

STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB
DATE	FRIDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2024
WEATHER	SHOWERS
TRACK	GOOD
STEWARDS PANEL	CHAIR
	N Finnigan
	PANEL
	R Brown (Data) E Morice-Smith
	INSPECTIONS
	E Dunbabin I Bray (Assist)
	SWAB
	B Hine
	STARTER
	G Griffin
	VETERNARIAN
	Dr M Buckerfield
	MEDCAL PROVIDER
	Medical Edge

RACE 1 – FEHLBERGS PRODUCE SPRINTLANE PACE – 1609m Mobile

No Racing Incidents

RACE 2 – PRYDES EASIFEED PACE – 2090m Mobile

JAY MILLER – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

General: Driver N Ford was questioned regarding his right foot dropping from its foot-rest midway through the home straight in the run to the finish. Stewards after hearing from driver Ford, issued a charge for dropping his foot, allowing it to be placed in the immediate vicinity of FURY DAN's hind leg. Driver Ford pled guilty to the charge and was fined \$500, Stewards directed that \$250 of the fine be suspended for a period of 12 months. Stewards in assessing the charge and subsequent penalty were mindful driver Ford had been cautioned previously and advised to alter his driving style, so as to, wherever possible, prevent this type of incident occurring [AHR Rule 170(4)(b)].

RACE 3 – MORE CONFIDENCE CONSULTING PACE – 1609m Mobile

MODERN JIVE – Hung in throughout, resulting in a number of markers being struck. A subsequent post-race Veterinary Examination failed to find any obvious issues with the gelding. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard, and being aware that MODERN JIVE was stood down at its most recent start, stood MODERN JIVE down from racing until satisfactorily completing two(2) consecutive qualifying trials.

ALAPHILIPPE – Hung in on straightening resulting in a marker being struck.

RACE 4 – LADBROKES EASY FORM PACE – 2090m Mobile

ULTIMATE MOD – Withstood an early challenge for the lead.

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B K WINDERMERE NZ – Unsuccessfully challenged for the early lead. Under pressure passing the 400. Sulky struck leaving the 300. Tightened turning for home in the run to the finish. Beaten in excess of 60 metres. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary Examination where it was found to have a elevated heart rate, indicative of a hard run. Trainer S Lukac was of the opinion that the early effort had a significant bearing on the manner B K WINDERMERE NZ's finished off her race, although adding that B K WINDERMERE NZ did suffer a solid check rounding the final turn and then tightened which required its driver to once again steady the mare. Completed the event with a flat off-side sulky tyre.

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SOHO UNDERTAKER – Contacted the sulky of B K WINDERMERE NZ leaving the 300. Raced in restricted room on the final stages of the home turn and on straightening. This resulted in B K WINDERMERE NZ and SOHO UNDERTAKER coming together, resulting in a stall of forward momentum and a shifting of ground.

***General:** Stewards questioned driver D Ford over the aggressive tactics he used in the first 400 metres of the event, where he unsuccessfully challenged for the lead. Driver Ford stated that his challenge for the lead was based on B K WINDERMERE NZ better suited to lead and dictate race terms, and when he found himself forward of ULTIMATE MOD he, at the time, felt his best option was to continue to press forward, adding that on at least two(2) occasions he eased B K WINDERMERE NZ, but as this happened, ULTIMATE MOD was simultaneously eased, giving him the impression that driver Rattray was conceding the lead. Stewards, after reviewing the official footage, considering driver Ford's evidence, which included his acknowledgment that he erred in his judgment in pressing forward after the 1800, and the fact that ULTIMATE MOD's recent form had not been overly impressive, gave the benefit of the doubt to driver Ford, taking no action other than to note the circumstances and strongly remind him of his obligations in driving his horses to secure the best possible finishing position.*

***General:** Driver K Pratten was fined \$100 for the careless manner he drove forward with SOHO UNDERTAKER leaving the 300, contacting the sulky wheel of B K WINDERMERE NZ, flattening the*

tyre. This movement also contributed to a tightening between these runners and inconvenience to others [AHR Rule 168(1)(a)].

RACE 5 – RACING CONNECT PACE – 2090m Mobile

SMOOTH DEAL NZ – Placed on its last chance to race competitively after giving ground over the concluding stages, beaten in excess of 60 metres. Withdrawn from its upcoming race at Launceston Pacing Club on Sunday 15th September, 2024.

RANIERI NZ – Held up badly when SMOOTH DEAL NZ gave ground.

RACE 6 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 2090m Mobile

TASHS MATE – Over-raced after an unsuccessful challenge for the lead mid-race.

VELOCITY STRIDE – Over-raced after being driven forward mid-race to trail TASHS MATE.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS: 0		NIL	
FINES: 2	2	Nathan FORD; Allow foot to be placed in the immediate vicinity of FURY DAN's hind leg - \$500 (\$250 suspended for 12 months)	170(4)(b)
	4	Kyle PRATTEN; Careless Driving contacting sulky - \$100	168(1)(a)
REPRIMANDS: 0		NIL	
HORSE ACTIONS: 1	3	MODERN JIVE; Stood Down 2 Trials – Unacceptable Performance	
PRE-RACE SWABS: 6	1	SHES A TINY DANCE	
	2	FURY DAN	
	3	TRIEDTOTELLYA	
	4	BUMPY J NZ	
	5	HURRICANE ROCK	
	6	SHAUN TO THE MAX	
POST RACE SWABS: 0		ALL WINNERS	
POST RACE TCO2: 0		NIL	
FOLLOW UPS: 0		NIL	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES: 0		NIL	