

STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	BURNIE HARNESS RACING CLUB	
DATE	FIDAY 13th DECEMBER 2024	
WEATHER	FINE	
TRACK	GOOD	
STEWARDS PANEL	CHAIR	N Finnigan
	PANEL	G Griffin B Hine(Data)
	INSPECTIONS/CHECK IN	M Castillo
	SWAB	E Morice-Smith
	STARTER	A Emery
	VETERNARIAN	Dr G Kaiser
	MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

RACE 1 – SANTA CLAUS IS COMING PACE – 2180m Mobile

CEE TEE CHELSEA – Broke gait on the first turn after having its sulky contacted and subsequently checked by its driver.

OUR ARABELLA – Checked on the first turn when CEE TEE CHELSEA broke gait.

MIKIYOURSOFINE – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in mobile start events after breaking gait mid score-up, resulting in it failing to fill its allotted position at the start.

MEMPHIS – Contacted the sulky of CEE TEE CHELSEA early on the first turn and broke gait.

General: Stewards questioned drivers C Castles (CEE TEE CHELSEA) and K Williams (MEMPHIS) into the reasons why both horses broke gait on the first turn. At the inquiry it was established that as driver Castles was moving down into the one-out line, driver Williams, who was racing to the inside, and at the wheel, of CEE TEE CHELSEA, was attempting to ease MEMPHIS to take up a position behind CEE TEE CHELSEA, however when driver Williams checked his gelding it picked up the bit and raced forward onto the sulky of CEE TEE CHELSEA with the result being both horses became unbalanced and broke gait. Stewards, based on the evidence as tendered took no action other than to note the incident, which included OUR ARABELLA, which was trailing these horses being checked.

RACE 2 – LADBROKES BLACKBOOK PACE – 2180m Mobile

KEAYANG KEVIN – Raced outside the leader for the majority, where it over-raced. This had an adverse effect on the gelding which was under pressure from the 400.

COLBY ART – Placed on its last chance to race truly after hanging in near the 800 before breaking gait.

RACE 3 – LISA STORM – 2180m Mobile

PISTOL QUEEN – Under pressure from the 1000. Raced rough on the final turn. A post-race Veterinary examination failed to reveal any obvious abnormalities.

OUR SWEET TRIXIE – Caught racing wide for the first 1000 before positioned in the one-out, one-back position after unsuccessful at securing a forward position.

ROCKNROLL GRANT – The performance was given the benefit of the doubt on this occasion considering the filly was having its first registered race start in over 12 months and as such, Stewards took no action other than to place it on its last chance to race competitively.

General: Stewards opened an inquiry into the handling of PISTOL QUEEN by driver D Ford. Stewards, after taking initial evidence from driver Ford and trainer's representative Mr P Ford, adjourned the inquiry until Sunday 22nd December, 2024.

RACE 4 – NORTH WEST PLATE Heat 1 – 2180m Stand

General: COOL SCOOTER was a late scratching at 5:00pm after a stable mishap on course.

SNEAKY PEAK – Stepped away well to lead, tightened for racing room entering the final turn when DONE WELL crossed down to the lead. Checked and momentarily broke gait when GOTTAHAVEAHOBBIIE hung in on the latter stages of the home turn. Subjected to a precautionary post-race Veterinary examination where no obvious abnormalities were detected.

QUEENOFDANCE NZ – Placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start after delaying the start when fractious behind the barrier strands and then failing to begin in the required manner.

GOTTAHAVEAHOBBIIE – Tightened for racing room entering the final turn when DONE WELL crossed down to the lead. Hung in shortly before entering the home straight for the run to the finish, checking SNEAKY PEAK. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination where no obvious abnormalities were detected.

MAJOR DAVVIN – Raced rough and hung in at times. Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination where no obvious abnormalities were detected.

RACE 5 – SIMONS CARPET ONE PACE – 2180m Stand

SPORTY CHICK – Having its first registered race start. Raced rough after the start.

MY ULTIMATE JACKO – Raced rough after the start.

RAMBUNCTIOUS – Subjected to a post-race Veterinary examination after blood was detected at the post-race check-in. On inspection RAMBUNCTIOUS was found to have bitten its tongue.

KIAVINO STRIDE – Raced wide for the first 700 metres.

DAPPER NZ – Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner. This resulted in the gelding failing to take any competitive part in the event.

I WANT IT ALL NZ – Raced quickly up into restricted room near the 250 before breaking gait when checked by its driver. I WANT IT ALL NZ was placed on its last chance to race truly.

RACE 6 – NORTH WEST PLATE Heat 2 – 2180m Stand

PARK LANE NZ – Placed on its last chance in the draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner. Shifted ground entering the home straight on the first occasion, leaving the 1900, when driver N Ford was adjusting gear. Driver Ford was reprimanded for carelessness [AHR Rule 168(1)(a)]. Inconvenienced leaving the 600 when SPACEWRITER broke gait.

SWEET AMOUR – Inconvenienced when PARK LANE NZ shifted ground leaving the 1900 when PARK LANE NZ shifted ground. Broke gait on straightening for the run to the finish.

SPACEWRITER – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference leaving the 600. Approaching the finish line, broke gait after contacting the sulky of SWEET ARMOUR which had shifted ground whilst galloping in the home straight in the run to the finish.

ONEHANDONEBOUNCE – Checked leaving the 600 by PARK LANE NZ, after it too was checked by SPACEWRITER as a result of it breaking gait. Shifted in in the latter stages of the home turn, momentarily tightening SWEET ARMOUR.

***General:** At the 'check-in', B Davis, the driver of 7th placed SWEET ARMOUR, requested the opportunity to review the official race footage as he had concerns regarding an incident shortly before entering the home straight for the run to the finish, which resulted SWEET ARMOUR breaking gait. On reviewing the footage, driver Davis lodged a protest against the winner ONEHANDONEBOUNCE.*

Stewards, after taking evidence from the connections of both horses dismissed the protest deeming that ONEHANDONEBOUNCE would have beaten SWEET ARMOUR to the line regardless of the incident, and as such declared "all-clear" on the judge's numbers 9-1-4-6-7. Stewards, in considering the incident, although aware that ONEHANDONEBOUNCE had shifted in, they were also of the view that driver Davis had some effect on the incident by allowing SWEET ARMOUR to shift ground.

RACE 7 – JENSEN’S QUALITY METALWORKS PACE – 1892m Stand

KENYA NZ – Will be excluded from the barrier draw after being fractious behind the barrier strands before failing to begin in the required manner.

SWIMINTHERIVER NZ – Having it first registered race start under standing start conditions. Placed on its last chance in the draw after breaking gait after the start was effected. Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait, free of interference, entering the back straight on the final occasion. This incident resulted in a locking of wheels with **AMBIGUOUS**.

ALL ABOUT IVY – Having it first registered race start under standing start conditions was fractious behind the barriers for which a warning was issued. Shifted ground whilst leading which resulted in its sulky wheel striking markers.

AMBIGUOUS – Having it first registered race start under standing start conditions was placed on its chance in the draw after rearing when the strands were released, before galloping away. Checked and locked wheels entering the back straight on the final occasion when **SWIMINTHERIVER NZ** broke gait.

JACKSON NEPTUNE – Will continue to be excluded from barrier draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after being fractious behind the barrier and then failing to begin in the required manner. Had difficulty in securing clear running over the concluding stages.

GOBSMACKED – Will continue to be excluded from barrier draw for races conducted under standing start conditions after failing to begin in the required manner. Had difficulty in securing clear running over the concluding stages.

IMPULSE – Checked after the start by galloping runners.

RACE 8 – IMAGE SIGNS AND PROMOTIONS PACE – 2180m Mobile

MORRIS BROWN - Had difficulty in securing clear running over the concluding stages.

FREMONT STREET – Tended to over-race, which may have contributed to the gelding giving ground over the concluding stages.

ULTIMATE DESTINY – Caught wide in the early stages, working forward to be positioned leading the one-out line approaching the 1800 before fading over the concluding stages.

IM QUITE AMERICAN – Held up behind tiring runners in the back straight on the final occasion, losing some ground.

SOULWRITER - Had difficulty in securing clear running over the concluding stages.

Supplementary: Race 8 – ULTIMATE DESTINY

Stewards were in contact with trainer Craig Hayes questioning the performance of *ULTIMATE DESTINY* which started as \$2.10 race favourite. *ULTIMATE DESTINY* began from barrier 5 on the front line, and after beginning well was driven forward off the gate, racing wide for the first 300 metres before positioned outside the leader, where it raced throughout, but under some pressure with 600 metres remaining and fading over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 40 metres. Trainer Hayes informed Stewards that he was not overly disappointed with the performance, indicating that with the wide draw *ULTIMATE DESTINY* would always find the race a challenge. When asked about *ULTIMATE DESTINY*'s most recent two starts where the mare was able to win both events, trainer Hayes stated that *ULTIMATE DESTINY* was able to lead and dictate terms, which contrasted with the race in question, particularly having to race wide early. Trainer Hayes added that in similar circumstances in future *ULTIMATE DESTINY* would more than likely be eased off the gate from the start if there was any doubt the mare could find a forward position easily.

Supplementary: Race 4 – Late scratching of COOL SCOOTER

COOL SCOOTER was a late scratching after having its hind leg caught in between railing in the tie-up stalls, requiring the rail to be removed to free the gelding's leg.

A progress report provided by connections stated that *COOL SCOOTER* had come through the incident rather fortunately as there were no significant lacerations, only bruising associated with grazing. The area has been cleaned and washed also *COOL SCOOTER* was treated with anti-inflammatory and antibiotic medication. *COOL SCOOTER* is walking well, with no signs of the condition effecting its gait, the gelding will be given time to recover.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS: 0		NIL	
FINES: 0		NIL	
REPRIMANDS: 2	4	Dylan FORD; Carelessly Cause a Tightening	168(1)(a)
	6	Nathan FORD; Careless Driving Shifting Ground Inconveniencing another	168(1)(a)
HORSE ACTIONS: 1	7	KENYA NZ; Outside Draw Stand – ODS	
PRE-RACE SWABS: 0		NIL	
POST RACE SWABS: 8		ALL WINNERS	
POST RACE TCO2: 0		NIL	
FOLLOW UPS: 1		ULTIMATE DESTINY – Question performance	

ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES: 0	3	Dylan FORD – PISTOL QUEEN Driving tactics	
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