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

# Report on Race Meeting held at Balaklava Racecourse by the Balaklava Racing Club on Wednesday, 30 November 2016

Stewards: S. Callanan (A/Chairman), C. Deakin (M), J. Adams (F), D. Jonas & M. Williams (HT)

(Stewards), D. Southgate & N. Hawkins (Deputy Stewards) Dr P. Horridge (Veterinary

Surgeon)

TRACK: A number of areas between the 1300 metres and the 1100 metres, Heavy 8 due to a sprinkler malfunction, from 1055 metres chute to the course proper Firm 2, remainder Good 3. (Areas between the 1300 metres and the 1100 metres were upgraded to a Soft 7 and the remainder of the track upgraded to a Firm 2 at 3.01 pm retrospective to Race 4).

**WEATHER: Fine** 

RAIL: Out 3 metres 800 metres to 400 metres, True remainder

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#### **GENERAL:**

After arrival on course the Stewards inspected the track and rated it a Good 3, however, the 1055 metres chute was rated a Firm 2 and areas of the track in the vicinity of the 1300 metres and the 1100 metres appeared softer underfoot and in the opinion of Stewards these areas were consistent with a Heavy 8 rating, nevertheless the Stewards considered the track safe for racing. Stewards were advised the areas of the track in the vicinity of the 1300 metres and 1100 metres were affected due to a sprinkler malfunction. Following this inspection, Stewards approached members of the rider group who had an engagement in Race 1, alerted them to the inconsistencies in the above-mentioned areas and afforded them an opportunity to inspect the track. All riders were satisfied that the track in the vicinity of the 1300 metres and 1100 metres was safe for racing.

## RACE 1: SHIRLEY O'DEA / SABOIS COLTS GELDINGS & ENTIRES MAIDEN PLATE - 1410 metres

**IMA SPECIAL KID** (Z. Spain) – inclined to race keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**MEON VALLEY** (S. Price) – performed below expectations. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**THE HOFFICER** (K. Bishop) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted in. Inclined to race keenly throughout the event.

**HANUKKAH GOLD** (D. Tourneur) – lost its off hind plate during the running of this event. 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. In assessing penalty Stewards took into account the use of D. Tourneur's whip over the final 100 metres.

**YOU ES MARSHAL** (J. Kah) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 2: PHILLIP GREATBATCH / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE - 1410 metres

**ALEXIS JET** (J. Holder) – on jumping away was taken out by DEVIOUS MAID and bumped SKALARM. In the vicinity of the 1100 metres was obliged to be momentarily steadied as CONTAINMENT was taken in by DEVIOUS MAID when both M. Neilson (DEVIOUS MAID) and R. Hurdle (CONTAINMENT) were taking action to avoid the riderless horse. 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 \$100. In assessing the penalty Stewards took into account the use of J. Holder's whip over the final 100 metres.

# RACE 2 : PHILLIP GREATBATCH / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE - 1410 metres (Cont'd)

**DEVIOUS MAID** (M. Neilson) – jumped away awkwardly, shifted out onto ALEXIS JET, which was taken out and bumped SKALARM. In the vicinity of the 1200 metres was taken wider when CONTAINMENT shifted out to avoid the riderless horse. In the vicinity of the 1100 metres shifted in onto CONTAINMENT, which was taken in onto ALEXIS JET, which was obliged to be momentarily steadied as M. Neilson and R. Hurdle took action to avoid the riderless horse. Raced greenly throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**CONTAINMENT** (R. Hurdle) – in the vicinity of the 1200 metres shifted out to avoid the riderless horse and as a result took DEVIOUS MAID wider on the track. In the vicinity of the 1100 metres was taken in by DEVIOUS MAID onto ALEXIS JET, which was obliged to be momentarily steadied, when avoiding the riderless horse. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SCARLETT FOX** (D. Tourneur) – knuckled severely as the start was effected unbalancing its rider. As a result, D. Tourneur was dislodged from the filly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities. D. Tourneur was examined by the First Care Medical personnel and passed fit to fulfil his remaining engagements.

