

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

**Report on Race Meeting held at the Mindarie-Halidon Racecourse**  
**by the Mindarie-Halidon Racing Club on Sunday, 28 September 2008**

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Stewards: T. Williamson (A/Chairman), M. Santoro (F), N. Castle (HT) & L. Smith (Stewards), C. Deakin (Deputy Steward) & Dr. P. Horridge (Veterinarian)

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**TRACK:** Good 2

**WEATHER:** Fine

**Rail:** True

**RACE 1 : MANNUM HOTEL / MALLEE DIPPING & MULESING / GRIFFITHS MACHINERY / SABIS 3YO MAIDEN PLATE - 1000 metres**

STIRRUP CUP (B. Claridge) and FAITH TO HEART (T. Zanker) jumped away awkwardly.

Shortly after the start HUNGRY HUSSLER (L. Hopwood) shifted in and brushed HAPPY HA HA (J. Lyon) taking that gelding in, resulting in URGER (D. Robinson) being inconvenienced.

In the vicinity of the 700 metres LOW FLYER (J. Potter) shifted in taking STIRRUP CUP (B. Claridge) in. As a result HAPPY HA HA (J. Lyon) had to be steadied.

In the vicinity of the 100 metres HAPPY HA HA (J. Lyon) had to alter course to the outside of LOW FLYER (J. Potter) when that runner shifted in.

LOW FLYER (J. Potter) was inclined to hang out throughout the event.

**RACE 2 : KELVIN WESTBROOK / LOXTON IRRIGATION / JOHN FRY DISTANCE MAIDEN PLATE - 1800 metres**

PLAYING DUBAI (D. Robinson) jumped away awkwardly.

BLUE BAND (M. Vassallo) and SUGIHARA (R. Plumb) both became unbalanced as they came together on jumping away.

BLUE BAND (M. Vassallo) and BENSON RED (L. Hopwood) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

In the vicinity of the 600 metres SUGIHARA (R. Plumb) shifted out to improve. As a result BENSON RED (L. Hopwood) was taken wider on the track.

Near the 300 metres FOREZ (J. Potter) became held up when racing between the heels of DELTA DANE (M. Neve) and WANANGARA (S. Bailey). FOREZ continued to be held up until entering the straight where the mare became disappointed for a run to the inside of DELTA DANE, as that mare shifted in and away from WANANGARA. FOREZ was further held up when awkwardly placed inside the heels of DELTA DANE for the remainder of the event.

P. Roff, the rider of AQUAPLANE which was tailed off in the early stages of the event, reported the mare was very reluctant to stretch out in the early stages and he considered pulling the mare up, however, after going several hundred metres, AQUAPLANE regained its stride and was able to tack onto the back of the field. AQUAPLANE was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported a lower than expected heart rate.

**RACE 3 : COLLINS INDUSTRIAL RATING 0-72 HANDICAP - 1380 metres**

Mr. D. O'Leary, the Trainer of DUJAC, reported to the Stewards that in the week leading up to today's event the gelding had an abscess in its off fore hoof, requiring farrier work, which occurred on Friday, 26 September 2008, resulting in the gelding being shod with a heart bar plate on the off fore hoof. After DUJAC was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon on arrival on course, Stewards permitted the gelding to race in the amended gear.

PRESIDING OFFIXAAR (T. Zanker) jumped away awkwardly.

PRESIDING OFFIXAAR (T. Zanker) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

**RACE 4 : FLEA FULLSTON MEMORIAL RATING 0-65 HANDICAP - 1800 metres**

MASTER RAJA (M. Hoppo) was slow to begin.

POINTER (D. Robinson) knuckled on jumping away.

In the early and middle stages CONQUEST OF ARMS (J. Mallyon) raced three wide without cover.

In the vicinity of the 1200 metres SCRATCH 'N' TICKLE (M. Neve) commenced to improve around the field and as a result raced wide without cover.

When placed under pressure rounding the home turn, SRACTCH 'N' TICKLE (M. Neve) was inclined to lay out.

SILENT MANNERS, which performed below expectations, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported the gelding was slow to recover, however, detected no other abnormalities.

**RACE 5 : RIVERLAND EARTHMOVERS RATING 0-65 HANDICAP - 1000 metres**

RING LOCK, which had struck its head in the float en route to the course, was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and passed fit to race.

LUJAINATOR (NZ) (C. Lindop) and MAKES NO SENSE (M. Vassallo) jumped away awkwardly.

Near the 800 metres PUGADAN (A. Herrmann) was inconvenienced when MIRTHFUL LASS (J. Lyon) shifted in.

Inside the 500 metres PUGADAN (A. Herrmann) clipped heels, dislodging its rider. In consequence JUPITERS GOLD (L. Hopwood), which was following, was severely hampered and RING LOCK (J. Potter) was inconvenienced when shifting out to avoid the fallen rider. As a result TIPARAJA (C. Lions) was taken wider on the track. PUGADAN was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. A. Herrmann, the rider of PUGADAN, was examined by the Ambulance personnel and declared unfit to fulfil her remaining engagements and was transported to hospital for observation. Stewards opened an inquiry into the reason for A. Herrmann being dislodged, taking evidence from M. Hoppo, the rider of VIOLATED, P. Crich, the rider of MAJOR LEAGUE, and M. Vassallo, the rider of MAKES NO SENSE. This inquiry was adjourned to a date to be fixed to allow A. Herrmann to be present.

Correct Weight for this event was delayed to allow Mr. J. MacMillan, the Trainer of the third placegetter LUJAINATOR (NZ), to view the official photo image for second.

**RACE 6 : AUSTRALIAN ZIRCON MINDARIE-HALIDON CUP - 1800 metres**

Shortly after the gates were released GREG (C. Lions), which had been reluctant to travel to the barriers, refused to race and took no part in the event. GREG was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon who reported no visible abnormalities. Mr. T. Day, the Trainer of GREG, was advised the gelding would now be required to trial satisfactorily in an Official Barrier Trial prior to accepting for a future race.

TOKEN PROMISE (L. Hopwood) raced keenly in the early and middle stages of the event.

**RACE 7 : BE ACTIVE / ZADOW WELL DRILLING / WUNKAR TAVERN MAIDEN PLATE – 1200 metres**

Mr. B. Peake, the Trainer of PRIDELANDS, requested permission from Stewards for him to instruct J. Lyon not to use the whip on the mare unless absolutely necessary as PRIDELANDS had resented the whip in its previous runs. Stewards acceded to this request.

On arrival at the barriers C. Lions, the rider of RIDGE OF GOLD, reported she was concerned with the gelding's action. RIDGE OF GOLD was examined by the Club's Veterinary Surgeon and passed fit to start.

PRIDELANDS (J. Lyon) jumped away awkwardly, shifted in and brushed OUR PATERNOSTER (P. Roff).

On jumping away ROWDY ROCKER (D. Robinson) was severely hampered and lost ground when tightened between BLACKTIDE (T. Zanker) and BELLA NOW (M. Hoppo), which shifted out away from START PRAYING (C. Lindop).

RIDE OF GOLD (C. Lions) jumped away awkwardly and brushed with TAR A BATA (J. Mallyon).

RIDGE OF GOLD (C. Lions) and ROWDY ROCKER (D. Robinson) raced wide without cover throughout the event.

Near the 150 metres HAFEY'S COMET (L. Hopwood) raced in restricted room for a short distance to the inside of START PRAYING (C. Lindop).

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**PRE RACE TESTING:**

Blood Samples were taken from the following horse for the purpose of TCO<sub>2</sub> testing:

- Race 2 REGAL DE LAGO and AQUAPLANE.
- Race 4 SILENT MANNERS and MASTER RAJA.
- Race 6 MOST HANDSOME and TWO FUHR ONE.

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**SWABBING:**

- Race 2 - LOTTYLIEL (winner)
- Race 6 - MOST HANDSOME (winner)

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**RIDER CHANGES:**

<b>Race</b>	<b>Horse</b>	<b>Rider</b>	<b>Replaced By</b>	<b>Reason</b>
6	TWO FUHR ONE	A. Herrmann	M. Hoppo	Injured.
7	MANDUWAY	M. Hoppo	J. Potter	Doubly engaged – explanation accepted.
7	TURN HIM LOOSE	A. Patterson		Late notification – explanation accepted.
7	PRIDELANDS	A. Herrmann	J. Lyon	Injured.

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