

Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Penola Racecourse
by the Penola Racing Club on Thursday, 11 January
2024



Stewards Panel: M. Zarb (A/Chairman), C. Deakin (HT) & D. Holland (F)
Deputy Stewards: H. Matthews & L. Murch
Veterinary Surgeon: Dr T. Tully

TRACK: Soft 5 (Track with a reasonable amount of give in it)
Upgraded to Good 4 at 11.42am (Track with some give in it)

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
3	COMANCHE QUEEN	S. Fawke	H. Grace	Dual engagement

RACE 1: COOPERS BREWERY MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 Metres

AMBELLO (A. Lindsay) - lost its tongue-tie en route to the barriers and was required to be refitted. Lost its near fore plate during the event.

EASE OFFA (S. Fawke) - raced green throughout. Near the 800m shifted out and hampered MORNINGTON MISSUS. Shifted out abruptly near the 400m across the heels of MARLAIX.

AT THE CLUB (R. Milnes) - bumped at the start by TOOWANDA.

MORNINGTON MISSUS (M. Julius) - had to be steadied near the 800m when tightened by EASE OFFA, which shifted out.

NOITULOVER (J. Eaton) - over the concluding stages became awkwardly placed inside the heels of TOOWANDA, which shifted in. When questioned in relation to the performance of the mare, rider explained that it failed to travel throughout the race and proved disappointing when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TOOWANDA (S. Metcalfe) - shifted out at the start and bumped AT THE CLUB.

MORLAIX (M. Collett) - began awkwardly. Rider reported that the filly raced green and hung out for the majority of the event.

RACE 2: ADRIAN THOMAS INDUSTRIAL MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres

INTERFERING (J. Maund) - shifted out near the 550m and bumped DEMPSEY GIRL (NZ).

MILITARY ACTION (J. Doyle) - slow to begin and then had to be checked when tightened between ULTRON (NZ) and SHEZI, which shifted out.



RACE 2: ADRIAN THOMAS INDUSTRIAL MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres (cont'd)

MILITARY PRESS (R. Milnes) – stood flat-footed and lost considerable ground (approximately ten lengths). Trainer, Mr G. Lynch, was advised that the gelding would now be required to jump away with the field in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race.

MR FERRARI (A. Livesey) – began awkwardly.

SHEZI (S. Metcalfe) – shifted out at the start and tightened MILITARY ACTION. Rider reported that she had become concerned with the gelding's action in the straight and for this reason she did not test SHEZI to the line. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ABSOLUTE STUNNER (H. Grace) – raced ungenerously and got its head up in the early stages of the event.

DEMPSEY GIRL (NZ) (L. Williams) – near the 550m was bumped by INTERFERING, which shifted out. 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 100m and was fined \$200. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by L. Williams and noted that he used it on three occasions over the final 100m of the event.

RACE 3: MP AUTO & AIR CONDITIONING MAIDEN PLATE - 1400 Metres

BONANSKI (J. Maund) – rider reported that the gelding had a nice run throughout the event; however, proved disappointing when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

HASTA LA WIZARD (C. Puls) – rounding the home turn was momentarily held up behind CHASE THE MISSILE, which was weakening.

MAVEN MISSILE (S. Fawke) – raced keen in the early stages and near the 1100m had to be steadied away from the heels of VALKUR. Had difficulty obtaining a clear run late behind TOM'S SHOUT and was not fully tested.

WINNING AURA (M. Collett) – near the 500m was bumped by VALKUR, which shifted out.

CHASE THE MISSILE (J. Opperman) – when questioned in relation to the performance of the gelding, rider explained that CHASE THE MISSILE never travelled and proved disappointing when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have atrial fibrillation (1st occurrence). Co-trainer, Mr A. Bain was advised that they were required to comply with the Racing Australia Code of Practice in order for the gelding to be reinstated to race.

COMANCHE QUEEN (H. Grace) – slow to begin. Hung in when placed under pressure in the straight.

FAIR GO FIONA (T. Doyle) – slow to begin.

VALKUR (J. Potter) – near the 1100m shifted in to obtain cover behind BONANSKI and then commence to race keen, got its head up and lost ground. Near the 500m shifted out and bumped WINNING AURA. Rider was reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding.

RACE 4: ZEMA ESTATE BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP - 1300 Metres

FRANKEL STAR (K. Hannan) – rider momentarily dropped her left rein near the 150m.

