

STEWARDS REPORT

Club:	Longford Cup - Tasmanian Turf Club
Date:	1 st January 2025
Weather:	Fine
Track Condition:	Soft 5 – Upgraded to Good 4 at 11:48am
Penetrometer:	N/A
Rail Position:	True
Stewards Panel:	Bruce Free (Chair), Tony Harding (Panel), Brittany Hine (Panel), Allison Norgrove (Front Yard), Emily Dunbabin (Back Yard), Janet Ainscow (Swabbing)
Officials:	Dr E Bates and Medical Edge (Raceday Medical Providers); Dr I Collier (Veterinarian); Carol Brydon (Clerk of Scales), Mr D Evans (Official Starter) Mr Z Cooper (Asst Starter)

Riding Changes / Jockey Information

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced by	Reason
2	FREDDY'SAJETSTAR		L Bingley	Explanation Accepted
2	DYNAMIC WARRIOR		J Radley	Explanation Accepted
2	NIGHTCLUBBING		H McCarthy	Explanation Accepted
2	DIAMOND SUNRISE		C Wells	Emergency Gained Start
3	WITHIN SIGHT		J Radley	Explanation Accepted
3	FASHION FOX		L Annells	Explanation Accepted
3	ARAYA SUNSHINE		H McCarthy	Explanation Accepted
3	SHALL WE PLAY		C Wells	Emergency Gained Start
4	SOUTHERN WIND		J Radley	Explanation Accepted
4	RING OF HONOUR		D Parish	Explanation Accepted
4	MISS PEBBLES		H McCarthy	Explanation Accepted
7	SIR SIMON		R Morimoto	Explanation Accepted
7	DISTRUSTFUL AWARD		C Van Munster	Explanation Accepted
7	FIORENTE DE LEGEND		D Parish	Explanation Accepted
8	ROYAL AND TOUGH		H McCarthy	Explanation Accepted
8	ALPINE AFFAIR		J Radley	Explanation Accepted
8	ESPUR		E Byrne Burke	Explanation Accepted

Comments / Explanations:

Due to the shortage of riders attending the Longford Cup meeting stewards took no action on late rider declarations.

RACE 1 – T.A BRICKNELL MAIDEN – (1800 METRES)

HEIST ON – Raced three wide until about the 800 metres.

PIPING WILLOW – Raced wide until around the 800 metres. Raced fiercely when held up for a clear run until around the 250 metres.

STEEL BLUE – Fractious in the barriers after removal of the blindfold. Slow to begin, raced three wide throughout. Rider C Van Munster reported that her mount had laid in throughout. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities. Connections advised that the gelding would now be retired.

MISS PRIVATE – Raced three wide from about the 800 metres.

STARS IN MY EYES – Contacted the running rail at about the 250 metres.

Stewards inquired into an incident approaching the home turn where PIPING SWALLOW (L Annells) contacted the hind quarters of HEIST ON (M Ulucinar) which had begun to lay in under pressure tightening PIPING SWALLOW in onto STARS IN MY EYES (J Radley) resulting in that gelding contacting the running rail. After taking evidence from all riders, and viewing the official patrol films, stewards were of the opinion there were multiple contributing factors to the incident and as such reminded all riders of their obligations to ensure they give each other sufficient room when attempting runs.

RACE 2 – INCITEC PIVOT MAIDEN – (1400 METRES)

FREDDY'SAJETSTAR – Raced wide with cover from about the 700 metres.

DYNAMIC WARRIOR – Rider J Radley reported his mount had a tendency to over race in the early stages of the race.

IN THE CLOUDS – Fractious prior to being loaded in the barriers. Slow to muster early speed.

PUZZLE MISS – Raced wide from about the 700 metres. Had a tendency to lay out in the home straight, momentarily inconveniencing DIAMOND SUNRISE.

DIAMOND SUNRISE – Held up for a clear run, restrained and shifted in about the 150 metres to avoid the heels of PUZZLE MISS.

RACE 3 – TASMANIAN LIVESTOCK SERVICES BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP – (1400 METRES)

ETHICAL DILEMMA – Had a tendency to race fiercely in the early stages. Raced wide from around the 800 metres when improving. Laid in under pressure over the concluding stages. Rider E Byrne Burke reported her mount had pulled hard for the majority of the race.

KAKAIA – Rider M Ulucinar reported the gelding had a tendency to lay out when placed under pressure from around the 250 metres.

WITHIN SIGHT – Declared a late scratching at 2:02pm on veterinary advice after undergoing a pre-race veterinary examination behind the barriers at the rider's request, which revealed the mare to have a locking right hind stifle. Trainer J Blacker was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the mare racing or trialling again.

On the announcement of correct weight Stewards ordered that all monies invested on WITHIN SIGHT be refunded, with the following deductions to apply to all successful wagers placed prior to 2:02pm.

Stewards ordered that the following deductions would apply:

1st – ETHICAL DILEMMA 18c Win 19c Place.

2nd – KAKIA 13c place

3rd – ARAYA SUNSHINE 17c place.

All monies bet after the withdrawal to be paid at face value of the tickets.

LINDRUM – Raced wide until gaining cover at around the 800 meters.

SIR JAG – Raced wide throughout.

SHALL WE PLAY – Rider C Wells reported that she believed the mare had choked down. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed an increased respiratory effort, however no other obvious abnormalities.

RACE 4 – LADBROKES FORM GENIUS BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP – (1400 METRES)

SOUTHERN WIND – Restrained at the start to gain a position closer to the rail. Commenced to improve from about the 1000 metres and raced wide from that point.

GEE GEE CAN WIN – Slow to begin.

OLE OLA – Raced wide from about the 600 metres.

MISS PEBBLES – Had a tendency to lay in under pressure, brushing with GEE GEE CAN WIN in the concluding stages of the home straight.

STEEL CONNECTION – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination, at the rider's request which revealed the gelding to be lame, and a wound to the LH cannon. Trainer J Luttrell was advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to the gelding racing or trialling again.

RACE 5 – TTMI & CASE IH BENCHMARK 60 HANDICAP – (2400 METRES)

CHI MAZEL – Began awkwardly. Shifted out and brushed with UNNERVING shortly after jumping. Commenced to over-race in the early stages. Raced ungenerously rounding the home turn on the final occasion and was inclined to lay in under pressure in the home straight.

VINTAGE DIESEL (NZ) – Raced wide from about the 800 metres.

PINANDI – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed an elevated heart rate, however no other obvious abnormalities.

RACE 6 – ARMIDALE STUD BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP – (800 METRES)

WHEELING – Shifted in at about the 200 metres, tightening PERIWINKLE. Stewards reminded rider L Bingley of her obligations to ensure she remains clear of other riders at all times.

FEAR THE STING – Bounded on jumping and was slow to begin. Had a tendency to over race in the early stages.

PERIWINKLE – Tightened at about the 200 metres, when WHEELING shifted in.

CAPABELLE – Reared in the barrier's multiple times, harmlessly dislodging rider L Annells, who was checked by medical edge staff and cleared fit to resume her riding engagements. Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to run. A warning has been placed on the barrier manners of the mare. Jumped in at the start.

LACERATE – Laid in rounding the home turn and hit the running rail. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

RACE 7 – CRESSY CHAFF CUTTERS JIM OSBORNE LONGFORD CUP – (1800 METRES)

SIR SIMON – Jumped out at the start. Raced fiercely in the early stages, leaving the home straight on the first occasion raced up onto the heels of EXALTED CROWN and had to be restrained by its rider, forcing SWOOP DOG wider on the track. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

SWOOP THERE IT IS – Raced wide throughout.

ZULU ANGEL – Slow to begin. Raced wide throughout.

BLONDE SUSPECT – Stewards granted permission for rider H McCarthy to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight.

EXALTED CROWN – Had a tendency to over-race in the early and middle stages.

DISTRUSTFUL AWARD – Slow to begin. Raced wide with cover from about the 800 metres. Had a tendency to lay in under pressure in the home straight.

L'IL HAIL MARY – Stewards granted permission for rider M Ulucinar to ride 1kg over the allotted minimum weight. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormalities.

RACE 8 – QUEENS ARMS HOTEL BENCHMARK 68 HANDICAP – (1400 METRES)

ROYAL AND TOUGH – Raced three wide throughout from around the 800 metres.

ALPINE AFFAIR – Slow into stride.

EMMJAY (NZ) – Raced four wide from around the 800 metres.

SWAB SAMPLES	
Pre-race blood samples:	R2 – KASIHKU R7 – EXALTED CROWN R7 – FIORENTE DE LEGEND R8 – ALPINE AFFAIR R8 – ESPUR
Post-race samples:	R1 – PIPING WILLOW R2 – DYNAMIC WARRIOR R3 – ETHICAL DILEMMA R4 – GEE GEE CAN WIN R5 – VINTAGE DIESEL NZ R6 – PERIWINKLE

	R7 – DISTRUSTFUL AWARD R8 – ALPINE AFFAIR
Suspensions:	NIL
Fines:	NIL
Reprimands:	NIL
Horse Warnings:	R6 - CAPABELLE – Barrier manners
Required to Trial:	NIL
Adjourned Inquiries:	NIL
Follow-up required:	NIL
Vet Certificate	R3 - WITHIN SIGHT – Lamé R4 - STEEL CONNECTION – Locking right hind stifle
Tactics Notified:	NIL

ADDENDUM

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