

CLUB: LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB

DATE: 22ND AUGUST 2021

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS:

S SHINN (CHAIRMAN)

B PLUNKETT (PANEL)

B BAUDINETTE (PANEL)

D LUTTREL (BIRD CAGE)

J AINSCOW (SWABS)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR I COLLIER

STARTER: A EMERY

Trainers with multiple runners engaged in any race were questioned as to their intended driving tactics.

RACE 1 – NUTRIEN AG SUPPLIES STAKES – 2200 METRES

ARTHUR ELLIOTT – Led then commenced to give ground from the 400 metres, ultimately being beaten more than 49 metres. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of the gelding which revealed the gelding to be lame in the right hind leg. Acting on veterinary advice Stewards stood down ARTHUR ELLIOTT from racing until a veterinary certificate is submitted to ORI.

ROCKOWSROAD – Raced roughly when contacted by the arm of the preceding driver, when that driver activated gear. ROCKOWSROAD shifted out as a result, then worked forward three wide to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1350 metre point. ROCKOWSROAD commenced to give ground from the 600 metres ultimately being beaten in excess of 122 metres. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding failed to reveal any significant abnormalities. ROCKOWSROAD is stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory requalifying trial.

APHRODISIAC – Worked forward three wide to take over the position leading one wide line after 250 metres. Obtained a one out one back trail near the 1350 metres. Held up behind a tiring runner in the back straight on the final occasion losing significant ground. Driver Ms Bronte Miller was spoken to advisedly regarding her needing to take more care when activating her gear. Near the 1600 metres, Ms Miller activated gear her removal of pins in an extravagant motion which effected the trailing runner.

RAFFAS ACE – Was caught racing three wide for 450 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

KOSIMO – Significantly out of position at the start despite its driver's best efforts - Placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races. Commenced a three wide run from the rear of the field near the 1100 metres. Driver Malcolm Jones was reprimanded under the provisions of AHHR156(7) for utilizing his whip in the home straight in a slightly sideward action.

A GOOD KNIGHT – Held up and checked behind a tiring runner on the final turn, losing significant ground.

LORIMERMAJOR – Three wide one back from the 950 metres.

RACE 2 – CLEGHORN FARM STANDARDBREDS PACE – 2200 METRES

BOLD CENTURIAN – Obtained a inside run to lead, entering the back straight on the first occasion when the leader hung up the track. Surrendered the lead near 1600 metres.

STAR WATCHING – Inconvenienced entering the back straight on the final occasion. Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near 1700 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1400 metres. Obtained a one out one back trail near the 1300 metres.

HILLBILLY BAND – Led and hung out entering the back straight on the first occasion, inconveniencing other runners. Placed on its last chance to race truly.

IMPULSIVE GEORGE – Inconvenienced entering the back straight on the first occasion. Tightened near the 1350 metres.

FURY DAN – The first half of the last mile being completed in 65.4 seconds. No action was taken against the driver on consideration of current ORI policy regarding three year olds.

DOLLARSIGN – Raced three wide for the first 500 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field. Checked entering the back straight on the final occasion.

IFITSTOBEITSUPTOME – Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 1700 metres to work forward to the position outside the leader near the 1300 metres.

SHADY STORY – Broke free of interference checking other runners entering the back straight on the first occasion – placed on its last chance to race truly.

KARALTA INVADER – Checked entering the back straight on the first occasion.

General

Stewards questioned Todd Rattray, driver of MOZASU NZ and John Walters, driver of IMPULSIVE GEORGE regarding IMPULSIVE GEORGE being restrained by its driver near the 1300 metres. After viewing the official race videos, taking evidence from the drivers and giving regard to their own observations Stewards determined that near the 1300 metres Mr Rattray had commenced to shift out from a peg line position simultaneous to Mr Walters commencing to move forward into the gap ahead resulting in Mr Walters having to restrain IMPULSIVE GEORGE when a full run into the gap failed to eventuate.

RACE 3 – BEVAN LEE'S BUTCHERY STAKES – 2200 METRES

CHRISTIAN JAZ NZ – Driver Liam Older was counselled in that he must further modify his whip action in order to be fully compliant with the rules.