ROHLON DRUNK (B. Treloar) – rider was reprimanded under AR131(b) for failing to ride his mount out fully to the end of the race.

ENTERPRISE JEWEL (S. Fawke) – tightened shortly after the start between FRANKEL STAR and DUKE OF ANJOU, which shifted out.

DUKE OF ANJOU (J. Potter) – shifted out at the start and tightened ENTERPRISE JEWEL onto FRANKEL STAR.

After the running of Race 4 the wheel arm on the barriers broke and had to be repaired. As a result, all races were put back one race time.



RACE 5: TDC LIVESTOCK AND PROPERTY CLASS ONE PLATE - 1700 Metres

FULL OF DASH (NZ) (C. Puls) - bumped at the start by HASTA LA PEACE.

JOHNNY CIGAR (L. Williams) - raced keen in the early and middle stages of the event and got its head up.

OLD NEWMARKET (S. Fawke) - began awkwardly, shifted in and hampered IMPENDING STAR.

PENSLEY (M. Julius) - began awkwardly, shifted in and tightened HASTA LA PEACE in onto FULL OF DASH (NZ). Near the 100m shifted in and brushed the rail.

ALWAYS BOLD (M. Collett) - raced keen in the early and middle stages of the event.

HASTA LA PEACE (K. Hannan) - tightened at the start by PENSLEY, shifted in and bumped FULL OF DASH (NZ).

IMPENDING STAR (D. Tourneur) - hampered at the start and lost ground.

RAINBOW DOLPHIN (T. Doyle) - laid in, in the straight and near the 200m was placed in restricted room between FULL OF DASH (NZ) and IMPENDING STAR, which shifted out slightly.

TAKE IT IN TURNS (J. Eaton) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course and was deemed suitable to start. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: DIGIORGIO FAMILY WINES RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

ZAC'S BACK (L. Williams) - tightened near the 250m between LORD TURNBURY and FIZIQUE, which shifted out slightly. When questioned in relation to the performance of the gelding, rider explained that the gelding had a nice run throughout; however, failed to let down when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ADELAIDE'S DIAMOND (S. Fawke) - rider reported the gelding hung out throughout. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

LORD TURNBURY (T. Madden) - raced tight near the 250m between INNOCENT PEGG and ZAC'S BACK, which was taken out by FIZIQUE.

FIZIQUE (S. Logan) - shifted out near the 250m.

INNOCENT PEGG (C. Puls) - raced wide without cover for the majority of the event.

LUCKY JACKSON (T. Voorham) - improved into restricted room late and was not fully tested.

WRITTEN RULZ (S. Metcalfe) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course and was deemed suitable to start. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 7: BALNAVES OF COONAWARRA RATING 0 - 54 HANDICAP - 1300 Metres

MYLITTLESTARHATCAN (B. Treloar) - shifted in near the 100m and bumped CABOTEUR.

DABAY (M. Collett) - began awkwardly.

CABOTEUR (C. Murray) - near the 1100m shifted in and tightened IN THE SUN onto ARTIE'S AVIATOR, which was tightened for room and had to be steadied. Rider was reprimanded under AR131(a) for careless riding and advised in future to take greater care when shifting ground. Near the 100m was tightened by MYLITTLESTARHATCAN on its outside and as a result was not tested over the concluding stages.

BYWONNER (L. Williams) - near the 800m when racing keenly had to be steadied to avoid the heels of KANNENBERGS ROAD, which shifted in slightly.

RACE 7: BALNAVES OF COONAWARRA RATING 0 - 54 HANDICAP - 1300 Metres (cont'd)

LADY TUCAN (A. Livesey) - on leaving the barriers the mare's back leg slipped and as a result began very awkwardly and lost considerable ground.

ARTIE'S AVIATOR (H. Grace) - near the 1100m was tightened for room on the inside of IN THE SUN and had to be steadied.

IN THE SUN (B. Wong) - near the 1100m was tightened for room on the inside of CABOTEUR, which shifted in and as a consequence tightened ARTIE'S AVIATOR on its inside.

RACE 8: 36° SOUTH COONAWARRA VIGNERONS CUP - 1700 Metres

WILD WILLY (J. Opperman) - raced keen in the early and middle stages of the event and got its head up when being restrained.

