

Two Outsiders Win At Morphetville

Surprise Victories By Flying Saucer and Robsun

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Backers fared badly at Tattersalls Club's meeting at Morphetville on Saturday as Cambridge was the only favorite to win cutright. Basra, another favorite, dead-heat for first.

The surprise of the day was provided by Flying Saucer, an aged mare by Virgin Pride from Bismald, who won the first division of the Trial Handicap. This mare, who is trained by one of her part-owners, A. S. Payne, had shown no form for a long time. In fact, she had not won a race of any kind in five years of racing. It was little wonder, therefore, that she was allowed to start at 50/1, while her tote dividend was at the rate 192/1. Flying Saucer appeared hopelessly placed well back in the field entering the straight, but she finished much too well for Lady Law and for the favorite (Lady Balcrest) had a chance. She was on the rails just behind Solmate and Point Opera entering the straight, but weakened badly in the run home.

SUCCESS OF ROBSUN

Robsun, who had failed to run into a place in much weaker company at Burra on the previous Wednesday, caused an upset when he ran down the early leader (Royal Decree) approaching the home turn and then held off a strong challenge by Blue Express to win the Tattersalls Handicap, while the favorite Fleche d'Or was a fast-finishing third. The Stewards called the connections of the Rob Roy—Sakao gelding before them for an explanation of the reversal of form. They found that, after having been in a possible winning position at Burra, Robsun flinched under the whip and that H. Hall, who rode him on Saturday, was advised not to use the whip in Saturday's race. The explanations were accepted. Robsun is trained by J. Kelly who did not fancy him after his poor previous effort, and he started at 20/1.

CAMBRIDGE GOOD

Cambridge, who had been scratched several times lately after having been an acceptor, was produced in the Welter

and he won in good style, covering the mile in the smart time of 1.39. Previously he had won at his only three starts—in the country—since he was sent from Melbourne to be trained by J. M. Brett. Ridden patiently by R. Cox in the early stages, he was still a long way back at the half-mile, but from there he moved up smartly on the outside of the field and entering the straight he had passed all but Fendrew, Oratan and Sir Farmer. Cambridge continued his run and, taking charge inside the furlong, defeated Sir Farmer by a couple of lengths. He was bred in New Zealand, being by Foxbridge from Pelisse, and W. G. Byrne appears to have in him a potential cup horse. His backers on Saturday were able to get 2/1 about him, as there was support for Homanna, Laudate and Sir Farmer, but of them Sir Farmer was the only one to show up.

RATHMORE WINS

Starting fifth favorite at 10/1, the Murray Bridge-trained colt Rathmore upset followers of form in the Three-Year-Old Handicap by defeating Peregrine and Equation, while the favorite Frances Lass never got into the fighting line. Peregrine and Rathmore were the pace-makers at the half-mile, but entering the straight Rathmore slipped away three lengths clear of Peregrine. He was stopping a little at the finish and Peregrine got to within a neck of him, while the fast-finishing Equation was a close third. Rathmore is by Heroic's Pride from Valfino and is trained by T. O'Dea for himself and his son, T. P. O'Dea.

GOVINDA PROMISING

Govinda, a nice, well-bred filly, by Dhoti from Denver Lass, trained by I. Reid for her owner-breeder, Mr. E. A. Underwood, of Melbourne, won the Two-Year-Old Handicap in good style from the consistent Noble Chief and Hurst Park. Beaudare who started equal favorite with Noble Chief, got into trouble

orite with Noble Chief, got into trouble early and was never a possibility. A feature of the race was the support for Spilbury, a colt by Detector from Hegemonic, trained by R. C. Griffin for grand stand bookmaker R. P. Conole. It was his first race and he led round the home turn, only to be beaten into fourth place in the run to the judge. He was backed from 20 to 1 to 11 to 2, but the plunge misfired. The rider of Noble Chief lodged a protest against the winner on the ground of interference at the 3½ furlongs. The stewards dismissed the objection. They found that there was slight accidental interference which might have been contributed to by Noble Chief.

EXCITING DUEL

In the Flying Handicap the favorite Ivers and the well-backed Peter Gazelle drew clear at the half-mile post and from that point they engaged in a neck and neck duel to the winning post, Peter Gazelle gaining the verdict by a head. Ivers would probably have won had he galloped more kindly over the last furlong. He was inclined to bore out and D. Coleman had his hands full in keeping him from interfering with his New Zealand-bred rival. Birmingham, fifth into the straight, finished strongly and was clear up third. Penstol was well up entering the straight, but this was his first race for six weeks and he should soon improve.

DEAD-HEAT IN TRIAL

When Basra (favorite) beat off Clear-top after turning for home the Baccha Sakao mare looked like a winner, but Eastern Duke, a long way back entering the straight, finished fast and caught Basra on the post—a dead-heat. S. Tomison trains Basra for Sir James Goss and Mr. Walter Kidman and E. L. Gregory looks after Eastern Duke for Mr. G. R. Wilson.

Ridden with better judgment by W. Smart, Tuckout would probably have won the Jumpers' Flat instead of being defeated by half a head by Chatide, on whom E. Wilson made a successful comeback after 12 months' disqualification. The stewards reported: "In our opinion Smart showed excessive lack of judgment, amounting almost to incompetence." He was severely censured and warned that if his future riding was not up to the standard of which he is capable, drastic action would be taken. Bindarra came home well in third place.