

**THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED**  
**STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT**

**Report on Race Meeting held at Oakbank Racecourse**  
**by the Oakbank Racing Club on Sunday, 2 April 2017**

**Stewards:** J. Petzer (Chairman), A. Hayles (HT), C. Deakin (M) & N. Coldbeck (F) (Stewards), N. Henry, F Williams & R. Dinning (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge, Dr R. Haensel & Dr. B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons).

**TRACK:** Good 4

**WEATHER:** Mild

**RAIL:** True

**RIDER CHANGES:**

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
2	PRAISEWORTHY	S. Price	T. Pannell	Indisposed
3	AZTEC PRIESTESS	"	K. Bishop	"
5	GROOVE WITH ME	"	S. Cahill	"
7	IRISH MAMBO	"	P. Gatt	"
8	HENRY THE DOLPHIN	"	R. Hurdle	"

**RACE 1: UBET HURDLE – 2900 metres**

**ABOUT THE JOURNEY (NZ)** (M. Kelly) – slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**LUCKY LUCKY LUCKY** (R. Cully) - slow to begin. Took off early at jump number eleven, made contact with the hurdle, knuckled on landing, fell and dislodged R. Cully. R. Cully examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and cleared of injury. Trainer Mr T. McEvoy was advised that following a review by the TRSA jumps review panel the gelding would now be required to participate in an Official Hurdle Trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel and the Stewards prior to a future jumps race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding had minor lacerations to its gums and tongue and was lame in the off foreleg. First aid administered. Veterinary Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial.

**STREET OUTLAW** (P. Hamblin) – jumped hurdle number two awkwardly. Inconvenienced after jumping hurdle number eleven. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**BARGE AND CHARGE** (T. Ryan) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**DISTILLATION** (B. Small) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**GETTING LEGGIE** (S. Jackson) – became awkward after jump number eleven when attempting to avoid the fallen horse and rider (LUCKY LUCKY LUCKY/R. Cully). Became severely unbalanced and was dislodged a short distance thereafter. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Rider examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and cleared of injury.

**EXALTED KANGA** (J. Lynch) – rider was granted permission to ride the gelding without claiming any of his allowance and in addition granted permission to ride half a kilogram over the weight allotted. J. Lynch was reprimanded under AR92.12 for failing to claim his allowance and was also reprimanded under AR120(b) for being overweight. Severely hampered after jump number eleven when attempting to avoid the fallen horse and rider (LUCKY LUCKY LUCKY/R. Cully). Shortly thereafter shifted in and inconvenienced STREET OUTLAW. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SPACE INVADER** (C. Douglas) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## **RACE 2: VERDUN PARK WINES / SABOIS DISTANCE MAIDEN PLATE – 1900 metres**

**BARSHONTI** (E. Finnegan) – shifted in under pressure over the concluding stages.

**INSPECTOR SPHYNX** (D. Thornton) – began awkwardly and was disappointed for clear running shortly after the entrance to the straight for a short distance until inside the 200 metres when racing between SIXTEEN AGAIN and MONETRE BAY. Rider explained he was comfortable with the position obtained in running, however, shortly after the entrance of the straight, he had difficulty obtaining clear running between SIXTEEN AGAIN and MONETRE BAY for a short distance. He added, in his opinion, if he had been able to obtain an uninterrupted run the gelding may have finished closer in the event despite only finishing the race off only fairly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**TREGEAGLE** (M. Neilson) – shifted out sharply of its own accord near the 100 metres.

**SIXTEEN AGAIN** (J. Maund) – began awkwardly.

## **RACE 3: BARRISTER BLOCK WINES / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE** - 1400 metres

**AZTEC PRIESTESS** (K. Bishop) – contacted at the start and had its hindquarters turned.

**FONTEYN LANE** (P. Gatt) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**PAWNEE PASS** (D. Thornton) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**CHASE THE STORM** (S. Fawke) – over-raced in the early stages of the event.

**CONNERMARA ROSE** (R. Hurdle) – inclined to lay out in the straight. Rider explained the filly did not negotiate the home turn evenly and raced greenly in the straight.

**DORAWIN** (A. Jordsjo) – began awkwardly, shifted out onto ZAKOSHEA, which was taken out onto AZTEC PRIESTESS, resulting in that horse's hindquarters being turned.

**SHOW 'EM SHARKIE** (J. Potter) - slow to begin.

**ZAKOSHEA** (R. Clark) – inconvenienced at the start. Contacted AZTEC PRIESTESS at the start turning that horse's hindquarters.

