

Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report

Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge
Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on
Sunday, 10 December 2023



RACINGSAA

Stewards Panel: M. Zarb (A/Chairman), A. Hayles (HT) & H. Matthews (F)
Deputy Stewards: K. Santoro, K. Marnane & L. Martin.
Veterinary Surgeons: Dr B. Agnew.

TRACK: Soft 7 (Rain affected track that will chop out)
Downgraded to Heavy 8 at 11.20am (Rain affected track that horses will get into)
Downgraded to Heavy 9 at 1.45pm retrospective to Race 2
(Wet track getting into a squelchy area)

RAIL: Out 11 metres 1000m to winning post, out 6 metres in the 1200m chute, true remainder.

WEATHER: Overcast / showers

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
2	ESTEFAN	S. Logan		Emergency - notified

RACE 1: MACKEVAL MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 Metres

BULLEYES (T. Pannell) - rider explained that in his opinion the gelding would be better suited on a firmer track.

STREETCAR APOLLO (K. Crowther) - began awkwardly and lost ground.

ASTROMANCER (J. Toeroek) - rider explained that in his opinion the mare would be better suited on a firm track.

RACE 2: CARLTON DRAUGHT MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres

I LOVE THIS SONG (J. Maund) - slow to begin.

SANPAGO (D. Caboche) - began awkwardly and shifted out hampering ESTEFAN, which was tightened onto STUPENDOUS.

SWISS WISH (A. Lindsay) - began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped HIGH ON SUGAR.

HIGH ON SUGAR (J. Potter) - hampered and bumped at the start by SWISS WISH.

ESTEFAN (???) - tightened at the start between STUPENDOUS and SANPAGO, which shifted out. Consequently the filly lost ground. From the 600m until near the 300m severely hampered and lost considerable ground when COLORADO BULLDOG shifted out abruptly.



RACE 2: CARLTON DRAUGHT MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 Metres (cont'd)

COLORADO BULLDOG (S. Metcalfe) – hung out severely from the 600m and severely hampered ESTEFAN. Consequently the gelding raced very wide rounding the home turn and in the straight. Rider accidentally dropped her whip near the 350m. Rider explained that she had no control over the gelding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. Trainer, Mr G. Kluske, was advised that the gelding would now be required to complete an Official Barrier Trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to a future race start.

RACE 3: SPRY CIVIL CONSTRUCTION MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 Metres

ALEKHINE'S GUN (D. Caboche) – rider was reprimanded under AR132(6)(b) in that he used his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height.

BOLD DISCENT (A. Livesey) – began awkwardly, shifted out and hampered SAM'S REWARD.

EIGHT ON THE DOT (NZ) (S. Fawke) – difficult to load. Trainer, Mr S. Whittle, was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding.

KARAKA KIWI (NZ) (S. Payne) – when questioned in regards to the tactics adopted on the gelding in today's event, rider explained that he was not given many instructions by the trainer, however, he expected KARAKA KIWI (NZ) to be in a forward position given that it was a step up in distance, and in his opinion there was no speed in the race. He added that after beginning well he found himself in front and maintained that position without doing any work. Trainer, Mr J. Frew, confirmed the comments by S. Payne and added that it was not the intention to lead on the gelding, and he was surprised by the way it began. He added that it would be his intentions not to lead in the future.

SAM'S REWARD (J. Potter) – hampered at the start by BOLD DISCENT, which shifted out.

SPRAY GUN (L. Neindorf) – slow to begin.

GO FORMAL (C. Tootell) – slow to begin.

RACE 4: MURRAY BRIDGE GOLF CLUB STAFF XMAS SHOW CLASS ONE PLATE - 2000 Metres

A TOUCH FROSTY (C. Murray) – change of tactics – attempt to be more forward – settled outside the leader.

NIGHT CRUISER (T. Pannell) – raced wide without cover for the majority of the event. Rider explained that NIGHT CRUISER raced wide throughout the event, which proved detrimental to its performance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

STADIUM OF LIGHT (NZ) (J. Eaton) – slow to begin.

PARSONAGE LANE (D. Caboche) – stood flat-footed at the start and lost ground (approximately five lengths). Slow to muster speed. Trainer, Mr C. Bieg, was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding.

RACE 5: SWAN FARM MACHINERY RATING 0 - 58 HANDICAP - 1800 Metres

HOBO BOB (J. Potter) – when questioned in regards to the gelding's performance rider was unable to offer an explanation; however, stated the gelding proved disappointing when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

RACE 6: THOMAS FARMS FILLIES & MARES BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

PRETTY RELIABLE (NZ) (T. Pannell) – raced keen in the early stages of the event and near the 1200m got its head up when being steadied.

ZERO INN (J. Toeroek) – bumped at the start by JUST JOKING, which shifted in.



RACE 6: THOMAS FARMS FILLIES & MARES BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres
(cont'd)

JUST JOKING (J. Holder) - began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped ZERO INN. Shortly after shifted back out and bumped ALOTAFUN. Rider explained that the mare would be better suited on a firmer track. Trainer advised that the mare will now be spelled.

ALOTAFUN (C. Tootell) - began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped JUST JOKING.

STAR ESPRESSO (D. Caboche) - began awkwardly, shifted in and bumped SAMESYN.

CHOSEN MISS (K. Crowther) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SAMESYN (J. Maund) - bumped at the start by STAR ESPRESSO. Raced keen in the early and middle stages of the event.

RACE 7: DUTTON'S EASY TO DO BUSINESS WITH! COLTS,GELDINGS & ENTIRES
BENCHMARK 58 HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

RUN AND TELL (B. Wong) - Stewards acceded to a request from trainer, Mr J. O'Connor, that RUN AND TELL be declared a late scratching due to the downgraded of the track 1.22pm.

BAMYAN BUDDHA (S. Payne) - tightened at the start between KEN'S THUNDER and WICKED ADDICTION.

WICKED ADDICTION (J. Potter) - shifted out at the start and tightened BAMYAN BUDDHA onto KEN'S THUNDER.

CHARLESFORT (J. Holder) - began awkwardly and shifted out.

IT'S DAN THE MAN (C. Murray) - shifted in at the start and tightened KEN'S THUNDER onto BAMYAN BUDDHA.

KEN'S THUNDER (S. Fawke) - tightened at the start between IT'S DAN THE MAN and BAMYAN BUDDHA, and as a result lost ground. Weakened noticeably from the 600m and finished a distant last. A post-race veterinary examination revealed an abnormal respiratory noise. Trainer, Ms E. Hubbard, was advised that the results of an endoscopy and a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start.

FINAL CHANCE (D. Tourneur) - shifted out abruptly over the concluding stages when placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (2):

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

Race 4 - NIGHT CRUISER, STADIUM OF LIGHT (NZ).

ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (7):

Race 1 - STREETCAR APOLLO (winner)
Race 2 - BENE MAGIC (winner)
Race 3 - KARAKA KIWI (NZ) (winner)
Race 4 - CUBAN LORD(winner)
Race 5 - BADONKIDONK (winner)
Race 6 - ZERO INN (winner)
Race 7 - POOL PONY(winner)



SUMMARY	
FINES	Nil
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil
REPRIMANDS	Race 3 - D. Caboche (ALEKHINE'S GUN) - AR132(6)(b) - Used his whip in an action that raised his arm above shoulder height.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 2 - COLORADO BULLDOG - Suspended - Must complete an Official Barrier Trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to a future race start - Hung out severely. Race 4 - PARSONAGE LANE - Warned - Stood flat-footed. Race 7 - KEN'S THUNDER - Not to race - Results of an endoscope and Veterinary Clearance required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race start - Abnormal respiratory noise.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil

