

# OFFICE OF RACING INTEGRITY

# HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

**CLUB: DEVONPORT HARNESS RACING CLUB** 

**DATE:** Sunday 26 December 2021 **TRACK:** Fine

**WEATHER:** Good

**STEWARDS:** S SHINN (CHAIRMAN)

R BROWN (PANEL)

**B BAUDINETTE (PANEL)** 

C ELLSON (DATA)

D LUTTRELL (INSPECTIONS)

M ROBINSON (SWABS)

**VETERINARY SURGEON:** DR J McGREGOR

**STARTER:** A EMERY

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

## RACE 1- COLLINS HOMES PACE - 2297 METRES MS

VONNS ANGEL – Commenced a three-wide run from midfield to circle a tiring runner near the 900 metres, then regained its one out trailing position. Hung in and contacted the marker pegs on the final turn – a warning was issued. Failed to obtain a clear run to the finish – untested.

BETTER AMOUR – Hung in and contacted the marker pegs around the final turn - a warning was issued.

CELEBRITA – Led the one wide line until commencing to give ground from the 900 metres, inconveniencing other runners. The mare was ultimately beaten in excess of 94 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no apparent abnormalities. Stewards reported that CELEBRITA be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory trial.

AUSSIE ROCK – Raced three-wide for the first 400 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

ASHLEYS BLUE CHIP – Was out of position when the start was effected despite its driver's best efforts - placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races.

PETREA BROMAC NZ – Commenced a three-wide run near the 1600 metres to take over the position leading the one wide line near the 1400 metres.

JANJUC - Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 137 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stewards ordered that JANJUC must complete a satisfactory requalifying trial before being eligible to race again.

LA TOISON DOR – Commenced a three-wide run near the 900 metres to circle a tiring runner then regained its one out trailing position.

Street Address: 171 Westbury Road, Prospect Tasmania 7250 Postal Address: P O Box 1329, Launceston, Tasmania 7250 SAFE JEWELS – Raced three-wide for the first 350 metres whilst being restrained in the rear of the field. Commenced a three-wide run from the rear of the field near the 900 metres to circle a tiring runner then regained its one out trailing position.

RACE 2 – MAXFIELD DRILLING MOBILE - 2297 METRES MS

KERMADEC – Led the one wide line until being restrained to the position behind the leader after 350

metres.

BOLD CENTURIAN – Was held up for clear running around the final turn, then finished strongly

once clear.

INCOGNITO – Showed initial gate speed however, broke shortly thereafter. Placed out of the draw in

mobile barrier races. Driver R Ashwood reported that the gelding had passed a plate during the run.

HURRIKANE KIWI – Raced three-wide for the first 400 metres whilst being restrained in the rear of

the field. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 67 metres. Having considered the geldings' recent race record, stewards ordered that HURRICANE KIWI must complete a satisfactory

requalifying trial before being eligible to race again.

GRAPHITE STRIDE – Was reluctant to score up and was well out of position when the start was

effected - placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races.

PARDOE PLUGGA – Raced behind the leader until shifting out to lead the one wide line near the

1700 metres.

BETTORZ BEACH - Raced in a one out trailing position until being left leading the one wide line

after 350 metres. Obtained a one out one back trail near the 1700 metres.

VIVID STRIDE – Was held up for clear running around the final turn then finished strongly once

clear.

AUNTY BESSY - Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 54 metres. Placed on its

last chance to race competitively.

RACE 3 – ULVERSTONE BICYCLES MOBILE – 2297 METRES

SEA HAWKE – Had difficulty obtaining a clear run to the finish – not fully tested.

HENRY HU NZ – Held up for clear running on the final turn - finished moderately once clear.

BOSTON BUSKER – Raced three-wide for the first 400 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of

the field.

RESURGENT STORM – Shifted out to lead the three-wide line near the 950 metres.

OFFTHETOPOFMYHEAD – Three-wide one back from the 950 metres. Driver D Ford fined \$200

under the provisions of AHRR 156(2)(a) for utilising his whip with more than a wrist only flicking

motion in the home straight on the final occasion.

TAURISI – Placed back in the draw in mobile barrier races.

