

OFFICE OF RACING INTEGRITY

HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB: TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB

DATE: FRIDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2021 **TRACK:** GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS: S SHINN (CHAIRMAN)

R BROWN (PANEL) J GLEESON (PANEL)

J STEELE (DATA)

E DUNBABIN (BIRDCAGE)

K CULLEN (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.

Due to the late arrival of the ambulance, all races were put back one race with the final race rescheduled to start 9:35PM, rather than 9:04PM.

RACE 1 – DAVID MEDHURST MEMORIAL – 2090 METRES

FORGOTTEN LIBBY – Hung out in the score up - A warning was issued. Hung out noticeably at various stages of the race - Placed on its last chance to race truly. Led then surrendered the lead near the 1500 metres. Gave ground over the concluding stages.

TACTIC STRIDE – Broke shortly after the start was effected - Placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. Broke near the 1100 metres when being restrained by its driver the gelding having run up close to the preceding sulky. Having considered the gelding's poor recent behavioural record, Stewards ordered TACTIC STRIDE be stood down from racing for 28 days and until the completion of four satisfactory requalifying trials.

SYZATE – Sulky contacted racing into the back straight on the first occasion.

DREAMS ARE BETTOR – Raced up onto the back of the preceding sulky Racing into the back straight on the first occasion. Commenced a three-wide run from towards the rear of the field near 1700 metres to take over the lead near the 1500 metres. No action was taken against driver, Ben Woodsford, regarding the sectional time standards as Mr Woodsford crossed over to the lead shortly after reaching the mile marker. Driver Ben Woodsford was fined \$200 and had his licence to drive suspended for 4 race meetings, Mr Woodsford having pleaded guilty to a charge issued under the provisions of AHRR 156(2) in that, in the home straight on the final occasion he utilised his whip with more than a wrist only flicking motion. In determining penalty Stewards took into consideration the penalty guidelines regarding the number of offences withing a 12 month period.

RACE 2 – PRYDES EASIFEED PACE – 2090 METRES

JUST FOR DAVE – Utilised the sprint lane in the run to the finish.

DONNY IN PARIS – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1500 metres.

ASHLEYS BLUE CHIP – Raced three-wide for the first 400 metres prior to restraining to a one out three back position. Commenced a three-wide run near the 1700 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1500 metres. Obtained a one out one back trail near the 1300 metres.

BLACKJACKHANOVER – Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 1500 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1300 metres. Driver Paul Hill fined \$200, Mr Hill having pleaded guilty to a charge issued under provisions of AHHR156(2) in that in the home straight on the final occasion he utilised his whip with more than a wrist only flicking motion.

TALLY OPERATOR - Raced three-wide until working forward to take over the lead near the 1100 metres.

DISTINCTIVE DEL NZ – Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 58 metres. Having considered the gelding's recent record, Stewards ordered that DISTICTIVE DEL NZ be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory requalifying trial.

RACE 3 – TTC 2YO SWEEPSTAKES QUALIFICATION RACE - FILLIES – 1609 METRES

MACARIA – Led then surrendered the lead near the 1100 metres.

MARISABEL – Broke shortly after the start was effected - Placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. Hung out briefly on the first turn.

ANNS GIRL - Raced roughly for a short distance shortly after the start was effected - a warning was issued.

OUR BRIGHT LIGHT - Raced three wide for the first 400 metres whilst being retrained to the rear of the field.

MARCELLA - Hung in on a number of occasions during the race - A warning was issued.

MISS PAPENHUYZEN – Was inconvenienced shortly after the start was effected. Commenced a three-wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 950 metres, taking over the position leading the one wide line entering the back straight on the final occasion.

MAYS PLACE - Raced three wide, eventually working forward to take over the lead near the 1100 metres.

RACE 4 – CASCADE DRAUGHT PACE – 2090 METRES

This race started approximately one minute and half behind the rescheduled starting time, due to a late starting race at Geelong Harness.

SACRAMENTO SUN – Hung in and contacting a marker peg near the 400 metres whilst giving ground - A warning was issued.

POOR MANS DELIGHT – Broke in the score up causing a false start - Placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. Broke free of interference near the 900 metres. Having considered the gelding's recent record, Stewards ordered that POOR MANS DELIGHT be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory requalifying trial. Held up around the final turn and had difficulty obtaining a clear run to the finish – not fully tested.

OUR ULTIMATE BONNY – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail after 400 metres. Had a tendency to over race throughout the middle stages.

RAFFAS ACE – Worked forward three wide to take over the position leading the one wide line after 400 metres. Commenced to tire from the 800 metres, eventually being retired from the race by its driver. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which failed to reveal any apparent abnormalities. Having considered the gelding's recent record, Stewards ordered that RAFFAS ACE be stood down from racing for 14 days and until the completion of 2 satisfactory requalification trials.

BOULDER CITY – Utilised the sprint lane and the run to the finish.

RACE 5 – TTC 2YO SWEEPSTAKES QUALIFICATION RACE – COLTS & GELDINGS – 1609 METRES

The all clear for this race was delayed when Matthew Howlett, driver of MIKEY OH, requested to view the official race videos in order to ascertain whether he had grounds for a protest. After viewing the official race videos in the company of trainer, Christopher Howlett, both gentlemen elected to take the matter no further and the all clear was given on judge's numbers.

RYDER NEEDS US – Gave ground over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 71 metres - Placed on its last chance to race competitively.

HURRICANE ROCK - Led then surrendered the lead after 300 metres.

MUCHO MOVER – Worked forward from outside the leader to take over the lead after 300 metres. Shifted out in the home straight on the final occasion, inconveniencing another runner to its outside. Driver Todd Rattray fined \$100, Mr Rattray having pleaded guilty to a charge issued under the provisions of AHHR168(1)(a) – careless driving, in that in the home straight on the final occasion he allowed or failed to make sufficient effort to prevent MACHO MOVER from shifting up the track in the run to the finish resulting in the runner to his outside being inconvenienced.

MALLEN-Worked forward three-wide early then led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1150 metres.

MICKEY OH – Raced three-wide, eventually working forward to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1150 metres. Inconvenienced in home straight on the final occasion.

MAEBEE – Out of position when the start was effected - Driver Barrie Rattray reprimanded under the provisions of AHHR162(1)(j) for failing to maintain his position until the start.

MAGIC JOE - Three-wide one back from the 850 metres.

A MINUTES SILENCE - Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 1000 metres.

RACE 6 – TASMANIAN EQUINE VETERINARY SERVICES PACE – 2090 METRES

HES APPLES – Slow in the latter stages of the score up despite its driver's best efforts but in position when the start was effected. Led and withstood an early challenge for the lead. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Subsequent to the race driver Dylan Ford voiced his concerns about the driving tactics employed by Tim Yole, driver of ISLAND ROCKNROLL. Of concern to Mr Ford was his belief that Mr Yole had applied undue pressure to HES APPLES, a 2 year old racing against older seasoned horses, throughout the race. Having viewed the official race videos and been made aware of the sectional times for the race including an average lead time with subsequent quarters of 32.8 and 30.4 Mr Ford concerns were satisfied. Regarding Mr Yole initially attempting to lead. Mr Ford was made aware of the driving tactics advised pre race by trainer Ben Yole that although the recent form of ISLAND ROCKNROLL had been disappointing, the mare possesses good gate speed and he considered that there was not great deal of gate speed drawn to the inside of ISLANDROCKNROLL and that it was in her best interest to at least 'have a look' to lead, from which position ISLAND ROCKNROLL had won the majority of her 8 races. After making a short challenge for the lead having had an initial advantage over HES APPLES, Mr Yole looked to take up the position behind that gelding however the gap closed from which stage he attempted successfully to rate ISLANDROCKNROLL through a comfortable lead time and early sectional quarters. Notwithstanding the above, ISLANDROCKNROLL subsequently performed poorly and was placed on its last chance to race competitively.

HEIDI GO SEEK – Out of position when the start was effected. Driver Harrison Ross was reprimanded under the provisions of AHHR162(1)(j) for failing to maintain his correct position until the start was effected.

ISLAND ROCKNROLL – Mounted a short unsuccessful challenge for the lead then obliged to lead the one wide line thereafter. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 84 metres – Placed on her last chance to race competitively.

MACHAVELLI - Raced wide in the early stages prior to easing to a one out one back position.

KEEP PLAYING – Raced three wide for the first 450 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field. Commenced a three wide run approaching the 1000 metres. Three wide one back from the 900 metres.

YELLOW TAXI NZ – Inconvenienced in the latter stages of the score up by the preceding runner being slow in the score up.

GOT THE GOODS – Three wide from the 900 metres.

STYLISH TREND NZ – Inconvenienced in the latter stages of the score up.

RACE 7 - TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE - 2090 METRES

This race started approximately two minutes behind the rescheduled starting time due to a late starting race at Sale Greyhounds.

BUDVAR EYRE NZ – Utilised the sprint lane in the run to the finish.

STAVROS THE TERROR NZ - Commenced a three-wide run from midfield near the 1700 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1500 metres.

TAKE IN THE GOLD NZ – Raced three-wide for the first 350 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

HESA BIT DIFFERENT - Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail near the 1500 metres.

COVEFFE HUSTLER – Was held up around the final turn - finished moderately once clear.

LIFES A JUNGLE - Commenced a three wide run from towards the rear of the field at the 1100 metres.

ARTIFLASH – Three wide one back from the 1100 metres.

GOOD FEELINGS - Three wide two back from the 1100 metres.

CAMELLIA STRIDE – Well out of position when the start was effected - will continue to be placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races.

APHRODISIAC – Was held up for clear running until the latter stages of the home straight - Finished strongly once clear.

SUMMARY		
REPRIMANDS	R5 – B RATTRAY – AHHR162(1)(j)	
	R6 – H ROSS – AHHR162(1)(j)	
FINES	R2 – P HILL – \$200 - AHHR156(2)	
	R5 – T RATTRAY - \$100 – AHRR 168(1)(a)	
SUSPENSIONS		
HORSE ACTIONS	R1 – TACTC STRIDE – ODM	
	R1 – TACTIC STRIDE – SD28D SD4T	
	R2 – DISTINCTIVE DEL NZ – SD1T	
	R3 – MARISABEL – ODM	
	R4 – POOR MANS DELIGHT – ODM	
	R4 – RAFFAS ACE – SD14D SD2T	
	R4 – POOR MANS DELIGHT – SD1T	
LICENSED PERSONS	NIL	
ACTIONS		

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY		
Race 1	HYDE PARK	
	INDIANNA SANZ	
Race 2	BIG BANG RAJ	
	DISTINCTIVE DEL NZ	
Race 3	GUENEVERES MADONNA	
	MISS PAPENHUYZEN	
Race 4	POOR MANS DELIGHT	
Race 5	MALLEN	
	MICKEY OH	
Race 6	MACHAVELLI	
Race 7	STAVROS THE TERROR	

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY		
Race 1	SYZATE	
Race 2	JUST FOR DAVE	
Race 3	MAYS PLACE	
Race 4	SQUATTER SHANNON	
Race 5	MUCHO MOVER	
Race 6	MACHAVELLI	
Race 7	STAVROS THE TERROR	

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CHAIRMAN

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