

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Racecourse
by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 26 August 2017

Stewards: J. Petzer (Chairman), C. Deakin (HT), S. Callanan (M) & J. Adams (F) (Stewards), M. Adams & K. Lemay-Robins (Cadet Stewards), D. Southgate, D. Jonas, N. Henry, V. Ferguson & J. Brew (Deputy Stewards) Dr P. Horridge & Dr B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons)

TRACK: Soft 6

RAIL: Out 13 metres 1200 metres to 400 metres, out 10 metres remainder. Sectional 615m.

WEATHER: Fine

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
6	TRAFFIC MAESTRO	J. Toeroek		Notified - Emergency

RACE 1: MEDALLION HOMES THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 metres

LEORBIT (T. Pannell) – in the vicinity of the 100 metres had to be steadied when crossed by MAZESTIC, which shifted in.

LOVE CLUB (R. Hurdle) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding developed thumps associated with stress colic after the event. First aid administered.

PORT VALE (O. Ridge) - rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200. In assessing penalty Stewards had regard for the context of the race and his use of the whip over the final 100 metres of the event. Rider also found guilty of a charge under AR137(b) for failing to ride his mount out to the finish, particularly over the concluding five strides of the event and was fined \$200. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SOUND MONEY (E. Finnegan) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

LEAD FOOT LACEY (S. Fawke) – Trainer advised Stewards prior to the event of a change in tactics in that he would instruct his rider to attempt to obtain cover in the event. Got its head up shortly after the start when being restrained and over-raced for some distance thereafter.

MAZESTIC (J. Toeroek) – slow to begin. Shifted out near the 500 metres to improve and brushed with ROCKET SOX, taking that horse a little wider. Thereafter at the entrance to the straight, shifted out and contacted ROCKET SOX turning that horse's hindquarters. In the vicinity of the 100 metres shifted in and crossed the running of LEORBIT, which was obliged to be steadied. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that he shifted ground when insufficiently clear and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 2 September and to conclude at midnight on Saturday 9 September 2017: a period of three meetings.

ROCKET SOX (J. Holder) – near the 500 metres was taken wider and at the entrance to the straight had its hindquarters turned.

RACE 2: UBET THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE – 1100 metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes owing to a number of horses proving difficult to load.

RACE 2: UBET THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE – 1100 metres (Cont'd)

LOSTARC (P. Gatt) – slow into stride. Held up for clear running from approaching the 400 metres until approaching the 300 metres.

MIGHTY MICK (M. Neilson) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MONDO MAGIC (J. Holder) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

M'LADY (J. Potter) – became fractious in its barrier stall and had to be removed. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to race. Awkward to begin, shifted in and contacted **MISS DRAGONFLY**. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer Mr J. Lockyer advised a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its barrier manners.

MISS DRAGONFLY (T. Pannell) – contacted at the start.

SHERA KHAN (J. Toeroek) – proved difficult to load. Trainer Mr R Jolly advised a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its loading manners.

UNSCOPEABLE (R. Clark) – proved difficult to load. Trainer Mr C. Bieg advised a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its loading manners. Awkward to begin.

RACE 3: IRISH RACE DAY - 2ND SEPTEMBER HANDICAP – 1050 metres

NEAT FEAT (J. Potter) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

OGUNDE (D. Caboche) – hung out throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 4: HUGHES LIMOUSINES HANDICAP - 2050 metres

ALLEZ TARA (D. Caboche) – when questioned regarding the manner in which ALLEZ TARA was ridden in this event, rider explained his instructions were to lead in a race where there was no apparent pace and which is in keeping with the gelding's pattern. He added he was also asked to allow the gelding to stride freely from inside the 1000 metres. He further added that after complying with his instructions he became aware, from inside the 1000 metres, that he had established a substantial break on the field but had regard for the fact that the horse was still travelling comfortably and for that reason he allowed it to continue to stride. He stated that on turning for home the gelding commenced to labour, failed to finish the event off and weakened markedly in the straight.

VINTAGE GROVE (P. Gatt) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(4)(b) for using his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height on three occasions over the concluding stages and was reprimanded.

RACE 5: JAMES BOAG'S PREMIUM HANDICAP - 1200 metres

BEAUTIFUL FLYER (J. Holder) – slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

JESTER HALO (C. Puls) – rider reported the mare travelled well until the home turn but thereafter failed to finish the event off and in her opinion did not handle the track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ESPRESSO LASS (J. Bowditch) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: ADELAIDE GALVANISING HANDICAP - 1100 metres

FULLY STOKED (E. Finnegan) – rider reported the gelding was disappointing in its performance and appeared to not appreciate the underfoot conditions. Laid in, in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: ADELAIDE GALVANISING HANDICAP - 1100 metres (cont'd)

HE IS GOLDEN (S. Price) – shifted out at the start.

MAGNUS KNIGHT (D. Caboche) – Stewards acceded to a request by Trainer Mr R. Balfour to allow the gelding to race equipped with winkers. It was established that Mr Balfour had submitted a request for a gear change albeit the request was submitted just outside the time declared. In the circumstances Stewards allowed the horse to race with winkers. Mr Balfour pleaded guilty to a charge under AR140B(3) and was fined \$200. Shifted in at the start. At the entrance to the straight became awkward on the heels of POUND STERLING for a number of strides and had to shift out to obtain clear running.

CASQUE (D. Tourneur) – very awkward to begin.

COPERNICUS (J. Bowditch) – tightened at the start between MAGNUS KNIGHT and HE IS GOLDEN, which both shifted ground.

EQUIDAME (J. Holder) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TRAFFIC MAESTRO (J. Toeorek) – approaching the 100 metres was disappointed for clear running between MAGNUS KNIGHT and CASQUE and was obliged to shift to the outside of CASQUE to obtain clear running.

