# Racing SA Ltd Stipendiary Stewards' Report





<u>Stewards Panel:</u> M. Santoro (Chairman), E. Scott (HT) & L. Murch (F) <u>Deputy Stewards:</u> K. Santoro, K. Marnane, C. Benson, A. Deakin & A. Turner

<u>Veterinary Surgeons:</u> Dr T. Koenig & Dr B. Agnew

TRACK: Good 4 (Track with some give in it)

Upgraded to a Good 3 at 2:20pm retrospective to Race 4

(Track with good grass coverage and cushion)

RAIL: True
WEATHER: Fine

**RIDER CHANGES:** 

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
7	SILVER ON RED	L. Neindorf	S. Logan	Dual engagement - explanation accepted
9	WOLF PRINCE	S. Fawke		Late notification - explanation accepted
9	CORK HARBOUR	B. Price	A. Livesey	Overweight

## RACE 1: NORTHPOINT MURRAYLANDS HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes.

KISS THE BRIDE (NZ) (M. Collett) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

EXETER (J. Holder) - laid out under pressure in the straight.

HEADPHONES (S. Payne) – laid out under pressure in the straight. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR132(7)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100m and was suspended from riding in races for a period of three meetings. Stewards ordered that this suspension start immediately following the suspension he incurred at Oakbank on Friday, 22 December 2023 and would commence at midnight Saturday, 6 January 2024 and conclude at midnight on Saturday, 13 January 2024. In addition S. Payne was fined \$500. In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the totality of the use of the whip by S. Payne and noted that he used it on 12 occasions prior to the 100m and on six occasions over the final 100m of the event. Stewards took into consideration his recent suspension under this rule.

LI'L HANK (S. Fawke) - on arrival at the barriers was required to undergo farrier attention due to a number of loose shoes. After considering an explanation by Trainer, Mr J. Frew, Stewards placed him on notice in relation to his requirements.



## RACE 1: NORTHPOINT MURRAYLANDS HANDICAP - 1400 Metres (cont'd)

PIERRE BIZEL (S. Metcalfe) - Change of tactics - have the gelding settle how it jumps with an intention to settle on pace in the event if possible. Settled outside leaders. Rider reported that the gelding laid out rounding the home turn and under pressure in the straight.

#### RACE 2: SPRYCRETE CHRISTMAS CUP - 1600 Metres

MAGNETIC EDGE (B. Price) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

APACHE STAR (K. Crowther) - shortly after the start shifted out onto CROWN MINT. Raced fiercely in the early and middle stages of the event. Rider reported that the gelding raced flat. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

CROWN MINT (L. Neindorf) - momentarily inconvenienced shortly after the start when APACHE STAR shifted out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

AITCH D'AMICO (A. Livesey) - inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight. Approaching the finish shifted in onto MAGNETIC EDGE.

#### RACE 3: NEW YEARS DAY RACES - BOOK NOW MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 Metres

DRAWN TO WIN (M. Collett) - jumped away awkwardly and was slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

LUDO (NZ) (C. Murray) - shifted out onto TALKIN' ITALIAN on jumping away.

TALKIN' ITALIAN (K. Crowther) - inconvenienced on jumping away when LUDO (NZ) shifted out. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

WIRREALPA (S. Fawke) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Laid out throughout the event. Near the 200m had to momentarily steady when it laid out slightly at the same time as SPURIER shifted in.

SPURIER (L. Neindorf) - had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the entrance to the straight until inside the 300m.

## RACE 4: CARLTON DRAUGHT HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

LA DEFENSE (B. Price) – laid in under pressure in the straight. Near the 200m shifted in into the running line of SOLAR BLAST, which was forced to be checked to avoid that gelding's heels. Rider was severely reprimanded under AR131(a) and advised in future to make a greater effort to his mounts straight when then commence to shift ground.

SOLAR BLAST (K. Crowther) - laid in under pressure in the straight. Near the 200m was forced to check to avoid the heels of LA DEFENSE, which shifted in.

