THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Oakbank Racecourse by the Oakbank Racing Club on Saturday, 31 March 2018

<u>Stewards</u>: J. Petzer (Chairman), M. Santoro (MT), A. Hayles (F), C. Deakin (M) & S. Callanan (HT) (Stewards), T. Vanderstok (Cadet Steward), D. Jonas, R. Dinning, B. Hallett, & B. Schmidt (Deputy Stewards), Dr P. Horridge, Dr B. Agnew & Dr M. Taylor (Veterinary Surgeons).

TRACK: Good 4

WEATHER: Fine

RAIL: True

RIDER CHANGES:

| Race | Horse | Rider | Replaced By | Reason |
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| 7 | THE BIG CHEESE | J. Potter | | Late declaration. |
| 9 | MANHATTAN PRINCE | A. Chan | | Emergency – notified. |

RACE 1: ARKABA HOTEL / SABOIS 3YO BENCHMARK 70 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes.

PHELPS GLORY (D. Caboche) – began awkwardly, shifted out taking AMBERTONE and DEXELATION wider. Laid in, in the straight.

EL DESPERADO (J. Toeroek) – sprung it's off fore plate on arrival at the barrier and had to be reshod. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start.

DEXELATION (J. Allen) – taken wider shortly after the start. Laid in, in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

AMBERTONE (J. Potter) – taken wider shortly after the start.

TAMBANG BESI (C. Lindop) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

FIBBERS (NZ) (A. Chan) – awkward to begin and thereafter was slow into stride.

TURF MAN (P. Gatt) – had to be resaddled on arrival at the barriers.

RACE 2: SUGAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CLASSIC HURDLE – 3600 metres

RENEW (IRE) (J. Allen) – weakened after jumping the tenth hurdle and shifted in inconveniencing I'M A BLUEBAGGER. Thereafter, was eased out of the event from inside the 500 metres and did not jump the final two hurdles. Trainer, Mr D. Weir, was advised that in view of the gelding's performance it was now required to perform to the satisfaction of stewards in an Official Trial prior to a future hurdle race.

ABOUT THE JOURNEY (NZ) (L. Horner) – contacted the eighth hurdle. Inconvenienced after jumping the ninth hurdle by CABLE BAY (NZ), which knuckled and shifted out.

I'M A BLUEBAGGER (R. Cully) – inconvenienced after jumping the tenth hurdle by RENEW (IRE), which commenced to weaken and shifted in.

RACE 2: SUGAR FINANCIAL SERVICES CLASSIC HURDLE – 3600 metres (cont'd)

CABLE BAY (NZ) (D. Horner (Jnr)) – knuckled on landing after jumping the ninth hurdle inconveniencing ABOUT THE JOURNEY (NZ). Thereafter, laid out from near the 600 metres and became awkwardly placed on the heels of GETTING LEGGIE for a number of strides, and thereafter continued to lay out.

EXALTED KANGA (J. Lynch) – mistimed the first jump, made contact with the hurdle, knuckled on landing dislodging its rider and then galloped freely for the remainder of the event. Rider examined by the First Care Medical staff and cleared of injury.

All runners underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 3: SIDEWOOD ESTATE BENCHMARK 75 HANDICAP - 1100 metres

EVIL DREAMS (J. Toeroek) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

FRANCE'S BOY (S. Fawke) – laid in, in the straight. 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 \$400. Lost its off fore plate in running.

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

VICKI'S BOY (R. Hurdle) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

KNOTTED (E. Finnegan) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be exhibiting signs of tying up in its hindquarters. First aid administered.

Correct weight was delayed to allow C. Lindop (WASABI BOB) placed fourth, and the gelding's connections, to view the vision in the straight.

RACE 4: O'LEARY WALKER WINES BENCHMARK 82 HANDICAP - 1400 metres

VICTORY DOWNS (E. Finnegan) – began awkwardly, shifted out and inconvenienced TYCOON QUEEN. Raced wide without cover throughout the event.

IT AND A BIT (A. Chan) – made the turn from inside the 600 metres awkwardly.

UNBREAKABLE (S. Cahill) – rider reported that the gelding failed to respond to his riding from in the vicinity of the 200 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

REDEEM BOUNTY (J. Toeroek) – rider reported that the gelding failed to respond to his riding from inside the 600 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DANCES ON STARS (NZ) (R. Hurdle) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TYCOON QUEEN (J. Potter) – inconvenienced at the start.

ABU DHABI (P. Gatt) – raced keenly in the middle stages of the event.

RACE 5: THOMAS FOODS INTERNATIONAL GREAT EASTERN STEEPLECHASE - 4950 metres

NO SONG NO SUPPER (R. Cully) – contacted the second last jump, knuckled on landing and became unbalanced for a number of strides.

All runners underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: HARCOURT ADELAIDE HILLS OAKBANK CUP - 2150 metres

GOLDSTREAM (ITY) (J. Allen) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: HARCOURT ADELAIDE HILLS OAKBANK CUP - 2150 metres (cont'd)

JIM'S JOURNEY (P. Gatt) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

COUGAR EXPRESS (A. Chan) – passing the winning post on the first occasion became very awkward on the heels of ACE ATTACK as that horse was being restrained, was obliged to be steadied and was unable to maintain its position.

WE'RE SO LUCKY (J. Potter) - raced very keenly for some distance in the early stages of the event.

ASHLEE MARIE (S. Fawke) – commenced to weaken in the vicinity of the 500 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

ACE ATTACK (C. Lindop) – co-trainer, Mr L. Macdonald, advised Stewards prior to the event that he would instruct his rider to attempt to gain cover in the event. Became awkwardly placed on the heels of WE'RE SO LUCKY for a short distance passing the winning post on the first occasion. As a consequence, COUGAR EXPRESS, which was following, was severely hampered.

VINTAGE GROVE (J. Toeroek) – in the vicinitiy of the 500 metres became awkward on the heels of ASHLEE MARIE, which weakened, and was obliged to shift out to obtain clear ground.

RACE 7: TRIPLE M COUNTRY CUP - 1900 metres

LIEDER (S. Cahill) – rider dropped his whip in the vicinity of the 100 metres and was reprimanded under AR137(a) for carelessness.

BERTWHISTLE (A. Chan) – laid in, in the straight.

CONNERMARA ROSE (R. Hurdle) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SOCIAL SET (J. Toeroek) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TRAFFIC MAESTRO (J. Holder) – awkward and slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

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

RACE 8: UBET OAKBANK STAKES – 1100 metres

HEART OF A LION (J. Holder) – near the entrance to the straight shifted out to improve its position and inconvenienced ARKHAM KNIGHT, which was taken out onto TRIED AND TIRED, which was taken a little wider.

BAY ROAD (J. Toeroek) – became awkward near the entrance to the straight when making slight contact with RIZIZ when that horse raced in restricted room to its inside. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

TRIED AND TIRED (J. Allen) – taken a little wider at the entrance to the straight.

RIZIZ (C. Lindop) – approaching the entrance to the straight raced in restricted room between BAY ROAD and CERTAIN ELLIE, which shifted out slightly, and was obliged to be steadied and alter course to CERTAIN ELLIE's inside to obtain clear running.

BENZ (R. Hurdle) – awkward to begin.

CERTAIN ELLIE (E. Finnegan) – shifted out slightly near the entrance to the straight and momentarily inconvenienced RIZIZ. Rider accidentally dropped her whip near the 200 metres and was reprimanded under AR137(a) for carelessness.

ARKHAM KNIGHT (P. Gatt) – inconvenienced at the entrance to the straight when taken out by HEART OF A LION, which shifted out.

RACE 9: MELT PIZZERIA BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1050 metres

AKKACAN (J. Holder) – rider reported that the gelding was disappointing and failed to let down in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

LILY'S REWARD (C. Douglas) – awkward to begin, shifted in and tightened MANHATTAN PRINCE onto JUST PEGGY, and as a consequence had its hindquarters turned.

JUST PEGGY (P. Gatt) – awkward to begin, shifted out and tightened MANHATTAN PRINCE onto LILY'S REWARD, and as a consequence was inconvenienced. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

MANHATTAN PRINCE (A. Chan) – tightened and inconvenienced at the start by JUST PEGGY and LILY'S REWARD, which both shifted ground. Laid in, in the straight.

RIDER TESTING:

All twenty-four (24) riders were breathalysed prior to taking their first ride of the day. All returned negative.

Thirteen (13) riders provided urine samples – A. Chan, A. Jordsjo, C. Douglas, D. Horner (Jnr), G. Cartwright, J. Lynch, J. Allen, K. Crowther, L. Horner, M. Kelly, R. Cully, S. Pateman and T. Ryan.

PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (22):

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

- Race 2 ANGELOLOGY (NZ), RENEW (IRE), ABOUT THE JOURNEY (NZ), HONEY STEEL'S GOLD, I'M A BLUEBAGGER, ABEBE (NZ), CABLE BAY (NZ), GETTING LEGGIE, EXALTED KANGA.
- Race 5 NO SONG NO SUPPER, SPYING ON YOU (NZ), ZED EM (NZ), I'LL'AVA'ALF (NZ), UNDERGROUNDFIGHTER.
- Race 6 GOLDSTREAM (ITY), JIM'S JOURNEY, WE'RE SO LUCKY, ASHLEE MARIE, ACE ATTACK.
- Race 7 SATURDAY SORCERER, LIEDER, UNREALISTIC.

POST-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (1):

Race 6 - COUGAR EXPRESS (winner)

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (10):

- Race 1 PHELPS GLORY (winner)
- Race 2 ABEBE (NZ) (winner)
- Race 3 ASCENDANCE (winner)
- Race 4 TATOOSH (winner)
- Race 5 ZED EM (NZ) (winner)
- Race 5 NO SONG NO SUPPER (second)
- Race 6 COUGAR EXPRESS (winner)
- Race 7 BERTWHISTLE (winner)
- Race 8 HEART OF A LION (winner)
- Race 9 BRYAN (winner)

| SUMMARY | | | |
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| FINES | Race 3 – S. Fawke (FRANCE'S BOY) – Fined \$400 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+5] – Whip offence. | | |
| | Race 7 – Ms C. Rose – Fined \$100 – LR18.1 – Late declaration of rider for THE BIG CHEESE. | | |
| SEVERE REPRIMANDS | Nil | | |
| REPRIMANDS | Race 7 – S. Cahill (LIEDER) – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping his whip. Race 8 – E. Finnegan (CERTAIN ELLIE) – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping her whip. | | |
| SUSPENSIONS | Nil | | |
| HORSE ACTIONS | Nil | | |
| ADJOURNED INQUIRIES | Nil | | |
| MEDICAL CLEARANCE | Nil | | |