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EARL JUJON – Out of position when the start was effected - Will continue to be placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. Three-wide two back from 950 metres.

#### RACE 4 – COMPLETE CANVAS PACE – 2297 – METRES MS

MACHS MARETA NZ – Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 83 metres. Placed on its last chance to race competitively.

KUZMA – Led the one wide line until obtaining a one out one back trail after 400 metres.

SPORTS CANDY – Raced three-wide for the first 400 metres eventually working forward to take over position leading the one wide line.

OUR SIR OLIVER – Was held up and checked behind a tiring runner in the back straight on the final occasion.

LAID BACK KENNY – Was out of position when the start was effected - Will continue to be placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. Commenced a three-wide run from towards the rear of the field near the 900 metres. Gave ground over the concluding stages.

CLASSIE AMERICAN NZ - Out of position when the start was effected - Will continue to be placed out of the draw in mobile barrier races. Three-wide one back from the 1200 metres.

THE DUDE NZ – Broke in the score up and was well out of position when the start was effected - Will continue to be placed right out of the draw in mobile barrier races.

## RACE 5 - NUTRIEN AG PACE - 2297 - METRES MS

ARDEN ROANOKE NZ – Briefly locked wheels with the sulky of another runner entering the home straight with a lap to travel. Commenced to give ground in the back straight on the final occasion, ultimately being retired from the race by its driver. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stewards ordered that ARDEN ROANOKE NZ must complete a satisfactory requalifying trial before being eligible to race again.

MISTER GENTLY - Commenced a three-wide run near the 1100 metres from one out one back.

YATSENYUK LEIS – Led the one wide line. Hung in slightly entering the home straight with a lap to travel resulting in its inside sulky wheel briefly locking with the outside sulky wheel of the runner to its inside - A warning was issued.

ROCK ON PLAYBOY – Raced three-wide for the first 300 metres, eventually being restrained to the rear of the field.

SOMEDAN – Driver R Hadley reprimanded under the provisions of AHRR163((1)(a)(ii) for extended jostling on the first turn.

SUNNY SANZ – Was well out of position when the start was effected despite its driver's best efforts – Placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races. Driver G Rattray reprimanded under the provisions of AHRR163(1)(a)(ii) for extended jostling on the first turn.

#### General

Stewards enquired into the reason for DEADLY ASSASSIN racing four-wide from the 1200 metres. After taking evidence from J Chibnall, driver of DEADLY ASSASIN, Ms Chibnall being accompanied by senior driver Connor Crook and evidence from Craig Hayes, driver of MISTER GENTLY, as well

as viewing the official race videos; Stewards determined that entering the back straight on the final occasion Ms Chibnall had commenced to ease DEADLY ASSASIN wider on the track, this simultaneous to Mr Hayes attempting to ease MR GENTLY wider on the track. The video evidence showed that the runner immediately ahead of MR GENTLY was racing approximately two carts wide rather than one and as the runners progressed towards the turn out of the back straight with a lap to travel the runner ahead of MR GENTLY shifted back down to a true one wide position leaving MR GENTLY three-wide with DEADLY ASSASSIN in four-wide. Stewards could place no full blame on any horse or driver and no further action was deemed necessary.

## General

Stewards questioned G Rattray, driver of SUNNY SANZ, and R Hadley, driver of SOMEDAN, regarding SOMEDAN racing three wide on the first turn. After taking evidence from the drivers, viewing the official race videos and giving regard to their observations Stewards issued Mr Rattray a charge under the provisions of AHRR163(1)(b)((i) with making another horse, SOMEDAN, cover more ground than necessary. Mr Rattray pleaded not guilty to the charge. After considering Mr Rattray's submission in regard to his not guilty plea which included clarification of his evidence given during the inquiry accompanied by the video evidence being less than definitive Stewards elected to withdraw the charge. Subsequently, Mr Rattray and Mr Hadley were both reprimanded under the provisions of AHRR163((1)(a)(ii) for extended jostling for position on the first turn.

## RACE 6 – KEVIN REDPATH NORTH WEST PLATE FINAL – 2286 METRES SS

The barrier strands for this race were hand-held.

JACKSON NEPTUNE – Led until surrendering the lead leaving the back straight on the first occasion. Pulled hard throughout the middle stages of the race.

CAROLS JUDGE - Galloped away - Placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races.

KRAFTY BOY – Broke free of interference entering the back straight on the first occasion when leading the one wide line then regained a pace and led the one wide line thereafter. Gave ground over the concluding stages. Placed on its last chance to race truly.

BE GOOD BENNY – Galloped out - placed on its last chance in the draw in standing start races.

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

ONEOFTHELADS – Worked forward from outside the leader to take over the lead leaving the back straight on the first occasion.

Driver N Ford pleaded guilty to a charge issued under the provision of AHRR 156(2)(a) in that on a number of occasions in the home straight he utilised his whip with more than a wrist only flicking motion whilst generating force from his elbow. Having taken into consideration Mr Ford's record regarding this rule, Stewards issued a fine of \$200. As well, Mr Ford's licence to drive was suspended for two race dates to commence midnight 26th December 2021 to expire midnight Jan 1st 2022.

ARTYBOY GLENWOOD - Commenced a three-wide run from midfield near the 800 metres.

SLINGSHOT – Gave ground over the concluding stages.

NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ – Was retired from the race on the final turn when a hopple shortener cord became entangled in the horse's hind leg. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which failed to reveal any abnormalities.

GORDIEVSKY LEIS – Three-wide one back from the 800 metres.

CHRIS BE QUICK – Three-wide two back from the 800 metres. Placed back in the draw in mobile barrier races.

RACE 7 – CUB PACE – 2297 METRES MS

CROWN MOJO – Commenced a three-wide run from one out one back near the 1600 metres to take

over the position leading the one wide line near the 1400 metres. Commenced to tire from the 850 metres ultimately being beaten in excess of 143 metres. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stewards ordered that CROWN MOJO be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory requalifying trial. Led the one wide line until obtaining a

one out one back trail after 300 metres.

DON HESTON – Led the one wide line for the first 300 metres prior to being restrained to the position

behind the leader.

METRO MAN – Worked forward three-wide to the position outside the leader after 400 metres.

Obtained a one out one back trail with two laps to travel. Commenced a three-wide run from one out one back near the 850 metres. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 108 metres.

Stewards ordered that METRO MAN be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory

requalifying trial.

THE DEAL – Raced three-wide for the first 350 metres whilst being restrained to the rear of the field.

 $IDEAL\ INVESTMENT-Commenced\ a\ three-wide\ run\ from\ towards\ the\ rear\ of\ the\ field\ near\ the\ 1000$ 

metres. Three-wide one back from the 850 metres. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 61 metres - placed on its last chance to race competitively.

LIVE FOR PEACE – Three-wide one back from the 1000 metres, three wide two back from the 850

metres.

RACE 8 – JEREMY ROCKLIFF MP MOBILE - 1930 METRES MS

MAJOR LESTER – Withstood an early challenge for the lead. Driver Ms J Chibnall fined \$100 under

the provisions of AHRR162(1)(y) for exceeding the minimum sectional time standard.

REMEMBER ME NOW NZ – Gave ground over the concluding stages.

BLACKJACK JIM - Mounted an unsuccessful early challenge for the lead prior to obtaining a one out

one back position.

IM LADY MADELEINE – Issued an unsuccessful early three wide challenge for the lead then led the

one wide line until obtaing a one out one back trail near the 1200 metres.

HOT EMBERS – Held up for clear running around the final turn – finished moderately once clear.

JUNIPER – Commenced a three-wide run from midfield with two laps to travel to take over the position

leading the one wide line near the 1200 metres.

SHADOW PASS NZ – Tired over the concluding staged to be beaten in excess of 53 metres – placed

on its last chance to race competitively.

ON MY OATH – Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 52 metres – placed on its last chance to race competitively.

#### RACE 9 – CUB PACE – 2297 METRES MS

KENS CHIPS – Led the one wide line until being restrained to the position behind the leader after 400 metres.

LONGNWINDINGROAD – Worked forward three wide to take over the position leading the one wide line after 400 metres. Commenced a three wide run near the 1200 metres. Commenced to tire from the 500 metres eventually being beaten in excess of 118 metres. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stewards ordered that LONGNWINDINGROAD be stood down from racing until the completion of a satisfactory requalifying trial.

WRITTEN IN SILK – Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 89 metres. Stewards ordered that WRITTEN IN SILK must complete a satisfactory requalifying trial before being eligible to race again. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which failed to reveal any abnormalities.

ULTIMATE ME NZ – Three-wide three back from the 1200 metres.

NIFTY JOLT – Hung out in the score up - placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races. Had a tendency to hangout throughout the race - placed on its last chance to race truly.

HEZA RUMMAGE NZ – Three-wide one back from the 1200 metres.

BETTOR SPORT – Three-wide two back from 1200 metres. Placed back in the draw in mobile barrier races.

#### RACE 10 – LADBROKES MOBILE – 2297 METRES MS

TRIPLE AITCH FELLA – Broke in the early stages of the score up however, was in position when the start was effected - placed on its last chance in the draw in mobile barrier races. Withstood an early challenge for the lead.

RAFFAS ACE – Mounted an unsuccessful challenge for the lead over the first 300 metres. Tired over the concluding stages to be beaten in excess of 114 metres. Stewards ordered the RAFFAS ACE must complete a satisfactory requalifying trial before being eligible to race again.

JO DINA – Commenced a three-wide from towards the rear of the field near the 1100 metres.

ALBAYZIN – Mounted an unsuccessful three-wide challenge for the lead over the first 300 metres prior to being restrained to a one out one back trailing position. Tired over the concluding stages finishing distanced. Stewards ordered that ALBAYZIN must complete a satisfactory trial before being eligible to race again.

SOUTHERN GNP NZ – Three wide one back from the 1100 metres.

BENJAMIN NIADH – Three-wide two back from the 800 metres.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	R5 – G RATTRAY – AHRR163(1)(a)(ii)
	R5 – R HADLEY – AHRR163(1)(a)(ii)
FINES	R3 – D FORD – AHRR156(2)(a) - \$200
	R6 – N FORD – AHRR156(2)(a) - \$200
	R8 – J CHIBNALL – AHRR162(1)(y) - \$100
SUSPENSIONS	R6 – N FORD – AHRR156(2)(a) – 26/12/21 thru 1/1/22 (2 race dates)
HORSE ACTIONS	R1 – JANJUC – SD1T
	R1 – CELEBRITA – SD1T
	R2 – INCOGNITO – ODM
	R2 – GRAPHITE STRIDE – ODM
	R2 – HURRICANE KIWI – SD1T
	R3 – TAURISI – BMD
	R5 – ARDEN ROANOKE NZ – SD1T
	R6 – CHRIS BE QUICK – BMD
	R7 – CROWN MOJO – SD1T
	R7 – METRO MAN – SD1T
	R9 – BETTOR SPORT – BMD
	R9 – LONGNWINDING ROAD – SD1T
	R9 – WRITTEN IN SILK – SD1T
	R10 – ALBAYZIN – SD1T
	R10 – RAFFAS ACE – SD1T
LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS	NIL

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	LA TOISON DOR
Race 2	LOOBY LOMBO
Race 3	LETS SAVE THE DAY NZ
Race 4	LAID BACK KENNY
Race 5	MISTER GENTLY
Race 6	TARLETON RILEY
Race 7	DON HESTON
Race 8	REMEMBER ME NOW NZ
Race 9	INDIANNA SANZ
Race 10	JO DINA

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY		
Race 1	KIKKIMI	
Race 2	LOOBY LOMBO	
Race 3	RESURGENT STORM	
Race 4	ROCKS ROY	
Race 5	ROCK ON PLAYBOY	
Race 6	ONEOFTHELADS	
Race 7	LESYA	
Race 8	MAJOR LESTER	
Race 9	INDIANNA SANZ	
Race 10	TRIPLE AITCH FELLA	

## STEVEN SHINN CHAIRMAN

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<a href="http://www.racing.tas.gov.au/harness\_racing/policies\_and\_rules">http://www.racing.tas.gov.au/harness\_racing/policies\_and\_rules</a> - ORI Integrity Policy Manual