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

### Report on Race Meeting held at Murray Bridge Racecourse by the Murray Bridge Racing Club on Sunday, 24 September 2017

Stewards: J. Petzer (Chairman), S. Callanan (F), & C. Deakin (HT) (Stewards), T. Vanderstok (M) &

K. Lemay-Robins (Cadet Stewards), D. Southgate & N. Hawkins (Deputy Stewards) Dr P.

Horridge (Veterinary Surgeon).

**TRACK: Good 3** 

**WEATHER**: Cloudy

RAIL: Out 3 metres from 840 metres to Winning Post, out 3 metres from Winning post to 1500 metres, true remainder. Sectional 604 metres.

#### **RIDER CHANGES:**

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
1	NOUVELLOKOVA	M. Neilson	D. Tourneur	Indisposed
2	SAND CAT	ii .	J. Bowditch	"
4	PERSEVERANCE	"	ű	"
4	HUNGRY FOR LOVE	E. Finnegan	J. Potter	"
7	RED MENACE	M. Neilson	J. Kah	"
7	BALLAST	E. Finnegan	K. Crowther	ii

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#### RACE 1: SAMBEC SHEDS / SABOIS FILLIES & MARES MAIDEN PLATE - 1206 metres

**ASPALIS** (J. Kah) – proved fractious in the mounting yard and dislodged its rider. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and passed fit to race. J. Kah examined by the First Care Medical Personnel and was cleared of injury.

**CALLISTO GIRL** (P. Gatt) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was fined \$200.

**DESXIRI** (J. Bowditch) – hung out throughout. Rider reported as a consequence of the mare hanging out throughout the event, he was placed at a disadvantage. Had difficulty obtaining clear running for a short distance near the 300 metres and over the concluding stages, became awkwardly placed on the heels of MASIPAG, which rolled out slightly. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**FABULOUS FLIPPER** (K. Bishop) – raced wide throughout the event.

**MASIPAG** (T. Pannell) – rolled out over the concluding stages and became awkwardly placed on the heels of CALLISTO GIRL.

**DELLACQUA** (K. Crowther) – a late scratching at 11.55 am by order of Stewards acting on Veterinary advice that the filly had injured itself in the float en route to the race track. The Veterinary Surgeon reported DELLACQUA had trauma to the head and displayed blood in both nostrils.

**NOUVELLOKOVA** (D. Tourneur) - A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**ZAVILLA** (R. Hurdle) – over-raced in the early stages, got its head up and raced ungenerously for a short distance.

## RACE 2: MURRAY BRIDGE RACING CLUB THANKS BRIAN FOSTER / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1006 metres

**BIRDS IN HAND** (K. Bishop) – got its head up shortly after the start and raced ungenerously for a short distance. Thereafter approaching the 800 metres became very awkward inside the heels of SAND CAT, which shifted in slightly and had to be checked for several strides. Shortly thereafter raced erratically for a short distance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

SALLY BREEZE (R. Hurdle) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SAND CAT** (J. Bowditch) – in the vicinity of the 800 metres shifted in to improve and hampered BIRDS IN HAND, which had to be checked for several strides. Rider reprimanded and advised to take greater care when shifting ground. In making a determination in the matter Stewards had regard for the manners of BIRDS IN HAND. In the vicinity of the 100 metres had to be checked to avoid the heels of MISTAY HALO, which raced greenly, laid in and shifted in abruptly.

**CHAMPERS ON ICE** (K. Crowther) – approaching the 400 metres made the turn awkwardly, shifted out and became awkwardly placed on the heels of SVETLANA'S ARROW for several strides.

**MISTY HALO** (D. Tourneur) – raced very greenly and laid in, in the straight. In the vicinity of the 200 metres shifted in abruptly and shortly thereafter, after being corrected, laid in and shifted in again near the 100 metres and crossed the running of SAND CAT, which had to be checked. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 3: MCKECHNIE CONCRETING / BRIDGE BLOCKED DRAINS BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 2212 metres

**GANGSTER'S RUN** (J. Bowditch) – near the 1100 metres was taken in by JARRVIS, which shifted in, and raced in restricted room for a short distance.

**SPUR ON GOLD** (C. Lindop) – near the 1100 metres raced in restricted room to the inside of GANGSTER'S RUN, which was taken in by JARRVIS and was inconvenienced for a short distance.

**AALI MIA** (D. Tourneur) – inclined to lay in, in the straight.

TRANSFIXED (J. Kah) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed a lower than expected heart rate.

**JARRVIS** (V. Wong) – near the 1100 metres shifted in and tightened GANGSTER'S RUN onto SPUR ON GOLD. Rider reprimanded and advised to ensure he maintains a straight course at all times. Rider was also spoken to in regard to the running line he kept from inside the 600 metres when racing tight to the outside of GANGSTER'S RUN for a short distance.

#### RACE 4: LAKE BREEZE WINES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1406 metres

**DOUBTFUL BILLY** (J. Holder) – inside the 800 metres was inconvenienced when racing in restricted room between NIGHT OF DREAMS and ZERNIKNAMAC, which rolled out.

**KING GEORGE** (V. Wong) – shifted out at the start and contacted ELOQUENT KING. Hung out throughout in the straight and brushed with PERSEVERANCE on several occasions over the concluding stages.

