

OFFICE OF RACING INTEGRITY

HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB: TAMANIAN TROTTING CLUB

DATE: SUNDAY 1ST AUGUST 2021 **TRACK:** GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS: S SHINN (CHAIRMAN)

R BROWN (PANEL) J GLEESON (PANEL)

J DENNIS (DATA)

K CULLEN (BIRDCAGE) E DUNBABIN (SWABS)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR M BUCKERFIELD

STARTER: A EMERY

Trainers with multiple runners engaged in any race were questioned as to their intended driving tactics.

RACE 1 – TASMANIAN EQUINE VETERINARY PACE– 1609 METRES

TOMMY HILLFIGURE – Showed initial gate speed to take up the position behind the leader.

DREAMS ARE BETTOR – Driver Mr Dylan Ford fined \$200, Mr Ford having pleaded guilty to a charge issued under the provisions of AHHR156(2)(a) in that he utilized his whip with more than a wrist only flicking motion.

INDIANNA SANZ -Led the one wide line throughout.

RACE 2 - PRYDES EASIFEED PACE - 2090 METRES

PINK PONDER – Underwent a veterinary examination on its arrival at the course, the trainer Mr Ben Yole having notified the Stewards that the mare had got down in the float on the way to the track. The examination revealed the mare to have sustained multiple abrasions. Acting on veterinary advice, PINK PONDER was declared a late scratching at 4:52pm. On veterinary advice, PINK PONDER is stood down from racing for 14 days.

TALLY OPERATOR – Raced three wide eventually working forward to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1800 metres. The gelding subsequently obtained a one out one back trail approaching the 1400 metres. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 58 metres - placed on its last chance to race competitively.

IMAGE OF STARZZ – Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 58 metres - the gelding is placed on its last chance to be race competitively.

JACK JAMES – Raced three wide with a trail for the first 400 metres, then worked forward three wide to take over the position leading the one wide line approaching the 1400 metre point. The gelding subsequently obtained a one out one back trail approaching 1100 metres.

EMJAYS BLACK CHIP – Utilised the sprint lane in the run to the finish.

Street Address: 171 Westbury Road, Prospect Tasmania 7250 Postal Address: P O Box 1329, Launceston, Tasmania 7250 MONTANA STORM NZ – raced three wide with a trail until approaching the 1400 metre then worked forward three wide take over the position leading the one wide line approaching the 1100 metre point.

RACE 3 – NUTRIEN SPRINTLANE PACE – 2090 METRES

This race started approximately a minute and half behind the scheduled starting time due to an equipment problem on WHEY BETTER.

CAMELLIA STRIDE – Broke for a short distance in the score up however, was in position when the start was effected - placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races.

IMPULSIVE GEORGE – Led then surrendered the lead after 400 metres. Tired from the 450 metres ultimately beaten in an excess of 83 metres - Stewards placed the gelding on its last chance to race competitively.

FORGOT THE WALLET – Worked forward from outside the leader to take over the lead after 400 metres.

HILLBILLY BAND – Raced in a one out one back position until being left leading the one wide line after 400 metres.

STEPPING STONES – Commenced a three wide run from midfield near the 1400 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line, near the 1150 metres.

IDEN DELIGHT – Commenced a three wide run from the rear of the field near the 1150 metres. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 78 metres - placed on its last chance to race competitively. Placed back in the draw in mobile barrier races.

RACE 4 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 2090 METRES

Stewards questioned, Mr Ben Woodsford, driver of MONDOOLEY MACH and Mr Kayleb Williams, driver of GORDIEVSKY LEIS, Mr Williams being accompanied by senior driver, Mr Barry Rattray, regarding an incident which took place leaving the front straight on the first occasion where MONDOOLEY MACH raced roughly. After viewing the official race video replays and considering the evidence from the drivers and submissions of Mr Rattray, Stewards issued Mr Williams a charge under the provisions of AHHR165(1)(b) in that leaving the front straight on the first occasion when challenging for the lead, Mr Williams allowed GORDIEVSKY LEIS to shift towards the inside running line when not at least one metre clear of the extended front legs of MONDOOLEY MACH resulting in that runner being checked. Mr Williams pleaded guilty to the charge and after considering his submission regarding penalty, Stewards suspended his licence to drive for two race meetings to commence midnight the 1st August 2021 to expire midnight 8th August 2021. In determining the penalty Stewards took into account Mr Williams's relative inexperience, good driving record, his guilty plea as well as his personal circumstances. Mr Williams was advised of his right of appeal.

Stewards questioned Mr Ben Woodsford, driver MONDOOLEY MACH, regarding his driving tactics in the race in particular his reasons for attempting to hold the lead over the first 400 metres prior to surrendering the lead near the 1800 metre point. Mr Woodsford told the Stewards that his driving instructions were to attempt to lead in the race, which he attempted to do and after suffering some early interference and continuing to attempt to hold the lead he eventually conceded. Mr Woodsford added that he felt it would not be in the best interests of MONDOOLEY MACH to surrender the lead to the relatively inexperienced GORDIEVSKY LEIS MONDOOLEY MACH, being a reasonably well-performed horse having won five races this season along with a second and six thirds out of twenty-two starts this season. Trainer Mr Ben Yole told the Stewards that indeed his instructions to Mr Woodsford were for MONDOOLEY MACH to go forward to attempt to lead. He pointed out that the lead time of 34.5 seconds was not overly fast and that with the run trailing the leader, he expected MONDOOLEY MACH to perform far better than it did. He added that he had no explanation for the poor performance, MONDOOLEY MACH having commenced to give ground from the 500 metres to be beaten in excess of 156 metres. Mr Yole told the Stewards that he would be taking blood from the horse to be tested to try to ascertain the reason for MONDOOLEY MACH performing so poorly. The comments of Mr Woodsford and Mr Yole were noted for future reference.

Stewards questioned Mr Luke Hooper, driver of GLENRAE HANOVER, and Ms Jordan Chibnall, driver of ENDEAVOUR STRIDE, regarding an incident that took place in the back straight on the final occasion where the sulky wheels on these runners locked and GLENRAE HANOVER was checked. After taking evidence from the drivers, viewing the official race videos and giving regard to their own observations, Stewards established that near the 450 metre point Ms Chibnall commenced a shift from a three wide trailing position to a position wider on the track to the inside of GLENRAE HANOVER, at which point ENDEAVOUR STRIDE over reacted and shifted sideways abruptly resulting in the sulky wheels locking and GLENRAE HANOVER being checked. Stewards placed ENDEAVOUR STRIDE on its last chance to race truly. Notwithstanding this, Ms Chibnall was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground i.e. to do so in a manner which does not result in any interference to other runners.

MONDOOLEY MACH – Checked and raced roughly leaving the front straight on the first occasion. Led then resisted the challenge for the lead for the first 400 metres prior to surrendering that position. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stewards ordered that MONDOOLEY MACH be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory requalifying trial.

GORDIEVSKY LEIS – Mounted a strong challenge for the lead crossing over to take out the lead after 400 metres.

NORTHVIEW DAVE NZ – Led the one wide line throughout.

GIPSY TREASURE – Was caught racing three wide for 450 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field. Three wide three back from 1200 metre point.

GLENRAE HANOVER – Three wide two back from the 1200 metres. Locked sulky wheels with that of another runner which shifted out near the 450 metres.

SPORTS CANDY – Commenced a three wide run from one out one back near the 1200 metre point. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 50.2 metres. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stewards placed SPORTS CANDY on its last chance to race competitively. When questioned regarding the mare's performance, trainer Mr Connor Crook told the Stewards that he was most disappointed with the run of SPORTS CANDY and had no explanation for the substandard performance. Stewards advised Mr Crook that should anything surface in the next few days which could explain the poor performance of SPORTS CANDY he was to notify the Stewards.

ENDEAVOUR STRIDE – Three wide one back from the 1200 metres. Shifted out near the 450 metres locking sulky wheels with that of another runner – placed on its last chance to race truly.

RACE 5 – LADBROKES PACE – 2579 METRES

DEADLY ASSASSIN – Galloped away - having considered the gelding's standing start record Stewards ordered that DEADLY ASSASSIN be placed out of the draw in standing start races. Beaten in excess of 52 metres - no action taken due the gelding losing significant ground at the start.

ROCKNROLL TURBO – Worked forward to the lead after 150 metres.

JEANS MATTJESTY NZ – Raced outside the leader until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 2100 metres. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess 53 metres - placed on its last chance to race competitively.

 $KARALTA\ DAZZLER-Stepped\ and\ led\ then\ surrendered\ the\ lead\ after\ 150\ metres.$

TACTICAL RESPONSE – Galloped out - Having considered the gelding's standing start record, the Stewards ordered that TACTICAL RESPONSE be placed out of the draw in standing start races. Pulled hard throughout the middle stages of the race. Three wide one back from 1300 metre point.

KARDESLER NZ – Held up and checked behind a tiring runner in the back straight on final occasion.

GONE AND FORGOTTEN - Galloped away - will continue to be placed out of the draw in standing start races.

BE MAJOR THREAT – Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 2300 metre point to take over the position leading the one wide line near 2100 metre point.

ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ - Was caught racing three wide for the first 500 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field. Three wide two back from the 1300 metre point.

THE SHALLOWS - Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field at the 1300 metre point.

RACE 6 – CASCADE DRAUGHT PACE – 2090 METRES

PROFICIENT NZ - Caught racing three wide for the first 400 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

IDEN FOREST – Led the one wide line throughout. Had a tendency to hang in at various occasions during the race.

MONTANA LAD NZ - Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near 1100 metres.

AHA REACTION NZ – Three wide one back from the 1100 metres.

SOMEDAN – Three wide two back from the 1100 metres.

RACE 7 – TTC MEMBERS PACE – 2090 METRES

This race started approximately 3 minutes behind the scheduled start time due to a false start being declared at the first attempt when the 10 metre barrier strand failed to release. The barrier strands were hand held for the re-start.

MAJOR DAVVIN – Swung sideways at the start - placed out of the draw in standing start races. Commenced a three wide run from one out two back near 1700 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line approaching the 1400 metres.

JAKES A JOY – Galloped out – placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races.

DEBT TILL WE PART – Galloped away taking no competitive part in the race – placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races.

LAKE EYRE NZ – Galloped out – placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races.

KUZMA – Three wide two back from the 950 metres.

ONEOFTHELADS – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1400 metres.

SOMEHOWSOMEWAY - Three wide one back from the 1200 metres.

PERFECT MACH - Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field at the 1200 metre point.

RACE 8 – THA PACE – 2090 METRES

This race started one and half minutes behind the scheduled starting time due to a sulky change being required on one of the runners.

NOBEER NOMORE – Driver Mr Paul Hill, was fined \$100 under the provisions of AHHR162(1)(y) for failing to adhere to the minimum sectional time standards for the event when leading. The first half of the last mile was completed in 65.42 seconds whereas the standard is 65 seconds.

APHRODISIAC – Locked wheels entering the home straight on the final occasion.

BOULDER CITY – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1700 metrs.

TOPZAVSKI – Worked forward three wide to the position leading the one wide line near the 1700 metres. Locked wheels entering the home straight on the final occasion.

KEEP PLAYING – Locked wheels entering the home straight on the final occasion.

ANDREW JAY – Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 53 metres - Stewards placed the gelding on its last chance to race competitively.

MY ULTIMATE ROMEO - Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field approaching the 1050 metre point. Three wide one back from the 900 metres.

BORDER CROSS – Three wide one back from the 1050 metres. Three wide two back from the 900 metres. Checked entering the home straight on the final occasion.

HEAR THE CALL NZ – Checked entering the home straight on the final occasion.

STYLISH TREND NZ – Severely checked entering the home straight on the final occasion.

General

Stewards inquired into the reason for the sulky wheels of three runners, KEEP PLAYING, TOPZAVSKI and APHODISIAC locking entering the home straight on the final occasion. A review of the official race videos revealed the incident resulted from minor shifts and Stewards deemed no horse or driver fully responsible and no further action was considered necessary.

RACE 9 – PRYDES RACE CUBE PACE – 1609 METRES

VELOCITY STRIDE – Had a tendency to pull hard throughout the middle stages of the race.

RACE 10 - ST VIRGILS FC PACE - 2090 METRES

VIVID STRIDE – Led prior to surrendering the lead after 250 metres. Pulled hard throughout the middle stages of the race. Stewards opened an inquiry into the driving tactics and performance of the mare. The inquiry adjourned to a time and date to be fixed.

NAVUA PIXIE – Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 1400 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1100 metres.

JO DINA – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1100 metre point.

MYKINDOFFEELING – Worked forward from outside the leader to take over the lead after 300 metres. Gave ground over the concluding stages.

KISSING GAME - Raced three wide for the first 400 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

ISLAND ROCKNROLL – Raced roughly in latter stages of the score up, however, was able to occupy his requisition at the start - Stewards placed ISLAND ROCKNROLL on her last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	NIL
FINES	R1 – D FORD – AHHR156(2)(a) - \$200 R8 – P HIL – AHHR162(1)(y) - \$100
SUSPENSIONS	R4 – K WILLIAMS – AHHR165(1)(b) – 2 RACE DATES
HORSE ACTIONS	R2 PINK PONDER – SD14D (Vets Advice) R3 IDEN DELIGHT - BMD R4 MONDOOLEY MACH – SD1T R5 DEADLY ASSASSIN – ODS R5 TACTICAL RESPONSE – ODS
LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS	

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY		
Race 1	NINEFORTWENTYTHREE	
Race 2	GUIDO DA SIENA NZ	
Race 3	IMPULSIVE GEORGE	
Race 4	COOLHAND EASTON NZ	
Race 5	ILLEGAL IMMIGRANT NZ	
Race 6	SOMEDAN	
Race 7	BLACKJACKHANOVER	
Race 8	NOBEER NOMORE	
Race 9	GOOD FEELINGS	
Race 10	NAVUA PIXIE	

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY

Race 1	LONGFELLOW
Race 2	MONTANA STORM NZ
Race 3	EMRITES
Race 4	NORTHVIEW DAVE NZ
Race 5	BE MAJOR THREAT
Race 6	LOCKAWAY KACIE
Race 7	JUST FOR DAVE
Race 8	NOBEER NOMORE
Race 9	ALBAYZIN
Race 10	MACH CHARM

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CHAIRMAN

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