TOANUI SPIRIT – Led the one wide line until obtaining one out one back trail near the 1700 metres. Commenced to tire from the 450 metres, ultimately being beaten in excess of 104 metres. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed the mare to have irregularity in the rear hind leg. Acting on veterinary advice TOANUI SPIRIT is stood down from racing for 14 days and until a veterinary certificate is submitted to ORI.

JUNIPER – Worked forward three wide to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1700 metres. Sustained a flat tyre on its off-side sulky wheel in the latter stages of the home straight on the final occasion.

ONEOFTHELADS – Commenced a three wide run near the 1000 metres.

ASHLEYS BLUE CHIP – Caught racing three wide for the first 450 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field. Failed to obtain a clear run to the finish – untested.

IDEN GORGEOUS – Held up for clear running until the latter stages of the home straight - finished strongly once clear. Contacted the sulky of another runner in the latter stages of the home straight on the final occasion. Driver Connor Crook fined \$100, Mr Crook having pleaded guilty to a charge issued under the provisions of AHHR168(1)(a) in that in the home straight in the final occasion, he was careless in allowing IDEN GORGEOUS to contact the outside sulky wheel of JUNIPER flattening the tyre.

EMJAYS BLACK CHIP – Three wide one back from the 1000 metres.

STORMY SANZ – Three wide two back from the 1000 metres. The seat of the sulky collapsed near the 100 metres placing the driver at a severe disadvantage; Stewards will undertake an investigation into the circumstances.

RACE 4 – KING FILLIES & MARES SERIES – 2200 METRES

ALL ABOUT PAISLEY – Failed to obtain a clear run to the finish – untested.

LIVING ON PRARE – Was well out of position when the start was effected - placed on her last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races. Caught racing three wide for the first 500 metres whilst being restrained at the rear of the field.

FORGOT THE WALLET – Commenced a three wide run near the 1000 metres.

MICTON AROHA – Gave ground over the concluding stages. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of the mare which revealed to mare to be suffering diarrhoea. On veterinary advice, MICTON AROHA is stood down from racing for 14 days and until a veterinary certificate is submitted to ORI.

VONNS ANGEL – Winner. Held back for post-race blood samples to be taken.

WRITTEN IN SILK – Held out for clear running until the latter stages of the home straight. Finished strongly once clear.

BETTER AMOUR – Three wide two back from the 1000 metres.

STEPPING STONES – Three wide one back from the 1000 metres.

General

Stewards questioned Dylan Ford, driver of VONNS ANGEL and Heath Woods, driver of STEPPING STONES in order to determine whether STEPPING STONES had been forced wide by Mr Ford to his inside prior to the ease out pole. VONNS ANGEL had been hanging out to some degree prior to reaching the ease out pole, however the videos and Mr Woods' evidence confirmed that Mr Ford had not shifted STEPPING STONES wider on the track prior to the ease out pole and no further action was deemed necessary.

RACE 5 – LAUNCESTON VETERINARY GROUP PACE – 2200 METRES

GOTTA GOOD REASON – Raced in one out one back trailing position then left leading the one wide line near the 1600 metres. The gelding was then restrained to a four back peg line trailing position near the 1350 metres.

PERFECT MACH – Led then surrendered the lead after 250 metres.

EARL JUJON – After obtaining an early trail, worked forward to take over the lead near the 1600 metres.

SMILE LYLE – Galloped away - Will continue to be placed out of the draw in standing start races.

JAMES DEAN NZ – Worked forward to the lead after 250 metres. Surrendered the lead near the 1600 metres.

HEZ THE ONE – Galloped out - Will continue to be placed out the draw in standing start races.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ – Swabbed. Stewards questioned driver Troy Hillier regarding his driving tactics in the race. Mr Hillier explained that after settling in a rearward trailing position from his 10 metre handicap he was left leading the one wide line near the 1300 metres at which point he elected to drop in to a trailing position as ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ never performs well when it is required to lead the one wide line. Mr Hillier went on to say that near the 1000 metres the pace of the race started to pick up with a number of runners that had been racing on the peg line shifting out to one wide. He went on to say that the third quarter of the race sped up to 28.74 seconds and he felt it would be to the detriment of his horse's chances to attempt to gain ground wide in such fast sectional. A review of the past performances of ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ confirmed Mr Hillier's evidence regarding the gelding's preferred racing pattern. Having considered Mr Hillier's evidence as well as the sectional times for the race and the mile rate of 2:01.6 and the way the race was run it was the Stewards opinion that Mr Hillier's tactics were not unreasonable in the circumstances and no further action was deemed necessary other than to note the circumstances.

