

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

**Report on Race Meeting held at Balaklava Racecourse**  
**by the Balaklava Racing Club on Wednesday, 13 September 2017**

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**Stewards:** J. Petzer (Chairman), M. Santoro, C. Deakin (F), S. Callanan (HT) & J. Adams (M), (Stewards), M. Williams, T. Vanderstok & K. Lemay-Robins (Cadet Stewards), D. Southgate & N. Hawkins (Deputy Stewards) Dr P. Horridge & Dr R. Haensel (Veterinary Surgeons)

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**TRACK:** Good 4 (*Downgraded to Soft 5 at 11.45 am retrospective to Race 1*)  
(*Downgraded to Soft 6 at 3.15 pm retrospective to Race 7*)

**WEATHER:** Showery

**RAIL:** True.

**RIDER CHANGES:**

| Race | Horse       | Rider      | Replaced By | Reason                                  |
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| 7    | ROCK STATUS | K. Mallyon | K. Crowther | Late declaration – explanation accepted |

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**RACE 1: METRO PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT / SABOIS THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE**  
**- 1050 metres**

**ATTICUS (NZ)** (S. Price) – awkward to begin and shortly thereafter was contacted by MISS LABELLE, which shifted out. As a consequence, ATTICUS (NZ) became severely unbalanced. Race greenly throughout the event. Laid in, in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**AXELROD** (M. Neilson) – shifted out and contacted MEGA FAITH on jumping away. Held up rounding the home turn until shortly after the entrance to the straight.

**BON AIRE** (J. Toeroek) – held up for clear running from in the vicinity of the 400 metres until the 300 metres.

**MEGA FAITH** (D. Tourneur) – shifted in and contacted AXELROD on jumping away. Severely hampered shortly after the start. Inside the 800 metres was hampered when awkwardly placed on the heels of OVER EXPOSURE, which was taken wider. As a consequence, MEGA FAITH shifted out abruptly and raced wide for a short distance.

**OVER EXPOSURE** (J. Kah) – shortly after the start laid in, shifted in and tightened MEGA FAITH onto AXELROD. Laid in for the remainder of the event.

**ANNIFRID** (K. Crowther) – over-raced in the early stages of the event.

**LEAD FOOT LACEY** (W. Pike) – shortly after the start rolled out onto AXELROD tightening that horse onto MEGAFALTH. Over-raced in the early stages of the event. Inside the 800 metres rolled out onto OVER EXPOSURE taking that horse wider. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MISS LABELLE** (R. Hurdle) – awkward to begin, shifted out and contacted ATTICUS (NZ).

**NOUVELLOKOVA** (C. Lindop) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 2: TAYLORS WINES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 metres**

**BARSHONTI** (D. Tourneur) – awkward to begin and shifted in at the start. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## **RACE 2: TAYLORS WINES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 metres (Cont'd)**

**GUN ROOSTER** (V. Wong) – laid in, in the straight. Dipped shortly after straightening for no apparent reason.

**PREFERRED ROUTE** (J. Bowditch) – dipped on a number of occasion in the straight.

**ROCKARRAL** (J. Kah) - over-raced in the early stages, got its head up and raced ungenerously for some distance thereafter. Shifted out slightly over the concluding stages and contacted SWEET MISCHIEF shortly prior to the winning post.

**SASKO** (D. Thornton) – began awkwardly and contacted LA LA LUCHIE

**LA LA LUCHIE** (C. Lindop) – contacted at the start. Inside the 800 metres became awkward inside the heels of SWEET MISCHIEF and had to be restrained. Eased out of the event from inside the 200 metres. Rider explained that the filly travelled well until near the 800 metres but thereafter was under pressure and failed to respond to her riding and commenced to give ground despite her efforts. She added that she became concerned with the filly and for that reason did not persist with her riding from near the 200 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**NOGGIN** (P. Gatt) – slow to begin.

**SWEET MISCHIEF** (J. Holder) – raced greenly in the straight, shifted in over the concluding stages and contacted ROCKARRAL shortly prior to the winning post.

## **RACE 3: BARDRILL / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 metres**

**FORGOT MY SOCK** (J. Lorensini) – proved difficult to load. Laid in, in the straight. Shifted its near hind plate in running.