## **RACE 4: THOMAS FOODS INTERNATIONAL STEEPLECHASE – 3250 metres**

**NISHIAZABU** (P. Hamblin) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**I'LL'AVA'ALF (NZ)** (S. Pateman) – inconvenienced after jumping the sixteenth jump by HONEY STEEL'S GOLD, which fell. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**HONEY STEEL'S GOLD** (S. Jackson) – fell at jump number sixteen, the last jump of the event, and dislodged S. Jackson. Rider examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and cleared of injury. Mr B. Papazaharoudakis, acting on behalf of Trainer Mr B Hayes was advised the gelding would be required to trial in a steeple trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel and the Stewards prior to a future Jumps race (if racing at Oakbank at next race start, then the trial must be at Oakbank). A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SPYING ON YOU (NZ)** (T. Ryan) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**ZABROCK (NZ)** (J. Lynch) – rider was granted permission to ride the gelding without claiming any of his allowance and in addition granted permission to ride half a kilogram over the weight allotted. J. Lynch was reprimanded under AR92.12 for failing to claim his allowance and was also reprimanded under AR120(b) for being overweight. Completed the course but was uncompetitive. Trainer Mr B. Brook was advised the gelding would be required to trial in a steeple trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel and the Stewards prior to a future Jumps race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

### **RACE 5: KLOSE'S SUPERMARKETS MAIDEN PLATE - 1050 metres**

**HOW WE ROLL** (P. Gatt) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination as the gelding had not raced since February 2016 and passed fit to race. Made the turn near the 500 metres awkwardly, laid out and became awkward on the heels of GROOVE WITH ME for several strides and shortly thereafter continued to shift out and contacted LIFE'S A GAMBLE for several strides.

**MORE DANGER** (B. Griffiths) – in the vicinity of the 200 metres shifted in and crossed the running of MILE HIGH, which was inconvenienced. Rider reprimanded for shifting ground when insufficiently clear.

**LIFE'S A GAMBLE** (D. Tourneur) – contacted for several strides inside the 500 metres.

**MAPLE'S IMAGE** (A. Jordsjo) - slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MILE HIGH** (J. Kah) – in the vicinity of the 200 metres was inconvenienced when crossed by MORE DANGER and was obliged to alter course to the outside of that horse. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

### **RACE 6: SIDEWOOD WINES CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1050 metres**

**LOCKDOWN JACK** (J. Holder) – stood flat-footed as the gates were released and was slow to begin losing two to three lengths. Approaching the 100 metres was contacted by IXCATAN, which rolled in and became unbalanced for a number of strides. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**IXCATAN** (E. Finnegan) – approaching the 100 metres rolled in onto LOCKDOWN JACK contacting that horse resulting in IXCATAN becoming unbalanced.

**ATLANTIS BAR** (M. Neilson) – had difficulty obtaining clear running over the concluding stages and was obliged to shifted in to obtain clear running.

**FAIRY NYMPH** (J. Toeroek) – rider reported his mount was inclined to hang in, in the straight.

**CHANNEL** (A. Jordsjo) – began awkwardly and raced keenly in the early stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in off hind leg. Veterinary Certificate of Fitness required prior to trial or race.

**STAR PLAYER** (P. Gatt) – over-raced in the early stages of the event.

**DUTTON BAY** (J. Potter) – Trainer Mr H. Montgomerie was granted permission on Saturday 1 April 2017 to race the mare without blinkers. Mr Montgomerie pleaded guilty to a charge under AR140B (3) for failing to lodge a gear notification and was fined \$200. Approaching the 100 metres had difficulty obtaining clear running when racing between ATLANTIS BAR and CHANNEL, which both shifted ground.

Correct weight for this event was delayed to allow J. Toeroek (FAIRY NYMPH) placed second and Mr G. Kennewell acting on behalf of Mr L. Kennewell to view the photo for first. Correct weight was further delayed to allow J. Holder the rider of and Mr D. Jolly the trainer of LOCKDOWN JACK to view the start.

### **RACE 7: BETWEEN THE VINES BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1400 metres**

**PURREAL** (E. Boyd) - performed poorly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Ms K. Mooney was advised the results of an ECG are to be forwarded to the TRSA Veterinary Surgeon and a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness would be required prior to the gelding performing satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial. In the vicinity of the 500 metres became awkward on the heels of CALIBRIUM for several strides.

**SURF CRUISER** (R. Hurdle) – pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the context of the race.

**THE ENGINEER** (J. Kah) – held up for a short distance approaching the 200 metres.

**RACE 8: GOLDING WINES BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP – 2150 metres**

**EXALTED LIGHTNING** (B. Griffiths) - slow to begin. Approaching the 200 metres shifted in to gain clear ground, contacted LONDOSTAR and inconvenienced that horse. Rider severely reprimanded and advised to only shift ground when sufficiently clear.