THE SHALLOWS – Stewards questioned Heath Woods, trainer driver of THE SHALLOWS regarding his driving tactics in the race. Mr Woods explained to the Stewards that after settling in a rearward trailing position from his 20 metre handicap the field spread out during the early stages of the race. He went on to say that he was unable to secure a trail up to get closer to the leaders as the pace had increased significantly in the third quarter of the race which left his horse somewhat flat footed. When questioned regarding whether he had considered making a three wide move Mr Woods told the Stewards that he had attempted that tactic at the horse's previous run from the same 20 metre handicap which resulted in it being unable to sustain its run to the finish. Having considered the evidence of Mr Woods, the overall time for the race, the sectional times and the horse's usual racing pattern as well as the way the race was run Stewards considered that Mr Woods' tactics were not unreasonable in the

overall circumstances and no further action was deemed necessary other than to advise Mr Woods that Stewards would be reviewing the betting on the race and that he would be informed if were further required.

RACE 6 – LADBROKES PACE – 1680 METRES

JIMI SANZ – Led and withstood an early challenge for the lead.

IYLAC BEACH – Mounted an unsuccessful early challenge for the lead.

HEZA SPORT – Raced three wide for the first 450 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

ARTYBOY GLENWOOD – Three wide two back from the 950 metres.

MAJOR DAVVIN – Commenced a three wide run from mid field near the 950 metres.

HEZ RAZOR SHARP – Commenced a three wide one back from the 950 metres.

TOMMY HILLFIGURE – Was well out of position when start was effected - will continue to be placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. It was noted that TOMMY HILLFIGURE had a tendency to hang out at various stages of the race.

RACE 7 – CARLTON DRAUGHT STAKES – 2200 METRES

BELIEVE IN FOREVER – Driver Liam Older was spoken to advisedly regarding his trailing very close to the preceding runner.

THE DUDE NZ – Was ordered to start from the extreme outside of the front row, the gelding had been placed out of the draw two days earlier in Hobart. Broke in the score up and was well out of position when the start was effected - Stewards placed THE DUDE NZ right out of the draw in mobile barrier races.

RAMBLEON – Over raced when in a one out one back position until being left leading the one wide line approaching the 1400 metres. The gelding, which had been over racing pulled its way forward resulting in driver, Mark Yole, mounting an unsuccessful effort to take over the lead between the 1100 metres and 1000 metres. RAMBLEON then raced tractably until commencing to tire from the 400 metres to be beaten in excess of 47 metres. Stewards questioned driver, Mark Yole, regarding the driving tactics he used in the race, most specifically the reason for him mounting a challenge for the lead in the front straight with a lap to travel. Mr Yole told the Stewards that once RAMBLEON had been left exposed near the 1400 metre point, the horse ‘took charge’ and commenced to severely over race. He went on to say that as he entered the home straight, he considered that the leader had done some work in early stages and that there was a possibility that with his horse over racing so severely that he may be able to take over the lead. However, this was unsuccessful and as the race progressed RAMBLEON continued leading the one wide line until commencing to give ground from the 400 metres ultimately being beaten 47.5 metres. Stewards considered Mr Yole’s tactics not unreasonable in the circumstances and no further action was deemed necessary other than to note Mr Yole’s comments for future reference.

LOCKAWAY KACIE – Led then surrendered the lead near the 1400 metres.

MONTANA LAD NZ – Three wide one back from the 1100 metres.