**SILENT WARRIOR** (S. Cahill) – approaching the 300 metres was obliged to be checked to avoid the heels of MY THREE SONS, which shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MY THREE SONS** (D. Tourneur) – raced in restricted room shortly after the start for a short distance and was unable to maintain its position. Held up for clear running from near the 600 metres until near the 400 metres. Shifted out approaching the 300 metres and crossed the running of SILENT WARRIOR when insufficiently clear, resulting in that horse having to be checked. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(a) for careless riding and was suspended from riding in race for a period to commence midnight Saturday, 16 September 2017 and to conclude midnight Friday, 22 September 2017, a period of three race meetings. Laid out under pressure over the concluding stages.

**RENEGADE** (D. Thornton) – approaching the 700 metres became awkward on the heels of ZERNIKAMAC and had to be steadied. Raced greenly in the straight.

## **RACE 4: WOODSTOCK BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1400 metres**

**ONE FOR MAX** (K. Crowther) – raced very keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RED BEGONIA** (J. Potter) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SAVANERO (NZ)** (S. Price) – held up for clear running from shortly after the entrance to the straight until inside the 400 metres.

**SILENT ICE** (T. Pannell) – laid in, in the straight. Had difficulty obtaining clear running in the early part of the straight.

**ZOLOTOI** (M. Neilson) – approaching the 300 metres shifted out abruptly of its own accord and contacted FREE THE WIND. Rider 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 fined \$100. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

#### **RACE 4: WOODSTOCK BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1400 metres (cont'd)**

**FREE THE WIND** (J. Toeroek) – contacted approaching the 300 metres by ZOLOTOL, which shifted out abruptly. Lost its near hind plate during the event.

#### **RACE 5: UBET BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1600 metres**

**JET EXPRESS** (D. Caboche) – rider 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 fined \$100.

**HALAYR ROTHESTAR** (A. Jordsjo) – reminded of her obligations to ride her mounts out to the line.

**KIRONA** (W. Pike) – inclined to lay in under pressure and had difficulty obtaining clear ground in the straight until inside the 100 metres.

**PRINCE OF PAGODA (NZ)** (J. Kah) – which had not raced since April 2016 underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start. Near the 1200 metres became awkward between the heels of REINE DE TOUT (NZ) and AY OH WHEY OH, had to be steadied, got its head up and thereafter raced keenly for some distance.

**RED MENACE** (M. Neilson) – which was kicked by another runner behind the barriers underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to start. Raced wide without cover in the early stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**HOLY TRILOGEY** (J. Toeroek) – slow to begin.

**LATIN HERO** (J. Holder) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**IRISH MAMBO** (A. Doyle) – raced wide without cover in the early stages of the event.

**AY OH WHEY OH** (R. Clark) – pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that she used her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$400.

**REINE DE TOUT (NZ)** (V. Wong) – reminded of his obligations to ride his mounts out to the line.

#### **RACE 6: ADELAIDE GALVANISING INDUSTRIES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP – 1050 metres**

**PLANET VOYAGE** (J. Huxtable) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SILICONNI** (M. Neilson) – rider reported the gelding did not stretch out during the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**TIME OUT** (J. Kah) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MASTER BLACK** (D. Caboche) – awkward to begin, shifted out and contacted JUST PEGGY. In the vicinity of the 50 metres rider accidentally dropped his whip and was reprimanded under AR137(a) for carelessness.

**JUST PEGGY** (A. Doyle) – contacted at the start.

**SWEET VARDEN** (K. Crowther) – raced keenly in the early stages of the event. Became awkwardly placed on the heels of runners in the vicinity of the 900 metres.

**AVEE DEBEE** (K. Bishop) – proved very erratic and intractable on leaving the mounting yard, reared and fell over. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and ruled unfit to start. Declared a late scratching at 2.29 pm. Trainer, Mr A. Justice, was advised that the mare would now be required to prove tractable in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race.

**LADWELL** (J. Bowditch) – began very awkwardly and was slow to begin.

## **RACE 7: COOPERS 2017 SPARKLING ALE SPRINT - 1050 metres**

**KARLOVASI** (P. Gatt) – at the entrance to the straight, shifted out to improve and contacted LOPE DE CAPIO.

**LOPE DE CAPIO** (J. Lorensini) – at the entrance to the straight contacted by KARLOVASI and had its hindquarters turned. A post-race veterinary examination revealed an abrasion to the off hind stifle. First aid administered.

