THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Strathalbyn Racecourse by the Strathalbyn Racing Club on Wednesday, 20 December 2017

Stewards:

A. Hayles (A/Chairman), S. Callanan (F) & J. Adams (HT) (Stewards), K. Lemay-Robbins (M) & M. Adams (Cadet Stewards), N. Hawkins (Deputy Steward), Dr. P. Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon)

TRACK: Good 4 WEATHER: Overcast

RAIL: Out 2 metres 1350 metres to 800 metres, out 3 metres 800 metres to 400 metres, true remainder.

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
3	CRY WOLF	P. Gatt	D. Tourneur	Indisposed.
6	WATCH THE WOLF	"	J. Bowditch	"
8	SAND CAT	V. Wong	A. Lindsay	"
8	SHORT STUFF	P. Gatt	E. Boyd	"

RACE 1 : STRATHAIR REFRIGERATION AND ELECTRICAL / SABOIS DISTANCE MAIDEN PLATE - 2062 metres

TATLER (NZ) (J. Bowditch) – bumped on jumping away when WANTED HARMONY jumped away awkwardly and shifted out. In the vicinity of the 1900 metres had to be steadied and lost its position when RUTH shifted in when insufficiently clear.

WANTED HARMONY (J. Toeroek) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted out bumping TATLER (NZ).

RUTH (S. Fawke) – in the vicinity of the 1900 metres shifted in when insufficiently clear. Rider severely reprimanded under AR137(a) for careless riding. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 2: MERRY CHRISTMAS / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE - 1112 metres

ARCTIC BLAZE (D. Tootell) – jumped away awkwardly.

GRACEFUL INTENT (K. Bishop) – Stewards questioned K. Bishop into her riding of the mare, in particular her riding from approaching the 400 metres to shortly after entering the home straight. K. Bishop explained that she had elected to stay to the inside of BRAMFIELD and behind SKID LID as she was of the belief that they would bring her into the race rather than restrain her mount and ease across these runners' heels. Shortly after entering the straight K. Bishop elected to move to the outside of the heels of BRAMFIELD as that filly had not taken her into the race as she was expecting. K. Bishop stated that in hindsight she would have been better suited in shifting to the outside those runners approaching the 400 metres. Stewards noted K. Bishop's explanation.

MISS EBONY ROSE (R. Clark) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

BEL MOSHE (J. Bowditch) – slow to begin.

BRAMFIELD (J. Toeroek) – laid in under pressure in the home straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SKID LID (K. Crowther) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3: STRATHALBYN CUP FEBRUARY 4TH / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1362 metres

CRY WOLF (D. Tourneur) – dipped shortly after the start for no apparent reason.

VANISHING POINT (J. Toeroek) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BOMBER BOB (K. Crowther) – laid in under pressure in the straight.

RACE 4: MCILROY AUTO GROUP MARES BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1362 metres

SCARLETT FOX (D. Tourneur) – bumped on a number of occasions in the vicinity of the 600 metres when QUICK BISCUIT shifted in abruptly.

MORCHOWIE MISS (R. Clark) – approaching the 100 metres had to be momentarily steadied and lost its position when racing tight to the inside of MANHATTAN MELODY, and as a result was unable to be tested until approaching the winning post.

QUICK BISCUIT (K. Stra) – in the vicinity of the 600 metres laid in abruptly bumping SCARLETT FOX on a number of occasions.

RACE 5: STRATH SMALL ENGINES CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1362 metres

STRYKER FORTUNE (R. Clark) – laid out throughout the event.

LUCAPA DIAMONDS (T. Pannell) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: COLOSSAL CARPET CLEANING / SABOIS PLUS BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 2062 metres

OUR BOY NICHOLAS (A. Jordsjo) – slow to begin. Approaching the 400 metres had to be steadied off the heels of SVETLANA'S ARROW, which began to give ground.

ECLAIR FIESTA (FR) (K. Crowther) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SVETLANA'S ARROW (T. Pannell) – from the vicinity of the 400 metres began to give ground. Rider explained that the mare was failing to respond to his riding and felt awkward in its action. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DAPPER ROSSA (A. Lindsay) – in the vicinity of the 300 metres rider accidentally dropped her whip and was reprimanded under AR137(a) for carelessness.

RACE 7: AB VINEYARD CONTRACTING BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1612 metres

ZAALADD (T. Pannell) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

COOL TARGET (J. Holder) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

NISHIAZABU (Jemma Frew) – approaching the finish was unable to be fully tested when racing tight between runners.

SUPERHEIST (D. Tourneur) – slow to begin.

ALWAYS MAGIC (A. Jordsjo) – from the vicinity of the 700 metres was inclined to lay in. From the vicinity of the 200 metres to the winning post was unable to obtain clear running and as a result was not fully tested. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 7: AB VINEYARD CONTRACTING BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1612 metres (cont'd)

RORY'S UNION (S. Fawke) - raced ungenerously in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 8: TERMINUS HOTEL BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1212 metres

BLONDE MISSILE (A. Jordsjo) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

KIWI BOSS (NZ) (S. Fawke) – in the vicinity of the 300 metres had to be momentarily steadied when WISE AND HAPPY shifted out when insufficiently clear. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR175(g) in that he gave misleading evidence in an inquiry and was reprimanded. In determining penalty Stewards took into consideration his inexperience as he is an apprentice rider and therefore advised him that he must attend the Riders' Advisory Panel for remedial training.

WISE AND HAPPY (J. Holder) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted out bumping SAND CAT. In the vicinity of the 700 metres shifted out when insufficiently clear. Rider severely reprimanded under AR137(a).

OUR WITNESS (K. Crowther) - performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SAND CAT (A. Lindsay) – bumped on jumping away when WISE AND HAPPY jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8):

Race 1 – RUTH (winner)

Race 2 - FABULOUS FLIPPER (winner)

Race 3 – BOMBER BOB (winner)

Race 4 – SCARLETT FOX (winner)

Race 5 – STRYKER FORTUNE (winner)

Race 6 - FANTASTIC MAGIC (winner)

Race 7 – JARRVIS (winner)

Race 8 – TOUCH (winner)

SUMMARY			
FINES	Nil		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 1 – S. Fawke (RUTH) – AR137(a) – Careless riding. Race 8 – J. Holder (WISE AND HAPPY) – AR137(a) – Careless riding.		
REPRIMANDS	Race 6 – A. Lindsay (DAPPER ROSSA) – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping her whip. Race 8 – S. Fawke (KIWI BOSS (NZ)) – AR175(g) – Giving misleading evidence in an inquiry.		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Nil		
ADJOURNED ENQUIRIES	Nil		
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	P. Gatt & V. Wong		