

HARNESS RACING STEWARDS  
REPORT

**CLUB:** LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB

**DATE:** 24 APRIL 2022

**TRACK:** GOOD

**WEATHER:** FINE

**STEWARDS:**

- R NEAL (CHAIRMAN)
- R BROWN (PANEL)
- B BAUDINETTE (PANEL)
- C ELLSON (PANEL/DATA)
- D LUTTRELL (INSPECTIONS)
- M ROBINSON (SWABS)

**VETERINARY SURGEON:** Dr F DUGGAN

**STARTER:** A EMERY

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

**RACE 1 – CROWN LAGER TWO-YEAR-OLD (1680 METRES)**

**A SHADOW OF DOUBT** – compounded passing the 700 metres and was distanced at the finish- veterinary examination revealed no obvious abnormality- must trial satisfactorily prior to next racing.

**SCARLET PLACE** – paced roughly in score-up and out of position at the start- last chance in the draw: broke shortly after the start and again passing the 800 metres: Must trial satisfactorily prior to next racing.

**RACE 2 – VIZPIX BROADCAST SERVICES PACE (2200 METRES)**

**PRINCESS LUNA** – held up passing the 600 metres and only obtained clear racing room passing the 100 metres.

**KARALTA DAZZLER** – gave ground quickly passing 400 metres- veterinary examination revealed no obvious abnormality.

**IDEN BLACK PRINCE** – driver fined – whip violation.

**GRAPHITE STRIDE** – raced greenly in score-up.

**LAID BACK KENNY** – hung out during score up and out of position at start.

Driver **M Howlett** (IDEN BLACK PRINCE) admitted a breach of AHRR 156(2)(a) and was fined \$200.00 for applying his whip in more than a wrist only flicking motion in the final straight.

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### **RACE 3 – MOTHERS DAY PACING FOR PINK 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY PACE - (2200 METRES)**

**MISS BARTY** – gave ground concluding stages – last chance to race competitively.

**SPRING QUEEN** – weakened from 500 metres - must trial satisfactorily prior to next racing.

**STAR WATCHING** – held up throughout the final straight and went to the line untested.

**JIMI SANZ** – raced greenly after the start and ran out, briefly locking wheels – warning placed on racing manners.

**SYZATE** – locked wheels for a short distance after the start when being restrained.

**ROCKOWSROAD** – gave ground concluding stages – last chance to race competitively.

### **RACE 4 – PACING FOR PINK 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY STAKES – (2200 METRES)**

**THE GARDENER** – caused false start after breaking late in score up and checking other runners- excluded from the draw in mobile starts.

Concession driver B Woodsford (BUSTER BYRON), with the assistance of Mr N Ford admitted a breach of Rule 156(2)(a) after applying his whip in more than a wrist only flicking motion over the final 400 metres of the race. After consideration on penalty, Mr Woodsford's licence to drive in races was suspended from the conclusion of racing on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022 up to including racing on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 (2 driving days) In addition, Mr Woodsford was fined the sum of \$200.00

### **RACE 5 – NEIL PITTS PTY LTD STAKES – (2200 METRES)**

**AHA REACTION NZ** – pulled hard during the score up and during the running; hung in and contacted marker pegs- warning issued; held up rounding final bend.

**ITZ MONTANA JET NZ** – pulled hard during the running.

**ROCK ON PLAYBOY** – hung out under pressure in final straight- warning issued.

### **RACE 6 – LADBROKES RACING CENTRE PACE – (2200 METRES)**

**SCOTLYNN BEACH NZ** – fractious before the start – last chance in the draw.

**KUZMA** – held up rounding the final bend.

**WE SALUTE YOU** – over-raced in the early and middle stages; held up over the concluding stages and went to the line without being fully tested.

**ROCKANDAHARDPLACE** – pulled hard during early stages.

**THE DEMOCRAT** – not on starting barrier at the start after striking its own sulky wheel in the score-up.

**HAYDEN BROMAC NZ** – over-raced during the early and middle stages.

### **RACE 7 – NUTRIEN AG SUPPLIES STAKES – (1680 METRES)**

**IFBUTZANDMAYBES** – badly hampered passing 700 metres and lost ground.

**STEVIE JOLT** – badly hampered passing 700 metres and lost ground.

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**MAJOR LESTER** – compounded passing the 800 metres and retired from the race near the 400 metres. A subsequent veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have suffered a cardiac arrhythmia- stood down 14-days and an ECG plus one satisfactory trial.

**WITH REVENGE NZ** – driver questioned regarding driving out over concluding stages.

**OUR BALOU** – hung in rounding the final turn; held up latter stages of the final straight with driver not releasing the horses deafeners.

A post-race veterinary examination of **MAJOR LESTER**, which weakened badly from the 700 metres and retired from the race near the 400 metres, revealed the gelding to be displaying cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer Mr B Yole was advised that a veterinary clearance, including the results of an ECG, must be produced prior to **MAJOR LESTER** trialling to the satisfaction of the Stewards before it next races.

Stewards questioned driver C Crook regarding his driving of **WITH REVENGE NZ** over the final 400 metres, where he was observed to relax his drive rounding the final turn and again over the final stages. In explanation Mr Crook stated that after pressuring the mare passing the 600 metres she had failed to respond and had effectively come to the end of her run, and he had elected not to pursue her from this point. In addition, Mr Crook stated that he had received some crowding rounding which had compelled him to steady. While noting Mr Crooks explanation the Stewards reminded him of his obligations to fully test his drives when circumstances exist and leave nothing to query.

#### **RACE 8 – GREAT NORTHERN SUPER CRISP PACE – (2200 METRES)**

**MACHS MARETA NZ** – inconvenienced passing 400 metres.

**MY CELEBRITY** – inconvenienced passing 400 metres.

**GUIDO DA SIENA NZ** – hung in and contacted marker pegs rounding final bend; unable to find clear racing room over the final 100 metres.

**COOL SCOOTER NZ** – pulled hard early and middle stages; hung in and contacted marker pegs near 350 metres; weakened over concluding stages- last chance to race competitively.

**LIFEOFBRIAN NZ** – contacted own sulky on occasions; gave ground latter stages- last chance to race competitively.

#### **RACE 9 – ELDERS INSURANCE LAUNCESTON STAKES – (2200 METRES)**

**PINK PONDER** – held up passing the 400 metres until near the 200 metres.

**TRUE STEPPER** – gave ground from 500 metres and finished well back – last chance to race competitively.

**NERO STRIDE** – inclined to over-race during the running.

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| <b>SUMMARY</b>                  |  |
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| <b>SUSPENSIONS</b>              | R4 – <b>B Woodsford</b> [AHRR 152(2)(a)] – whip violation – suspended 2 driving days.  |
| <b>FINES</b>                    | R2 – <b>M Howlett</b> – [AHRR 156(2)(a)] – whip violation – Fined \$200.00<br>R4 – <b>B Woodsford</b> [AHRR 152(2)(a)] – whip violation – fined \$200.00.                    |
| <b>REPRIMANDS</b>               | NIL  |
| <b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>            | R1- <b>A SHADOW OF DOUBT</b> – Stood-down to one satisfactory trial (tired)<br>R1 – <b>SCARLET PLACE</b> - Stood-down to one satisfactory trial (broke twice during running) |
| <b>LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS</b> |  |

| <b>PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b> |                               |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Race 1                       | IDEN LADY LINCOLN             |
| Race 2                       | QUEENOFDANCE NZ               |
| Race 3                       | PARDOE PLUGGA                 |
| Race 4                       | BUSTER BYRON<br>POT OF STONES |
| Race 5                       | DEADLY ASSASSIN               |
| Race 6                       | HAYDEN BROMAC NZ              |
| Race 7                       | PROFICIENT NZ                 |
| Race 8                       | MACHS MARETA NZ               |
| Race 9                       | TRUE STEPPER                  |

| <b>POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b> |                   |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| Race 1                        | CHEEKY EAGLE      |
| Race 2                        | QUEENOFDANCE NZ   |
| Race 3                        | PARDOE PLUGGA     |
| Race 4                        | SEVENTHREEOHSEVEN |
| Race 5                        | AHA REACTION NZ   |
| Race 6                        | HAYDEN BROMAC NZ  |
| Race 7                        | KIAVINO STRIDE    |
| Race 8                        | ASANTE SANA       |
| Race 9                        | REDS GOOD TO GO   |