

# **STEWARDS REPORT**

Club:	Tasmanian Trotting Club
Date:	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
Weather:	Overcast
Track Condition:	Good
Stewards Panel:	N Finnigan (Chair) R Brown T Canham & D Luttrell
Officials:	Medical Edge (Raceday Medical Providers) Dr M Buckerfield (Veterinarian) & A Emery (Starter)

## RACE 1 – PRYDES EASIFEED PACE – 2090 Metres Mobile

**REGAL KENZIE** – Slow to begin. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Beaten in excess of 50 metres. A warning was issued.

**JOHN RICHARD** – Raced wide in the early stages before positioned leading the one-out line. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Beaten in excess of 60 metres. A warning was issued.

## RACE 2 – HAPPY EASTER PACE – 2090 Metres Mobile

**PLEASE SHUDDUP NZ** – Begun well, securing the early lead, over-raced and raced ungenerously, particularly in the middle stages of the event.

**JACKSON NEPTUNE** – Which raced outside the leader shifted out on turning for home. Driver J Duggan was reprimanded for carelessly allowing JACKSON NEPTUNE to shift ground [AHR Rule 168(1)(a)].

**General (1)**: Prior to the 'all-clear', M Yole and B Yole, the driver and trainer of the second placed SHARMEY, requested the opportunity to review the official race footage of the run to the finish. On viewing, the connections lodged a protest against the winner JACKSON NEPTUNE, alleging interference, through shifting ground in the run to the finish, and that this interference had prevented SHARMEY from winning. At the protest hearing, Stewards heard evidence from the connections of SHARMEY, and also J Duggan, the driver, and H Szczypka, the trainer, of JACKSON NEPTUNE. Stewards after considering the evidence, and after reviewing the footage dismissed the protest and declared the 'all-clear' on the judge's numbers 9-10-2-8-6. In assessing the protest, Stewards, although acknowledging there was movement from JACKSON NEPTUNE, could not be certain that this movement prevented SHARMEY from winning. Stewards were also mindful that driver Yole had some difficulty in moving wider on the course, off

the back of JACKSON NEPTUNE, particularly late on the home turn, as it was hanging in for a short distance.

### RACE 3 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 2090 Metres Mobile

No racing incidents.

#### RACE 4 – MORE CONFIDENCE CONSULTING PACE – 2090 Metres Mobile

**KOSYGIN LEIS** – Severely checked racing on the first turn when ROYAL REACTOR broke gait.

**TURNTHETABLES** – Late scratching at 2:30pm for veterinary reasons.

**ROYAL REACTOR** – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference racing on the first turn.

**POPNPENNIES** – Out of position at the start. Driver J Watson was reprimanded for easing before the start, resulting in POPNPENNIES being out of position when the start was effected [AHR Rule 162(1)(j)].

**ALAPHILIPPE** – Severely checked racing on the first turn when ROYAL REACTOR broke gait.

**GAMEOFCHANCE** – Will be excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile start events after breaking gait shortly after the start, free of interference. The gelding was subsequently pulled up out of the event after breaking an off-side front hopple loop whilst galloping. The gear was inspected and found to be of a satisfactory standard and no other action was taken.

**General (2)** – Stewards questioned trainer D Malone over the performance of SPOOKY GIRL, which had shown some indifferent results in recent times. Trainer Malone stated that SPOOKY GIRL had been working well, however after SPOOKY GIRL's last start where she broke gait for the second time in as many starts, he gave the mare a short let up as he believed she had not been showing her true form on the racetrack, with the hope that she could turn her luck around. Stewards noted the evidence tendered.

#### RACE 5 – NUTRIEN SPRINTLANE PACE – 2090 Metres Mobile

**PACIFIC ROCK** – Will be excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile start events after breaking gait shortly after the start free of interference.

#### RACE 6 – LADBROKES RACING CLUB PACE – 2579 Metres Mobile

**SCOTLYNN BEACH NZ** – Slightly back from its allotted position at the start, worked forward from the start, positioned one-out, one-back. Hung out near the 800 metres, inconveniencing URUS NZ.

**URUS NZ** – Inconvenienced passing the 800 metres when SCOTLYNN BEACH NZ hung out.

**General (3)**: Stewards noted driver T Rattray's right foot slipped from its sulky foot-rest approximately 100 metres from the finish.

### RACE 7 – CAVALOR EQUICARE PACE – 2579 Metres Mobile

**HALIS BOY** – Severely checked and locked wheels with MIDNIGHT IN MEMPHIS NZ as a result of SHAUN TO THE MAX breaking gait.

**SHAUN TO THE MAX** – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference rounding the final turn. Stewards noted SHAUN TO THE MAX hung in on entering the final turn and became unbalanced when corrected by its driver.

**MIDNIGHT IN MEMPHIS NZ** – Severely checked and locked wheels with HALIS BOY as a result of SHAUN TO THE MAX breaking gait.

**KEEP PLAYING** – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference approximately 100 metres from the finish.

**KARALTA DAZZLER** – Subjected to a pre-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected and as such the gelding was deemed fit to take its place in the event.

**General (4)**: Driver T Madden was given the benefit of the doubt when considering whether he was culpable when leading and running the first half of the last mile in 65.7, which is outside the allowable timeframe. Driver Madden's defense was that the driver's semaphore display was not functioning and as such was not aware of the pace he was running. Stewards on this occasion issued driver Madden with a reprimand [AHR Rule 162(1)(y)].

#### RACE 8 – YOUNG GROUP PACE – 2090 Metres Mobile

**JACKS N JAZZ NZ** – When commencing a forward move, broke gait free of interference near the 500 metres, before knuckling over and falling, dislodging its driver and severely checking a number of runners. JACKS N JAZZ NZ was stood down from racing until satisfactorily completing One(1) requalifying trial. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection JACKS N JAZZ NZ was found to have grazes to its knees, offside hock and off-side elbow and was subsequently treated. JACKS N JAZZ NZ was stood down from racing pending a Veterinary clearance.

**CLASSY COUNTESS** – Severely checked near the 500 metres, resulting in driver J Duggan being dislodged from the sulky.

**ON MY OATH** – Severely checked near the 500 metres, resulting in the gelding falling and driver T Ford being dislodged from the sulky. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection ON MY OATH was found to have superficial grazes and was subsequently treated. ON MY OATH was stood down from racing pending a Veterinary clearance.

**LIFEOFBRIAN NZ**– Severely checked near the 500 metres, resulting in the gelding falling and driver M Ford being dislodged from the sulky. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection LIFEOFBRIAN NZ was found to have lacerations to its near-fore fetlock and was subsequently treated. LIFEOFBRIAN NZ was stood down from racing pending a Veterinary clearance.

**THE DUDE NZ** – Will be excluded from the barrier draw in races conducted under mobile start conditions after breaking gait during the score-up and being out of position when the start was effected.

**SUTTER STAR** – Severely checked near the 500 metres, resulting in driver R Ashwood being dislodged from the sulky.

**General (5)**: Driver D Ford was fined \$100 for the careless manner he shifted ground with LORIMERTYRRELL in the final stages of the home turn, this movement obliged driver P Hill to check THE DUDE NZ which momentarily raced rough. Stewards in assessing this incident were mindful of movement ahead of these runners, which may have had some bearing on this incident [AHR Rule 168(1)(a)].

Suspensions:	Nil
Fines:	R8: D Ford – Careless driving: AHR Rule 168(1)(a)
Reprimands:	R2: J Duggan – Carelessly shifting ground; AHR Rule 168(1)(a)
	R4: J Watson – Out of position at start; AHR Rule 162(1)(j)
	R7: T Madden – Slow sectional: AHR Rule 162(1)(y)
Horse Action:	R4: GAMEOFCHANCE – Outside draw mobile (ODM)
	R5: PACIFIC ROCK – Outside draw mobile (ODM)
	R8: JACKS N JAZZ NZ – Stood down one(1) trial
	R8: JACKS N JAZZ NZ – Stood down Veterinary certificate
	R8: ON MY OATH – Stood down Veterinary certificate
	R8: LIFE OF BRIAN NZ – Stood down Veterinary certificate
	R8: THE DUDE NZ – Outside draw mobile (ODM)
Pre-race Swabs	R1: BE GOOD BENNY
	R1: OZZIE MAJOR
	R3: MAYLEEJAE EAGLE
Post-race Swabs:	ALL WINNERS
Adjourned/Pending Inquiries:	Nil

## **RACE MEETING SUMMARY**

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