

## STEWARDS REPORT

<b>Club:</b>	Devonport Racing Club
<b>Date:</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
<b>Weather:</b>	Fine
<b>Track Condition:</b>	Synthetic
<b>Penetrometer:</b>	N/A
<b>Rail Position:</b>	True
<b>Stewards Panel:</b>	Michael Castillo (Chair), Gavin Griffin (Panel), Tony Harding (Panel), Brittany Hine (Panel Assist), Allison Norgrove (Back Yard), Ebony Morice-Smith (Front Yard), Janet Ainscow (Swabbing), Ian Bray (Swab Assist)
<b>Officials:</b>	Dr E Bates and Medical Edge (Raceday Medical Providers); Dr J McKenna & R Blackwell (Veterinarian); Carol Brydon (Clerk of Scales)

### Riding Changes / Jockey Information

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced by	Reason

### *Comments / Explanations:*

#### **RACE 1 – DR “THE DOC” LESLIE SENDER 3YO & UPWARDS MAIDEN – (1150 METRES)**

**FOREIGN LEGION** – Declared a late scratching at 2:26pm on veterinary advice after undergoing a pre-race veterinary examination behind the barriers at the rider's request and being found as lame in the near foreleg. Trainer B Campbell was advised that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the gelding racing or trialling again.

On the announcement of correct weight Stewards ordered that all monies invested on the gelding be refunded, with the following deductions to apply to all successful wagers placed prior to 2:26pm.

Stewards ordered that the following deductions would apply:

1st – WHIPPIN PICADILLY - 19c Win 4c Place

2nd – CAUGHT ALIGHT- 4c place

3rd – KISSED BY MIST - 4c place.

All monies bet after the withdrawal to be paid at face value of the tickets.

**I'M CHEV** – Had a tendency to lay outwards over the concluding stages.

**RAPIDS AHEAD** – Slow into stride.

**KASIHKU** – Slow into stride.

**LOVES THE TRIP** – Momentarily held up in the early stages of the home straight, before shifting inwards to obtain a clear run.

**PURR SEFANEE** – Had a tendency to over race in the early and middle stages.

**WHIPPIN PICCADILLY** – Raced three wide throughout. Had a tendency to shift in under pressure in the home straight.

**KISSED BY MIST** – Had a tendency to lay inwards when being struck with the whip over the concluding stages, resulting in the rider having to stop and straighten the filly.

### **RACE 2 – RJ (SNOW) & NK AYLETT MEMORIAL CLASS 1 HANDICAP – (1009 METRES)**

**GLORY MISSION** – Held up momentarily rounding the home turn. Laid in under pressure in the home straight.

**ADA WAY** – Jumped awkwardly. Following the running of the event Rider App C Wells was harmlessly dislodged on pulling up. Apprentice C Wells was examined and passed fit to fulfil her remaining riding engagements by Medical Edge.

**DADANDHISGIRLS** – Had a tendency to lay out, particularly in the early stages.

**PRIVATE STROM** – Raced wide throughout.

**PHERE THE GIRLS** – Had a tendency to over race.

**CAPABELLE** – Became fractious in the barriers. On returning to the scales, rider L Annells reported that she felt the mare did not handle today's track conditions. Underwent a post race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

**WORTH TRYING** – Slow into stride. Stewards granted permission for rider M Ulucinar to ride 1/2kg over the allotted minimum weight of 54kg.

### **RACE 3 – LADBROKE IT! MAIDEN/CLASS 1 – (1650 METRES)**

**KICKPASS** – Jumped inwards at the start, bumping with MR SHUSH.

**LIKEAKALIX** – Delayed the start due to rider B Muchu having to adjust some gear after the gelding became fractious in the barriers. Had a tendency to over race in the early stages. Stewards spoke to trainer L Gaffney in relation to the barrier manners of the gelding. Trainer Gaffney advised stewards that she would attempt to try to further improve the gelding's manners before its next race start, and would also add some pre-race gear in an endeavour to improve its barrier manners.

**AFFAIR OF THE HEART** – Fractious in the barriers. Jumped inwards at the start.

**SON GOKU** – Slow into stride. Raced wide from around the 1000m. Brushed with MISS PRIVATE turning off the back straight.

**MR SHUSH** – Jumped outwards at the start, brushing the outside barrier partition, before bumping with KICKPASS shortly thereafter. Had a tendency to over race in the early stages. During the latter stages of the home straight on the first occasion, shifted out when over-racing to avoid the heels of AFFAIROFTHEHEART, causing MISS PRIVATE to be steadied by its rider.

**MISS PRIVATE** – Stewards granted permission for rider H McCarthy to ride 1/2kg over the allotted weight. Raced fiercely leaving the home straight on the first occasion, resulting in rider H McCarthy checking off the heels of MR SHUSH. Proceeded to over race for a short distance following this incident. Brushed with SON GOKU turning off the back straight.

**ALPINE TROUT** – Fractious in the barriers. Had a tendency to over race entering the back straight.

Following the running of this event, Stewards spoke with Tasracing track representatives, as well as starter J Evans, in company of senior jockeys, H McCarthy, A Darmanin and C Jordan, in relation to the kickback of the track which was evident during the first three events. It was agreed that the surface was quite dry and powdery particularly on the inside section as it was hot and humid weather conditions. Following a discussion, Tas Racing track representatives suggested to run the gallop-master around as much of the track as time permits following the completion of race 4 to try and help the reduction of the track surface kickback. This process was undertaken by the Tas Racing staff.

### **RACE 4 – MICK SIMS MEMORIAL - CLASS 1 HANDICAP – (1350 METRES)**

**WICKHAM LIGHT** – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the gelding to be in respiratory distress. Wickam Light was attended to by the club's veterinary surgeon who was able to stabilise the gelding. Stewards will follow up with the trainer on the condition of the gelding on the return to his stables.

**GEE GEES MOONLITE** – After discussion with trainer representative S Brunton, and assessing all other senior riders without engagements, stewards acceded to the request to allow apprentice L Bingey to take the ride on the mare due to no other suitable riders being available. However, specified that no weight should be claimed, and the full allocation of 55.5 kg be carried.

**NIGHT INVADER** – Declared a late scratching at 4:19pm after refusing to load into the barriers. Trainer B Campbell was advised that the filly would be stood down to two consecutive satisfactory trials before racing again after taking into consideration the previous barrier manners of the filly.

On the announcement of correct weight, Stewards ordered that all monies invested on the gelding be refunded, with the following deductions to apply to all successful wagers placed prior to 4:19pm.

Stewards ordered that the following deductions would apply:

1st – ES AND ES 10c Win 2c Place

2nd – CARNELIAN ROCK 2c place

3rd – GEE GEES MOONLIGHT 2c place.

All monies bet after the withdrawal to be paid at face value of the tickets.

**SYRUP** – Had a tendency to over race in the middle stages.

**LOVE NEST** – Stewards granted permission for rider D Pires to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight. Had a tendency to over race. Raced wide throughout.

**VANITY STAR** – Slow to begin.

**EMMJAY** – Stewards granted permission for rider M Ulucinar to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight of 54 kg. Held up in the early parts of the home turn, and as a result shifted in off the heels of CAPE ZORRO to obtain clear running room.

### **RACE 5 – AJ & NM SKIRVING MEMORIAL BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP – (1150 METRES)**

**ALTAI RANGER (NZ)** – Had a tendency to over race when being restrained in the early stages. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities. Stewards spoke to trainer G Stevenson in relation to the below market performance of the gelding, who reported, he was disappointed with the performance and will be discussing the gelding's future racing in his stable with connections going forward.

**ETHICAL DILEMMA** – Raced wide throughout.

**GEEGEES CITY BOY** – Carried wider in the home straight by AGNETE.

**AGNETE** – Fractious in the barriers. Shifted out under pressure in the home straight.

**KIREINA MARUBRAH** – Had a tendency to over race in the early stages.

**SUNSHINE MOSHE** – Had a tendency to over race in the middle stages and was held up in the early part of the home straight.

**VOLKANOVSKI** – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination behind the barriers at the riders request and was passed fit to take its place in the field. Shifted out abruptly in the early stages of the home straight.

**DOONICAN (IRE)** – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination at stewards' request and was passed fit to take its place in the field. Became fractious in the barriers, a warning has been placed on the barrier manners of the gelding.

### **RACE 6 – THAI IMPERIAL BENCHMARK 76 HANDICAP – (1009 METRES)**

**TSUNAMI SAM (NZ)** – Bumped with ARUMA on jumping.

**SEYDOUX** – Raced three wide throughout.

**STONE COLD STUNNER** – Slow to muster early speed.

**PHILOSOPHERS STONE** – Stewards spoke to rider C Jordan in relation to allowing her mount to shift out in the home straight, causing BOLD INSTINCT to shift inwards to obtain clear running room. C Jordan was reminded of her obligation to ensure her mounts remain straight in the run to the finish.

**BOLD INSTINCT** – Momentarily held up for a clear run at about the 150 metres behind PHILOSOPHERS STONE, which had shifted out slightly to improve. Had to shift inwards to obtain clear running room over the concluding stages.

**ARUMA** – Bumped with TSUNAMI SAM (NZ) on jumping. Shifted in under pressure in the concluding stages.

### **RACE 7 – KEVIN SHARKIE SHEFFIELD CUP – (1650 METRES)**

**FIRST ACCUSED** – Over raced in the early stages. Shifted out under pressure in the home straight.

**SWOOP DOG** – Bumped with ASVA (NZ) at the start of the home straight.

**ASHY BOY** – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities. Trainer G Stevenson reported he was at a loss to explain the performance however he said he would advise stewards of any abnormalities with the gelding upon returning to the stable in the coming days.

**RISING LIGHT** – Stewards granted permission for rider D Pires to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight of 54 kg. Underwent a post race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**ASVA (NZ)** – Bumped with SWOOP DOG at the start of the home straight.

**THE SPIRIT OF ZERO** – Over raced leaving the front straight on the first occasion. Shifted out under pressure in the early stages of the home straight, carrying MYWORDIS wider.

**MYWORDIS** – Stewards granted permission for rider M Ulucinar to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight of 54 kg. Carried wider in the early stages of the home straight.

Rider M Ulucinar reported on returning to scales that the packing under his saddle had been placed too far forward and had become loose. As a result, he was hesitant to ride his mount out fully, due to using one hand to stabilise his packing as he felt that if the packing had fallen out, his saddle would then be at risk of slipping and him becoming dislodged.

Stewards spoke to both rider M Ulucinar, and trainer D Tyson in relation to the matter. After discussing the matter, stewards reminded rider M Ulucinar of his obligation to report such matters before the race, and to ensure he ask for his saddle to be re fitted behind the barriers if he is not happy with any gear in the future. Trainer D Tyson was also reminded of his obligations to ensure that horses are saddled correctly in future.

### **RACE 8 – G.A. “JOE” MASON MEMORIAL BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP – (1880 METRES)**

**WELDBOROUGH** – Raced fiercely in the early and middle stages and had to restrain off heels entering the back straight and at the 700m. Had a tendency to lay in over the concluding stages of the event.

**BLONDE SUSPECT** – Raced three wide throughout.

**NOBL EXCEPTION** – Had a tendency to over race in the early stages. Raced three wide from the 800 metres.

**LI'L HAIL MARY** – Held up for a clear run at the 150m and shifted out to gain a clear run.

**BIG JOHN** – Raced fiercely in the early and middle stages.

<b>SWAB SAMPLES</b>	
<b>Pre-race blood samples:</b>	R2 – Private Storm R3 – Tuskegee R5 – Intisar R7 – General Assembly, Exalted Crown
<b>Post-race samples:</b>	R1 – Foreign Legion, Whippin Piccadilly R2 – Glory Mission R3 – Tuskegee R4 – Es And Es R5 – Geegees City Boy R6 – Aruma R7 – General Assembly R8 – Noble Exception
<b>Suspensions:</b>	-
<b>Fines:</b>	-
<b>Reprimands:</b>	-
<b>Horse Warnings:</b>	Likeakalix – Barrier Manners Doonican – Barrier Manners
<b>Required to Trial:</b>	Night Invader – 2 consecutive trials.
<b>Adjourned Inquiries:</b>	-
<b>Vet Cert Required:</b>	Foreign Legion
<b>Follow-up required:</b>	-
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	-

## **ADDENDUM**

*The Steward's report as posted is provisional and subject to further review and amendment.*

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