

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

**Report on Race Meeting held at Morphettville Parks Racecourse**  
**by the South Australian Jockey Club on Saturday, 24 February 2018**

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**Stewards:** J. Petzer (Chairman), M. Santoro, J. Adams (HT) & A. Hayles (F) (Stewards),  
K. Lemay-Robins (Cadet Steward), D. Jonas, B. Hallett & A. Deakin (Deputy Stewards)  
Dr P. Horridge & Dr B. Agnew (Veterinary Surgeons)

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**TRACK:** Good 4

**RAIL:** Out 8 metres 1000m to Winning Post, out 5 metres remainder.

**WEATHER:** Overcast

**RIDER CHANGES:**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Horse</b>	<b>Rider</b>	<b>Replaced By</b>	<b>Reason</b>
2	WOKIT	J. Turner	R. Clark	Not available – explanation accepted.
3	BENTLEY TYCOON	H. Coffey	P. Gatt	Interstate engagement (released from engagement).
4	INFINITY QUEEN	J. Turner	C. Casserta	Not available – explanation accepted.

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**RACE 1: 2KW BAR & RESTAURANT HANDICAP - 1000 metres**

**DANCER'S KIN** (E. Finnegan) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MASHAHEER** (F. Kersley) – became awkward on the heels of GYTRASH for a short distance inside the 800 metres. Held up for clear running from the entrance to the straight when racing behind GYTRASH and inside DANCER'S KIN until approaching the 200 metres.

**RACE 2: PALMER HOSPITALITY GROUP THREE-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN PLATE – 1000 metres**

**HAHNDORF** (S. Price) – very awkward and slow to begin and thereafter was slow into stride. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**INCOMPARABLE** (J. Bowditch) – awkward to begin.

**MIGHTY MICK** (C. Caserta) – awkward to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a laceration to the near hind coronet. First aid administered.

**VIKINGS FURY** (J. Toeroek) – in the vicinity of the 700 metres became awkwardly placed on the heels of MIGHTY MICK, rolled out and then became awkward for a number of strides inside the heels of INCOMPARABLE. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**WOKIT** (R. Clark) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**M'LADY** (D. Caboche) – raced keenly in the early stages of the event.

### **RACE 3: THE NEW MORPHETT ARMS HOTEL HANDICAP – 2250 metres**

**DANCE OF HEROES (GB)** (R. Clark) – laid in, in the straight and ducked in sharply of its own accord near the 200 metres.

**ARCHERY PEAK (GB)** (D. Bates) – slow to begin. Near the 600 metres inconvenienced by FLYING CASINO, which was taken out by FLOW METER. Rider explained that it was his intention to settle midfield but having regard for the manner in which the horse began was unable to do so. He added that from in the vicinity of the 1000 metres when asked for an effort the gelding responded well but from the entrance to the straight commenced to weaken and failed to finish the event off and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**FLOW METER** (S. Fawke) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**BENTLEY TYCOON** (P. Gatt) – rider reported he had become concerned with the horse's action in the straight and on pulling up he was of the view that the gelding felt sore in its off foreleg. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**CEALLACH** (K. Bishop) – 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 reprimanded.

### **RACE 4: PIMM'S HANDICAP - 1250 metres**

**JUST A BIGGER DASH** (S. Fawke) – hampered at the start. 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 reprimanded. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**COOL MAVERICK** (D. Caboche) – awkward to begin and shifted out onto JUST A BIGGER DASH taking that horse out onto PORT TRIANO.

**PORT TRIANO** (P. Gatt) – awkward to begin and shortly thereafter was inconvenienced by JUST A BIGGER DASH, which was taken out by COOL MAVERICK.

**TAKEMEHOMEMISTER** (J. Holder) – awkward to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**HATTAN MAN** (J. Bowditch) – awkward and slow to begin. Commenced to lay out from in the vicinity of the 700 metres. Laid out severely in the straight. Rider reported that he was obliged to settle further back than intended as a consequence of the gelding being slow to begin. He added thereafter the gelding commenced to lay out in running, resulting in his saddle slipping back placing him at a disadvantage in the straight and resulting in him being unable to fully assist his mount in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

### **RACE 5: PERONI HANDICAP - 1550 metres**

**MIHANY** (F. Kersley) – shifted in shortly after the start momentarily tightening STAR FORTUNE, which shifted in and away onto STRATEGIC DEMAND, which was tightened onto SCRATCHY LASS. Rider reminded of his obligations when shifting ground.

**MAGIC CONSOL** (D. Bates) – awkward to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**STRATEGIC DEMAND** (C. Lindop) – shortly after the start raced in restricted room between SCRATCHY LASS, which maintained its line, and STAR FORTUNE, which shifted in and away from MIHANY, which shifted in slightly. As a consequence, STRATEGIC DEMAND became buffeted between STAR FORTUNE and SCRATCHY LASS, contacted SCRATCHY LASS, turning that horse's hindquarters and was unable to fully maintain its position.

**SCRATCHY LASS** (S. Fawke) – shortly after the start was contacted by STRATEGIC DEMAND, had its hindquarters turned and was inconvenienced. Lost its near fore plate in running.

**KOSMOS TERCEDES** (V. Wong) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

### **RACE 6: JAMES BOAG'S PREMIUM HANDICAP - 1400 metres**

**LITTLE HEATH** (J. Bowditch) – rider reported that the horse travelled well until near the 700 metres; however, when placed under pressure thereafter failed to respond to his riding and was awkward in its action in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**UNSCOPEABLE** (T. Pannell) – difficult to load. Trainer, Mr C. Bieg, was advised that a warning had been placed on the filly in relation to its barrier manners. Approaching the 700 metres raced keenly and became awkward on the heels of MO FEMME for a number of strides.

**LITTLEBITFUNNY** (P. Gatt) – awkward to begin. In the vicinity of the 900 metres raced keenly and became awkwardly placed on the heels of runners for a number of strides.

**MO FEMME** (E. Finnegan) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137(c) for making a celebratory gesture prior to passing the winning post and was fined \$200.

**TENNESSEE RAIDER** (C. Lindop) – slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the filly to be lame in the off hind leg. Co-trainer, Mr A. Gluyas, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race.

**ATLANTICA** (R. Clark) – awkward to begin.

### **RACE 7: THE WARRADALE HOTEL HANDICAP - 1250 metres**

**THIS KID ROCKS** (J. Holder) – began awkwardly, shifted out and inconvenienced COUNTER SPIN.

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

**NICCOCO** (P. Gatt) – over-raced for some distance from near the 900 metres. Lost its near hind plate during the event.

**ARCTIC SONG** (A. Chan) – very awkward to begin, contacted the inside of its barrier stall and unbalanced A. Chan who was placed at a disadvantage in the early stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**BLUE TYCOON** (F. Kersley) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**COUNTER SPIN** (R. Clark) – inconvenienced at the start. Over-raced near the 700 metres and became awkwardly placed on the heels of NICCOCO for some distance and thereafter near the 600 metres was obliged to shift out to obtain clear ground. Laid in, in the straight.

**GRACIOUS PROSPECT** (S. Fawke) – hung out over the concluding stages. 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.

Correct weight for this event was delayed to allow Stewards and the Starter to view the vision of the start in relation to the manner in which ARCTIC SONG began.

### **RACE 8: METCALF GROUP (SA) HANDICAP - 1000 metres**

**PUNT CLUB** (F. Kersley) – shifted out gradually shortly after the start tightening CLASSY JACK, which raced in restricted room for a short distance. Rider reminded of his obligations when his mounts commence to shift ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**CALL ME CURTIS** (J. Huxtable) – reported that his mount laid out rounding the home turn. Laid out from in the vicinity of the 400 metres and shifted ground outwards over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**EL PRADO GOLD** (S. Price) – late scratching at 10.58 am on confirmed advice from Trainer, Mr R. Balfour, that the gelding was lame in the off foreleg.

**CLASSY JACK** (D. Caboche) – raced in restricted room for a short distance after the start when taken out by PUNT CLUB.

**RACE 9: HIGHWAY HOTEL AFTER PARTY HANDICAP - 1400 metres**

**BATTLECAMP (NZ)** (S. Cahill) – in the vicinity of the 900 metres made the turn awkwardly, rolled out and contacted GALAXY GAZER, which was inconvenienced. Became awkwardly placed on the heels of REGAL SPUR near the 400 metres, was obliged to shift out to obtain clear ground and thereafter was unable to obtain clear ground over the final 100 metres of the event and was untested to the line.

**GALAXY GAZER** (R. Clark) – inconvenienced when contacted by BATTLECAMP (NZ) near the 900 metres. Lost its near fore plate in running.

**ROSELLI STING** (C. Caserta) – raced in restricted room for a short distance racing to the 200 metres.

**REGAL SPUR** (P. Gatt) – pulled hard in the middle stages of the event. Laid out in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg. Trainer, Mr T. McEvoy, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness was required prior to a future trial or race.

**FRANCE'S BOY** (J. Bowditch) – awkward to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SAVATAG (NZ)** (J. Toeroek) – rider reminded of his obligations in regards to his use of the whip, particularly in raising his arm above shoulder height.

**BON ELISE** (K. Bishop) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**TYCOON SOFIE** (J. Potter) – fractious on arrival at the barriers. Trainer, Ms K. Mooney, was advised that a warning had been placed on the mare in relation to her manners at the barriers.

**ENKI** (J. Holder) – over-raced in the early stages of the event.

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

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

Race 3      ARCHERY PEAK (GB), HENRY THE DOLPHIN, BENTLEY TYCOON.

Race 4      INFINITY QUEEN, TAKEMEHOMEMISTER.

Race 5      MAGIC CONSOL, SMART AS YOU THINK, STAR FORTUNE.

Race 6      EL DESPERADO, TENNESSEE RAIDER, ATLANTICA.

Race 8      HE'S OUR WOODY, PUNT CLUB, CALL ME CURTIS.

Race 9      LORD TOPPER, BATTLECAMP (NZ), SAVATAG (NZ), ENKI.

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

Race 9 – SAVATAG (NZ) (winner)

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**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):**

Race 1 – GYTRASH (winner)

Race 2 – INCOMPARABLE (winner)

Race 3 – FLYING CASINO (winner)

Race 4 – CALLISTO GIRL (winner)

Race 5 – STRATEGIC DEMAND (winner)

Race 6 – MO FEMME (winner)

Race 7 – BLUE TYCOON (winner)

Race 8 – NIPPERKIN (winner)

Race 9 – SAVATAG (NZ) (winner)

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<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>FINES</b>	Race 6 – E. Finnegan (MO FEMME) – Fined \$200 – AR137(c) – Making a celebratory gesture prior to passing the winning post. Race 7 – S. Fawke (GRACIOUS PROSPECT) – Fined \$100 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+2] – Whip offence.
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Nil
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 3 – K. Bishop (CEALLACH) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+2] – Whip offence. Race 4 – S. Fawke (JUST A BIGGER DASH) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+1] – Whip offence.
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Nil
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	Race 6 – UNSCOPEABLE – Warning – Difficult to load. Race 6 – TENNESSEE RAIDER – Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to a future trial or race – Lameness off foreleg. Race 9 – REGAL SPUR – Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to a future trial or race – Lameness near foreleg.
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	Nil