**COOL PASSION** (D. Thornton) – held up from shortly after the entrance to the straight and was unable to obtain clear running throughout in the straight and was untested the line.

**LADY ESPRIT** (T. Pannell) – rider explained that the mare travelled well in the early stages but when asked for an effort in the straight was disappointing and failed to respond to his riding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be exhibiting signs of mild colic. First aid administered.

**CASHED** (W. Pike) – awkward to begin. Held up from inside the 400 metres until inside the 200 metres.

**USAIN DANE** (E. Finnegan) – rider reported the gelding felt sore in front. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**BRIMARVI PRINCE** (J. Bowditch) – had difficulty obtaining clear running from inside the 300 metres until inside the 200 metres. Rider reminded of his obligations to ride his mount out to the line.

**ROCK STATUS** (K. Crowther) – shifted out from near the 300 metres and continued to shift ground outwards in the straight. Rider severely reprimanded and advised in future to make an effort to keep her mounts on a straight course. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) in that she used her whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$400.

**OAMARU OWL** (J. Holder) – awkward to begin.

**OGUNDE** (C. Lindop) – awkward to begin.

## **RACE 8: THE ADVERTISER NEWSPAPERS BALAKLAVA CUP (LISTED) - 1600 metres**

**LORD ASPEN** (M. Neilson) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. In the vicinity of the 1200 metres was obliged to steady to avoid the heels of VICTORY DOWNS, which shifted in. Approaching the 100 metres was inconvenienced by KOURKAM (FR), which was taken out by RIZIZ. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RIZIZ** (T. Pannell) – Approaching the 100 metres shifted out under pressure taking KOURKAM (FR) out.

**VICTORY DOWNS** (E. Finnegan) – shifted in, in the vicinity of the 1200 metres across the running of LORD ASPEN, which had to be steadied. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) for shifting ground when insufficiently clear and was suspended for a period to commence midnight 16 September 2017 and to conclude midnight 22 September 2017, a period of three race dates.

**KOURKAM (FR)** (S. Fawke) – taken out approaching the 100 metres by RIZIZ.

**TUNES** (C. Lindop) – awkward to begin.

**BALF'S CHOICE** (W. Pike) – when questioned regarding his instructions rider explained that he had no specific instructions other than to allow the gelding to settle where comfortable. He stated that after beginning well he had made an assessment of the pace in the early stages and found himself more forward than expected but without cover and wide. He added that thereafter when it was apparent that no other runner was inclined to go forward he had elected to take up a position closer to the rail and allowed his mount to stride comfortably, and found the lead by default. Stewards confirmed the instructions provided to W. Pike with trainer, Mr R. Balfour, who expressed the view that he never anticipated that the horse would lead and was surprised to see the horse do so.

**PATCH ADAMS** (P. Gatt) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 9: ATLAS EVENT & PARTY HIRE / NICKI EGERTON MEMORIAL CLASS TWO HANDICAP -**  
**1200 metres**

**LET'S TANGO** (R. Hurdle) – held up for a short distance shortly after the entrance to the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**FRENCH ROCK** (J. Lorensini) – rider was found guilty of 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.

**FEDEROSA (NZ)** (J. Toeroek) – held up for clear running from the 400 metres to the 200 metres.

**JACKTHEGIANTSLAYER** (S. Cahill) – laid out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**ESPRESSO LASS** (J. Bowditch) – slow to begin.

**EQUIDAME** (J. Holder) – shortly after the start shifted in and tightened SHE'S STARSTRUCK, which had to be checked.

**MAPPINGA MELODY** (V. Wong) – rider was found guilty of a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$300.

**SHE'S STARSTRUCK** (P. Gatt) – shifted out shortly after the start, became awkwardly placed on the heels of EQUIDAME which shifted in and had to be checked.

**MORE THAN A ROSE** (D. Tourneur) – slow to begin. Lost its near fore plate during the event.

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**OUT OF COMPETITION BLOOD SAMPLES (42)**

Out of competition blood samples were taken on Tuesday, 12 September 2017 from the following horses.

- Race 1 – BON AIRE, DEX IN THE CITY, OVER EXPOSURE, FIBBERS (NZ).
- Race 2 – BARSHONTI, SASKO, LA LA LUCHIE.
- Race 3 – SILENT WARRIOR, ZERNIKNAMAC, MY THREE SONS, SKILLFUL STEPS.
- Race 4 – SIR CHARLESTON (NZ), ZOLOTOI, BELZELADY.
- Race 5 – HALAYR ROTHESTAR, IMPORTANT, HOLY TRILOGEY.
- Race 6 – PLANET VOYAGE, ILGATTINO, SUPER RULES, SILICONNI, TIME OUT.
- Race 7 – KARLOVASI, COOL PASSION, LADY ESPRIT, CASHED, USAIN DANE, NICCOCO, OAMARU OWL.
- Race 8 – LORD ASPEN, RIZIZ, JIM'S JOURNEY, KOURKAM (FR), TUNES, BALF'S CHOICE, LITTLE AKIE, BROWN BEN.
- Race 9 – BREAKER OF CHAINS, SOPHACLES, EMBECEEE LIL, ESPRESSO LASS, EQUIDAME.

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**PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (32)**

Blood samples were taken from the following horses for, but not limited to, TCO<sub>2</sub> purposes:

- Race 1 – BON AIRE, FIBBERS (NZ)
- Race 2 – BARSHONTI, CARAFFINI, LA LA LUCHIE
- Race 3 – SILENT WARRIOR, MY THREE SONS
- Race 4 – SIR CHARLESTON (NZ), ZOLOTOI
- Race 5 – IMPORTANT, HOLY TRILOGEY
- Race 6 – ILGATTINO, SILICONNI, TIME OUT
- Race 7 – GUN CASE, KARLOVASI, LOPE DE CAPIO, COOL PASSION, LADY ESPRIT
- Race 8 – LORD ASPEN, RIZIZ, JIM'S JOURNEY, VICTORY DOWNS, KOURKAM (FR), TUNES, BALF'S CHOICE, LITTLE AKIE, PATCH ADAMS, BROWN BEN, COPPER COAST RAIDA
- Race 9 – BREAKER OF CHAINS, SOPHACLES

## **ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (12)**

Race 1 – OVER EXPOSURE (winner)  
Race 2 – PREFERRED ROUTE (winner)  
Race 3 – SET TO SPARKLE (winner)  
Race 4 – I'M A PRINCESS (winner)  
Race 5 – KIRONA (winner)  
Race 6 – MILE HIGH (winner)  
Race 7 – GUN CASE (winner)  
Race 7 – LOPE DE CAPIO (second)  
Race 8 – BALF'S CHOICE (winner)  
Race 8 – BROWN BEN (second)  
Race 8 – JIM'S JOURNEY (third)  
Race 9 – FRENCH ROCK (winner)

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>             |   |
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| <b>FINES</b>               | Race 4 – M. Neilson (ZOLOTOI) – Fined \$100– AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+4] – Whip offence.<br>Race 5 – D. Caboche (JET EXPRESS) – Fined \$100 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+4] – Whip offence.<br>Race 5 – R. Clark (AY OH WHEY OH) – Fined \$400 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+7] – Whip offence.<br>Race 7 – K. Crowther (ROCK STATUS) – Fined \$400 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+8] – Whip offence.<br>Race 9 – J. Lorensini (FRENCH ROCK) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+4] – Whip offence.<br>Race 9 – V. Wong (MAPPINGA MELODY) – Fined \$300 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+5] – Whip offence. |
| <b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>   | Race 7 – K. Crowther (ROCK STATUS) – AR137(a) – Careless riding.  |
| <b>REPRIMANDS</b>          | Race 6 – D. Caboche (MASTER BLACK) – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping his whip.  |
| <b>SUSPENSIONS</b>         | Race 3 – D. Tourneur (MY THREE SONS) – AR137(a) – Careless riding – Suspended from midnight 16/9/17 to 22/9/17 – 3 meetings.<br>Race 8 – E. Finnegan (VICTORY DOWNS) – AR137(a) – Careless riding – Suspended from midnight 16/09/17 to 22/09/17 – 3 meetings.  |
| <b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>       | Race 6 – AVEE DEBEE – Suspended – Required to prove tractable in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start – Erratic and intractable on leaving the mounting yard.   |
| <b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b> | Nil   |
| <b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>   | Nil   |