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STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	BURNIE PACING CLUB	
DATE	Friday 28 th February 2025	
WEATHER	Fine	
TRACK	Good	
STEWARDS PANEL	CHAIR	N Finnigan
	PANEL	B Hine (Data) M Castillo
	CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	E Morice-Smith G Griffin
	SWAB	R Brown
	STARTER	A Emery
	VETERNARIAN	Dr G Kaiser
	MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

General:

RACE 1 – PACE STAKES – 2180m Stand

WHERE YA BIN NZ – Excluded from the barrier draw in future standing start events after failing to begin in the required manner.

TOP HANOVER – Slow to muster speed after the start.

ALBERIO – Stepped away well to lead, withstood an early challenge for this position be SUNSHINE SAINT.

SMOOTH DEAL NZ - Excluded from the barrier draw in future standing start events after failing to begin in the required manner.

NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ – Checked after the start when WHERE YA BIN NZ and TOP HANOVER were slow away.

SUNSHINE SAINT – Began well from its 10m handicap, unsuccessfully challenging for the lead after 300 metres. Over-raced and pulled hard in the middle stages of the event. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary Examination. On Examination no obvious abnormalities were detected.

***General:** Stewards questioned driver D Ford over the performance of SUNSHINE SAINT. Driver Ford stated that after beginning well, he initially sort to follow SMOOTH DEAL NZ which is usually a good beginner, however once that gelding broke gait, and continued to do so for some time, he was obliged to leave this position. Driver Ford added SUNSHINE SAINT is not suited racing outside the leader as it can either over-race or wind-suck and drop the bit, as it did in this event. Driver Ford further stated that after being unsuccessful with his challenge for the lead he attempted to restrain to a trailing position, however this did not come to fruition. Stewards noted the evidence as tendered.*

RACE 2 – PACE STAKES – 1892m Stand

MY ULTIMATE JACKO – Slow to muster speed when the strands were released and on moving away paced roughly for a few strides.

LOU LOUS ALLGOLD – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in future standing start events after failing to begin in the required manner.

ONE OF THE LADS – Shifted in leaving the front straight on the first occasion resulting in its sulky wheel contacting markers.

***General:** Driver N Ford was questioned regarding WHATTA GOOD REASON striking its sulky wheels with its hind legs. Driver Ford stated that WHATTA GOOD REASON had not done so at its recent starts on the larger tracks. Nonetheless, Stewards instructed driver Ford to set up his sulky so as this does not occur, reminding him, in accordance with AHR Rule 170(3), the onus is on him to affix the sulky so as the horse does not kick the sulky.*

RACE 3 – PACE STAKES – 2180m Mobile

CE PE THREE – Excluded from the barrier draw in races conducted under mobile start conditions after breaking gait, free of interference, shortly after the start. Stood down from racing until satisfactorily completing two(2) consecutive qualifying trials after performing poorly, beaten in excess of 100 metres. Stewards in issuing this embargo were mindful CE PE THREE had been stood down at its most recent start, also for a poor performance.

HAZEWILLREV – Shifted in whilst leading on the final turn, resulting in its sulky wheel striking markers.

HORRIE OTARA – Placed on its last chance to race competitively after giving ground over the concluding stages, beaten in excess of 50 metres.

***General:** The 'all-clear' was delayed allowing Stewards to review racing on the final turn. On review, although contacting markers, Stewards deemed that even though HAZEWILLREV's sulky struck markers, the placings were not effected, and as such Stewards declared 'all-clear' on the judge's numbers. Driver G Rattray was subsequently reprimanded for failing to keep HAZEWILLREV from shifting in, thereby resulting in markers being struck [AHR Rule 163(1)(c)(ii)].*

RACE 4 – PACE STAKES – 1892m 2180m Mobile

TASHS MATE – Hung in on entering the home straight on the first occasion.

LALIBELA NZ - Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference near the 1400.

SOULWRITER – Tightened for racing room on entering the home straight on the first occasion when TASHS MATE hung in.

KIAVINO STRIDE – Checked and broke gait midway through the final turn.

***General:** Driver L Dakin pled guilty to a charge of driving causing interference through his movement wider on the track on the final turn causing KAVINO STRIDE to be tightened for racing room resulting in that gelding breaking gait. Stewards on hearing from driver Dakin with penalty submissions, suspended his licence to drive for two(2) Tasmanian Race Dates. At the request of driver Dakin, Stewards stayed the imposition of penalty until he completes his driving engagements on Sunday 3rd March, 2025 [AHR Rule 163(1)(a)(iii)].*

RACE 5 – PACE STAKES – 1892m 2180m Mobile

OOPSWILLREV – Started \$1.85 favorite. Under pressure from the 1000 when racing in the lead. Gave ground to be beaten 57.1 metres. Stewards had planned to speak with trainer Craig Hayes on the night, however as that did not eventuate, they plan to speak with him in the ensuing days.

JACK JAMES – Subjected to a post-race Veterinary Examination for precautionary reasons as the gelding appeared to walk off the track after the race awkwardly. On Examination no obvious abnormalities were detected.

CINOCAL JAMANE – Tended to over-race and hang in at times.

***General:** Stewards questioned driver M Ford, regarding the tactics he adopted from the 1000 metres, when racing outside the leader OOSWILLREV, he drove his horse SWIMINTHERIVER NZ forward looking for the lead. Driver Ford stated that at that point of the race he realized the leader was under pressure and felt the lead was a distinct possibility, and as such he pushed forward in an attempt to lead and thereby dictate the terms of the race. Driver G Rattray (OOPSWILLREV) resisted this challenge leaving SWIMINTHERIVER NZ leading the one-out line.*

***General:** Stewards questioned trainer Paul Carlson regarding the improved performance of SWEET AMOUR. Trainer Carlson explained that he had been experiencing difficulties with SWEET AMOUR hitting its knee badly and has over time taken steps to have corrective shoeing and allowed the hoof to grow out thereby having more toe. These steps seem to have improved the knee striking issue, with trainer Carlson happy with the fact that in tonight's event, after inspection of her knee boots, SWEET AMOUR appears to have only brushed her boots. Trainer Carlson added the treatment will be ongoing and as such he expects SWEET AMOUR to continue to race competitively.*

RACE 6 – PACE STAKES – 1892m 2180m Mobile

***General:** SOUTHPAW SLUGGER was examined by the club Veterinary Surgeon at the completion of its preliminary, on inspection Dr Kaiser found the off-side rein burr had caused an abrasion to the gelding's neck, after consultation with Dr Kaiser, permission was granted for the rein burr on SOUTHPAW SLUGGER to be reversed so as the burr itself was not against the neck off the gelding. This permission was given for precautionary reasons as SOUTHPAW SLUGGER in recent starts it has been difficult for the driver to keep the gelding straight.*

PARK LANE - Placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

SOUTPAW SLUGGER - Placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

GRINNING AGAIN – Raced rough and shifted wide after the start.

MONTANA LAD – Checked after the start. Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference near the 1500.

GOTTAHAVEAHOBBIE - Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after satisfying re-inclusion requirements.

General: *Stewards questioned J White and D Ford, trainer representatives for Tammy Langley regarding the neck abrasion to SOUTHPAW SLUGGER caused by the wearing of a solid off-side rein burr. Mr Ford acknowledged it was his responsibility on this occasion as he had packed the gear for SOUTHPAW SLUGGER and fixed the rein burr to the rein. Stewards, after hearing from Mr Ford over the circumstances surrounding the abrasion and how it came to be, which included the stressing that the burr worn is approved gear, Stewards charged Mr Ford for inflicting suffering to SOUTHPAW SLUGGER by the use of a rein burr that sharp enough to cause a significant abrasion to the gelding's neck. Mr Ford pled not guilty, however Stewards felt they could sustain the charge and as such found Mr Ford guilty as charged. Stewards, after hearing submissions on penalty, issued Mr Ford a fully suspended \$500 fine pending any further breaches of this kind for a period of twelve(12) months. Further, Stewards acting under Veterinary advice instructed Mr Ford not to start SOUTHPAW SLUGGER again until the abrasion has fully healed [AHR Rule 213(a)].*

RACE 7 – PACE STAKES – 1892m 2180m Mobile

JUST FOLLOW ME – Fractious behind the barrier strands, delaying the start for a short time. Raced rough at times.

BELIEVE IN FOREVER – placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

DAZZLE ME NZ – Will continue to be excluded from the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

BOLD CENTURIAN – Will continue to be excluded from the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

SHARMEY – Will continue to be excluded from the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

COLBY SANZ – Began well from its 20m handicap, but held up by runners drawn ahead which were tardy away. Raced wide, progressing forward approaching the 1700 and momentarily raced rough moments before crossing to lead the one-out line. Under pressure leaving the home straight after the bell. Eased wider by another runner near the 500.

General: *Stewards intend to question driver K Williams as to it came about that his right foot came away from its footrest after passing the winning post with one lap remaining*

RACE 8 – SPACE STAKES – 1892m 2180m Mobile

COOLANDCOLLECT – Excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile start events after breaking gait shortly after the start.

JUST JAYDO – Broke gait near the 1500. The benefit of the doubt was given to JUST JAYDO based on the horse's record and the fact it carried broken gear, that being a near-side connecting strap. Failed to secure clear running over the concluding stages.

Supplementary Reports: –

LETS GO LUCYLOU – Race3 Tasmanian Trotting Club – Friday 21 February 2025

Stewards were contacted by trainer Paul Ashwood regarding LETS GO LUCYLOU after its below par performance on Friday 21 February. Trainer Ashwood confirmed the connections disappointment with the mare, stating that on returning to his stables LETS GO LUCYLOU had eaten up well and shown no tell tail signs that could help explain the performance. Trainer Ashwood further explained the connections feel that the best option for LETS GO LUCYLOU is to give the mare a let-up.

ENSTEIN -Race 8 Launceston Pacing Club – Sunday 23 February 2025

Stewards contacted trainer Claire MacDonald inquiring on how ENSTEIN had pulled up after its disappointing performance on Sunday 23 February. Trainer MacDonald was at a loss to explain the below par performance adding that on returning home, ENSTEIN had shown no adverse signs, behaving as usual and eating up well. Trainer MacDonald added

that she intends to have some Veterinary work carried out on ENSTEIN and her intension would be to give the gelding a short break before returning to racing.

Brodie Davis – Race 3 Carrick Park Pacing Club – Sunday 16 February

On Sunday 23 February 2025, Stewards questioned driver Brodie Davis regarding the positioning of his left foot over the final 300 metres of the race. Stewards noted on review that driver Davis had repositioned his foot on the footrest passing the 300 with just his toe on the rest with his heel hanging lower than in the usual position where he had placed his foot until this point. Driver Davis stated that his foot had slipped to this position and being comfortable he did not feel the need to return it to its normal position. Driver Davis added that this was not his usual sulky as it was off being repaired and that the footrest was slightly longer than he would have liked but felt it would be suitable. In hindsight Driver Davis stated he needed to adjust the footrest into a suitable position, ensuring Stewards that he would not place himself in this position again. Stewards based on driver Davis's reassurance and his driving record, took no action other than to note the circumstances and the evidence as tendered.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS:	4	Dakin L; Interference – Two(2) Tasmanian Race Dates	163(1)(a)(iii)
FINES:	6	Ford D; Inflict Suffering to Horse - \$500 fully suspended	213(a)
REPRIMANDS:	3	Ratray G; Contact Marker – CMP	163(1)(c)(ii)
HORSE ACTIONS:	1	WHERE YA BIN NZ; Galloped Away at Start – ODS	
	1	SMOOTH DEAL NZ; Galloped Excessively After Start – ODS	
	3	CE PE THREE; Broke Gait after Start – ODM	
	3	CE PE THREE; Poor Performance – Stood Down 2 Trials	
	5	OOPSWILLREV; Poor performance – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	8	COOLANDCOLLECT; Broke Gait after Start – ODM	
PRE-RACE SWABS: 5	2	ONEOFHELADS	
	3	HAZEWILLREV	
	4	CLIFFHANGER	
	5	SWIMINTHERIVER	

	8	KOSTYUK LEIS	
POST RACE SWABS: 8		ALL WINNERS	
POST RACE TCO2:		NIL	
FOLLOW UPS:	5	OOPSWILLREV – Craig HAYES	
	7	Kayleb WILLIAMS – Drop foot	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:		NIL	

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