## Office of Racing Integrity





## STEWARDS REPORT

Club:	Launceston Pacing Club
Date:	Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> June, 2023
Weather:	Fine
Track	Good
Stewards Panel:	N Finnigan (Chair), B Plunkett, C Ellson, D Luttrell, E O'Sign (Cadet), M Robinson & M MacDonald
Officials:	Medical Edge (Raceday Medical Providers), Dr F Duggan (Veterinarian) & A Emery (Starter)

**General**: Trainer B Yole was fined \$200 for failing to have his treatment logbook completed to the required standard [AHR Rule 190B(1)].

#### RACE 1 - FIND US ON FACEBOOK STAKES - 2200m Mobile

**GOING GREAT GUNS** – Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish.

**GRAPHITE STRIDE** – Raced rough in the early stages of the score-up, however easily filled its allotted position prior to reaching the candy pole.

**REDS GOOD TO GO** – At the 'check-in' driver M Yole expressed some concerns with the wellbeing of REDS GOOD TO GO as the gelding seemed reluctant to race and hang out over the concluding stages. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no significant abnormalities were detected. Connections were instructed to monitor the gelding over the ensuing days, and should something come to light to help explain the performance they were to notify the offices of ORI at their earliest convenience.

**TAXI METER** – Gave ground sharply from the 1200 metres and was eased out of the event leaving the 1000 metres. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection Dr Duggan confirmed TAXI METER had suffered a bleeding attack. Stewards acting under AHR Rule 101 stood TAXI METER down from racing for three(3) months. At the completion of this stand down TAXI METER must complete a thorough Veterinary examination, after work, and then before returning to racing TAXI METER must satisfactorily complete one(1) requalifying trial.

**ISLAS JOY** – Over-raced and pulled hard during the score-up and then for the first 700 metres of the race before being pulled up by its driver when the gelding displayed signs of choking down. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no significant findings were detected. ISLAS JOY was stood down from racing until it satisfactorily completes one(1) requalifying trial.

**General**: Driver O Weidenbach was fined \$200 due to the unapproved continuous manner she used her whip on VIVID STRIDE over the final stages [AHR Rule 156(3)].

**General**: Stewards questioned driver T Ford over her drive when racing between the 1200 and 1100 metre points where she failed to move wider with TURQUOISE STRIDE, off the back of TAXI METER which was giving ground sharply. Driver Ford stated that she had been caught unawares initially that TAXI METER had lost ground so quickly and once she realised this was the case, she moved to make up ground. Stewards, in assessing her drive, were of the opinion that even though she had lost ground mid-race, this had little, if any, bearing on her final placing.

## RACE 2 - LADBROKE RACING CENTRE PACE - 2200m Mobile

**AUNTY BESSY** – Slow to muster speed after the start, hung in approaching the 1900 metres resulting in its sulky wheel striking markers. Moved to lead the one-out line shortly after.

FIVE STAR SHARK - Inconvenienced when QUEENOFDANCE NZ gave ground.

**ALBERIO** – Inconvenienced when QUEENOFDANCE NZ gave ground. Issued with a warning for failing to run on over the concluding stages, beaten in excess of 50 metres.

**QUEENOFDANCE NZ** – Tired badly over the final 600 metres after pulling hard in the lead, beaten in excess of 90 metres. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected other than a slow post-race recovery. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard and as such stood QUEENOFDANCE NZ down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) regualifying trial.

RANIERI NZ - Inconvenienced when QUEENOFDANCE NZ gave ground.

**KEEP PLAYING** – Issued with a warning for failing to run on over the concluding stages, beaten in excess of 50 metres.

**STYLISH TREND NZ** – Completed the event with a deflated near-side sulky tyre.

KARALTA DAZZLER - Inconvenienced when QUEENOFDANCE NZ gave ground.

#### RACE 3 - SUNRISE BAKERY PACE - 2200m Mobile

**LYOLA TRIOS** – Declared a late scratching at 1:25pm after connection informed the offices of ORI that the gelding had fluid in its near hock.

**ISOLATION** – Failed to gain clear running over the concluding stages.

**NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ** – Completed the event with a deflated off-side sulky tyre after its sulky was struck from behind by VINNY CHASE which was over-racing.

**VINNY CHASE** – Over-raced, particularly during the middle stages. Contacted the sulky of NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ.

## RACE 4 - TRAINERS ENCOURAGEMENT PACE STAKES - 1680m Mobile

**General**: A false start was declared after the clerk-of-the-course signalled the starter that there was a gear issue with IMPULSE.

**GUENEVERES ANGEL** – Failed to gain clear running over the concluding stages.

**FORSAKEN ME** – Failed to gain clear running over the concluding stages.

**SERENGETI SUNRISE** – Issued with a warning after galloping in the score-up. Stewards in considering the matter were mindful of the false start. Shifted out under pressure in the latter stages of the final turn, however driver Davis was able to bring SERENGETI SUNRISE back to the marker line prior to straightening for the run to the finish.

**POPNPENNES** – Issued with a warning after galloping in the score-up. Stewards in considering the matter were mindful of the false start.

## RACE 5 - RARE EARTH STAKES - 1680m Mobile

**STAVROS THE TERROR NZ** – Tired badly over the final 500 metres after pulling hard in the lead, beaten in excess of 60 metres. Stewards, after considering STAVROS THE TERROR NZ's recent performances, coupled with tonight's below par effort, stood STAVROS THE TERROR NZ down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) requalifying trial.

#### RACE 6 - TASSIE WASH PACE - 2200m Mobile

**LADY STRIDE** – Tired badly over the final 400 metres, beaten in excess of 90 metres. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard and as such stood LADY STRIDE down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) requalifying trial.

**CASTLE RETREAT** – Gave ground over the concluding stages. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected. Stewards gave the benefit of the doubt to CASTLE RETREAT on this occasion, taking no action other than to place the gelding on its last chance to race competitively.

**LALIBELA NZ** – Gave ground over the concluding stages. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected. Stewards gave the benefit of the doubt to LALIBELA NZ on this occasion, taking no action other than to place the mare on its last chance to race competitively.

**AH MACH NZ** – Tired badly over the final 400 metres, beaten in excess of 110 metres. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard and as such stood AH MACH NZ down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) requalifying trial.

**NERO STRIDE** – Gave ground sharply from the 1200 metres and was eased out of the event leaving the 1000 metres. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection Dr Duggan confirmed NERO STRIDE suffered atrial fibrillation. Stewards acting under AHR Rule 101C(2)(a) stood NERO STRIDE down from racing for 14 days. Further after completing this stand down connections must forward on a veterinary clearance including a favourable ECG report and then satisfactorily complete one(1) requalifying trial.

**CHEDDAR VALLEY NZ** – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in mobile start events after failing to fill its allotted position at the start.

## RACE 7 - LEES ORCHARD STAKES - 2200m Stand

**MAJOR DAVVIN** – Slow to muster speed, racing rough and shifting wide, after the strands were released.

**DAPPER NZ** – Inconvenienced when MAJOR DAVVIN shifted out after the start. Inconvenienced racing between the 600 and 300 metres when both ROCK ON PLAYBOY and AD MAIORA gave ground.

**ROCK ON PLAYBOY** – Placed on its last chance in the barrier draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after galloping away when the strands were released. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary nspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected. Stewards, being mindful of the poor start, gave the benefit of the doubt to ROCK ON PLAYBOY on this occasion, taking no action other than to place the gelding on its last chance to race competitively.

**MARGARETES CLAN** – Will be excluded from the barrier draw in races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

**ONEOFTHELADS** – Held up for clear running in the early stages of the home straight in the run to the finish.

**AD MAIORA** – Raced outside the leader where it had a tendency to over-race and pull hard. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary inspection. On inspection no obvious abnormalities were detected. AD MAIORA was given the benefit of the

doubt on this occasion, with Stewards taking no action other than to place the gelding on its last chance to race competitively.

**CHRISTIAN JAZ NZ** – Held up for clear running in the early stages of the home straight in the run to the finish.

**KENYA NZ** – Checked after the start by the galloping ROCK ON PLAYBOY and MARGARET CLAN. Failed to gain clear running over the concluding stages.

**General**: Driver O Weidenbach was reprimanded for excessive talking whilst participating in the pre-race circle [AHR Rule 162(1)(c)]

#### RACE 8 - GREAT NORTHERN SUPER CRISP STAKES - 2200m Mobile

**SWEET AS LOU** – Held up for clear running in the early stages of the home straight in the run to the finish.

**STONY THE SPY** – Raced up and contacted the mobile barrier arm during the score-up.

**KOLOVOS NZ** – Raced ungenerously during the score-up, racing up onto the mobile barrier arm.

**NINE DIAMONDS** – Out of position when the start was effected. Driver T Ford was reminded of her obligations in this regard.

**DYNAMIC DAN** – Out of position when the start was effected. Driver T Madden was reminded of his obligations in this regard.

**KELLYS DELIGHT** – Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish. Reincluded in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start conditions after satisfying ORI requirements.

**LAID BACK KENNY** – Will continue to be drawn on the extreme outside in mobile start events after failing to participate in the pre-race circle before being called forward to score-up by the starter. Held up for clear running in the early stages of the home straight in the run to the finish.

#### RACE 9 - LADBROKES PACE - 2200m Mobile

**LOU LOUS ALLGOLD** – Raced rough during the score-up and again after the start. Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference approaching the first turn.

**IM QUITE AMERICAN** – Began well surrendering the lead early in the race. Failed to secure clear running over the concluding stages. Broke gait approaching the winning post.

**HOT EMBERS** – Checked when LOU LOUS ALLGOLD broke gait.

THE DUDE NZ - Checked when LOU LOUS ALLGOLD broke gait.

BRIAN WHO - Checked when LOU LOUS ALLGOLD broke gait.

JEDI MIND - Checked when LOU LOUS ALLGOLD broke gait.

**General**: The 'all-clear' was delayed affording Stewards the opportunity to review the final stages of the race where IM QUITE AMERICAN broke gait. On review it was confirmed the carry strap on the near-front hopple broke away from the hopple loop which resulted in IM QUITE AMERICAN becoming unbalanced and break gait. IM QUITE AMERICAN's gear was inspected and found to be of an acceptable standard. Further, driver K Williams fulfilled his obligations in immediately restraining his gelding. Stewards, with this confirmation, declared 'all-clear' on the judges' numbers 11-7-5-6-2.

Suspensions:	NIL
Fines:	B Yole – \$200 – Incomplete treatment logbook 26/06/23 [AHR Rule190B(1)]
	R1; O Weidenbach - \$200 – Unapproved continuous whip [AHR Rule 156(3)]
Reprimands:	R7; O Weidenbach – Talking on track [AHR Rule 162(1)(c)]
Horse Action:	R1; TAXI METER – Bled1 – SD3M, SDVC, SD1T
	R1; ISLAS JOY – Choked Down – SD1T
	R2; QUEENOFDANCE – Poor performance – SD1T
	R5; STAVROS THE TERROR NZ – PP – SD1T
	R6; LADY STRIDE - PP - SD1T
	R6; AH MACH – PP – SD1T
	R6; NERO STRIDE – AF – SD14D, SDECG, SD1T
	R7; MARGARETS CLAN – ODM
	R7; KENYA – BSD
	R8; KEYYS DELIGHT – BMD
	R8; LAID BACK KENNY – CRODM
Pre-race Swabs	R2; AUNTY BESSY
	R3; SCOTLYNN BEACH NZ
	R4; SERENGETI SUNRISE
	R5; BOSTON BUSKER
	R6; KIAVINO STRIDE, LORIMERTYRRELL
	R7; ROCK ON PLAYBOY
	R8; SWEET AS LOU, STALEY
Post-race Swabs:	ALL WINNERS
Adjourned or Pending Inquiries:	NIL

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