

HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB: TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB

DATE: 27 FEBRUARY 2022

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: OVERCAST/SHOWERS

STEWARDS:

R NEAL (CHAIRMAN)

B PLUNKETT (PANEL)

J GLEESON (PANEL/DATA)

G GRIFFIN (INSPECTIONS)

E DUNBABIN (SWABS)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR M BUCKERFIELD

STARTER: A EMERY

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

Trainer/Drivers C Crook and M Yole did not attend the meeting and were replaced on their respective drives as follows:

Race 1: JUNIPER now driven by R Hillier
MACHS MARETTA NZ now driven by R Hadley

Race 2: IDEN MISS LUCY – now driven by C Salter
KENYA -now driven by R Hadley

Race 3: STAR ROCKER - now driven by R Hadley

Race 4: BRIAN WHO - now driven by R Hadley
BETTOR SPIRIT – now driven by P Hill

Race 5: NO NUKES SKIPPER - now driven by R Hadley

Race 6: THE DEMOCRAT - now driven by R Hadley
GOTTA GOOD REASON now driven by N Ford

Race 7: IMAGE OF STARZZZ - now driven by R Hadley
IFBUTZANDMAYBES - now driven by C Salter

Race 8: REMEMBER ME NOW - now driven by R Hadley
MY CELEBRITY – now driven by R Duggan

Race 9: WE SALUTE YOU - now driven by R Duggan
JOE NIEN - now driven by R Hadley

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Devonport Harness Racing Club– Friday 25th February 2022

Race 7 – NUTRIEN AG SOLUTIONS PACE

Stewards concluded an investigation where, passing the 400 metres, **GUYS BETTOR BET** (R Hillier) broke briefly shortly after shifting ground outwards from the marker line to make its finishing run.

After questioning drivers and reviewing vision of the incident, it was established that shortly prior to obtaining a full one-off position, **GUYS BETTOR BET** was placed in restricted room and near the wheel of race leader **BRIAN WHO** by **LAURENS RUNNER** (T Rattray) which was shifting inwards to obtain a position closer to the marker line, when both **GUYS BETTOR BET** and **LAURENS RUNNER** were attempting to claim the position outside the leader vacated by the weakening **GALLIFREY DIRECT**. Given the simultaneous nature of both horses shifting ground and given all circumstances, no further action was required.

RACE 1 – TASMANIAN EQUINE VETERINARY SERVICES PACE – 2090 METRES

MISS DANGERFIELD – held up rounding the final bend.

Driver P Hill (**MAGIC PEBBLES**) was firmly reminded of his obligations with respect to the use of the whip when driving out in the final straight.

RACE 2 – PRYDES EASIFEED PACE – 2090 METRES

The start of this race was delayed 2min; 45 secs' due to a shadow roll requiring to be fitted to **TARIFA GIRL** after the filly was inclined to jump marks on the track during its preliminary.

BEE GOOD BENNY – held up on the back of a tiring runner passing the 400 metres.

TURQUOISE STRIDE – held up passing the 400 metres.

IDEN MISS LUCY – held up rounding the final bend.

Driver C Salter was advised that he must modify his whip action when driving out.

Stewards questioned driver N Ford regarding the run of **TARIFA GIRL** which, after leading, weakened to finish last. Mr Ford could offer explanation other than the trainer would be having a blood test taken from the filly the following day, and that the Stewards would be informed should any relevant matter become apparent.

RACE 3 – NUTRIEN SPRINT LANE PACE – 2090 METRES

PACIFIC ROCK – inconvenienced passing 700 metres- After beginning satisfactorily, **PACIFIC ROCK** has been placed back in the draw in mobile barrier events.

GALAXY DANCER – held up and unable to improve in latter stages of the final straight.

BLOSSOM GRANT – held up rounding the final bend and early part of the final straight.

SPIKEY BOY – held up passing the 400 metres.

Driver P Dornauf, (**PACIFIC ROCK**) was reprimanded under the provisions of AHHR162(1)(g) after starting from an incorrect barrier position. The particulars being that Mr Dornauf started from a position one wider than the designated position on the second row. Stewards were satisfied that **PACIFIC ROCK** gained no material advantage as a consequence of this error.

Concession driver J Leedham was reprimanded under the provisions of AHHR168(1)(a) with respect to shifting ground, after moving wider passing the 700 metres and inconveniencing **PACIFIC ROCK**.

RACE 4 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 1609 METRES

SUTTER STAR – broke retired from race passing 600 metres with broken gear- trainer fined.

KENS CHIPS – held up passing the 400 metres until reaching the sprint lane.

BRIAN WHO – held up passing the 400 metres until near the 100 metres.

LIVE FOR PEACE – held up rounding the final turn.

The near front hopple carrier strap became detached from the hopple of **SUTTER STAR** passing the 700 metres with the gelding being retired from the race shortly after. Trainer Ms B Heenan admitted a breach of AHRR273(2)(b) and was fined \$100.00

RACE 5 – HARNESS YEARLING SALE SAT 5TH MARCH PACE – 1609 METRES

Concession driver R Backhouse (**HENRY HU**) was reminded of his obligations with respect to maintaining his position on the starting gate through to dispatch.

VIGOROSO – held up and unable to obtain clear running throughout the final straight and went to the line untested.

KAVINO STRIDE – held up passing the 400 metres and then raced in restricted room throughout final straight.

KICK IT TO JACK – held up rounding the final bend **DEBT TILL WE PART** – travelled 3-wide without cover throughout.

RACE 6 – TOREACE FLYING MILE – 1609 METRES

ARDEN ROANOKE - held up rounding the final bend.

ROCK ON PLAYBOY – held up rounding the final bend until reaching the sprint lane.

Driver A Collins, (**BLACKBIRD POWER**) admitted a breach of AHRR162(1)(v) in that he whipped the horse with the reins. After consideration Mr Collins was fined \$300.00

RACE 7 – LADBROKES GROUP 1 TASMANIA CUP MARCH 19TH PACE – 2090 METRES

SHARMEY –shifted ground out passing 700 metres and jostled for a short distance.

OUR SIR OLIVER – jostled passing 700 metres and broke briefly; a post-race veterinary examination revealed lameness in right foreleg. Stood down pending veterinary clearance.

GUIDO DA SIENA – hampered passing 700 metres.

IFBUTZANDMAYBES – held up passing the 400 metres.

Drivers R Ashwood (**SHARMEY**) and G Rattray (**OUR SIR OLIVER**) were questioned regarding an incident passing the 700 metres where **SHARMEY** shifted ground outward to improve when inside **OUR SIR OLIVER**, which broke briefly and came back on to **GUIDO DA SIENA**. In explanation Mr Rattray stated that when attempting to resist Mr Ashwood's manoeuvre, **OUR SIR OLIVER** had become unbalanced and had broken stride briefly. While the Stewards took no further action on this occasion, both Mr Ashwood and Mr Rattray were reminded of their obligations when in similar circumstances.

RACE 8 – TEAM TEAL PACE – 2090 METRES

STAROFREMEMBERANCE – raced roughly in score-up; unable to obtain clear racing room throughout the final straight.

SAFE JEWELS – hung inwards throughout the final straight and could not be driven to full advantage.

SLINGSHOT – held up rounding the final bend.

RADAR STRIDE – held up rounding the final bend and again approaching the finish.

RACE 9 – DOWNTON PROPERTY PACE – 2090 METRES

PUNTARO STRIDE – held up rounding final bend.

Stewards adjourned an investigation into **ROCKS ROY** shifting wider on the track through the final straight.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	R3 – J LEEDHAM – AHRR168(1)(a) – careless – shift ground R3 – P DORNAUF – AHRR162(1)(g) – start from incorrect barrier position
FINES	R4 – B HEENAN – AHRR273(2)(b) – insecure gear - \$100 R6 – A COLLINS – AHRR162(1)(v) – used reins as whip - \$300
SUSPENSIONS	NIL
HORSE ACTIONS	R3 – PACIFIC ROCK - BMD R7 – OUR SIR OLIVER – SD Veterinary certificate
LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS	NIL
ADJOURNED INQ	R9 – D FORD – (ROCKS ROY)

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	MAGIC PEBBLES
Race 2	ROCKOWSROAD
Race 3	VLADIMIR HALL
Race 4	NIL
Race 5	HENRY WHO
Race 6	MODERN BLISS
Race 7	NIL
Race 8	MACH ANGELO
Race 9	HAYDEN BROMAC

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	MACHS MARETA
Race 2	LANCELOT
Race 3	ALWAYSBEALADY
Race 4	SZABOLSKI LEIS
Race 5	KUZMA

Race 6	LOCKAWAY KACIE
Race 7	SOMEHOWSOMEDAY
Race 8	REMEMBER ME NOW NZ
Race 9	ENDEAVOUR STRIDE

R NEAL

CHAIRMAN

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http://www.racing.tas.gov.au/harness_racing/policies_and_rules - *ORI Integrity Policy Manual*