

CLUB: ST MARYS PACING CLUB

DATE: SATURDAY 1ST JANUARY 2022

TRACK: Good

WEATHER: Fine

STEWARDS:

S SHINN (CHAIRMAN)

R BROWN (PANEL)

B PLUNKETT (PANEL)

C ELLSON (DATA)

D LUTTRELL (INSPECTIONS / BIRDCAGE)

M ROBINSON (SWABS)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR K STEWART

STARTER: A EMERY

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

RACE 1 – HARRIS FUNERALS ST HELENS STAKES – 1810 METRES

BACCARAT – Placed back in the draw in standing start races.

OZZIE MAJOR – Failed to obtain a clear run to the finish - not fully tested.

GOT THE GOODS - Placed back in the draw in standing start races.

COVEFFE HUSTLER – Galloped away, took no competitive part in the race - will continue to be placed out of the draw in standing start races.

RACE 2 – ST HELENS MITRE 10 STAKES – 1810 METRES

JOEY GIRL – Galloped out - placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races. Broke a number three carrier strap with a lap to travel resulting in the mare being retired from the race by its driver. The gear was subsequently examined and found to be of good quality.

SPORTY BEN – Trainer Ms K Butler was fined \$50 under the provisions of AHRR 238 for incorrect colours.

SMILE LYLE – Tired over the concluding stages - no action was taken due to this race being contested on a grass track.

THE DEAL – Galloped away - will continue to be placed out of the draw in standing start races.

RACE 3 – GAZZMAN ST HELENS STAKES – 1810 METRES

TOP HANOVER – Galloped out - placed out of the draw in standing start races. Three-wide one back from the 800 metres. Gave ground over the concluding stages.

ONEOFTHELADS – Commenced a three-wide run from midfield near the 800 metres.

PROFICIENT NZ - Led the one wide line for the first 300 meters prior to taking a one out one back position.

JUST FOR DAVE – Raced three-wide for the first 300 meters, eventually worked forward to the position leading the one wide line.

TURQUOISE STRIDE – Galloped out - placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races.

RACE 4 – 6TY DEGREES COUNTRY GUINEAS – 1810 METRES

The all clear for this race was delayed when R Hillier, driver of WINDY HANOVER, requested to view the official race videos of the start regarding whether WINDY HANOVER had received a fair start. After viewing the official race videos in the company of Mr Hillier and starter Mr A Emery, Stewards established that WINDY HANOVER which was drawn one and had come onto the track to take its starting position failed to have the time to do so resulting in WINDY HANOVER being well out of position behind the starting barrier strand. As WINDY HANOVER was deemed not to have received a fair start it was declared a non-runner with all bets on the horse refunded. All win bets on the race to be paid less 6 cents in the dollar. All successful placed bets in the race paid less 7 cents in the dollar.

RAGSTORICHES – Stepped to the lead then surrendered the lead after 250 metres.

ITZUPTOUHARRY – Raced in a one out one back position until being left leading the one wide line after 250 metres. Obtained a one out one back trail with a lap to travel.

BETTERTHANPRETTY – Galloped away. As this was the filly's first start in a standing start she is placed out of the draw in standing start races.

MAYLEEJAE EAGLE – Commenced a three-wide run from midfield near the 800 metres.

WATCH THE ATTITUDE – Worked forward from outside the leader to take over the lead after 250 metres.

SZABOLSKI LEIS – Galloped out - placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races. Three-wide one back from the 800 metres.

PAWNBROKERS LAD – Commenced a three-wide run from midfield near the 1400 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line just past the 1200 metres point, then was immediately restrained to the position behind the leader.

RACE 5 – PETER 'WOMBAT' WILSON MEMORIAL STAKES – 2685 METRES

COLBY SANZ – Pulled hard throughout the middle stages of the race when racing in a midfield peg line position. Failed to obtain a clear run to the finish – untested.

NORTHVIEW DAVE NZ – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1800 metres.

YOUNG ROOSTER – Severely checked near the 2000 metres. Pulled hard throughout the middle stages. Made a mid-race move to work forward to the position leading the one wide line near the 1800 metres.

HEZ THE ONE – Reared at the start losing significant ground - will continue to be placed at the draw in standing start races.

LETS SAVE THE DAY NZ – Broke free of interference – placed on its last chance to race truly. Three-wide one back from the 750 metres.

EARL JUJON – Swung sideways at the start - will continue to be placed out of the draw in standing start races.

BLACK CENTURIAN – Commenced a three-wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 750 metres.

RACE 6 – ERIC BEAN MEMORIAL ST MARY’S CUP – 2685 METRES

MONTANA STORM NZ – Withstood a challenge for the lead.

KADAR – Galloped out - placed out of the draw in standing start races.

RESURGENT STORM – Galloped away – placed out of the draw in standing start races.

FULL SPEED AHEAD NZ – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail after 500 metres.

SMART LITTLE SHARD – Worked forward three-wide over the first 400 metres to issue an unsuccessful challenge for the lead. Pulled hard when leading the one wide line thereafter.

General

Stewards questioned P Hill, driver of SMART LITTLE SHARD, regarding the driving tactics that he employed in the race. SMART LITTLE SHARD commenced fast from its 30 metre handicap, quickly progressed around the field then issued an unsuccessful challenge for the lead, then over raced prior to giving ground over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 31 metres. Mr Hill explained to the Stewards that his driving instructions were that if the horse were to commence well he was to work forward to attempt to lead as this is the racing position most suited to SMART LITTLE SHARD. Mr Hill went on to tell the Stewards that after beginning well and racing up towards the leader MONTANA STORM NZ, he felt that that runner did not appear to be racing well within itself and therefore he attempted to take over the lead. He continued that he only pressured that runner for approximately 100 metres and once realising that the driver of MONTANA STORM NZ was intent on holding the lead Mr Hill took hold to race outside the leader. Mr Hill added that from that stage he was no longer attempting to take over the lead however, SMART LITTLE SHARD commenced to pull extremely hard and did so for the remainder of the race until commencing to give ground from the 450 metres. The video evidence as well as the Stewards’ observations confirmed Mr Hill’s evidence. When questioned N Ford, the stable representative, confirmed the driving tactics issued to Mr Hill. the driving tactics employed by Mr Hill. Having considered the evidence it was the Stewards’ opinion that Mr Hill’s tactics were not unreasonable and no further action was taken.

General

Nathan Ford, stable representative for trainer Bianca Heenan, was fined \$50 for failing to advise the Stewards of the stable’s multiple runner tactics.

RACE 7 – SKA ELECTRICAL STAKES – 1810 METRES

The all clear for this race was delayed when Mark Yole, driver of GUIDO DA SIENA NZ, and Phillip Ford, representative of the Tammy Langley stable, requested to view the official race videos of the start. After viewing those videos along with the Stewards, it was determined that shortly after the start was effected STONE CRACKER swung sideways contacting the sulky of INDIANNA SANZ to its inside with that runner’s driver G Rattray being dislodged from the sulky. As this incident occurred after the start was effected Stewards determined that all runners received a fair start and the-all clear was given on the Judge’s numbers.

BLACKJACK JIM – Galloped out. As this was the gelding’s first start after qualifying from the standing start it is placed out of the draw in standing start events.

COPPICE – Galloped out. Placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races.

INDIANNA SANZ – The driver dislodged shortly after the start was effected when the runner to the inside swung sideways at the start.

STONE CRACKER – Swung sideways at the start causing interference to other runners. Placed out of the draw in standing start races.

LIVE FOR PEACE – Was held up until the latter stages of home straight and finished strongly once clear.

General

Licensed person Malcom Jones was fined \$200, Mr Jones having pleaded guilty to a charge issued under the provisions of AHRR238 in that he failed to follow the direction of the Stewards that he must wear a face mask as per the Tasracing protocol.

SUMMARY	
FINES	R2 Ms K Butler – AHRR238 -\$50 Incorrect colours
SUSPENSIONS	NIL
HORSE ACTIONS	R1 BACCARAT – BSD R1 GOT THE GOODS – BSD R3 TOP HANOVER – ODS R4 BETTERTHANPRETTY – ODS R6 KADAR – ODS R6 RESURGENT STORM – ODS R7 BLACKJACK JIM – ODS R7 STONE CRACKER - ODS
LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS	M Jones – AHRR238 - \$200 – Failed to follow Stewards’ direction.

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 5	CHRISTIAN MAJOR

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	JAKES A JOY
Race 2	ARCTIC
Race 3	ONEOFTHELADS
Race 4	MAYLEEJAE EAGLE
Race 5	CHRISTIAN MAJOR
Race 6	ROCK ON PLAYBOY
Race 7	RADAR STRIDE

CHAIR

STEVEN SHINN

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