AHA REACTION NZ – Severely over raced subsequent to working forward three wide to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1800 metres. Mounted a successful challenge for the lead in the latter stages of the back straight on the first occasion. Withstood a short challenge for the lead between the 1100 metres and 1000 metres. Commenced to tire from the 400 metres ultimately being beaten 31.9 metres. Stewards questioned driver Ms Bronte Miller accompanied by trainer Ben Yole regarding her driving tactics in the race. Ms Miller explained to the Stewards she had followed the instructions of trainer Mr Ben Yole to go forward at the start as this is the preferred racing pattern of the gelding, this being its first front row draw in 15 starts. She went on to say that after having been driven out to work forward three wide to gain the position outside the leader near the 1800 metres she attempted to restrain AHA REACTION NZ however it commenced to severely over race so she felt it would be best to try to take over the lead rather than continue to fight the gelding and she was able to take over the lead approaching the 1400 metres. She continued that once in the lead she attempted to back off the speed however she was then challenged for the lead in the front straight with a lap to travel with AHA REACTION NZ holding the lead without any effort needed from her. The gelding then continued to over race through a third quarter in 29.2 prior to commencing to give ground from the 400 metres. Mr Yole told the Stewards that AHA REACTION NZ had led in most of its most recent wins and this was confirmed on Stewards perusal of the gelding’s race record. He added that the mid race challenge for the lead by RAMBLEON would definitely have had an adverse effect on AHA REACTION’S ultimate finishing position. Stewards considered the evidence of Ms Miller and Mr Yole as well as the sectional times for the race including the slowest lead time of the night in mobile barrier 2200 metre races despite this being the highest grade of those races as well as the subsequent quarter in 30.6 despite the successful challenge for the lead occurring within that quarter. Considering all the relevant circumstances

Stewards opined that Ms Miller's tactics were not unreasonable and no further action was deemed necessary other than noting the circumstances for future reference.

BETTABROWN TIGER – Three wide two back from the 1100 metres.

RACKETEERS BOY NZ – Commenced a three wide run from midfield near the 1100 metres.

RACE 8 – LADBROKES RACING CENTRE PACE – 2200 METRES

ROCKINFEELGOOD – Gave ground over the concluding stages.

WAR CHEST – Was held up for clear running until the latter stages of the home straight and finished moderately once clear.

LOYOLA TRIOS – Three wide three back from the 1000 metres.

TARLETON RILEY – Inconvenienced entering the home straight on the final occasion when the runner to its inside over reacted and shifted out when being eased wider by the runner to its inside.

KUYOMI NZ – Held out for clear running until the latter stages of the home straight - finished moderately once clear.

ENDEAVOUR STRIDE – Commenced a three wide run from midfield near the 1000 metres.

THE BLACK ASSASSIN – Entering the home straight on the final occasion overreacted and shifted out when being eased wider by the runner to its inside resulting in TARLETON RILEY to its outside being inconvenienced with its driver being momentarily unseated.

RANIERI NZ – Three wide one back from the 1000 metres.

KADAR – Three wide two back from the 1000 metres.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	R1 – M JONES – AHHR156(7)
FINES	R3 – C CROOK - \$100 – AHHR168(1)(a)
SUSPENSIONS	NIL
HORSE ACTIONS	R1 ROCKOWSROAD – SD1T R1 ARTHUR ELLIOT – SDVET R3 TOANUI SPIRIT – SD14D SDVET R4 MICTON AROHA – SD14D SDVET R6 JAMES DEAN NZ – BSD R7 THE DUDE NZ - RODM

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	ARTHUR ELLIOTT LORIMERMAJOR
Race 2	FURY DAN SHADY STORY
Race 3	DEVIL OF TYNE
Race 4	VONNS ANGEL
Race 5	ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ THE SHALLOWS
Race 6	JIMI SANZ
Race 7	DEADLY ASSASSIN
Race 8	KUYOMI NZ

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	KOSIMO
Race 2	IFITSTOBEITSUPTOME
Race 3	ONEOFTHELADS
Race 4	VONNS ANGEL (Urine & TCO2 blood)
Race 5	JAMES DEAN NZ THE SHALLOWS ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ
Race 6	IYLAC BEACH
Race 7	DEADLY ASSASSIN
Race 8	KADAR

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CHAIRMAN

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