

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED  
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at Naracoorte Racecourse  
by the Naracoorte Racing Club on Sunday, 10 February 2019

**Stewards:** J. Petzer (Chairman), A. Hayles, D. Cookson (HT) (Stewards), T. Vanderstok (Cadet Steward), J. Foster (F) (Deputy Steward), Dr D. Goulding (Veterinary Surgeon).

**TRACK:** Good 4

(Track with some give in it)

**RAIL:** True

**WEATHER:** Overcast / Fine

**RIDER CHANGES:**

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
5	SAYEDDA	D. Caboche	J. Maund	Indisposed
6	ROUGAROU	"	N. Farley	"
8	ARTISTIC DESIGN	"	S. Logan	"

**RACE 1: FESTIVAL HIRE / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres**

**NEVER SHORT** (J. Lorensini) - rider explained that the gelding was off the bridle prior to the home turn and thereafter in the straight raced very greenly and in his opinion may benefit from the run and may also be suited to racing over more ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MOMENT OF HOPE** (K. Bishop) - which had not raced since April 2017 underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start.

**KISSABLE EIGHT** (E. Finnegan) - rider reported that the filly was inclined to change stride rounding the home turn.

**REVOLUTION BABY** (D. Tourneur) - awkward and slow to begin.

**RACE 2: SOUTH EAST MOTOR CO. BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1000 metres**

The start of this event was delayed approximately two minutes owing to a number of horses proving very fractious after being loaded into their barrier stalls.

**DESERT SPIRIT** (J. Huxtable) - stood flat-footed when the gates were released and as a consequence was slow to begin and lost many lengths. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**GROGANS ANVIL** (J. Maund) - fractious in the barriers.

**RACE 2: SOUTH EAST MOTOR CO. BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP – 1000 metres (cont'd)**

**JIMASSI** (P. Marks) – fractious in the barriers. Awkward and slow to begin. Laid in, in the straight.

**AVALON DOWNS** (E. Finnegan) – laid in, in the early part of the straight.

**OUR WITNESS** (C. Caserta) – became very fractious after being loaded into its barrier stall, got one of its front legs up on the partition and thereafter sat down in its barrier stall and became cast. Underwent a veterinary examination and ruled unfit to start. Acting on this advice Stewards withdrew OUR WITNESS at 1.33 pm. Co-trainer, Mr G. Kent, was advised in view of the gelding's barrier manners it would now be required to load in a satisfactory manner and prove tractable in the barriers in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 3: COOPERS BENCHMARK 80 HANDICAP – 1200 metres**

**RHYTHMATIC** (D. Tourneur) – approaching the 1000 metres shifted out and inconvenienced BUNGALALLY BELLE. Rider reprimanded and advised to take greater care when shifting ground.

**BUNGALALLY BELLE** (E. Finnegan) – approaching the 1000 metres was inconvenienced by RHYTHMATIC, which shifted out.

**SIMPLY SPLASHING** (C. Caserta) – slow to begin. Rider explained that while the gelding was off the bridle during the event it finished the race of respectably over the concluding stages, but notwithstanding he considered that there may be something amiss with the gelding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 4: KOONARA WINES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1430 metres**

**AHIGA** (S. Fawke) – over-raced in the early stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Rider could offer no explanation in regard to the gelding's performance today.

**BIANZEDA** (J. Huxtable) – shortly prior to the entrance to the straight was momentarily inconvenienced by BEAR ARMS as that horse shifted out to improve.

**THE GREAT MARTINI** (W. Cave) – held up for clear running for a short distance near the 400 metres.

**ROYAL LA BELLE** (K. Bishop) – the tongue-tie fitted to this mare had to be refitted on arrival at the barriers. Required to be resaddled on arrival at the barriers. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to start.

**AZDAJA** (J. Lorensini) – commenced to over-race for some distance from near the 1200 metres.

**BEAR ARMS** (C. Puls) – shortly prior to the entrance to the straight shifted out and momentarily inconvenienced BIANZEDA.

**RACE 5: MIDFIELD GROUP OF COMPANIES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 2000 metres**

**SINGLE BARREL** (J. Lorensini) – broke down inside the 700 metres and was eased out of the event. Examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported that the gelding had fractured its near fore pastern. SINGLE BARREL was humanely euthanased.

**NOBLE ROCKS** (D. Tourneur) – near the 1900 metres rolled out slightly into the running line of HASTA LA SPEC. Shortly thereafter approaching the winning post on the first occasion was taken wider by LADY DEE DEE, which commenced to race very keenly and shifted out.

**RACE 5: MIDFIELD GROUP OF COMPANIES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 2000 metres (cont'd)**

**DIRTOMIC** (C. Puls) - raced very keenly and ungenerously for some distance in the early stages of the event.

**LADY DEE DEE** (J. Potter) - raced very keenly in the early stages of the event, became awkwardly placed on the heels of SINGLE BARREL, shifted out approaching the winning post on the first occasion taking NOBLE ROCKS wider on the track.

**HASTA LA SPEC** (C. Caserta) - shifted in near the 1900 metres at the same time as NOBLE ROCKS rolled out slightly and as a consequence clipped the heels of NOBLE ROCKS and stumbled.

**RACE 6: TASC0 PETROLEUM BENCHMARK 56 HANDICAP - 1200 metres**

**LITTLE HEATH** (J. Potter) - shortly after the start shifted out and hampered CHALLICUM.

**LONGMIRE** (C. Caserta) - shortly after the start shifted in tightening ROCKSTAR RANGA onto HASTA LA BOUNTY.

**CHALLICUM** (J. Holder) - shifted out at the start onto HASTA LA BOUNTY and shortly thereafter was hampered. Rounding the home turn was hampered when awkwardly placed inside of THE OTHER GUY, which was taken in by ROCKSTAR RANGA as that horse weakened and shifted ground inwards slightly.

**PERSIAN HONEY** (E. Finnegan) - required to have its off fore plate refitted. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival at the barriers and was passed fit to start.

**THE OTHER GUY** (C. Puls) - rounding the home turn was taken in by ROCKSTAR RANGA as that horse commenced to weaken and shifted in slightly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**HASTA LA BOUNTY** (J. Lorensini) - tightened at the start between ROCKSTAR RANGA and CHALLICUM, which both shifted ground, and was inconvenienced. Shortly thereafter was hampered by ROCKSTAR RANGA as that horse was taken in by LONGMIRE.

**ROCKSTAR RANGA** (S. Fawke) - shifted in at the start onto HASTA LA BOUNTY. Shortly thereafter was hampered when taken in by LONGMIRE, which shifted in. Rounding the home turn commenced to weaken and shifted in hampering THE OTHER GUY.

**RACE 7: MINIJUMBUK / SABOIS PLUS NARACOORTE CUP - 2000 metres**

The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes to avoid a clash with a race in Hong Kong.

**MISTA HOLYFIELD** (J. Holder) - approaching the 1900 metres shifted in, in an attempt to obtain cover and as a consequence became awkward for a number of strides on the heels of OCTOBER DATE, which rolled out slightly. Thereafter was obliged to race without cover for a short distance before obtaining cover behind OCTOBER DATE; however, shortly after passing the winning post when OCTOBER DATE took up a position closer to the rail MISTA HOLYFIELD was again obliged to race wide without cover for a short distance before obtaining cover. Rider explained that the horse began a touch better than expected and as a consequence he was obliged to settle more forward than he intended. He stated that having regard for the horse's barrier and the apparent pace in the event it was his intent to settle further back with cover.

**RACE 7: MINIJUMBUK / SABOIS PLUS NARACORTE CUP - 2000 metres (cont'd)**

**OCTOBER DATE** (N. Farley) - commenced to weaken from near the 700 metres and was eased out of the event. Rider reported that the gelding made a breathing noise during the event and for that reason he had become concerned and eased his mount out of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have atrial fibrillation. Trainer, Mr N. Smart, was advised that the results of an ECG were to be forwarded to the TRSA Veterinary Surgeon and a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness were required prior to the gelding performing satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial.

**COSTA LANTE** (J. Lorensini) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to start.

**RACE 8: PPH&S BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 1430 metres**

**ACTION IN RIO (NZ)** (J. Holder) - rider explained that it was his intention to settle more forward in running but owing to being inconvenienced shortly after the start and the formation of the field in the early stages of the event he was unable to take up a more forward position.

**ARTISTIC DESIGN** (S. Logan) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MISS MOSH** (J. Potter) - very difficult to load. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**OLATUNJI** (J. Maund) - got one of its forelegs up in the barrier stalls after being loaded. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to start.

**PERFECT STORM** (J. Lorensini) - rider could offer no explanation for the horse's performance in today's event.

**NORMANDY LAD** (C. Puls) - trainer, Mr J. Opperman, advised Stewards prior to the event of a change of tactics in that he would instruct his rider to attempt to settle forward of midfield. Got its head up shortly after the start and raced very ungenerously for some distance until near the 700 metres.

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**PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (4):**

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

Race 3 - SIRBIBLE, RHYTHMATIC, BUNGALALLY BELLE, SIMPLY SPLASHING.

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**ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (7):**

Race 1 - BOHEMIAN FOREST (winner)  
Race 2 - BATTISTONI (winner)  
Race 4 - SPOTAKOVA (winner)  
Race 5 - LOOKING AROUND (NZ) (winner)  
Race 6 - MONTRE (winner)  
Race 7 - PASS THE GLASS (winner)  
Race 8 - OLATUNJI (winner)

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**POST-MORTEM SAMPLE (1):**

Race 5 - SINGLE BARREL

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<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>FINES</b>	Nil
<b>SEVERE REPRIMANDS</b>	Nil
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	Race 3 - D. Tourneur (RHYTHMATIC) - AR137(a) - Careless riding.
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	Nil
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	Race 2 - OUR WITNESS - Suspended - Required to load in a satisfactory manner and prove tractable in an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race start - Fractious in the barrier. Race 7 - OCTOBER DATE - Not to race - Results of an ECG and a Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to performing satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial - Atrial fibrillation.
<b>ADJOURNED INQUIRIES</b>	Nil
<b>MEDICAL CLEARANCE</b>	D. Caboche