**SPUR ON GOLD** (S. Cahill) – held up for clear running from in the vicinity of the 400 metres until inside the 300 metres and thereafter was inconvenienced by PRESUMPTION, which laid out from approaching the 100 metres until approaching the finish.

**LONDOSTAR** (J. Kah) – contacted by EXALTED LIGHTNING approaching the 200 metres and was inconvenienced.

**PRESUMPTION** (M. Neilson) – laid out in the straight.

**MIDSOMER BARNABY** (T. Zanker) – On Saturday 1 April 2017, Stewards granted permission for Trainer Mr D. Pannell to race the gelding with normal race plates in front following a submission from Mr Pannell that one of the hoof pads fitted to the horse was lost and he was unable to replace it. Raced in restricted room shortly after the start and thereafter was severely hampered for a short distance by SILENT ELATION, which commenced to buck and shifted into its running line on two separate occasions.

**SILENT ELATION** (E. Finnegan) – Trainer Mr N. Smart advised Stewards prior to the event of a change of tactics in that he would instruct E. Finnegan to be positive in the early stages in an attempt to hold a forward of mid-field position. SILENT ELATION bucked severely for some distance shortly after the start. Mr N. Smart was advised the mare would have to trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before a future race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**CESS** (D. Caboche) – became fractious in its barrier stall after being loaded. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**DISCERN** (J. Toeroek) – raced in restricted room shortly after the start.

**SEA RAVEN** (E. Boyd) – dipped at the start. Held up for clear running from in the vicinity of the 400 metres until inside the 300 metres and laid in, in the straight.

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**PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (18):**

Blood samples were taken from the following horses:

Race 1 – ABOUT THE JOURNEY (NZ), LUCKY LUCKY LUCKY, STREET OUTLAW, DISTILLATION

Race 3 – ALEXIS JET, AZTEC PRIESTESS

Race 4 – NISHIAZABU, I'LL 'AVA'ALF (NZ), HONEY STEEL'S GOLD

Race 6 – IMPULSE DIAVOLO, ATLANTIS BAR

Race 7 – SOCIAL MEDIA, KOSMOS TERCEDES, PUJOLS

Race 8 – FINAL TABLE, PRESUMPTION, FANTASTIC MAGIC, SILENT ELATION

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**POST-RACE BLOOD SAMPLE (1)**

Race 8 - FINAL TABLE (winner)

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**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):**

Race 1 – DISTILLATION (winner)

Race 2 – TREGEGGLE (winner)

Race 3 – PAWNEE PASS (winner)

Race 4 – NISHIAZABU (winner)

Race 5 – MORE DANGER (winner)

Race 6 – STAR PLAYER (winner)

Race 7 - THE ENGINEER (winner)

Race 8 - FINAL TABLE (winner)

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>FINES</b>	Race 6 – H. Montgomerie (DUTTON BAY) – Fined \$200 – AR140B(3) – Failing to lodge a gear notification.
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 8 – B. Griffiths (EXALTED LIGHTNING) – AR137(a) – Careless riding.
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	<p>J. Lynch – AR120(b) – overweight on EXALTED KANGA (Race 1) and ZABROCK (Race 4).</p> <p>J. Lynch – AR92.12 – Failing to claim his allowance on EXALTED KANGA (Race 1) and ZABROCK (Race 4).</p> <p>Race 5 – B. Griffiths (MORE DANGER) – AR137(a) – Careless riding.</p> <p>Race 7 – R. Hurdle (SURF CRUISER) - AR137A(5)(a)(ii) [+3] – Whip offence.</p>
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Nil
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	<p>Race 1 – LUCKY LUCKY LUCKY – Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial – Lameness off foreleg.</p> <p>Race 1 – LUCKY LUCKY LUCKY – Suspended - Required to participate in an Official Hurdle Trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel and the Stewards prior to a future jumps race.</p> <p>Race 4 – HONEY STEEL'S GOLD – Suspended - Required to trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel and the Stewards prior to a future Jumps race.</p> <p>Race 4 – ZABROCK – Suspended - Required to trial to the satisfaction of the Jumps Review Panel and the Stewards prior to a future Jumps race – uncompetitive.</p> <p>Race 6 – CHANNEL – Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race – Lameness off hind leg.</p> <p>Race 7 – PURREAL – Suspended - the results of an ECG are to be forwarded to the TRSA Veterinary Surgeon and a Vet Cert of Fitness would be required prior to the gelding performing satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial – Cardiac Arrhythmia.</p> <p>Race 8 – SILENT ELATION – Suspended – Required to trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before a future race – Bucked.</p>
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	Nil