COSTLESS (S. Metcalfe) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

LITTLE RICH BOY (T. Voorham) - slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

#### RACE 5: FRED VELLA TYRE & CRASH REPAIR HANDICAP - 1200 Metres

OUR HEIDI (M. Collett) - jumped away awkwardly and was slow into stride. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Approaching the 150m shifted out when insufficiently clear of HOPE AT HAND, which was forced to take hold when taken out onto the heels of LADY SIMONE. Rider pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence midnight Saturday, 30 December 2023 and to conclude midnight Wednesday, 3 January 2024, a period of three meetings. In determining penalty, Stewards took into account M. Collett's record and guilty plea. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 5: FRED VELLA TYRE & CRASH REPAIR HANDICAP - 1200 Metres (cont'd)

HOPE AT HAND (A. Livesey) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Had difficulty obtaining clear ground from approaching the 300m until inside the 200m. Near the 150m was forced to take hold to avoid the heels of LADY SIMONE, when taken out onto them by OUR HEIDI.

HUNTLEY LADY (K. Crowther) - Stewards received a submission from Trainer, Mr D. Jolly that the mare be withdrawn due to the track upgrade. Stewards acceded to this request and declared HUNTLEY LADY a late scratching at 2:33pm.

LADY SIMONE (J. Toeroek) - inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

LUCKY FORTUNA (S. Logan) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

SUNNY GREEN (S. Fawke) - in the vicinity of the 600m dipped for no apparent reason and lost ground. Rider reported that the mare was not comfortable in its action following this incident. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near foreleg (1/5). Trainer, Mr G. Lynch was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jumpout. trial or race.

Following the running of this event, Stewards inspected the section of the track in the vicinity of the 600m and had no concern with the ground.

## RACE 6: SPRY CIVIL CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP - 1600 Metres

HAVADUEL (NZ) (R. Milnes) - shifted in on jumping away onto VEE ROD (NZ). In the vicinity of the 600m rolled in slightly onto MR MARATHON MAN (GB) as it commenced to give ground. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding had lacerations to its off hind leg consistent with being galloped on. First aid administered. Trainer, Mr T. Day was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

BAMYAN BUDDHA (S. Payne) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

RABTAT (J. Eaton) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Inconvenienced when contacted near the 1500m by PLAISIR.

PLAISIR (M. Collett) - approaching the 1500m shifted in and contacted RABTAT. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

VEE ROD (NZ) (L. Neindorf) – hampered and lost its position on jumping away when tightened between HAVADUEL (NZ), which shifted in at the same time as MR MARATHON MAN (GB) shifted out. Rider explained that after being hampered on jumping away the gelding had only travelled fairly, had not let down when asked for an effort and was disappointing in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near foreleg (2/5). Co-trainers, Mr G. Richards and Mr D. Moyle were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

SWANKYTOFF (S. Fawke) - near the 600m rolled out slightly onto MR MARATHON MAN (GB).

MR MARATHON MAN (GB) (A. Livesey) – shifted out on jumping away onto VEE ROD (NZ). Near the 1400m was forced to race in restricted room for a number of strides when racing inside of RABTAT. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Near the 600m was forced to race in restricted room for a short distance when awkwardly placed between SWANKYTOFF, which shifted out slightly at the same time as HAVADUEL (NZ) commenced to give ground and shifted in slightly.

## RACE 7: THOMAS FARMS HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

VALIDATED (D. Tourneur) - slow to begin.

TURF DECISION (K. Crowther) - slow to begin.



## RACE 7: THOMAS FARMS HANDICAP - 1000 Metres (cont'd)

HOWL (L. Neindorf) – slow into stride. Near the 500m was forced to race in restricted room for a number of strides to the inside of SILVER ON RED, which rolled in slightly. In the vicinity of the 100m improved onto heels and had to be steadied and in being steadied, overreacted and got its head up on a number of occasions approaching the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

#### RACE 8: MULCH 'N' MORE HANDICAP - 1000 Metres

EL SALTO (R. Milnes) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

ALL BEANS (M. Collett) - laid in under pressure in the straight.

RUSHAWAY LAD (A. Livesey) - slow to begin. Laid in under pressure in the straight.

GRAND HOST (J. Opperman) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off foreleg (2/5). Trainer, Mr M. Seyers was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

OLD TIME ROCK (T. Pannell) - jumped away awkwardly.

WINNING REVOLUTION (B. Wong) - slow into stride.

TOAST THE DEEL (B. Price) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

GUSTY WAY (H. Yuen) - underwent a pre-race veterinary examination on arrival on course which revealed that the gelding had shifted a shoe in transit and was now lame in the off foreleg (4/5) and was deemed unsuitable to race. Acting on this advice GUSTY WAY was declared a late scratching by order of Stewards at 3.28pm. Co-trainers, Ms S and Mr J. Jaensch were advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

LITTLE BIT CHAI (A. Lindsay) – shifted out abruptly on jumping away, lost considerable ground and was unable to re-gain contact with the field. Trainer, Ms N. Irwin was advised that the mare would now have to jump on terms with the field in an Approval to Race jump-out or an Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near hind leg (3/5). Trainer, Ms Irwin was advised that a Veterinary Clearance would be required prior to a future jump-out, trial or race.

