

# Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report



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Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn  
Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on  
Wednesday, 21 February 2024

Stewards Panel: S. Callanan (A/Chairman), M. Zarb (HT) & L. Murch (F)  
Deputy Stewards: M. Arthur & M. Martin  
Veterinary Surgeon: Dr T. Koenig

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

RAIL: True

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
3	SEVEN SHOTS	T. Pannell	C. Murray	Emergency - notified
5	RIZSKI	E. Finnegan	A. Livesey	Not riding at meeting

## RACE 1: ROADSIDE SERVICES & SOLUTIONS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

APACHE STATION (J. Opperman) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

HUGOWEGO (D. Caboche) - after being loaded in its barrier stall became fractious and got its near hind leg up on the barrier partition. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was deemed suitable to race. Raced wide and without cover throughout the event. Near the 500m was taken wider by UNDER THE CONE, which was looking to improve and shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MILITARY ACTION (S. Metcalfe) - near the 1400m was momentarily steadied as UNDER THE CONE, shifted in and away from GALLIUM. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

UNDER THE CONE (J. Toeroek) - from the 1500m was inclined to shift in and away from GALLIUM and near the 1400m shifted in onto MILITARY ACTION, which was obliged to be momentarily steadied. Near the 500m shifted out when looking to improve taking HUGOWEGO wider.

LIFT THE BAR (C. Tootell) - late scratching by order of the Stewards at 9.55am acting on confirmed advice from Trainer, Mrs A. Brook that the mare was lame in the off fore leg and would be unsuitable to race. Mrs Brook was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.



## RACE 2: FLEURIEU MILK COMPANY MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately one minute.

CROWN RICHES (D. Caboche) - on jumping away bumped with SAZERAC. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

GEOKAUN (J. Potter) - raced keenly in the early stages when being restrained. Laid out under pressure in the straight.

JOVIALE (M. Collett) - jumped away awkwardly. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Held up for a short distance rounding the home turn.

AGRESSIVE BEE (H. Yuen) - laid out under pressure in the straight.

LADY SKYLLA (S. Logan) - raced greenly under pressure in the straight. Rider was reminded of her obligations under AR131(a) in relation to straightening her mounts sooner when approaching and passing the winning post.

SAZERAC (N. Seymour) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped CROWN RICHES.

## RACE 3: THE BENDIGO BANK MAIDEN PLATE - 1350 Metres

FRESH AIR FRED (S. Logan) - proved difficult behind the barriers and proceeding forward to be loaded. Trainer, Mr S. Stutley was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its pre-race behaviour.

TERAMBI (R. Milnes) - held up for clear running from the 500m until near the 300m.

WE'VE GOTTA DEEL (B. Price) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and bumped LUNESSA. Hung out rounding the home turn and shortly after shifted in onto ROLL START. When questioned in relation to the tactic adopted rider explained that he was instructed to attempt to be further forward given the gelding had drawn an inside barrier and was stepping up in distance. Trainer, Mr D. Jolly confirmed the instructions provided and further advised that at its most recent starts no specific instructions had been given to its riders.

ALI FRAZIER (D. Caboche) - jumped away awkwardly and was slow to begin. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

HONDURAS (J. Opperman) - on jumping away clipped the heels of ON THE SCENT, which shifted out, dipped and lost ground. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

MY CRACKLING (J. Holder) - rider was reminded of his obligations under AR131(b) and advised to ensure he rides his mounts out fully to the finish.

ON THE SCENT (T. Hutchinson) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto HONDURAS. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

ROLL START (L. Neindorf) - shortly after the entrance to the straight rolled out, was obliged to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of WE'VE GOTTA DEEL, which shifted in. When questioned in relation to his riding of the mare, in particular in the straight, rider explained ROLL START travelled fairly during the event, came off the bridle near the 600m and despite his efforts was reluctant to stretch out and felt short in its action in the early and middle stages. He added that shortly prior to entering the home straight ROLL START seemed to race back on the bridle, however, rolled out rounding the turn and shortly after he was obliged to be steady the mare when awkwardly placed on the heels of WE'VE GOTTA DEEL which shifted in. He further added that after receiving interference and re-balancing the mare, it did not feel comfortable in its action and therefore he did not ride ROLL START out in his normal manner. Stewards noted L. Neindorf's explanation, however, reminded him of his obligations under AR114(2)(a) in relation to reporting to the Stewards anything that may have affected the horses running in the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

LUNESSA (K. Crowther) - jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped WE'VE GOTTA DEEL. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.



#### RACE 4: THE COMMERCIAL HOTEL - STRATHALBYN CLASS ONE PLATE - 2050 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

DIFFLIN COUNTY (M. Collett) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

REALITY CHECK (S. Metcalfe) - laid out under pressure the straight.

HOSTESS SUSIE (J. Toeroek) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

POP 'N' PARK (NZ) (J. Doyle) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

URBAN BOY (C. Murray) - after being loaded in its barrier stall got both hind legs up on the barrier partition and its off hind leg was cast for some time. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination which revealed multiple abrasions and was deemed unsuitable to race. Acting on this advice URBAN BOY was declared a late scratching by order of Stewards at 3.26pm. Trainer, Mr P. Hardacre was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding in relation to its barrier manners and that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

SHARMA PRINCESS (NZ) (D. Caboche) - jumped away awkwardly.

#### RACE 5: SPORTSBET JOCKEY WATCH RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1350 Metres

MR RODMAN (NZ) (D. Caboche) - slow into stride. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TALES OF CONFLICT (J. Doyle) - slow to begin. Held up for clear running from rounding the home turn and at the entrance to the straight was awkwardly placed between MR RODMAN (NZ) and PEACEMAKER for a number of strides.

GARRIRE (L. Neindorf) - laid out under pressure in the straight taking SUPER ALANA (NZ) wider. Inside the 100m brushed with SUPER ALANA (NZ).

LEON'S SHOUT (J. Holder) - rider explained in relation to the gelding performance that it never travelled during the event, raced in a flat manner and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.


SUPER ALANA (NZ) (J. Potter) - raced wide and without cover throughout the event. At the entrance to the straight was taken wider by GARRIRE. Inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight and inside the 100m was inconvenienced by GARRIRE which brushed the gelding and turned its hindquarters for a number of strides.

OFF THE CUFF (Z. Lloyd) - held up for clear running from rounding the home turn when awkwardly placed on the heels of BELLA SOO and thereafter was held up between RIZKI and BELLA SOO until near the 200m.

RIZSKI (A. Livesey) - raced keenly in the lead. Rider explained in relation to the tactics adopted in the event that it was her instructions to gain cover on the gelding, however shortly after the start RIZKI commenced to race keenly despite her efforts and as a result she led the event.

Correct weight was delayed to allow J. Potter (SUPER ALANA (NZ)), placed second and Co-Trainer, Mr. G. Kent to view the vision in the straight. After doing so J. Potter lodged a protest against GARRIRE (L. Neindorf) being declared the winner. After considering the evidence, on viewing the official footage and acting on their own observations, Stewards *dismissed* the protest.

#### RACE 6: GOOLWA CENTRAL MEATS RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres



PEACEMAKER (L. Neindorf) - rider explained in relation to the gelding performance that it travelled well during the event however when asked to improve from rounding the home turn was reluctant to improve between runners despite his efforts. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.



RACE 6: GOOLWA CENTRAL MEATS RATING 0 - 56 HANDICAP - 1600 Metres (cont'd)

QUALIS (J. Eaton) - change of tactics - attempt to be more forward. Settled in the lead. When questioned in relation to the significant betting support for the gelding, Trainer Mr. M. Hickmott, explained the stable had experienced a virus over the previous number of weeks and after the relevant treatment it has seemed to clear. He added he expected QUALIS to improve as it was rising to a more favourable distance and had derived benefit from its previous two starts in this preparation.

REALTIN (C. Tootell) - shortly after the start lost its position between MEDAL QUEST and WICKED ADDICTION which shifted in. Near the 1400m was momentarily steadied as MEDAL QUEST shifted in.

VERZENAY (C. Munro) - raced wide and without cover throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RED SEQUOIA (J. Potter) - raced keenly in the early stages and got its head up when being restrained.

MEDAL QUEST (J. Maund) - near the 1400m shifted in onto REALTIN which was momentarily steadied.

WARMINSTER (A. Livesey) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

ZOFFANY ROCKET (S. Logan) - when questioned in relation to the improved performance of the gelding, Trainer Ms. J. Streets, explained the gelding was second up in the event and had derived benefit from its first up run. She said she was satisfied with ZOFFANY ROCKET's first up run over 1600m and the gelding had continued to work well in the lead up to this event and she had expected an improved performance.

WICKED ADDICTION (H. Yuen) - shortly after the start shifted in onto REALTIN. Laid out under pressure in the straight.

RACE 7: SPORTSBET BET WITH MATES CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

CHIARO (D. Tourneur) - laid out rounding the home turn and under pressure in the straight.

AIKHAL (NZ) (R. Milnes) - rider explained in relation to the gelding's performance that the mare never travelled during the event, was reluctant to stretch out and made abnormal respiratory noises. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have cardiac arrhythmia (first occurrence). Trainer, Ms. E. Hubbard, was advised she is required to comply with the Racing Australia Code of Practice in order for the gelding to be reinstated to race.

LUCILLE ROSE (K. Crowther) - raced wide and without cover throughout the event.

CORK HARBOUR (D. Caboche) - Stewards permitted D. Caboche to ride 0.5kg over its declared weight of 54.0kg.

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RIDER SAMPLING

Ten (10) riders provided saliva samples and were breathalysed prior to taking their first ride. All returned negative.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (7):

- Race 1 - UNDER THE CONE (winner)
- Race 2 - APACHE GUNSHIP (winner)
- Race 3 - TERAMBI (winner)
- Race 4 - HOSTESS SUSIE (winner)
- Race 5 - GARRIRE (winner)
- Race 6 - QUALIS (winner)
- Race 7 - DUNMAGHLAS (winner)



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SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Nil
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 - LIFT THE BAR - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lameness off foreleg (late scratching) Race 3 - FRESH AIR FRED - Warned - Pre-race behaviour Race 4 - URBAN BOY - Warned - Fractious barrier (late scratching) Race 4 - URBAN BOY - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to trial or race - abrasions to hind legs (late scratching) Race 7 - AIKHAL (NZ) - Not to Race - Cardiac arrhythmia (1 <sup>st</sup> occurrence) - required to comply with Racing Australia Code of Practice
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil