

THOROUGHBRED RACING S.A. LIMITED
STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT

Report on Race Meeting held at the Port Augusta Racecourse
by the Port Augusta Racing Club on Sunday, 18 May 2008

Stewards Panel: T. Williamson (A/Chairman) & N. Castle (HT)
R. Packard (F), J. Perry (M) & R. Press
Dr. R. Absolom (Veterinarian)

TRACK: Good 3

WEATHER: Overcast

RAIL: True

RACE 1 : BETTER HOMES SUPPLIES / SABIS TWO-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP - 1100 metres

MISS MONTECITO (J. Lyon) jumped away awkwardly.

OUR FIREFLY (L. Hopwood) was slow to begin and shortly after had to be steadied momentarily away from the heels of KOONIBBA ROAD (M. Vassallo), which shifted in.

KOONIBBA ROAD (M. Vassallo) was inclined to race greenly in the straight.

RACE 2 : ELDERS FINANCIAL PLANNING FLYING HANDICAP - 1200 metres

ACACIA QUEEN (M. Hoppo) was very slow to begin, missing the start several lengths. Mr. P. Cole, the Trainer of ACACIA QUEEN, was advised a warning had been placed on the mare and should it begin in a similar manner in the future, further action would be taken.

In the vicinity of the 200 metres ACACIA QUEEN (M. Hoppo) was inclined to lay in when placed under pressure.

RACE 3 : SHOWPONY ADVERTISING MAIDEN PLATE - 1600 metres

RUMBLE TUMBLE (W. Hughes) was slow to begin.

GRAND CHARTER (A. Herrmann) slipped behind on jumping away.

MUSIC HALL (S. Rowley) jumped away awkwardly, shifted out and brushed with BELLA CATIA (K. Stra).

Approaching the 1200 metres BELLA CATIA (K. Stra) shifted in making contact with MUSIC HALL (S. Rowley) turning that gelding's hindquarters in.

Approaching the 400 metres SOLIDARITY LASS (B. Petherick) was held up for a short distance when racing to the inside of MUSIC HALL (S. Rowley).

RACE 4 : ELDERS FINANCIAL PLANNING HANDICAP - 1600 metres

DOUBLE RIPPLE (L. Hopwood) jumped away awkwardly and brushed with DOUBLE COVER (S. Rowley).

Inside the 200 metres ODYSSEUS (S. Bailey) shifted out and inconvenienced GREG (B. Petherick).

RACE 4 : ELDERS FINANCIAL PLANNING HANDICAP - 1600 metres (Cont'd)

In the vicinity of the 150 metres S. Rowley, the rider of DOUBLE COVER, dropped her whip. S. Rowley was reprimanded and advised future incidents of carelessness will result in a penalty being imposed.

FLY LAKE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a poor post race recovery and a higher than expected heart rate.

RACE 5 : ELDERS INSURANCE RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 1600 metres

ALL POCKETS (L. Stojakovic) was slow to begin.

STAR OF SURESH (K. Stra) jumped away awkwardly.

In the vicinity of the 200 metres IDELARGO (M. Vassallo) was disappointed for a run between MIGHTY BEAN (M. Neve), which was inclined to lay in, and to the outside of DOLPHIN WAVE (J. Lyon), which shifted out.

RACE 6 : PRAIRIE HOTEL RATING 0-68 HANDICAP - 1100 metres

CUMQUAT (S. Bailey) jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and brushed VICTORIA LOUISE (D. Robinson).

LOTTO JAZZ (K. Stra) jumped away very awkwardly.

LOTTO JAZZ, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a small skin abrasion to the near side flank otherwise no visible abnormalities.

**RACE 7 : PORT AUGUSTA REFRIGERATION & AIR CONDITIONING RATING 0-61
HANDICAP - 1400 metres**

SPLIT'N'HIT (D. Robinson) jumped away awkwardly.

Shortly after the start ZODIAC DANCER (W. Hughes) raced in restricted room to the inside of DEVICES (M. Hoppo), which shifted in, and to the outside of CLASSIC MICK (S. Rowley), which was taken out by PRINCE OF ATHLONE (J. Lyon).

In the vicinity of the 1200 metres PRINCE OF ATHLONE (J. Lyon) continued to lay out taking CLASSIC MICK (S. Rowley) out contacting ZODIAC DANCER (W. Hughes), which in turn contacted DEVICES (M. Hoppo), turning that gelding's hindquarters out.

Inside the 1100 metres ZODIAC DANCER (W. Hughes) began to race very ungenerously when being restrained away from the heels of DODGE BEAUTY (M. Morita).

In the vicinity of the 1000 metres SPLIT'N'HIT (D. Robinson), which had improved onto the heels of ZODIAC DANCER (W. Hughes), began to race very ungenerously when being restrained away from the heels of that mare.

PRINCE OF ATHLONE (J. Lyon), which had been inclined to lay out in the early stages, continued to hang out until entering the straight. Ms. D. Tulk, the Trainer of PRINCE OF ATHLONE, was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding and it is to perform in a similar manner in future, further action may be taken.

RACE 7 : PORT AUGUSTA REFRIGERATION & AIR CONDITIONING RATING 0-61

HANDICAP - 1400 metres (Cont'd)

SPLIT'N'HIT, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

RACE 8 : STANDPIPE MOTEL MAIDEN PLATE - 1100 metres

DEEJAYCEEKAY (M. Morita), ROYAL BUD (B. Petherick) and BEECH CLOSE (S. Rowley) jumped away awkwardly.

SOAP STAR (P. Roff) was slow to begin.

Shortly after the start EKNIL BOY (K. Stra) shifted in and inconvenienced JARDINES CROSSING (D. Robinson).

Upon entering the straight NECKARBOO (J. Lyon), which was inclined to lay in, shifted in at the same time as PICK THE TRIBE (L. Hopwood) shifted out to improve resulting in those runners coming together. Shortly after NECKARBOO, which continued to lay in, shifted in, making heavy contact with PICK THE TRIBE (L. Hopwood).

EKNIL BOY (K. Stra) was inclined to lay in throughout the event and proved difficult to ride over the concluding stages. EKNIL BOY was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. Mr. D. Halliday, the Trainer of EKNIL BOY, was advised a warning had been placed on the gelding and it is to perform in a similar manner in the future, further action would be taken against it.

M. Vassallo, the rider of UNO WHO, which performed poorly, reported the gelding felt sore in its off foreleg. UNO WHO was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities.

PRE RACE TESTING:

Blood Samples were taken from the following horses for the purpose of TCO₂ testing:

- Race 4 ODYSSEUS and GREG.
- Race 5 IDELARGO and DOLPHIN WAVE.
- Race 7 SPLIT'N'HIT.
- Race 8 ROYAL BUD and SOAP STAR.

SWABBING:

- Race 3 - ROYAL FIB (winner)
- Race 5 - SILVER ELEGANT (winner)

RIDER CHANGES:

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced By	Reason
7	JAIL STRAIT	T. Zanker	L. Hopwood	Double engagement – explanation accepted.