**SKALARM** (D. Caboche) – bumped at the start as ALEXIS JET was taken out by DEVIOUS MAID, which jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

# RACE 3: RAY WILLIAMS / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES BENCHMARK 64 HCP - 1310 metres

**LIONEL LEFT ME** (D. Thornton) – inclined to over-race in the early and middle stages of the event. In the vicinity of the 200 metres was obliged to be eased momentarily as SATURDAY MAGIC, which was inclined to lay out, shifted out.

**ABANDONMENT** (D. Tourneur) – rider could offer no explanation for the filly's performance in today's event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SATURDAY MAGIC** (S. Price) – inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight and in the vicinity of the 200 metres shifted out onto LIONEL LEFT ME, which was obliged to be eased momentarily. Rider reminded of his obligations when his mounts commence to shift ground in future. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 4 : BOB LINKE MAIDEN PLATE - 1055 metres

**HE IS GOLDEN** (S. Price) – jumped away awkwardly and shifted out. Hung out throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

JIMMYTOWN JEWEL (J. Toeroek) - slow to begin.

**ALMADRAM** (P. Gatt) – rider reported the gelding raced greenly throughout the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

MACKIE (M. Poon) – bumped at the start as JOYANO jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

**JOYANO** (J. Kah) – jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and bumped MACKIE. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to be lame in the near foreleg. Mr B. Papazaharoudakis, representing Trainers Mr D. & B. Hayes and Mr T. Dabernig, was advised that a Veterinary Certificate of Fitness required prior to accepting for a future trial or race.

### RACE 5: ROSS MULLIGHAN / SABOIS PLUS BENCHMARK 64 HCP - 2215 metres

ANURADHA (P. Gatt) – slow to begin.

**DUCHOVNY** (J. Kah) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**TOUGH POACHER** (K. Bishop) – acting on a request from co-trainer, Mr G. Kent, that the gelding be scratched due to the track conditions, Stewards declared TOUGH POACHER a late scratching at 1.17 pm.

## RACE 5: ROSS MULLIGHAN / SABOIS PLUS BENCHMARK 64 HCP - 2215 metres (Cont'd)

**PLUSHENKO** (B. Claridge) – trainer, Mr G. Young, advised Stewards that he would instruct B. Claridge to attempt to settle back if possible in this event. Saddle slipped back on the gelding when placed under pressure in the straight placing B. Claridge at a disadvantage when riding PLUSHENKO out to the finish.

Correct weight was delayed for this event to allow D. Tourneur (BETTY BUTTERSCOTCH) placed second to view the Official Photo.

#### RACE 6: BRIAN PRICE CLASS ONE HCP - 1210 metres

**METIER** (D. Thornton) – shortly after the start was obliged to be eased when tightened onto BIG WEEKEND as THE SHOW GOES ON shifted in. Inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight and in the vicinity of the 200 metres bumped BRILLIANT CREATION.

**THE SHOW GOES ON** (M. Neilson) – shifted in shortly after the start. As a result, METIER was obliged to be eased when tightened onto BIG WEEKEND. Approaching the 800 metres, when being restrained off the heels of AVEE DEBEE, shifted out and as a result BRILLIANT CREATION and BIG WEEKEND were taken wider on the track. Lost its off hind plate during the running of the event.

**SWIPE ME RIGHT** (Z. Spain) – inclined to lay in under pressure in the straight.

AVEE DEBEE (E. Boyd) – inclined to race keenly and greenly throughout the event.

**BRILLIANT CREATION** (K. Bishop) – became fractious in its barrier stall after being loaded. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to race. Approaching the 800 metres was taken wider as THE SHOW GOES ON shifted out when being restrained off of the heels of AVEE DEBEE. In the vicinity of the 250 metres bumped with METIER, which was inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

**SET TO SURPRISE** (D. Caboche) – a post-race veterinary examination revealed a lower than expected heart rate.

**BIG WEEKEND** (A. Jordsjo) – approaching the 800 metres was taken wider by BRILLIANT CREATION, which was taken out by THE SHOW GOES ON.