## RACE 9: DUTTON'S EASY TO DO BUSINESS WITH!! HANDICAP - 1400 Metres

RUN AND TELL (B. Wong) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

BILLIE BRONX (C. Murray) - held up from the entrance to the straight until the vicinity of the 200m.

DEPLOY AND DESTROY (L. Neindorf) - inclined to lay out throughout the event. Rider reported that the gelding was not comfortable in its action during the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

DAWNBURST (S. Payne) - jumped away awkwardly. Laid in over the concluding 200m of the event.

SAN LUCIDO (D. Tourneur) - slow to begin. Had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the entrance to the straight until inside the 300m. Laid out under pressure in the straight.

EVEN SHARPER (J. Holder) - had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the entrance to the straight until near the 300m.

## RACE 9: DUTTON'S EASY TO DO BUSINESS WITH!! HANDICAP - 1400 Metres (cont'd)

PRETTY RELIABLE (NZ) (J. Toeroek) – following rider J. Toeroek advising Stewards that he was unable to make the weight in this event, the Stable put a submission to Stewards that the mare be withdrawn as they were of the opinion that the mare is was a difficult horse to ride and that there was no suitable riders available. Stewards acceded to this request and declared PRETTY RELIABLE (NZ) a late scratching at 1:45 pm.

CORK HARBOUR (A. Livesey) - raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

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# PRE-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (21):

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

Race 2 - MAGNETIC EDGE, APACHE STAR, CROWN MINT

Race 4 - LA DEFENSE, ANGASTON, SOLAR BLAST, COSTLESS

Race 5 - HOPE AT HAND, HUNTLEY LADY, MORE SUGAR

Race 6 - BAMYAN BUDDHA, RABTAT, SWANKYTOFF

Race 7 - VALIDATED, ASTON RAPOVA, TURF DECISION

Race 9 - BILLIE BRONX, MAVETTE, TIARA JEWEL, DAWNBURST, BENE MAGIC

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## **ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (9):**

Race 1 - TAPINFORPAR (winner)

Race 2 - AITCH D'AMICO (winner)

Race 3 - VIPSANIA (IRE) (winner)

Race 4 - LA DEFENSE (winner)

Race 5 - ROCKSTAR MEGGSY (winner)

Race 6 - BAMYAN BUDDHA (winner)

Race 7 - MAGIC MAX (winner)

Race 8 - MY RUBY (winner)

Race 9 - DAWNBURST (winner)

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SUMMARY				
FINES	Race 1 - S. Payne (HEADPHONES) - Fined \$500 - AR132(7)(a)(ii) - Whip offence [+7]			
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 4 - B. Price (LA DEFENSE) - AR131(a) - Careless riding			
REPRIMANDS	J. Toeroek - AR190(3) - Overweight on PRETTY RELIABLE (NZ) (Race 9) B. Price - AR190(3) - Overweight and having to be replaced on CORK HARBOUR (Race 9)			
SUSPENSIONS	Race 1 - S. Payne (HEADPHONES) - AR131(a) - Whip offence [+7] - From midnight 6/1/24 and to conclude at midnight 13/1/24 - 3 meetings Race 5 - M. Collett (OUR HEIDI) - AR131(a) - Careless Riding - From midnight 30/12/23 and to conclude at midnight 3/1/24 - 3 meetings			
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 5 - SUNNY GREEN - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame near foreleg (1/5) Race 6 - HAVADUEL (NZ) - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to trial or race - Lacerations to off hind leg Race 6 - VEE ROD (NZ) - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame near foreleg (2/5) Race 8 - GRAND HOST (NZ) - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame off foreleg (2/5)			



HORSE ACTIONS	Race 8 - GUSTY WAY - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame off foreleg (4/5) (late scratching) Race 8 - LITTLE BIT CHAI - Suspended - Must jump on terms with the field in an Approval to Race jump out or Official Barrier Trial prior to a future race - Shifted out abruptly on jumping away Race 8 - LITTLE BIT CHAI - Not to race - Vet Clearance required prior to jump-out, trial or race - Lame near hind leg (3/5)
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil

