

## STEWARDS REPORT

<b>Club:</b>	Tasmanian Turf Club
<b>Date:</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
<b>Weather:</b>	Fine
<b>Track Condition:</b>	Good 5 upgraded to Good 4 @ 5pm
<b>Penetrometer:</b>	4.48
<b>Rail Position:</b>	+7m 1200 metres-W/Post +6m remainder
<b>Stewards Panel:</b>	Bruce Free (Chair), Gavin Castillo (Panel), Michael Castillo (Panel), Allison Norgrove (Back Yard), Brittany Hine (Front Yard), Janet Ainscow (Swabbing), Ebony Morice-Smith (Swabbing)
<b>Officials:</b>	Dr E Bates and Medical Edge (Raceday Medical Providers); Dr I Collier & Dr R Blackwell (Veterinarian); Carol Brydon (Clerk of Scales); J Evans (Starter) and D Evans (Assistant Starter)

### Riding Changes / Jockey Information

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced by	Reason
R2	BATCHY BULLET		T Baker	Explanation Accepted
R3	FRACASO		J Maskiell	Explanation Accepted

### Comments / Explanations:

#### **RACE 1 – INSERIES 24:HR SOLAR BATTERY SPECIALIST CLASS 3 HCP (1200 METRES)**

**REGATTA** – Bumped with STARNOTE on jumping and as a result was slow to begin. Held up marginally in the home straight behind RESTRICTED ACCESS.

**BINE** – Jumped awkwardly, had a tendency to over race at times during the middle stages. Rider E Byrne-Burke was reprimanded under AR131(a), for allowing her mount to shift in after the winning post, tightening RESTRICTED ACCESS, causing rider J Radley to take hold.

**RESTRICTED ACCESS** – Tended to over race throughout, particularly in the early stages. Apprentice J Radley dropped his whip at about the 100 metres. Tightened after the winning post.

**GEEGEE'S CITY BOY** – Stewards granted permission for rider K Sanderson to ride 1/2 kg over the allotted weight. Fractious in the barriers. Raced three wide with cover throughout.

**PERIWINKLE** – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**SISTINE** – Fractious in the barriers.

**NGAPALI BEACH** – Stewards granted permission for rider H McCarthy to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight. Shifted wider to find clear running room rounding the home turn, bumping PERIWINKLE and carrying that mare wider in the process.

**STARNOTE** – Began awkwardly and bumped with REGATTA at the start. Raced three wide throughout.

### **RACE 2 – INSERIES ZERO \$\$ DEPOSIT SOLAR CLASS 1 HCP – (1200 METRES)**

**ALPINE THUNDER** – Made the turn awkward at about the 800 metres shifted out and took hold to avoid the heels of LOYALTY BLUES. Tended to over race throughout.

**RED FOX** – Jumped out at the start tightening NEED TO THINK.

**GEEGEES LEGACY** – Appeared to clip heels at about the 700 metres. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a small laceration to the inside of the off-fore fetlock. (Inquiry adjourned)

**LISPECTOR (NZ)** – Tended to over race in the early and middle stages. Made the turn awkward at about the 800 metres and got its head up and shifted out abruptly. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination after returning to the mounting yard with blood in the mouth which revealed bleeding from the lower incisor tooth.

**HUBBAJAHN** – Jumped inwards at the start, tightening SHALL WE PLAY.

**NEED TO THINK** – Fractious in the barriers. Bumped and tightened by SHALL WE PLAY after jumping. Tended to over race throughout.

**SILVER DAGGER** – Bounded out at the start and was slow to begin, over-raced early and middle stages, restrained off heels at about the 800 metres. Held up from the home turn to about the 200 metres until obtaining a clear run. Stewards queried rider B Muhcu in relation to the below market performance. Rider B Muhcu stated that due to the slow pace in the early and middle stages of the race he continued to over race as his mount continued to race up onto the heels of runners in front placing him at a disadvantage.

**BATCHY BULLET** – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination behind the barriers at the request of the rider and was passed fit to run. Raced very wide in the early stages. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**SHALL WE PLAY** – Tightened at the start by NEED TO THINK.

**TOUGH IMPACT** – Stewards granted permission for rider T Voorham to ride 1/2 kg over the allotted weight.

### **RACE 3 – LADBROKES MAIDEN – (1200 METRES)**

**TROTSKY** – Tightened at the start between HIGHLAND DUEL and FRACASO. Had a tendency to race fiercely. Shifted out over the heels of CELTIC ROSE.

**HIGHLAND DUEL** – Jumped outwards at the start, bumping TROTSKY out into FRACASO.

**TEAH** – Jumped out at the start bumping TALK LIKE THAT.

**CELTIC ROSE** – Had a tendency to over race in the early stages.

**ROYAL SCENE** – Declared a late scratching at 10.30am on stewards' permission. Trainer S Carr was reprimanded under the provisions of LR14.1 for failing to scratch before the required time.

**SHESAPIN** – Difficult to load, trainer B McShane was advised a waning would be placed on the filly.

The start of this event was delayed for three minutes due to a wallaby on the track.

#### **RACE 4 – ANIMAL MEDICAL CENTRE BM68 HCP – (1600 METRES)**

**CONUMDRUM** – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after receiving superficial grazes to the head during transport to the track and was passed fit to run. Raced three wide throughout.

**ISLAND WARRIOR** – Held up for a run in the early part of the home straight.

**KINGS ON QUEENS** – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**LI'L HAIL MARY** – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after getting a hind leg cast in the barriers and was subsequently passed fit to run.

**THE PRAYER** – Stewards granted permission for C Newitt to ride ½ kg over the allotted minimum weight. Slow to begin by about three /lengths.

#### **RACE 5 – STEVE'S LIQUOR 3YO TROPHY – 1400 METRES)**

**MASTRETTA** – Had a tendency to hang in during the home straight. Bumped with AZONTO in the latter stages of the home straight when that filly took a tight run to improve.

**SPECIALIZED** – Had a tendency to over race in the early and middle stages. Checked off the heels of AZONTO rounding the home turn. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

Rider A Darmanin pleaded guilty to a charge under the provisions of AR131(a) careless riding. The particulars being that rounding the home turn he allowed his mount to shift in when not fully clear of SPECIALIZED (C Jordan), resulting in SPECIALIZED (C Jordan being tightened and checked by its rider. On assessing penalty, stewards took into account that the interference was of the medium-high range, that it was a feature race, and his guilty plea, and suspended A Darmanin for two Tasmanian race dates. Commencing midnight 20<sup>th</sup> December and expiring midnight 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2025.

#### **RACE 6 – INSERIES ELECTRICAL + SOLAR CONQUERING STAKES – (1400 METRES)**

**THE INEVITABLE** – Had a tendency to lay in, in the home straight.

**INDISPENSABLE** – Held up for clear running room in the home straight. Checked off the heels of AND BEYOND at about the 50 metres when that gelding shifted out marginally.

**SWOOP DOG** – Slow to begin.

**HYPE (IRE)** – Slow to begin. Rider T Voorham expressed disappointment with the run, stating she felt the gelding had been full of running, however had failed to respond when placed under pressure.

**GEEGEE'S GEMSTONE** – Fractious in the barriers.

**KALIUWAA FALLS (NZ)** – Shifted out at about the 250 metres, bumping with GEEGEEES GEMSTONE, pushing that gelding out onto THE INEVITABLE.

**AND BEYOND** – Jumped outwards at the start bumping with FIRST ACCUSED. Had a tendency to shift out under pressure in the last 50 metres.

**NICCO THE GREEK** – Fractious in the barriers.

**RACE 7 – CRAIG HANSON MEMORIAL CLASS 5 HCP – (1400 METRES)**

**ASVA (NZ)** – Had a tendency to race fiercely rounding the 800-metre turn.

**ZULU ANGEL** – Slow to begin. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

**PEACE BE UPON HIM** – Held up for a clear run in the home straight. Shifted wider at about the 100 metres to obtain clear running room.

**DID YOU DECIDE** – Held up for a clear run in the early stages of the home straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed superficial grazes to the off fore leg.

**RACE 8 – SEJAL’S COFFEE YOUNGTOWN BM70 – (2100 METRES)**

**GEEGEEES HISWORD** – Rider D Pires stated he was concerned with the action of the gelding post-race, and as a result he dismounted on course before returning to the scales. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

**METAVVERSE** – Jumped awkwardly.

**JOHNNIE PINCH** – Buffeted between runners ALWAYS A WINNER and LAUNNIE NIGHTS at about the 1600 metres.

**ALWAYS A WINNER** – Jumped awkwardly. Bumped with JOHNNIE PINCH several times at about the 1600 metres.

**VINTAGE DIESEL (NZ)** – Jumped awkwardly.

**LAUNNIE NIGHTS** – Had a tendency to over race. Bumped with JOHNNIE PINCH several times at about the 1600 metres.

Stewards inquired into an incident upon leaving the home straight on the first occasion, in where JOHNNIE PINCH (R Morimoto) becomes tightened, and buffeted between runners ALWAYS A WINNER (C Wells) and LAUNNIE NIGHTS (J Radley). After taking evidence from all riders, and reviewing the films, stewards were of the opinion that no rider could be attributed the blame for the incident, as it was a result of a marginal shift outwards from ALWAYS A WINNER, and an inwards shift from LAUNNIE NIGHTS. All riders were reminded of their obligations to ensure their mounts are clear at all times.

<b>SWAB SAMPLES</b>	
<b>Pre-race samples:</b>	R1 – REGATTA R2 – ALPINE THUNDER R5 – MAGNAPRIME, ZOETE’S ROCK, AZONTO. R6 – THE INEVITABLE, BELLO BEAU, ASHY BOY, HYPE, KALIUWAA FALLS, AND BEYOND, THESPIAN WATERS.

	R7 – ASVA (NZ)
<b>Post-race samples:</b>	R1 – NGAPALI BEACH R2 – LISPECTOR (NZ) R3 – HIGHLAND DUEL R4 – SUSHI EXPRESS R5 – AZONTO, MAGNAPRIME R6 – THE INEVITABLE, THESPIAN WATERS R7 – ASVA (NZ) R8 – ALWAYS A WINNER
<b>Suspensions:</b>	R5 – A Darmanin – AR131(a) – 2 Tasmanian Race dates – commencing midnight 20 <sup>th</sup> December and expiring midnight 1 <sup>st</sup> January, 2025.
<b>Fines:</b>	B Woodsford – AR228(d) - \$1000 (\$500 wholly suspended 24 months)
<b>Reprimands:</b>	R3 – S Carr – LR14.1 – Failed to scratch prior to scratching time.
<b>Horse Warnings:</b>	R1 – SHESAPIN – Warning - Loading manners
<b>Required to Trial:</b>	NIL
<b>Adjourned Inquiries:</b>	R2 – Rider A Darmanin and E Byrne Burke incident at about the 700 metres.
<b>Follow-up required:</b>	NIL
<b>Vet Certificate required:</b>	NIL
<b>Tactics Notified:</b>	NIL

## ADDENDUM

Stewards inquired into a complaint received in relation to a social media video content being placed on Snap Chat by licensed Trackwork rider and stable-hand Mr Ben Woodsford on the 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2024.

After taking evidence from Mr Woodsford and viewing the content of the Snap Chat, stewards were of the opinion that a charge should be laid, under the provisions of AR228(d) which reads, A person must not engage in: publishing or posting on any social media platform or channel any material, content or comment that is obscene, offensive, defamatory, racist, threatening, harassing, discriminatory or abusive to or about any other person involved in the racing industry.

The particulars of the charge being that on the 26<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 Mr Woodford placed content on Snap Chat that was inappropriate and offensive which was ultimately then distributed to licence participants.

Mr Woodsford pleaded guilty to the charge, and after taking into consideration his record, plea, and the circumstances of the incident, was fined \$1000 with \$500 suspended for 24 months. Mr Woodsford was advised of his right of appeal.

*The Steward's report as posted is provisional and subject to further review and amendment.*