### RACE 7: RICHARD GREEN CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1610 metres

**UNCLE BUCK** (D. Thornton) – Stewards acceded to a request from Mr C. McEvoy, representing Mr T. McEvoy, that the gelding be scratched due to the track upgrade. UNCLE BUCK was withdrawn at 3.50 pm.

LIFE'S ZERPRISE (M. Neilson) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

**SWEET SCHILLY** (T. Pannell) – rider reported he was disappointed with the mare's efforts in today's event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed an elevated heart rate.

**HONEY PRINCESS (FR)** (M. Poon) - jumped away awkwardly and shifted out. Inclined to lay out approaching the finish.

**ALWAYS MAGIC** (D. Tourneur) – had difficulty obtaining clear ground from the entrance to the straight until approaching the 200 metres. 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 \$100. Rider questioned in relation to his reasoning of leaving the course without seeking permission of Stewards. D. Tourneur pleaded guilty to a charge under AR91 in that he left the course without Stewards permission and was fined \$200. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**BAND PRACTICE** (Z. Spain) – inclined to hang in under pressure in the straight. Approaching the 100 metres rider accidentally dropped his whip. Rider pleaded guilty for carelessness in dropping of his whip and was fined \$50. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 7: RICHARD GREEN CLASS TWO HANDICAP - 1610 metres (Cont'd)

**JIMMY ROYALE** (B. Claridge) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(i) in that he used his whip in consecutive strides prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded. Rider also 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.

**PRICKLY AFFAIR (NZ)** (J. Kah) – approaching the finish raced in restricted room as BAND PRACTICE, which was inclined to hang in under pressure and HONEY PRINCESS (FR), which was inclined to lay out.

**YEN** (A. Jordsjo) – inclined to hang in under pressure in the straight.

### RACE 8: TREVOR SAMPSON BENCHMARK 60 HCP - 1410 metres

**COMMISSAR** (P. Gatt) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**ZOLOTOI** (M. Neilson) – 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 \$100.

**SILENT ELATION** (S. Cahill) – slow into stride.

**BIG BOY BLEV** (R. Hurdle) – approaching the finish rolled in.

**RED FAIRARIE** (S. Price) – held up for clear running from in the vicinity of the 500 metres until inside the 400 metres when racing between HEIDI STAR and COMMISSAR.

**SPIRITED MATCH** (J. Holder) – inclined to raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**HEIDI STAR** (J. Toeroek) – approaching the finish rolled out. Rider reported the mare made abnormal respiratory noises on pulling up. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**PERASINO** (J. Kah) – raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**BOLD JAZZ** (K. Bishop) – inside the 100 metres was obliged to be steadied as BIG BOY BLEV rolled in and HEIDI STAR, which was weakening, rolled out.

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### **ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (8)**

Race 1 – HANUKKAH GOLD (winner)
Race 2 – DEVIOUS MAID (winner)
Race 3 – NEAR QUEUE (winner)
Race 4 – EINSTEIN MAGIC (winner)
Race 8 – ZOLOTOI (winner)

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SUMMARY		
FINES	Race 2 – J. Holder (ALEXIS JET) – Fined \$100 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+3] – Whip offence.	
	Race 7 – D. Tourneur (ALWAYS MAGIC) – Fined \$100 - AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+1] – Whip Offence.	
	Race 7 - D. Tourneur – Fined \$200 – AR91 – Failed to leave the course without Stewards permission.	
	Race 7 – Z. Spain – Fined \$50 – AR137(a) – Carelessness in dropping of whip.	
	Race 7 – B. Claridge (JIMMY ROYALE) – Fined \$400 - AR137A(5)(a)(ii) [+6] – Whip offence.	
	Race 8 – M. Neilson ( ZOLOTOI) - Fined \$100 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+2] – Whip offence.	
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil	

SUMMARY (Cont'd)	
REPRIMANDS	Race 1 – D. Tourneur (HANUKKAH GOLD) – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)[+1] – Whip offence.
	Race 7 – B. Claridge (JIMMY ROYALE) - AR137A(5)(a)(i)[+1] – Whip offence.
SUSPENSIONS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	Race 4 – JOYANO – Not to race – Vet Cert of Fitness required prior to future trial or race – Lame near foreleg.
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil