

# **STEWARDS REPORT**

Club:	Tasmanian Racing Club
Date:	Sunday, 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2025
Weather:	Fine
Track Condition:	Good 4 / Downgraded to Soft 5 at 10.42am. Downgraded to Soft 6 at 12.17 pm.
Penetrometer:	4.47
Rail Position:	+11m Entire
Stewards Panel:	Mr. M. Castillo (Chair), Mr. T. Harding (Panel), Ms. A Norgrove (Panel), Mr. R. Simpson (Swabbing), Mr. I Bray (Backyard)
Officials:	Dr E Bates and Medical Edge (Raceday Medical Providers), Dr. J. Buckerfield (Veterinarian), Ms. C. Brydon (Scales), Ms. C. Ellson (Scales Assist), Mr. D Evans (Starter), Mr. A Collins (Assistant Starter)

## Riding Changes / Jockey Information

Race	Horse	Rider	Replaced by	Reason
1	Romanesco Fresco	Erica Burn Burke	-	Fine-late rider declaration
2	Out of Words	C Van Munster	-	Reason Accepted
7	Al Maximus	J Radley	-	Reason Accepted
7	Doonican	Bulent Muhcu	-	Reason Accepted

# *Comments / Explanations:*

Prior to the running of the first race Jockey E Byrne Burke was examined by Dr. Ms. Elizabeth Bates. Jockey E Byrne Burke after undergoing a physical examination and an added verbal concussion test was passed fit to fulfil her riding engagements at today's meeting

## RACE 1 – 11:20AM – Island Coast Sprints Class 4 - (1600 METRES)

**1 SANDUAL** Became fractious in the barriers prior to the start.

**2 AFRICAN THUNDER** Failed to run on over the final 200 meters resulting in the rider stop riding. A post race veterinarian examination of the gelding revealed no obvious abnormalities. Stewards will contact the trainer in relation to how it pulls up, once it returns to his stable.

3 JUST A NEEDS	A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.
4 LI'L HAIL MARY	Raced wide throughout the event.
5 ROMANESCO FRESCO	Shifted inwards at the1200 meters tightening another runner. Tended to lay out under pressure in the home straight.
6 FIORENTE DE LEGEND	In the early and middle stages of the event. Tended to over race in the early stages of the event.
7 GLOBAL AWARENESS	Momentarily tightened for room and had to be steadied at the 1200 meters. Raced fiercely in the early stages.

#### RACE 2 – 12:00PM – Kevin Sharkie 2YO Maiden - (1100 METRES)

1 MIDWAY POINT	Tended to shift ground inwards and outwards under pressure in the
	home straight.

- **2 OUT OF WORDS** Proved difficult to load into the barriers and a warning will be placed on the gelding's barrier manners.
- **3 PRIMROSE BOY** Bumped upon jumping.
- **4 ACCUSAIENT** Jumped outwards at the start, bumping another runner. Tended to over race in the early and middle stages and had to be eased off the heels of the runners in front approaching the 600m.
- **9 DAYTONA DIVA** It proved difficult to load into the barriers. A warning will be issued against the filly's barrier manners. A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.
- **10 JENNI THE CAT** Raced 5 wide throughout the event.
- **11 MISS LYRA**Bumped by another runner upon jumping. Raced 4 wide<br/>throughout the event.
- **12 MISS MABEL** Slow to muster early speed in the event.
- **13 REDAIR** Tended to lay inwards under pressure in the home straight.
- **14 THE PIRATE QUEEN** Bumped upon jumping.

Stewards after the running of this event inspected the track and after consulting with several senior riders, downgraded the track to a Soft 6 at 12.17 pm. Stewards notified all agencies of the downgrade.

# RACE 3 – 12:35PM – Olive Tree Catering 3YO Maiden - (1200 METRES)

1 COOL CUSTOMER	Dwelt upon jumping. Rider was dislodged after the running of the event and suffered a harmless fall.
3 HOTAPPLEPIE	Raced 4 wide throughout the event. The gelding was eased down over the final 200 meters of the event. Stewards ordered a post race veterinarian examination of the gelding which revealed no obvious abnormalities at the time of inspection.
9 CRYSTAL MOONBEAM	Trainer questioned regarding the improved performance. A post race swab sample was taken from this filly after its winning performance for analytical testing.
10 GENUINE LADY	Tended to over race in the early stages of the event. It had to be eased by its rider over the final stages.
11e ROYAL SCENE	Had to check off the heels of the runners in front approaching the 600 meters and as a result shifted outwards carrying another runner wider. Shifted inwards under pressure at the100 meters obliging another runner to be eased off heels by its rider. Rider issued a severe reprimand.
13e SOUTHERN AURURAS	Tended to shift inwards under pressure in the home straight.
16e EXPOSTAR	Forced wider at the 600 meters by another runner shifting

Stewards questioned riders Apprentice C Van Munster (ROYAL SCENE) and Jockey C Jordan (GOLD TIANNA) into reasons why Jockey C Jordan had to check her mount at the 100 meters. After taking evidence from both riders and stewards acting on their own observations and viewing the official patrol films it was established that ROYAL SCENE did shift in under pressure while the rider was using the whip, resulting in the racing room of GOLD TIANNA being taken and Rider C Jordan having to checked off the heels of ROYAL SCENE. Stewards took into account that once ROYAL SCENE commenced to shift inwards App C Van Munster did stop riding and attempted to straighten her mount, however it was too late. Stewards also took into account app C Van Munster very good record and issued a severe reprimand on this occasion.

Stewards questioned trainer Rhonda Hall into the improved performance of the winner CRYSTAL MOONBEAM. Trainer R Hall explained that the filly had only two starts and at her first start she raced up on the pace and started from barrier 4 and just tired over the final stages to run 3<sup>rd</sup>. At the filly's next start the filly drew an outside barrier and raced wide and covered a lot of ground and failed to run on over the final stages. Trainer R Hall explained that in today's event she instructed the rider to allow her to roll forwards where she is comfortable from a favorable barrier. The trainer further stated that the filly had worked extremely well throughout the week and stated, "she could not have her any fitter coming into this event". Stewards noted the trainer's explanation for future reference.

## RACE 4 – 1:10PM – Winning Edge Presentations Maiden - (1430 METRES)

- **1 ARCHER STREET** Raced 4 wide throughout the event. Failed to run on over the concluding stages. Stewards ordered a post race veterinarian examination on the gelding which revealed no abnormalities at the time of inspection. The trainer advised stewards that she will discuss future plans with the connections, and it may be retired.
- 2 COASTAL STRIKE Became fractious in the barriers prior to the start. The trainer was questioned regarding the improved performance of the gelding. The trainer explained that he didn't gallop the gelding throughout the week and had worked well in its trackwork and expected a forward showing. The trainer further explained that the 1430 meters suited the gelding and racing in a forward position as well. Stewards noted his comments for future reference.

A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.

- **5 ALL ABOUT LUNA** Was slow to muster early speed.
- **6 ELLA MAY** Tended to over race in the early stages of the event. It made the turn at the 1200 meters awkward.
- 7 MISS DELPHI Became fractious in the barriers prior to the start. Stewards ordered a post race veterinarian examination of the mare who failed to run on over the concluding stages which revealed no significant lameness or findings.
- **9 SKELMORLIE** Raced 4 wide until the 800m. tended to lay outwards under pressure in the home straight.

#### RACE 5 – 1:45PM – Ladbrokes Mates Mode Pots Class 1 Hcp - (1430 METRES)

- **1 SKIN IN THE GAME** It had to be checked by its rider shortly after the start. Tended to over race in the early and middle stages of the event. A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.
- **2 CHRISTOPHER ROBIN** Checked severely after the start between runners who shifted ground. Tended to lay outwards under pressure in the home straight.
- 4 ALISENTTightened for room shortly after the start between runners.Raced wide throughout.
- 5 FIRST LINE On returning to scale the rider reported that his saddle slipped during the running of the event and placed him at a disadvantage.
- **6 RED FOX** Shifted inwards shortly after the start despite the rider's efforts.
- **7 WHISPER OF MATILDA** Failed to run on over the concluding stages. A post race veterinarian examination revealed no obvious abnormalities.

**10 SMIFFY** 

Stewards ordered a post race veterinarian examination following the running of the event which revealed the filly was making a harsh respiratory noise and had a slight white discharge from its nostrils. Trainer was advised that a veterinary certificate will need to be tendered prior to its next race start. The trainer advised the stewards that the filly will be now going for an immediate spell.

Stewards questioned trainer Mr. S Lockhart into the disappointing performance of WHISPER OF MATILDA following her winning performance in her last start on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May 2025. Mr. Lockhart was at a loss to explain the performance as in his opinion he was expecting another positive performance and could only put it down to the softer rating of the track. He further added that the mare had returned to the stable and trotted up sound and could not find anything amiss with her, on her return. Mr. Lockhart advised stewards that he would give her a few days off to recuperate from her run. Stewards noted his comments for future reference.

#### RACE 6 – 2:20PM – Aviso TAS Insurance Brokers Class 4 - (1200 METRES)

- **1 ALPINE THUNDER** Knuckled upon jumping. Raced wide until the 600 meters.
- 4 MOVE ON OVER Raced wide throughout the event. Stewards ordered a post race veterinary examination of the mare after she failed to run on in the home straight. The veterinary surgeon advised the stewards that the mare was not lame. However, after a flexion test, it showed minimal lameness (1 out of 10) to its left foreleg. Trainer advised that the mare had surgery in November 2023 which would explain the above. On a further vet's examination a few hours later revealed the mare to be moving well and acceptable. Stewards noted the vet's comments for future reference.
- **7 PASHEONA** It was slow into stride.
- 8 ESPRIT DIVA Stewards questioned the trainer in relation to the improved performance. A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.

9 LA VIRAGO Rider reported that the mare failed to respond to his riding. Stewards questioned the trainer in relation to the disappointing performance of the mare. Trainer S Cotton advised stewards that the mare pulled up well on returning to her stables and was concerned on the day of her action after the race. The trainer further advised stewards that she would be contacting the owners to discuss the mares future racing plans.

Stewards questioned trainer Mr. J Luttrell about the improved performance of his mare ESPRIT DIVA after her winning performance. Mr. Luttrell explained that the mare had worked extremely well leading up to this event and was praised by its work rider jockey L Annells. He further explained that he had not trialed the mare leading up to this event and believed the small field suited the mare's chances.

Stewards were satisfied with the explanation and noted the trainer's comments for future reference.

# RACE 7 – 3:00PM – Ladbrokes Odds Surge BM66 Hcp - (2100 METRES)

1 GOLDEN PROPHET	A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.
5 WILLINGLY	Over raced in the early and middle stages of the event.
10 SOUTHERN WIND	Raced wide throughout the event.
11 STERREK	Became fractious in the barriers and underwent a veterinary examination prior to the event and the gelding was passed fit to take its place in the field. Tended to over race in the early and middle stages of the event. failed to run on over the concluding stages of the event. A post race veterinary examination of the gelding revealed no abnormalities at the time of inspection.

# RACE 8 – 3:40PM – Kevin Sharkie Maiden/Class 1 - (1600 METRES)

1 CARNELIAN ROCK	Bounded upon jumping. A post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.
2 SHAMUS EAGLE	Raced 3 wide throughout.
4 EMMJAY (NZ)	Raced 4 wide throughout the event.
5 GEEGEES BIG BIRD	Raced three wide throughout the event.
8 RIPPEN GOLD	Tended to lay outwards rounding the home turn and made it wide.
9 TOSEN FAME	Raced three wide throughout the event.
10 IN THE CLOUDS	Raced fiercely in the early stages and had to be checked off heels at the1200 meters and got its head up and raced ungenerously.
11 SURPRISE SECRET	Restrained at the start from a wide barrier to gain a position closer to the rail and began to over race in the early stages.
	Disappointed for a run between runners making the home turn.

# RACE 9 – 4:20PM – Ladbrokes Quick Multi BM68 Hcp - (1430 METRES)

1 NICCO THE GREEK	Held up for a clear run making the home turn and had to shift outwards over heels to get a clear run.
4 FLYING BILLIE	Tended to over race while leading the event. a post race swab sample was taken from this winner for analytical testing.
5 VERBANO	Raced wide throughout the event.
6 WE DESERVE THIS	Raced wide throughout the event.
8 STEEL MIST	Had to be re saddled behind the barriers.

# <u>Tasmanian Racing Club – Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025</u>

Stewards today concluded an adjourned inquiry into the alleged verbal comments made towards J K Blacker licensed stable hand Mr. Blake Fisher outside the "Crown Lager Bar" adjacent to the mounting yard and parade ring. Stewards took further evidence from Mr. Blake Fisher in the company of stable advocate Ms. Penny Cawthen. Directed to attend the inquiry to give evidence was Stable hands Mr. Scott Brunton and Mr. Michael Guthrie. Stewards, after taking further evidence from Mr. Fisher and initial evidence from Mr. Brunton and Mr. Guthrie considered the evidence and issued a charge against Mr. Michael Guthrie under provisions of AR 228 (b) which reads:

# <u>Conduct detrimental to the interest of racing.</u>

# A person must not engage in:

# (b) – Misconduct, improper conduct or unseemly behavior.

The particulars of the charge were that on this day Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025 outside the "Crown Lager Bar" Mr. Michael Guthrie did misconduct himself by verbally making loud improper remarks at Mr. Blake Fisher while he was performing his duties, of parading a horse for the JK Blacker stable in which he is employed.

Mr. Guthrie pleaded guilty to the charge.

Stewards, after hearing submissions on penalty from Mr. Michael Guthrie and considering his recent good record under this rule, issued a fine of \$1000.00.

Stewards suspended \$500.00 from this fine for a period of 24 months. This suspended monitory penalty will be added should Mr. Guthrie breach this rule again in this 24-month time frame.

All parties were reminded of the Tas Racing Code of Conduct and Mr. Guthrie was advised of his appeal rights.

SUMMARY	
Pre-race Blood Samples:	NIL
Post-	R1 - JUST A NEEDS
	R2 – DAYTONA DIVA
	R3- CRYSTAL MOONBEAM
	R4- COASTAL STRIKE
	R5- SKIN IN THE GAME
	R6- ESPRIT DIVA
	R7 – GOLDEN PROPHET
	R8 – CARNELIAN ROCK
	R9 – FLYING BILLIE
Fines:	R1. J K Blacker- \$50.00- late rider declaration. LR- 13.3
	INQ – M Guthrie - \$1000 (\$500 wholly suspended for 24 months) Conduct detrimental to the interest of racing - AR 228(b)
Reprimands:	R3: C Van Munster- Severe Reprimand- 131 (a) Careless riding- (ROYAL SCENE)
Horse Warnings:	NIL
Required to Trial:	NIL
Follow-up required:	NIL
Vet Certificate required:	NIL

# GENERAL ADDENDUM

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

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