

HARNESS RACING STEWARDS
REPORT

CLUB: TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB

DATE: 01 APRIL 2022

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS:

- R NEAL (CHAIRMAN)
- R BROWN (PANEL)
- J GLEESON (PANEL)
- C ELLSON (PANEL/DATA)
- D LUTTRELL (INSPECTIONS)
- E DUNBABIN (SWABS)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR M BUCKERFIELD

STARTER G GRIFFIN

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

RACE 1 – PRYDES EASIFEED PACE – 2090 METRES

HEIDI GO SEEK – pulled hard during score-up.

ROCKOWSROAD – had difficulty obtaining clear racing room in the final straight

NAPATTACK SAM – was inclined to pace roughly on occasions – warning placed on racing manners.

JO DINA – held up for the majority of the final straight.

METRO MAN – held up for a short distance rounding the final bend.

NIFTY JOLT – inclined to hang in on the bends.

RACE 2 – NUTRIEN SPRINTLANE PACE – 1609 METRES

STAROFREMEMBRANCE – hung out during score-up; shifted out under pressure in the final straight.

DON HESTON -inclined to shift out under pressure in final straight.

LIVE FOR PEACE – held up rounding the final bend and only obtained clear racing room passing the 80 metres.

BRIAN WHO – held up rounding the final bend.

RACE 3 – TASMANIAN EQUINE VETERINARY SERVICES PACE – 2090 METRES

NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ – raced greenly during score-up; driver fined whip violation; driver suspended failing to drive out to the end of the race.

Driver B Woodsford (NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ) admitted a breach of AHRR156(2)(a) and was fined \$200.00 in that he applied his whip in more than a flicking only motion throughout the early part of the final straight.

Furthermore, Mr Woodsford admitted a breach of AHRR 162(1)(z) in that he failed to fully drive NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ out to the finish of the race. The particulars being that passing the 50 metres Mr. Woodsford relaxed his drive when competing for second placing, being beaten for the position by a half head. After consideration on penalty Mr Woodsford's licence to drive in races was suspended for two race meetings.

RACE 4 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 2090 METRES

BLACKBIRD POWER - weakened over latter stages and finished well back- must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to next racing.

DEADLY ASSASSIN – held up over the latter stages and unable to be fully tested.

CHRISTIAN MAJOR – pulled hard during the running.

Stewards inquired into an incident near the 1,000 metres where WE SALUTE YOU was forced wider on the track for a short distance before restraining to obtain cover.

After questioning drivers, C Crook, (WE SALUTE YOU) and J Duggan, (CHASING CHEETAHS), and reviewing vision of the incident, it was established that passing the 1,100 metres WE SALUTE YOU, had shifted out marginally when following CHRISTIAN MAJOR which commenced a forward move three-wide. Simultaneously, AHA REACTION NZ, shifted out to occupy the developing run to its outside, this providing no opportunity for CHASING CHEETAHS to be corrected and reoccupy its position. Resultantly WE SALUTE YOU had been obliged to race wider on the track.

Given all circumstances, including the minimal nature of Mr Duggan's original shift and his lack of driving experience, the Stewards determined no further action was warranted other than to advise Mr Duggan that he must take greater care when in similar circumstances.

RACE 5 – DOWNTON PROPERTY PACE – 2090 METRES

MACH CHARM – pulled hard in running.

VONNS ANGEL – gave ground over final stages and finished well back – last chance to race competitively.

GO IN STYLE – held up rounding the final bend.

TACTILE SENSATION – held up rounding final bend.

RACE 6 – SMITHAWARDS PACE – 2579 METRES

PROFICIENT NZ - weakened from 600 metres and hung in and broke passing 500 metres- last chance to race truly.

KIAVINO STRIDE – pulled hard during the running

DAPPER NZ – checked passing the 500 metres.

FINN MAC KEE – Checked and fell passing 500 metres – inquiry adjourned; Veterinary clearance required prior to next racing.

THE BLACK ASSASSIN - severely checked and lost driver passing 500 metres- inquiry adjourned.

Stewards opened and adjourned an investigation into an incident passing the 500 metres where FINN MAC KEE (Miss T Ford) was checked and fell with THE BLACK ASSASSIN (M Ford) losing its driver in consequence.

Miss Ford was attended by the medical personnel and cleared to continue driving. Mr M Ford sustained a wrist injury in the incident and was stood down from his remaining drives.

RACE 7 – LADBROKES PACE – 2090 METRES

JAKES A JOY – broke at start and lost ground- last chance in the draw.

HYDE PARK -driver fined slow sectionals.

OZZIE MAJOR – broke at start- last chance in the draw.

STYLISH TREND NZ – held up rounding the final bend and only obtained clear racing room passing the 100 metres.

RACE 8 – CASCADE DRAUGHT PACE – 2090 METRES

MY ULTIMATE MAJOR – crowded racing into the first turn and shied at a marker peg.

ARTIFLASH – gave ground over the latter stages- last chance to race competitively.

GOT THE GOODS – hung in rounding first turn; driver fined- not providing sufficient clearance.

MONDOOLEY MACH – held up rounding the final bend.

SOUTHERN GNP NZ – held up rounding the final bend

BETTOR SPORT – held up rounding the final bend.

DENSTOWN NZ – tyre deflated during running and not persevered with over final stages.

Stewards questioned drivers M Yole (MY ULTIMATE MAJOR) and D Ford (GOT THE GOODS) regarding an incident entering the first turn where MY ULTIMATE MAJOR was crowded inward and over marker pegs. After investigation it was established that GOT THE GOODS, when being driven forward with vigour, hung inward with this resulting in MY ULTIMATE MAJOR being directed off its rightful line of running.

The Stewards determined that while GOT THE GOODS racing manners were a relevant factor in the incident, Mr Ford nonetheless, was also culpable in that he was racing too close to the wheel of MY ULTIMATE MAJOR at the time. Mr Ford admitted a resultant breach of AHRR165(1)(a) and was fined \$200.00

SUMMARY	
SUSPENSIONS	R3 – B Woodsford AHRR162(1)(z) – failing to drive out to the end of the race – suspended 2 race days.
FINES	R3 - B Woodsford AHRR156(2)(a) – whip violation – fined \$200.00 R7 – N Ford - AHRR162(1)(y) – slow sectionals - fined \$100.00

	R8 – D Ford AHRR165(1)(a) – failing to maintain 30cm separation- fined \$200.00
REPRIMANDS	Nil
HORSE ACTIONS	R4 – Blackbird Power – stood-down 1 trial – poor performance. R6 – Finn Mac Kee – veterinary clearance required.
LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS	Nil

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	BE GOOD BENNY
Race 2	WHOS WATCH NOW BRIAN WHO
Race 3	SUNROSE MASTER
Race 4	SOMEDAN
Race 5	SAFE JEWELS IDEN MISS LUCY
Race 6	WAYONBYE
Race 7	OZZIE MAJOR
Race 8	BACCARAT

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	BORDER CROSS
Race 2	STAROFREMEMBRANCE
Race 3	TARLETON RILEY
Race 4	AHA REACTION NZ
Race 5	IDEN MISS LUCY
Race 6	LORIMERMAJOR
Race 7	HYDE PARK
Race 8	GRAPHITE STRIDE

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

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