**PERSEVERANCE** (J. Bowditch) – rolled in slightly over the concluding stages and brushed with KING GEORGE on several occasions.

**PINT'S PUNCH** (K. Bishop) - shifted in shortly after the start, contacted ZERNIKNAMAC. Laid out over the concluding stages.

**SO CITED** (S. Cahill) – approaching the 1200 metres broke down and was eased out of the event by its rider. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding had fractured it off fore shoulder. SO CITED was humanely euthanased.

**ZERNIKNAMAC** (D. Tourneur) – contacted at the start.

## RACE 4: LAKE BREEZE WINES / SABOIS MAIDEN PLATE - 1406 metres (Cont'd)

**ELOQUENT KING** (T. Pannell) – contacted at the start. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**SCOPE (NZ)** (C. Lindop) – Trainer Mr D. Saxon advised Stewards prior to the event of a change of tactics, the particulars being that he would instruct his rider to attempt to settle further back from its wide barrier.

#### RACE 5: BREMERTON WINES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP - 904 metres

POUND STERLING (A. Doyle) - obliged to shift out near the 300 metres to obtain clear running.

**JUST KAPPY** (V. Wong) – re-saddled on arrival at the barriers. Awkward to begin, shifted out at the start.

KURKOVA (J. Maund) – awkward to begin. Laid in, in the straight.

GO'EN HOFF (K. Bishop) – awkward to begin.

## RACE 6: KIMBOLTON WINES CLASS ONE HANDICAP - 1206 metres

WANTED BY ALL (J. Kah) – laid in, in the straight.

**AVOID THE MISSUS** (K. Crowther)- tightened at the start between EQUIDAME and SAGANO, which both shifted ground.

**AZZURO BIANCO** (P. Gatt) – raced keenly in the early stages of the event. A post-race veterinary examination revealed an elevated heart rate. Rider explained the gelding travelled well in the early stages, felt comfortable in its action but when asked for an effort failed to respond, was disappointing and was inclined to lay in.

**EQUIDAME** (J. Holder) – began awkwardly, shifted in and contacted AVOID THE MISSUS.

**SAGANO** (R. Hurdle) – Trainer Mr S. Burford advised Stewards prior to the event of a change of tactics, the particulars being that he would instruct his rider to attempt to obtain a position forward of mid-field. Began awkwardly, shifted out onto AVOID THE MISSUS. Rider explained he attempted to comply with his instructions which were to attempt to obtain a position forward of mid-field and encouraged his mount in the early stages but despite his encouragement the gelding was unable to improve its position. As a consequence, he elected to settle back with cover rather than be trapped wide throughout the event. He added the gelding failed to finish the event off and was disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

#### RACE 7: BLEASDALE BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1606 metres

HALAYR ROTHESTAR (A. Doyle) – shifted ground both ways on a number of occasions in the straight.

**GRONKY** (J. Bowditch) - slow to begin. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

**DON'T RETREAT** (R. Hurdle) – rider pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(5)(a)(ii) for using his whip on more than five occasions prior to the 100 metres and was reprimanded.

**RED MENACE** (M. Neilson) – the tongue-tie fitted to this gelding had to be replaced on arrival at the barriers.

CHENERS (J. Huxtable) - a post-race veterinary examination revealed no visible abnormalities.

## RACE 7: BLEASDALE BENCHMARK 64 HANDICAP - 1606 metres (Cont'd)

**HOLY TRILOGEY** (A. Jordsjo) - slow to begin. – in the vicinity of the 100 metres when improving into a run between DON'T RETREAT and TRICKY AFFAIR was obliged to be steadied when tightened between these two runners as TRICKY AFFAIR rolled in slightly. As a consequence, HOLY TRILOGEY was hampered for several strides.

TRICKY AFFAIR (D. Caboche) – rolled in near the 100 metres.

**WISH LIST** (R. Clark) – over-raced in the early stages of the event. Held up for a short distance rounding the home turn.

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## POST-MORTEM BLOOD SAMPLES (1):

Race 4 - SO CITED

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### POST-RACE BLOOD SAMPLES (2):

Race 3 – PRESUMPTION (winner) Race 7 – RED MENACE (winner)

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## **ROUTINE SWAB SAMPLES (7):**

Race 1 – CALLISTO GIRL (winner)

Race 2 – STREET LIFE (winner)

Race 3 - PRESUMPTION (winner)

Race 4 – KING GEORGE (winner)

Race 5 – JACLYN (winner)

Race 6 – STRAGUN (winner)

Race 7 - RED MENACE (winner)

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SUMMARY			
FINES	Race 1 – P. Gatt (CALLISTO GIRL) – Fined \$200 – AR137A(5)(a)(ii) [+4] – Whip offence.		
SEVERE REPRIMANDS	Nil		
REPRIMANDS	Race 2 – J. Bowditch (SAND CAT) – AR137(A) – Careless riding. Race 3 – V. Wong (JARRVIS) – AR137(a) – Careless riding. Race 7 – R. Hurdle (DON'T RETREAT) - AR137A(5)(a)(ii) [+1] – Whip offence.		
SUSPENSIONS	Nil		
HORSE ACTIONS	Nil		
ADJOURNED INQUIRIES	Nil		
MEDICAL CLEARANCE	Nil		