HAMSLETTE (B. Wong) - raced wide without cover for the majority of the event. Rider reported she had concerns with the mare's action in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the off foreleg (2/5). Co-trainers, Mr J and Mrs L. Dodgson were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

DAZZLING PROSPECT (C. Reynolds) - when questioned in relation to the performance of the gelding, rider explained that DAZZLING PROSPECT raced three wide with cover for the majority of the event. She added approaching and rounding the home turn she was held up behind SCENIC HOST and WILD WILLY and as a consequence lost some ground; however, in her opinion, the gelding responded well when placed under pressure in the straight.

SCENIC HOST (D. Tourneur) - approaching the 600m shifted out and tightened CROWN HARMONIUM onto WILD WILLY and as a result CROWN HARMONIUM 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, 20 January 2024 and to conclude midnight Friday, 26 January 2024, a period of three meetings. In determining penalty, Stewards took into account D. Tourneur's record and his guilty plea. Rounding the home turn was held up behind HAMSLETTE and to the inside of WILD WILLY.

CROWN HARMONIUM (J. Eaton) - approaching the 600m was tightened for room between WILD WILLY and SCENIC HOST and had to be checked.

ALI ORPHAN (NZ) (M. Collett) - rider dropped her whip near the 500m.

SESTAR (A. Livesey) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course and was deemed suitable to race. Began awkwardly, improved quickly into a position behind the leaders and near the 1500m commenced to race keen and got its head up when being restrained. Rider dropped her whip near the 100m. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 9: RIDDOCH COONAWARRA BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1100 Metres

This event was rescheduled to begin at 5.55pm.

QUIK RHAPID (B. Treloar) - when questioned in relation to the performance of the gelding, rider explained that QUIK RHAPID did not begin as well as expected and as a consequence raced further back than anticipated. Had difficulty obtaining a clear run inside the 300m behind ALL CLUBS and shifted wider in an attempt to improve. Approaching the 100m raced in restricted room between CHOSEN BLONDE and ALL CLUBS.

LOAD AND GO (L. Williams) - near the 150m had to be steadied when weakening to avoid the heels of SHOCKING HABIT (NZ), which shifted out slightly.

RICHED (S. Fawke) - raced wide without cover for the majority of the event. Commenced to race keenly in the middle stages and got its head up. Rider reported the gelding hung in, in the straight.

RACE 9: RIDDOCH COONAWARRA BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1100 Metres (cont'd)

SHOCKING HABIT (NZ) (R. Houston) - near the 900m shifted in and bumped HOT ROD BOY. Passing the 150m shifted out around the heels of EMERALD COURT to improve and in doing so momentarily tightened LOAD AND GO. Rider was advised to exercise greater care in similar situations.

HOT ROD BOY (S. Metcalfe) - near the 900m was awkwardly placed and was bumped by SHOCKING HABIT (NZ), which shifted in.

GENERAL:

Jockey, T. Madden was questioned in relation to leaving the jockey's room without permission of the Stewards. Mr Madden explained that he left the room and went to his car to get some sunscreen. T. Madden was reprimanded under AR128(2) for failure to obtain permission of the Stewards to leave the jockey's room.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (7):

Race 1 - FINAL ATOM (winner)
Race 2 - IBUTHO (winner)
Race 4 - VERBOSITY (winner)
Race 5 - CHARLESFORT (winner)
Race 6 - WHISTLER GIRL (winner)
Race 8 - THRILL KILL (winner)
Race 9 - SIR SWAY (winner)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 2 - L. Williams (DEMPSEY GIRL (NZ)) - Fined \$200 - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+4]
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 3 - J. Potter (VALKUR) - AR131(a) - Careless riding Race 4 - B. Treloar (ROHLON DRUNK) - AR131(b) - Failed to ride his mount out to the finish T. Madden - AR128(2) - Failure to gain Stewards' permission prior to leaving the jockeys' room Race 7 - C. Murray (CABOTEUR) - AR131(a) - Careless riding
SUSPENSIONS	Race 8 - D. Tourneur (SCENIC HOST) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding - From midnight 20/1/24 and to conclude at midnight 26/1/24 - 3 meetings
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - MILITARY PRESS - Suspended - Must jump away with the field in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start - Stood flat-footed Race 3 - CHASE THE MISSILE - Not to race - Atrial fibrillation (1 st occurrence) - Required to comply with the Racing Australia Code of Practice Race 8 - HAMSLETTE - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lameness off foreleg (2/5)
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil