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STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB	
DATE	22 nd March 2025	
WEATHER	Overcast	
TRACK	Good	
STEWARDS PANEL	CHAIR	N Finnigan
	PANEL	R Brown C Ellson (Data)
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	G Griffin	R Simpson
	SWAB	A McDermott I Bray M McCarthy (Cadet)
	STARTER	A Emery
	VETERNARIAN	Dr M Buckerfield Dr B Jackson
	MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

RACE 1 – SMITHAWARDS PACE – 1609m Mobile

BELIEVE IN FOREVER – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference on straightening for the run to the finish.

DIAMONDSNBLEUE – Caught wide early. Unsuccessful when challenging for a mid-field trailing position near the 1300, subsequently restrained to a rearward trailing position.

ASHANTE QUEEN – Momentarily raced rough on entering the back straight near the 800.

KARALTA ARTEMIS – Inconvenienced and raced rough near the 1300 when contesting a position with DIAMONDSNBLUE.

SWEET DIXIE – Raced on one rein, hanging in on straightening for the run to the finish.

RACE 2 – HENRY PULLEN MEMORIAL – 1609m Mobile

PHOTO FIRST – Contacted its own sulky wheel with its hind legs rounding the first turn.

MIKISPUR – Gave ground over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 60 metres, with an individual time of 2:00.1. A post-race Veterinary examination failed to detect any abnormalities.

RACE 3 – TASMANIAN LABOR ERIC REECE MEMORIAL – 2090m Mobile

DARE TO MOVE – Gave ground over the final stages, beaten in excess of 60 metres, with an individual time of 2:03.6.

PREPARATION – First registered race start.

General: Trainer P Hill was reprimanded for failing to adhere to a Stewards directive by failing to disclose tactics for his multiple runners prior to the race [AHR Rule 238].

RACE 4 – JANE ELLEN FINAL – 2090m Mobile

OUR WILLOW – Gave ground to be beaten in excess of 90 metres. As the filly has had repeated warnings, OUR WILLOW will be required to trial satisfactorily before returning to racing.

ARK MELODY – Issued with a warning for giving ground, Stewards in issuing the warning were mindful that although beaten in excess of 70 metres, ARK MELODY recorded an individual mile rate of 2:01.5.

ISLA ATHENA – Under pressure 500 metres from the finish, beaten in excess of 50 metres. A post-race Veterinary Examination failed to detect any abnormalities. A warning was issued.

STEPUPANDDANCE – Hung in racing into the first turn, resulting in its sulky wheel racing inside markers.

RACE 5 – SINBAD BAY FINAL – 2090m Mobile

IDEN REGAL WAVE – Performed well below the required standard, beaten in excess of 250 metres. On questioning trainer C Salter could offer no excuses for IDEN REGAL WAVE, indicating he would most likely look to spell the gelding. Stewards subsequently stood IDEN REGAL WAVE down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial.

IDEN OLIVER – Completed the event with a gear malfunction as its bit had slipped through its mouth.

A SHADOW OF DOUBT – Hung out in the back straight on the final occasion, shifting ground. Completed the event with a flat off-side sulky tyre.

NORBET – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference in the final stages of the home straight in the run to the finish.

ZEUS IMMORTAL – Re-assessed from RODM to ODM after satisfying requirements.

General: The 'all clear' was delayed allowing Stewards the opportunity to review the run to the finish, as NORBET had broke gait, free of interference, approaching the 50 metres point. On review Stewards were satisfied driver Rohan Hillier fulfilled his obligations under AHR Rule 154 by immediately restraining NORBET once it broke gait. Further, as a result of driver Hillier's actions no advantage was gained, therefore no breach of AHR Rule 155 occurred. Stewards subsequently declared 'all clear' on the judge's numbers 15-1-6-10-8.

General: Driver R Ashwood was fined \$200 due to the unapproved manner he applied his whip on the winner SERIOUSLY SAM over the concluding stages [AHR Rule 156(2)(a)].

RACE 6 – LIGHT HARNESS TASMANIAN CUP FINAL – 2579m Stand

SHOON – Galloped out and has been placed out of the draw in future standing start events.

PUTARNO STRIDE NZ – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw after failing to begin in the required manner. Inconvenienced passing the 800 as WATERMELON SUGAR NZ gave ground, this incident resulted in the contacting and flattening that gelding's sulky tyre.

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

WATERMELON SUGAR NZ – Unsuccessfully challenged for the lead between the 2100 and 2000. Broke gait, free of interference, when eased, shifting wider resulting in the gelding forced

to race wide for the next 500 metres. Under pressure from the 900 dropping back through the field. Carried a flat tyre from the 800, after being struck, whilst giving ground.

THE CHANCER – Over-raced and pulled hard when WATERMELON SUGAR NZ pressed forward on its outside from the 1800, appearing to settle after that gelding was eased to take a trail near the 1400.

BETTER EXCLUSIVE NZ – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw after failing to begin in the required manner.

THE OLD BOMB NZ – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw after failing to begin in the required manner.

FLEETWOOD ROCK – Re-assessed from RODS to ODS after satisfying requirements.

***General:** Stewards questioned driver N Ford regarding his driving tactics on WATERMELON SUGAR NZ, particularly his decision after breaking gait, and racing wide, he elected to drive the gelding forward to secure a forward position. Driver Ford stated that after challenging for the lead and realising the position was not possible, he initially believed he could ease WATERMELON SUGAR NZ and secure the trailing position behind the leader, however on easing WATERMELON SUGAR NZ, it broke gait and shifted out, resulting in the gelding being left racing three-wide, once this occurred he was left with two options, either pushing forward or restraining to the rear of a twelve(12) horse field. Initially he felt the one-out one-back position was a strong possibility, however FLEETWOOD ROCK was driven forward, holding WATERMELON SUGAR NZ wide, and as he had driven the gelding forward, he felt obliged to continue driving forward in search of the one-out line, which took another 400 metres. Stewards, although with some concerns, took no action other than to note the circumstances, as driver Ford was in some part a victim of circumstance, after WATERMELON SUGAR NZ broke gait, and acknowledged the challenge for the lead was short and reasonable. Stewards did, however, strongly remind driver Ford that he should drive at all times in a manner which does not leave his drive to question.*

RACE 7 – LADBROKES TASMANIAN CUP FINAL (Group 1) – 2579m Stand

ARGGGHHH – Slow to muster speed after the strands were released.

JUST TIGER – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw after failing to begin in the required manner.

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

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

HEZA PUNK ROCKER – Subjected to a precautionary pre-race Veterinary Inspection after pacing roughly and pulling a shoe at its most recent start. On inspection Dr Buckerfield passed HEZA PUNK ROCKER fit to take its place in the field. Stewards questioned connections prior to the event, inquiring into HEZA PUNK ROCKER's condition and training regime leading up to the race. Trainer's representative, B Dornauf, informed Stewards HEZA PUNK ROCKER NZ had shown no signs of any issues since its last performance regarding the lost shoe or in fact any other factors, with the

gelding satisfying all expectations leading up to tonight's race. Mr Dornauf added that he felt HEZA PUNK ROCKER NZ may have been slightly underdone leading up to last week's start and would benefit greatly from it.

MICKEY OH – Stood down from events conducted under standing start conditions after once again delaying the start, being slow to clear the barrier strand behind its starting mark, needing assistance from barrier staff and then failing to begin in the required manner. Raced wide and worked forward after the start before giving ground over the concluding stages. A warning was issued.

MAGICIAN – Inconvenienced after the start by horses drawn ahead failing to begin in the required manner.

STAR MAJOR – Checked after the start by horses drawn ahead failing to begin in the required manner. This resulted in a locking of wheels with THE SHALLOWS.

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***General:** Driver D Ford was fined \$500 for crossing his reins and raising his whip in a celebratory gesture over the concluding stages. Stewards in assessing penalty were mindful of the prestige of the race, being Tasmania's only Group 1 event [AHR Rule 163A(1)].*

RACE 8 – CAVALOR EQUICARE GEORGE JOHNSON FINAL (Listed) – 2090m Mobile

TWILIGHT BONNIE – Raced rough for a few strides after the start. Hung in racing into the first turn.

JO AN JO – Had difficulty in securing clear running over the latter stages of event.

RACE 9 – FEHLBERGS PRODUCE SPRINTLANE PACE – 1609m Mobile

No Racing Incidents

RACE 10 – MOREY'S SPORTS & MUSIC TOURS PACE – 2090m Mobile

No Racing Incidents

Supplementary – Trainer Greg Scott

Following a report from Tasracing, licencee Greg Scott was questioned regarding his conduct whilst in the offices of Tasracing. Mr Scott acknowledged to being upset and stern, but at no point did he feel this was aimed at the Tasracing staff member. Stewards issued Mr Scott with a warning and strongly reminded him of his conduct obligations particularly when dealing with staff.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS: 0		NIL	
FINES: 3	5	ASHWOOD R; Unapproved Whip Use – \$200	156(2)(a)
	7	FORD D; Cross Reins & Raise Whip in Celebratory Manner - \$500	156(3)
	8	HILLIER R; Fail to Come Into Position for Start – \$100	162(1)(h)
REPRIMANDS: 1	3	HILL P; Fail to Adhere to Stewards Directive	238
HORSE ACTIONS: 6	4	OUR WILLOW; Repeated poor performance – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	5	IDEN REGAL WAVE; Unacceptable performance – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	5	ZEUS IMMORTAL; ODM from RODM	
	6	SHOOIN; Fail to Begin in Required Manner – ODS	
	6	JEREMY WELLS; BSD from ODS	
	7	MICKEY OH; Repeated standing Start Indiscretions – Stood Down Standing Starts (1 SS Trial required)	
PRE-RACE SWABS: 64	1	SUE NIEN BELIEVE IN FOR EVER ASHANTE QUEEN ALAPHILIPPE KARALTA ATREMIS SWEET DIXIE DIAMONDSNBLEU SPORTS WRACK	
	2	MANINKY MOONSHINE SHOOBEE SPIRIT GYPSY ARMOUR TREACHEROUS ROCK DEBT TILL WE PART PHOTO FIRST	
	3	HES FIRST CLASS MEL RUSTY KITA PREPARATION NIKITA JO MY MATE LUKE	
	4	ISLA ATHENA MISS DUTTON SABINE BRINGUSJOY LE BETTY SPORTY CHICK	
	5	SERIOUSLY SAM PEANUT SUTTER IDEN OLIVER IDEN REGAL WAVE A SHADOW OF DOUBT	
	6	AMBIGIOUS HURRICANE ROCK PUNTARNO STRIDE NZ THE CHANCER BETTER EXCLUSIVE NZ	
	7	ARGGGHHH MYDADSAID JORGE STREET JUST TIGER OLIVER DAN HOT DEAL COOL WATER PADDY NZ HEZA PUNK ROCKER NZ HELLUVA NZ KEAYANG FITZY MICKEY OH MAGICIAN STAR MAJOR THE SHALLOWS	
	8	TOUGH SHAZ BEAT SWEET REALLY NAUTI EUREKA JO	

	9	SOUTHERN LUCK IDEN BLACK PRINCE BOLD CENTURIAN MYNAMESEVAN MAJOR LESTER COLLECTIVE WORKS	
	10	MADDIS TIGER NZ DE GOEY	
POST RACE SWABS: 10		ALL WINNERS	
POST RACE TCO2:		NIL	
FOLLOW UPS:		NIL	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:		NIL	

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