

## STEWARDS REPORT

<b>CLUB</b>		<b>LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB</b>
<b>DATE</b>		<b>26-05-2024</b>
<b>WEATHER</b>		<b>FINE</b>
<b>TRACK</b>		<b>GOOD</b>
<b>STEWARDS PANEL</b>	<b>CHAIR</b>	N Finnigan
	<b>PANEL</b>	R Brown
	<b>PANEL</b>	M Castillo
	<b>PANEL/DATA</b>	C Ellson
	<b>INSPECTIONS</b>	E Morice-Smith
	<b>SWAB</b>	M Robinson
	<b>STARTER</b>	A Emery
	<b>VETERINARIAN</b>	R Blackwell
	<b>MEDICAL PROVIDER</b>	Medical Edge

### **RACE 1 – DHRC DEVONPORT BELMONT – 1680m Mobile**

**CARMEN EMJAY** – First registered race start.

**SMOOTH REASON** – First registered race start.

**ISLA ATHENA** – First registered race start.

**ITSMENOTU** – First registered race start.

*General: Trainer O Weidenbach was reprimanded for failing to have GRIMSHAW BAY in the parade ring by the prescribed time prior to the event [AHR 135(1)].*

## **RACE 2 – STACEY LEAR PHOTOGRAPHY PACE – 2200m Mobile**

**KIWI TILLY** – Slow to muster speed after the field was released, before shifting out whilst racing rough. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination after being beaten in excess of 50 metres. On examination, Dr Blackwell could find no obvious abnormalities. Stewards after taking into consideration the overall performance, and the mare's race record, stood KIWI TILLY down from racing until satisfactorily completing one (1) official qualifying trial.

**ROLL WITH ANGEL** – First registered race start.

**MAJOR IDEAL** – Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination after being beaten in excess of 70 metres. On examination, Dr Blackwell could find no obvious abnormalities. Stewards after referring to MAJOR IDEAL's recent racing record, placed the mare on its last chance to race competitively.

**WARRIORESS** – First registered race start.

**ALL ABOUT SADIE** – First registered race start.

**WHAT A WOMAN** – First registered race start. Back from its allotted position at the start. Gave ground over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 50 metres. Steward noted the performance.

**OBLER** – Inconvenienced after the start by KIWI TILLY.

**ORTEM MISS** – Inconvenienced after the start by KIWI TILLY. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination after being beaten in excess of 100 metres. On examination, Dr Blackwell could find no obvious abnormalities. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard and as such, stood ORTEM MISS down from racing until satisfactorily completing one (1) official qualifying trial.

**IDEN KAMAKAZI** – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start conditions after satisfying reinclusion requirements.

*General: Stewards questioned trainer W Yole over the performance of MAJOR IDEAL. Trainer Yole admitted to being somewhat disappointed, however felt that after being obliged to lead the one-out line, where it tended to over-race, did not suit the mare. Stewards noted the evidence as presented.*

## **RACE 3 – LUCAS HOTEL LATROBE CUP – 2200m Mobile**

**DEBT TILL WE PART** – Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination after being beaten in excess of 60 metres. On examination, Dr Blackwell could find no obvious abnormalities. Stewards after referring to DEBT TILL WE PART's recent racing record, placed the gelding on its last chance to race competitively.

**BETTER EXCLUSIVE NZ** – Permission was given to driver D Ford to change BETTER EXCLUSIVE NZ's bit, after it had proven difficult to drive during its early preliminary, seeming to resent it. Held up for clear running until well into the home straight in the run to the finish.

**MISTA EAGLE** – Dropped a near-side shin boot on the home turn.

**KERALA STAR NZ** – Excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile start events after breaking gait in the early stages of the score-up resulting in the gelding failing to fill its allotted position at the start.

**GALAXY DANCER** – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start conditions after satisfying reinclusion requirements.

#### **RACE 4 – TASRACING LEIGH PLUNKETT – 2200m Mobile**

**SNEAK A PEEK NZ** – Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination after being beaten in excess of 60 metres. On examination, Dr Blackwell could find no obvious abnormalities. Stewards after referring to SNEAK A PEEK NZ's recent racing record, placed the mare on its last chance to race competitively.

**SPOOKY GIRL** – Tended to over-race, having an obvious effect on the mare's overall performance, giving ground over the later stages, beaten in excess of 60 metres. Stewards after referring to SPOOKY GIRL's recent racing record, placed the mare on its last chance to race competitively.

*General: Stewards questioned drivers R Hillier (IDEN LADY LINCOLN) and M Yole (IM THEMIGHTYLUCY NZ) into the reason IDEN LADY LINCOLN raced 4-wide for a distance leaving the home straight with one (1) lap remaining. At the inquiry it was established that the combination of simultaneous movement, and the quick pace IDEN LADY LINCOLN had raced into the 3-wide line, contributed to the incident. This being the case, no clear blame could be placed against any driver nor horse and as such, Stewards took no action other than to note the circumstances.*

*General: Stewards questioned driver B Davis over the performance and driving tactics adopted on JO AN JO. In question was driver Davis's lack of urgency entering, and on, the first turn, where SNEAK A PEEK NZ was able to manoeuvre away from a marker peg position ahead of JO AN JO, also his decision not to move wider leaving the 1000, which ultimately left JO AN JO held up for clear running for the majority of the final turn. Driver Davis acknowledged that he could have pressed harder, and on, the first turn, but he had assessed that SNEAK A PEEK NZ, after moving from a wide position to the marker peg line, would not return to the one-out line as it did. Driver Davis further explained that JO AN JO is not suited to racing wide, particularly without cover, for any distance, as would have been required if moved wider near the 1000, adding that the mare is best driven waiting for a final sprint. Stewards noted the evidence as tendered.*

#### **RACE 5 – LADBROKES SHEFFIELD CUP – 2698m Stand**

**WILL HE PIKE** – Placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner.

**JAMES CAGNEY NZ** – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after satisfying reinclusion requirements.

**JEREMY WELLS NZ** – Tended to over-race and pull hard.

#### **RACE 6 – TRAINER ENCOURAGEMENT SERIES FINAL – 2200m Mobile**

**SHAUN TO THE MAX** – Caught racing three-wide throughout, unsuccessful at a challenge for the position outside the leader near the 1400, faded to be beaten in excess of 40 metres.

**ROYAL REACTOR** – Had difficulty in securing clear running over the final stages.

**ARTYBOY GLENWOOD** – Had difficulty in securing clear running over the final stages.

**GRIZZLY MONTANA** – Held up for clear running until well into the home straight for the run to the finish.

**NAPATTACK SAM** – Reinstated in the barrier draw for races conducted under mobile start conditions after satisfying reinclusion requirements. Tightened for racing room approaching the 300 when SHAUN TO THE MAX gave ground through the field.

### **RACE 7 – CUB DEVONPORT QUALITY – 1680m Mobile**

**MAGICIAN** – Driven forward at the start, however unable to hold the lead from barrier one (1). Eased wider near the 1300, working forward to re-take the lead shortly after.

**RACKETEERS BOY NZ** – Gave ground over the concluding stages.

**HULI NIEN** – Appeared to over-race and race ungenerously.

### **RACE 8 – LADBROKES FAST WITHDRAWALS STAKES – 2200m Mobile**

**REMEMBER ME NOW NZ** – Completed the event with a broken near-side spreader.

**MAGOMEDOV** – Subjected to a pre-race Veterinary examination at the request of trainer M Laugher due to a minor mishap on route to course. On inspection, Dr Blackwell could find no issues with MAGOMEDOV, and as such the gelding was passed fit to race. Back from its allotted position at the start and then slow to muster speed, this resulted in MAGOMEDOV being caught wide early before being restrained to the rear of the field.

**IDEAL SON** – Had difficulty in securing clear running over the final stages.

### **RACE 9 – LADBROKES COMMUNITIES PACE – 1680m Mobile**

**BOLT OF COBARGO** – Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish.

**NIL DESPERANDUM** – Momentarily tightened racing into the first turn

**ALBERIO** – Hung in on entering the first turn, momentarily bringing its sulky together with NIL DESPERANDUM.

**MY ULTIMATE ROMEO** – Shifted in, contacting a marker peg on entering the home straight for the run to the finish. Secured an inside run, late in the home straight in the run to the finish.

*General: Driver O Weidenbach was reprimanded for carelessly allowing BOLT OF COBARGO to shift ground in the run to the finish [AHR Rule 168(1)(a)].*

### **RACE 10 – PACING FOR PINK STAKES – 2200m Mobile**

**FIVEFORTY** – Gave ground over the concluding stages.

**ULTIMACTION** – Shifted in, contacting a marker peg near the 800, and again on the final turn. Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish.

**SMOOTH MACHETE** – Hung in throughout, particularly on the final turn and into the home straight for the run to the finish, placing driver D Ford at a distinct disadvantage.

**MY ULTIMATE JACKO** – Placed on its last chance to race competitively after tiring over the concluding stages, beaten in excess of 60 metres.

**FIESTA STRIDE** – Contacted its own sulky wheels, causing it to over-race and pull hard. This had a detrimental effect on the mare resulting in it tiring out of the event to be beaten in excess of 70 metres. As FIESTA STRIDE had been placed on its last chance to race competitively recently, Stewards stood the mare down from racing until satisfactorily completing one (1) official qualifying trial.

*General: Stewards questioned driver D Ford regarding the overall performance of SMOOTH MACHETE, which started a \$1.85 favourite. Driver Ford informed Stewards that SMOOTH MACHETE being a lightly raced 3-year-old, is still learning to race and can, at times, prove difficult*

to drive, as in tonight's event. Connections have experimented with some gear in the past, but this proved to have had adverse effects on the colt rather than positive, driver Ford added however, that after discussions with connections, a different type of gear change, that being potentially a Murphy Blind, may help. Stewards noted the evidence as tendered.

## RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS		Nil	
FINES		Nil	
REPRIMANDS	1	O WEIDENBACH – Late to Parade Ring	135(1)
	9	O WEIDENBACH – Carelessly Shifting Ground	168(1)(a)
HORSE ACTIONS	2	KIWI TILLY – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	2	ORTEM MISS – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	2	IDEN KAMAKAZI – BMD	
	3	KERALA STAR – ODM	
	3	GALAXY DANCER – BMD	
	5	JAMES CAGNEY NZ – BSD	
	6	NAPATTACK SAM – BMD	
	10	FIESTA STRIDE – Stood Down 1 Trial	
PRE-RACE SWABS	3	KEAYANG FITZY	
	4	IM THEMIGHTYLUCY NZ      JO AN JO	
	5	ALL FOR DAVE	
	6	HES APPLES	
	8	IDEN BLACK PRINCE	
	9	ALBERIO	
	10	ULTIMACATION      SMOOTH MACHETE	
POST RACE SWABS		ALL WINNERS	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES		Nil	

After an inquiry regarding his whip action over the concluding stages in Race 4 P Hill (ROCKNOVERTIME) pled guilty to a charge under AHRR156(2)(a). Particulars were that he used his whip with more than a wrist only flicking motion which engaged his elbow. After taking into account Mr Hill's recent record and his submission on penalty Stewards suspended Mr Hill for a period of 2 race dates commencing on 31<sup>st</sup> May and expiring midnight 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2024.