Correct weight was delayed to allow Trainer J. Macmillan (TRAFFIC MAESTRO) to view the photo for third.

RACE 7: HOLDFAST INSURANCE HANDICAP - 1200 metres

SPY DECODER (NZ) (D. Thornton) – slow into stride.

BAROOD (P. Gatt) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

I AM THE GENERAL (D. Yendall) – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and passed fit to race. Rolled in slightly in the vicinity of the 150 metres and contacted SWIPE ME RIGHT, which rolled out. As a consequence, I AM THE GENERAL'S hindquarters were turned. Inside the 100 metres was obliged to be steadied to avoid the heels of BEAU'S MY BOY as that horse shifted in. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

HADDA COUPLE (T. Pannell) – rider reported the gelding travelled well in the early stages but was off the bridle from inside the 800 metres and from in the vicinity of the 500 metres commenced to lay out and laid out for the remainder of the event. He added that in his opinion the gelding did not appreciate the underfoot conditions.

SO SKILLED (D. Tourneur) – tightened at the start between RAHEEBA and SWIPE ME RIGHT, which both shifted ground.

RAHEEBA (S. Fawke) – shifted out at the start.

SWIPE ME RIGHT (J. Bowditch) – shifted in at the start. In the vicinity of the 150 metres rolled out and contacted I AM THE GENERAL, turning that horse's hindquarters. Thereafter raced in restricted room inside the 100 metres when racing between the heels of I AM THE GENERAL and BAROOD for a number of strides. Stewards noted that this horse appeared to falter on a number of occasions in the straight in the underfoot conditions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BEAU'S MY BOY (J. Holder) – shifted in under riding inside the 100 metres and crossed the running of I AM THE GENERAL taking that horse's running. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) in that he shifted ground when insufficiently clear and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Saturday, 2 September and to conclude at midnight on Saturday, 9 September 2017: a period of three meetings. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8: SCHWEPPE HANDICAP - 1600 metres

VICTORY DOWNS (E. Finnegan) – began awkwardly, shifted out and contacted LITTLE AKIE.

BALF'S CHOICE (M. Neilson) rider explained the gelding travelled well early however, inside the 600 metres hit a flat spot for a short distance but thereafter picked up the bridle and commenced to finish the race off. He stated, on entering the straight he would have preferred to improve to the outside of BLACK SHEEP (NZ) but owing to the position of OUR BOY NICHOLAS was unable to do so and was obliged to improve to the inside of BLACK SHEEP (NZ). He added the horse was then inclined to lay in and raced in restricted room for a short distance between the heels of BLACK SHEEP (NZ) and HAVE PLENTY to his inside. He further added that the horse finished the race off in a manner that suggested it may now be better suited to racing over more ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

LITTLE AKIE (S. Fawke) – contacted at the start. Inside the 600 metres raced in restricted room for a short distance.

EDGEWOOD (P. Gatt) – slow to begin.

CHESTNUT CHARLIE – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and ruled unfit to race. A late scratching at 5.02 pm by order of Stewards acting on veterinary advice that the gelding was lame in the near foreleg.

OPTIMIZE (V. Wong) – contacted the barrier structure in the loading process. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to race.

HAVE PLENTY (J. Bowditch) – brushed with BALF'S CHOICE inside the 200 metres for a short distance and then commenced to give ground.

PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (21):

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

Race 1 LEORBIT, PORT VALE, GLAM GURU

Race 2 MIGHTY MICK, MONDO MAGIC, MY THREE SONS, MISS DRAGONFLY

Race 3 GUN CASE, KARLOVASI

Race 4 ALLEZ TARA, RONG DOOR REGGIE

Race 5 BEAUTIFUL FLYER, ESPRESSO LASS

Race 6 BELLOMO, HE IS GOLDEN, ARTIE'S PARTY, CASQUE

Race 7 AFFRAY, I AM THE GENERAL

Race 8 VICTORY DOWNS, BALF'S CHOICE

POST-RACE BLOOD SAMPLE (2):

Race 5 – NIPPERKIN (winner)

Race 8 – OUR BOY NICHOLAS (2nd)

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (10):

Race 1 – GLAM GURU (winner)

Race 2 – UNSCOPEABLE (winner)

Race 3 – GUN CASE (winner)

Race 4 – DANOULI (winner)

Race 4 – ALLEZ TARA (unplaced)

Race 5 – NIPPERKIN (winner)

Race 6 – MAGNUS KNIGHT (winner)

Race 7 – COUNTER SPIN (winner)

Race 8 – VICTORY DOWNS (winner)

Race 8 – OUR BOY NICHOLAS (2nd)

SUMMARY	
FINES	Race 1 - O. Ridge (PORT VALE) – Fined \$200 - AR137A(5)(a)(ii) [+3] – Whip offence. Race 1 – O. Ridge (PORT VALE) – Fined \$200 - AR137(b) – Failing to ride mount out to the finish. Race 6 – Mr R. Balfour (MAGNUS KNIGHT) – Fined \$200 - AR140B(3) – Late gear change.
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 4 – P. Gatt (VINTAGE GROVE) - AR137A(4)(b) – Whip Offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Race 1 – J. Toeroek (MAZESTIC) – AR137(a) – Careless Riding – From midnight 2/9/17 and to conclude at midnight 9/9/17 – 3 meetings. Race 7 – J. Holder (BEAU'S MY BOY) AR137(a) – Careless Riding – From midnight 2/9/17 and to conclude at midnight 9/9/17 – 3 meetings.
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 – M'LADY – Warned – Barrier manners. Race 2 – SHERA KHAN – Warned – Loading manners. Race 2 - UNSCOPEABLE – Warned – Loading manners.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil