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STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	CARRICK PARK PACING CLUB	
DATE	Sunday 9 th March 2025	
WEATHER	Fine	
TRACK	Good	
STEWARDS PANEL CHAIR	N Finnigan	
PANEL	R Brown B Hine	
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	C Ellson D Luttrell	
SWAB	R Simpson	
STARTER	A Emery	
VETERNARIAN	Dr M Fitzgerald	
MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge	

RACE 1 - LADBROKES RACING CLUB STAKES - 1670m Mobile

CALL ME JOSIE – First registered race start. Gave ground in the concluding stages of the event to be beaten in excess of 70 metres.

DANCINWIVJOLENE – Hung in at various points throughout the event, contacting marker pegs.

TERESA DILLON – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start condition after satisfying re-inclusion requirements.

STEPUPNDANCE – First registered race start. Raced roughly and broke gait heading out of the back straight on the first occasion. Raced greenly throughout the event. Turning into the home straight on the final occasion, raced intractably up onto the back of ILLTELLYOUSUMTHING, and when checked by its driver, broke gait for the second time. On questioning, driver M Ford stated STEPUPNDANCE did not handle the track, striking its knee at times, resulting in the mare racing roughly. Stewards advised connections the mare would be stood down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial.

General: Stewards questioned trainer's representative, P Ford, over the performance of the winner A SHADOW OF DOUBT. Mr Ford explained connections have been happy with A SHADOW OF DOUBT since joining their stable and expected a strong performance today as leading up to today's race, the gelding has trialed and worked well at home.

RACE 2 - DAKIN REFRIGERATION PACE - 2150m Mobile

NIKITA JO – First registered race start. Inconvenienced at near the 600 metres by other runners locking wheels.

CINCINNATI – Tired from the 900 metres to be beaten in excess of 630 metres.

Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

Trainer N Rattray indicated CINCINNATI may have had an issue with its tongue. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard and as such stood CINCINNATI down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial.

KOSTYUK LEIS – Shifted out momentarily near the 600, despite the efforts of its driver, and locked wheels with FAMILY REASONS.

BUMPY J NZ – Worked forward from the 1200 metres to lead the event. Gave ground over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 67 metres. When questioned, driver N Ford stated he had elected to work the gelding forward due to the slowing tempo, initially satisfied to lead the one-out line however after working into that position, he was able to progress on to lead the event without challenge. He further stated his intentions were to ease the tempo, however upon realising runners behind had locked wheels, he elected to keep the tempo up, making the field chase. Driver Ford finally

added that BUMPY J NZ did run up to its usual standard, acknowledging his competitors on this occasion were simply too good. Stewards noted driver Ford's explanation, reminding him of his obligations of driving his respective horses within their capabilities.

ULTIMATE MOD – Inconvenienced near the 600 when other runners locked wheels.

FAMILY REASONS – Locked wheels with KOSTYUK LEIS at near the 600 metres, when that horse shifted ground.

SPORTY CHICK – Inconvenienced near the 600 when other runners locked wheels.

RACE 3 - WESTWOOD QUARRY PACE - 2150m Mobile

KINGOFTHEKLONDIKE – Raced wide in the early stages of the event, before progressing forward to lead the one wide line.

JUST JAYDO – Pulled hard and over-raced during the event. Contacted marker pegs rounding the home turn.

NANCESTIGER – Hung in rounding the home turn on the final occasion.

COOLANDCOLLECT – Shifted ground under pressure during the run to the finish.

RACE 4 - COACTIVE BUILDING DESIGN STAKES - 2150m Mobile

EMER – Contacted marker pegs turning into the home straight on the final occasion.

TASHS MATE – Raced roughly in the home straight while shifting ground between other runners, in an attempt to gain clear racing room.

General: The 'All Clear' was delayed due to an issue with the photo finish, with judges requiring to view the official patrol films to confirm placings.

General: Driver D Ford was reprimanded for failing to have MIDNIGHT DANCER in position at the start of the event [AHR Rule 162(1)(h)].

General: Driver D Ford was fined \$400 for the unapproved manner he used his whip in the

run to the finish [AHR Rule156(2)(a)].

General: Driver R Duggan was reprimanded for allowing his horse to shift inside marker pegs turning into the home straight [AHR Rule163(1)(c)(i)]

General: Driver J Walters was reminded of his obligations in regard to whip use.

General: Trainer's representative B Fidler was fined \$100 for presenting KIAVINO STRIDE to race not wearing a Throat Lash. In assessing penalty, Stewards were mindful that Mr Fidler had been spoken to regarding this in the previous race [AHR Rule 273(3)(c)].

RACE 5 - JAYTRIC LOGISTICS STAKES - 2150m Mobile

NORBET – Contacted marker pegs turning into the home straight.

SOUTHPAW SLUGGER – Underwent a veterinary examination prior to racing and was passed fit to run. Hung in during the score up of the event, and broke gait shorty after the start. SOUTHPAW SLUGGER will be placed out of the draw in future mobile events. Caught wide after the start, and restrained into a position at the rear of the field.

MACH ANGELO - Worked forward in the middle stages of the event to lead the one wide line. Pulled hard at various stages. Stewards opened an inquiry into the tactics adopted by driver N Ford, to be reconvened at a later date.

JUMPING JOLT - Tired in the concluding stages of the event to be beaten in excess of 105 metres. JUMPING JOLT will subsequently be stood down to one (1) satisfactory trial before racing again.

GRINNING AGAIN – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start condition after satisfying re-inclusion requirements.

General: Stewards opened an inquiry into the driving tactics adopted on MACH ANGELO by driver Nathan Ford. Stewards after taking initial evidence adjourned the inquiry for a date to be fixed. This adjournment will allow Stewards the opportunity to confirm or otherwise evidence tendered, as well as review betting and racing trends.

RACE 6 - TTMI & CASE IH PACE - 2150m Mobile

JACKSON NEPTUNE – Hung out during the home straight in the run to the finish for which a warning was issued.

SETTEBELLO – Brushed a marker peg when obtaining an inside run, in the run to the finish when JACKSON NEPTUNE shifted ground marginally.

General: Driver G Jones was reprimanded for failing to have LOYOLA TRIOS in position at the start of the event [AHR Rule 162(1)(h)].

RACE 7 - PAGE TRANSPORT CARRICK CUP - 2650m Stand

ROCKANDAHARDPLACE – Contacted marker pegs late on the final turn when under pressure.

MR BONDI NZ – Placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

MAGIC JOE – Fractious before the start, rearing multiple times and galloping away when the start was effected. Excluded from the barrier out of the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

JORGE STREET – Delayed the start by approximately one(1) minute due to an issue with hopple shorteners. Pulled hard at various stages during the event.

TRIPPLE VINNIES - Placed on it's last chance in standing start draws after failing to begin in the required manner. Checked by the tiring WINDY HANOVER, and as a result raced roughly for a number of strides. Raced roughly again, when placed under pressure in the home straight.

BOLD CENTURIAN – Inconvenienced by the tiring WINDY HANOVER.

RUBINS PLIGHT – Inconvenienced by the tiring WINDY HANOVER.

WINDY HANOVER – Under pressure approaching the back straight on the final occasion giving ground, to be beaten in excess of 210 metres. Subjected to a post-race veterinary examination, which revealed no obvious abnormalities. Stewards deemed the

performance below the required standard and as such stood WINDY HANOVER down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial. Trainer R Hillier informed Stewards that WINDY HANOVER will be returned to connections.

General: Driver M Ford was fined \$200 for crossing his reins and raising his whip in a celebratory gesture over the concluding stages of this event. [AHR Rule 163A(1)]

General: At a post-race inquiry, it was confirmed that late on the final turn, TRIPLE VINNIES raced roughly whilst in restricted room, due to a number of contributing factors.

RACE 8 - KIOSK LADIES APPRECIATION - 2150m Mobile

MADDIS TIGER NZ – Inconvenienced by the galloping SHADY AZZ.

ANDAMAN BAY – Subjected to a post-race veterinary examination which revealed significant rubs to both knees, consistent with knee-boot rub marks.

LETGOBRO – Contacted marker pegs turning into the home straight.

SHADY AZZ – Raced roughly after the start was affected. Broke gait leaving the home straight on the first occasion. SHADY AZZ will consequently be stood down for two (2) consecutive trials. Stewards in imposing the embargo were mindful SHADY AZZ was returning to racing after being stood down for breaking gait.

RACKETEERS BOY NZ – Inconvenienced by the galloping SHADY AZZ. Contacted marker pegs turning into the home straight.

NATIONAL NEWS – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start condition after satisfying re-inclusion requirements.

RACE 9 - WILSON HOMES PACE - 1670m Mobile

STIR ME UP – Sulky contacted by DENNY NZ. Disappointed for clear running in the early stages of the home straight for the run to the finish.

ONEHANDONEBOUNCE – Over-raced at times during the event.

BETTER EXCLUSIVE NZ – Over-raced and pulled hard at times during the event.

DENNY NZ – Contacted the sulky of STIR ME UP early on the first turn when the pace of the race slackened.

Supplementary – Dylan Ford – KENYA NZ – Launceston Pacing Club 23rd Feb 2025

Stewards concluded their inquiry into the tactics adopted by driver Dylan Ford on KENYA NZ in Race 8, the Ladbrokes Blackbook pace, held at the Launceston Pacing Club on Sunday 23^{rd} February 2025. Stewards were concerned with the way driver Ford drove in the middle stages of the race, where after working wide to be positioned leading the one-out line, rather than sit up with the gelding, he allowed KENYA NZ to race up, applying some pressure to the leader BLACKBIRD MISS. Although of the belief driver Ford erred, Stewards were not convinced however to the level of culpability where a charge could be sustained. As such, Stewards took no action other than to note the circumstances, driver Ford's evidence and to remind him that he should endeavor, at all times, to drive in a manner that does not leave it to question.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS:		NIL	
FINES:	4	Fidler B; Present KIAVINO STRIDE to Race Without Throat Lash – \$100	273(3)(c)
	4	Ford D; Unapproved Whip – \$400	156(2)(a)
	7	Ford M; Cross Reins and Raise Whip in Celebration – \$200	163A(1)
REPRIMANDS:	4	Duggan R; Contact Markers	163(1)(c)(i)
	4	Ford D; Fail to come up into Position for the Start	162(1)(h)
	6	Jones G; Fail to come up into Position for the Start	162(1)(h)
HORSE ACTIONS:	1	STEPUPNDANCE; Stood Down 1 Trial – Broke x 2	
	1	TERESA DILLON; Back in Mobile Draw – BMD	
	2	CINCINNATI; Stood Down 1 Trial – Unacceptable performance	

	5	SOUTHPAW SLUGGER; Broke After Start – ODM
	5	JUMPING JOLT; Stood Down 1 Trial – Unacceptable performance
	5	GRINNING AGAIN NZ; Back in Mobile Draw – BMD
	7	MAGIC JOE; Fractious behind Barrier Strands, Galloped Out – ODS
	7	WINDY HANOVER; Stood Down 1 Trial – Unacceptable performance
	8	NATIONAL NEWS NZ; Back in Mobile Draw – BMD
PRE-RACE SWABS:	1	A SHADOW OF DOUBT
	3	SMOKESCREEN
	5	SWIMINTHERIVER NZ
	7	HAZEWILLREV
	7	MR BONDI NZ
	7	TRIPLE VINNIES
	9	ONEHANDONEBOUNCE
POST RACE SWABS:	10	ALL WINNERS & Runner Up Race 7
POST RACE TCO2:		NIL
FOLLOW UPS:		NIL
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:	5	MACH ANGELO – Nathan Ford

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