced tight to the inside of JACKS ON ICE, which shifted in when laying in.

THE GUAVA (J. Toeroek) – hampered on jumping away when bumped by ZARACE, which began awkwardly and shifted out.

TAPINFORPAR (T. Pannell) – near the 1100m was eased to avoid the heels of PRESS DOWN, which shifted in when insufficiently clear.

COOL MAGNUM (B. Price) – rider reported that his saddle slipped back shortly after jumping away, which placed him at an extreme disadvantage for the remainder of the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ZARACE (T. Voorham) – began awkwardly, shifted out and bumped THE GUAVA, and became unbalanced as a result.

RACE 9: BRONWEN DARRALL MEMORIAL HANDICAP - 1500 Metres

BOLT BY (S. Clarke) – rider reported that the gelding laid in rounding the home turn and in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near hind leg (2/5). Trainer, Mr J. Frew, was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

FRANCE'S BOY (B. Price) – rider reported that the gelding did not feel comfortable in its action when placed under pressure in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in both forelegs (2/5). Co-trainers, Mr J. Hickmott and Miss C. Riggs, were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

RUN AND TELL (B. Wong) – raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Rider reported that the gelding laid out for the majority of the event.

YABADABADOO (NZ) (R. Milnes) – slow to begin.

TINY REBEL (M. Collett) – delayed en route to the course due to transport difficulties. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course and was deemed suitable to start. Raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

MYRTLE CREEK (NZ) (J. Opperman) – slow to begin.



PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (21):

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

- Race 1 - MIDNIGHT MASS (NZ), HEIR OF TAVISTOCK (NZ).
- Race 2 - APACHE STAR, TEST THE LAW.
- Race 3 - RABTAT, MISSILE STAR.
- Race 4 - HALLSTATT, EXALTED DAME.
- Race 5 - YURI ROYALE, ARUGAMAMA, EAGLELOU.
- Race 6 - SHOOTING FOR STARS, PULAMBI.
- Race 7 - BRAVE ACTION, VEXATIOUS DANCER, WEE DRAM.
- Race 8 - PRESS DOWN, COOL MAGNUM.
- Race 9 - BOLT BY, TAMETOMO (NZ), TINY REBEL.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):

- Race 1 - MONTIGN (winner)
 - Race 2 - APACHE STAR (winner)
 - Race 3 - MISSILE STAR (winner)
 - Race 4 - EXALTED DAME (winner)
 - Race 5 - ARUGAMAMA (winner)
 - Race 6 - JUST LIKE LISA (winner)
 - Race 7 - LAPILLI (winner)
 - Race 8 - PRESS DOWN (winner)
 - Race 9 - BAMYAN BUDDHA (winner)
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SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 7 - S. Payne (BRAVE ACTION) - AR131(a) - Careless riding. Race 8 - C. Murray (PRESS DOWN) - AR131(a) - Careless riding.
REPRIMANDS	Mr G. Young - AR10(1)(b) - Late notification of a change of tactics for SET TO PROPHET (Race 5). Race 6 - J. Toeroek (PULAMBI) - AR131(a) - Careless riding.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - CHILKO LAKE - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness near hind leg (2/5). Race 4 - HALLSTATT - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness off hind leg (1/5). Race 6 - DANCING STREAM - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness off hind leg (2/5). Race 6 - SHEZ BETTY - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness off hind leg (2/5). Race 9 - BOLT BY - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness near hind leg (2/5). Race 9 - FRANCE'S BOY - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Lameness both foreleg (2/5).
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil