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

### Report on Race Meeting held at Mount Gambier Racecourse by the Mount Gambier Racing Club on Friday, 13 May 2016

<u>Stewards</u>: M. Santoro (A/Chairman) & A. Hayles (HT) (Stewards), R. Spillman, J. Foster (F) & S. Bright (Deputy Stewards) & Dr. D. Goulding (Veterinary Surgeon).

## TRACK: Soft 7 (Upgraded to Soft 6 @ 2.55 pm retrospective to Race 6) WEATHER: Fine

### RAIL: True

### **RIDER CHANGES:**

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	BRAEVIEW MISS	J. Potter	D. Thornton	Indisposed
3	GOTTA CELEBRATE	B. Small	P. Hamblin	"
5	OUR UNCLE ARCHIE	D. Caboche	G. Cartwright	Not riding at meeting
7	BREDLIGN (NZ)	J. Potter	J. Kah	Indisposed
8	MIGHTY ACTION	K. Brooks		Late declaration

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### RACE 1 : BEAUREPAIRES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1200 meters

The start of this event was delayed approximately three minutes.

**MARANEKA** (E. Finnegan) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

**EINSTEIN MAGIC** (S. Cahill) – 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.

HASTA LA SPEC (M. Poon) - slow to begin.

**TRUE STYLE** (B. Griffiths) - slow to begin.

**BRAEVIEW MISS** (D. Thornton) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

**FRANCHITTI** – underwent a pre-race veterinary examination as it had blood present in one nostril on arrival at the barriers was and ruled unfit to race. Acting on this advice Stewards withdrew FRANCHITTI at 11.42 am. Veterinary Surgeon advised that the blood was attributable to external trauma.

**DYADAMO** (P. Marks) – dislodged its rider en route to the barriers and galloped riderless for several minutes prior to being recaptured. DYADAMO was a late scratching by order of Stewards at 11.42 am. Trainer issued a warning.

### RACE 2 : FAIRTHORNE FORESTRY BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP – 1400 metres

**CRIES OF JOY** (E. Finnegan) – rider explained that she had not been instructed to lead, however, after jumping away well she was able to find the lead easy and took up this option of her own accord. She added that the gelding had travelled well in the early and middle stages, however, when placed under pressure failed to respond to her riding and was one paced to the finish. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**TELASNIP** (Z. Spain) – inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

**GREEN BACK DOLLAR** (J. Grob) – inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

# RACE 3 : PLENARY GROUP STEEPLECHASE – 3400 metres

**EARTHBOUND** (S. Pateman) – struck the tenth steeple and landed awkwardly. Jumped the eleventh steeple awkwardly.

# RACE 4 : THE BORDERWATCH BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1200 metres

**SON OF COCO (NZ)** (K. Walters) – raced fiercely in the early and middle stages of the event when being restrained off the heels of HASTA LA SHAMER. Had difficulty in obtaining clear ground in the early stages of the straight.

HASTA LA SHAMER (H. McKechnie) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

SMASHIN' MILA (D. Bates) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

# RACE 5 : GAMBIER EARTH MOVERS BENCHMARK 64 HANDICP – 2050 metres

LUCKZAT (NZ) (K. Walters) - jumped away awkwardly.

GOLD SEAL (H. McKechnie) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out onto FINLEY HARPER.

**FINLEY HARPER** (M. Julius) – inconvenienced on jumping away.

SIX OF HEARTS (K. Brooks) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**KIRVIC** (D. Tourneur) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event. Had difficulty in obtaining clear ground in the vicinity of the 400 metres until inside the 200 metres.

**CHENERS** (J. Kah) – inside the 200 metres was reluctant to improve into a tight run between the heels of OPTICAL ILLUSION and GOLD SEAL. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

# RACE 6 : CARLTON DRAUGHT VOLCANO HANDICAP - 1200 metres

**SANDHILL FLASH** (M. Poon) – laid out under pressure in the straight. Stewards questioned M. Poon in relation to his riding of this gelding, particularly in the early and middle stages of the event. Rider explained that he had been given strict instructions to lead and after jumping away only fairly he had asked the gelding to quicken, however, due to the positioning of HOOK ME UP, he was required to work harder than he had hoped to obtain the lead. He added that after finding the lead, SANDHILL FLASH had settled but had not responded to his riding when placed under pressure in the straight. Stewards noted his explanation, however, advised M. Poon that in their opinion he had been too single minded in complying with the instructions and he should have considered other options in the early stages when it was apparent HOOK ME UP was looking to maintain the lead. Trainer, Mr S. Turner confirmed that the instructions provided to M. Poon were to lead the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**NEAREST THE PIN** (J. Frew) – rider reported the gelding was reluctant to stretch out during the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

# RACE 7 : SCOTT GROUP OF COMPANIES MOUNT GAMBIER GOLD CUP - 2400 metres

**EVENMOREACTION** (J. Grob) – had to be steadied in the vicinity of the 1600 metres when tightened onto MR LAMBORGHINI.

**LUNAYIR (FR)** (R. Hurdle) – shifted in, in the vicinity of the 1600 metres onto EVENMOREACTION, which had to be steadied. Rider severely reprimanded.

**BING BACK** (D. Thornton) – had difficulty in obtaining clear ground from in the vicinity of the 400 metres until inside the 200 metres.

### RACE 7 : SCOTT GROUP OF COMPANIES MOUNT GAMBIER GOLD CUP - 2400 metres (Cont'd)

**PRESTBURY PARK (NZ)** (D. Bates) - slow to begin. Rider reported the gelding weakened from the event from the vicinity of the 600 metres of its own accord and in his opinion may have come to the end of its preparation. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**MR LAMBORGHINI** (C. Hall) – raced fiercely in the early and middle stages of the event and in the vicinity of the 1600 metres raced in restricted room for a number of strides when tight to the inside of EVENMOREACTION.

# RACE 8 : CARLTON DRAUGHT BENCHMARK 56 HANDCAP - 1550 metres

**MIGHTY ACTION** (M. O'Leary) – slow into stride. Had to be checked inside the 600 metres when tightened between THE ARMANI (NZ) and DISCO BELLE. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**BENRAY** (M. Julius) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**DANCING BOY** (M. Poon) - slow to begin.

**DISCO BELLE** (J. Allen) – inside the 600 metres shifted in and away from NEMESIS onto MIGHTY ACTION.

**THE ARMANI (NZ)** (K. Walters) – rolled out marginally rounding the turn inside the 600 metres. Had difficulty in obtaining clear ground from the vicinity of the 500 metres until inside the 300 metres.

**NEMESIS** (C. Hall) – inside the 600 metres shifted in marginally onto DISCO BELLE. Rider reminded of obligations when shifting ground.

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### **RIDER SAMPLING:**

All twenty-eight (28) riders were breathalysed prior to taking their first ride. All returned negative.

#### **ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (2)**

Race 5 – LUCKZAT (NZ) (winner) Race 7 – SURVIVED (NZ) (winner)

SUMMARY			
FINES	Race 5 – D. Caboche (OUR UNCLE ARCHIE) – Fined \$100 – AR85B – Failing to fulfill a riding engagement. Race 8 – Mr M. O'Leary – Fined \$50 - LR18.1 – Late declaration for rider on MIGHTY ACTION.		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Race 7 – R. Hurdle (LUNAYIR (FR)) – AR137 (a) – Careless riding.		
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 – S. Cahill (EINSTEIN MAGIC) - AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+1] – Whip offence.		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 1 – DYADAMO – Warned – Pre-race behaviour.		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil		