

## STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB
DATE	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2025
WEATHER	Fine
TRACK	Good
STEWARDS PANEL CHAIR	N Finnigan
PANEL	B Hine J Lincoln
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	R Simpson I Bray
SWAB	A McDermott
STARTER	G Griffin
VETERINARIAN	Dr M Buckerfield
MEDICAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

### RACE 1 – LADBROKES ODDS SURGE PACE – 1609m Mobile

**VINCENTS RAINBOW** – Showed gait speed to lead the one wide line. Over-raced in the early stages, contacting the sulky of UNMATCHED after that horse broke gait as it was crossing to the position leading the one-out line. This incident resulted in VINCENTS RAINBOW to be checked and subsequently break gait. Contacted marker pegs turning into the home straight, for which Driver D Ford was reprimanded [AHR Rule 163(1)(c)(i)].

**TRUE IMAGE** – First registered race start. Hung out and shied at the winning post on passing it on the first occasion.

**UNMATCHED** – Placed on its last chance to race truly after breaking gait free of interference passing the 1200 as it was crossing to lead the one-out line. Broke gait a second time leaving the home straight after the bell. On review, it was established that the near-fore hopple loop, most likely damaged when breaking on the first occasion, dropped, tripping UNMATCHED up. The circumstances were noted.

**TASSIE DAZLER** – Checked, broke gait and locked wheels with HANOVER THE MINT in the home straight approaching the bell when that gelding broke gait and shifted out. Checked near the 800 when UNMATCHED galloped after breaking gear.

**HANOVER THE MINT** – First registered race start. Stood down to trial after breaking gait on two(2) separate occasions. Firstly when approaching the 1100, where it shifted out, broke gait and locked sulky wheels with TASSIE DAZLER, and further checked other runners, and secondly, approaching the 800, broke gait free of interference, shifted in and contacted markers.

**SOLO SALUTE** – First registered race start. Back from its allotted position at the start. Checked leaving the 1200.

**SHEEZA SOHO** – Raced roughly during the score up, resulting in the filly being back from its allotted position at the start. Raced roughly again when making the first turn.

## RACE 2 – PRYDES EASIFEED PACE – 2090m Mobile

**GOODTIME OSCAR** – Momentarily raced rough in the middle stages of the score-up.

**RANIERI NZ** – Checked racing into the first turn when COLBY ART broke gait. Under pressure from the 1000, giving ground from the 700 to be beaten in excess of 55 metres, with an individual mile rate of 2:02.7.

**VELOCITY STRIDE** – Checked racing into the first turn when COLBY ART broke gait. Over-raced and pulled hard before being retired out of the event near the 700. Driver L Older reported to stewards he believed the gelding had choked down, stating his breathing had become exaggerated and laboured near the winning post on the bell lap, and shortly after dropped the bit and stumbled for a few strides nearing the 800. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no significant findings. Stewards subsequently stood VELOCITY STRIDE down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial.

**PARK LANE NZ** – Checked racing into the first turn when COLBY ART broke gait. Checked again, by the retiring VELOCITY STRIDE approaching the 700.

**BINALONG BAY** – Checked racing into the first turn when COLBY ART broke gait. Nearing the 700, was checked again, by the retiring VELOCITY STRIDE. Inconvenienced by the tiring RANIERI NZ, leaving the 400.

**COLBY ART** – Broke gait free of interference racing into the first turn, checking and/or inconveniencing several runners. Continued to gallop for some considerable distance before being pulled up out of the event. Stewards deemed the performance unacceptable and as such stood COLBY ART down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial.

***General:** Stewards questioned Driver D Ford regarding his driving tactics with GOODTIME OSCAR. Driver Ford stated the connections had been working with the gelding, which has had a tendency to over-race, changing its training regime and using subtle gear changes in an*

*attempt to settle in his races, and on assessing the opposition in tonight's race, it was believed there was too much early speed drawn around him and as such did not want to embark on an early speed duel and have the probability of GOODTIME OSCAR reverting to old habits after some considerable progress had been made. Driver Ford added he had considered making a run with GOODTIME OSCAR early in the back straight on the final occasion, however upon beginning to ease out, had made a quick assessment of runners in the one-out line, believing that the best option at the time was to remain on the inside line, believing a run would eventuate if he waited patiently, which did occur. Finally, driver Ford stated that he and the connection were more than please with GOODTIME OSCAR's performance indicating that in similar circumstances there would be no change to the driving tactics. Stewards noted the evidence as tendered.*

### **RACE 3 – MOREY'S TOURS PACE – 1609m    Mobile**

**SUNSHINE SAINT** – Under pressure from the 1000, gave ground to be beaten in excess of 40 metres, with an individual mile rate of 2:00.7.

**RAY DAN** – Hung in under pressure, and over the concluding stages shifted out slightly.

**MODERN JIVE** – Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish

**ARDEN ROANOKE NZ** – Held up for clear racing room during the vital stages of the run to the finish, only gaining clear running over the concluding stages.

### **RACE 4 – THE BEAUTIDE 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST PACE – 2090m    Mobile**

**GAWN** – Gave ground from the 600, for which a warning was issued. Contacted marker pegs turning into the home straight for the run to the finish.

**WATERMELON SUGAR** – Showed gait speed, before being restrained to a trailing position. Obtained an inside run, on the home turn, before utilising the sprint lane in the run to the finish.

**THE CHANCER** – Held up for clear racing room behind the tiring GAWN, until leaving the 400.

**General:** *The 'all-clear' was delayed, at the request of driver T Ford, affording her the opportunity to view the official race footage of the run to the finish. On reviewing the footage, driver Ford had no objections, and as such, Stewards declared 'all-clear' on the judge's numbers: 6 - 8 – 4 – 7 - 2.*

**General:** *Stewards questioned Driver D Ford in relation to TRIPLE VINNIES shifting ground late on the home turn, inadvertently presenting an opportunity for an inside run to WATERMELON SUGAR. Driver Ford acknowledged that TRIPLE VINNIES had uncharacteristically shifted out on the final turn, catching him by surprise, as the gelding had been tracking truly in its most recent performances. Driver Ford added that tonight's performance has left connections worried, as TRIPLE VINNIES had done this previously, at the end of a racing campaign, which*

*led to the gelding being spelled, which may be a possibility again. Stewards, on hearing the evidence, took no action other than to note the circumstances and to instruct driver Ford that should anything come to light which may help explain the movement, connections were to inform Stewards at their earliest convenience.*

**General:** *Stewards questioned Driver L Older (VANQUISH STRIDE NZ) in relation to inadvertently presenting an opportunity for WATERMELON SUGAR by shifting wide with VANQUISH STRIDE NZ on the home turn. Driver Older stated that he had tracked TRIPLE VINNIES around the final turn and although aware that he was racing away from the markers, he did not realise to what extent, and when WATERMELON SUGAR raced up quickly to his inside he could not move back down the track. Driver Older admitted in hindsight he needed to be more aware of his racing line and that he should also be aware of the racing line of other runners, in this case TRIPLE VINNIES. Stewards in assessing the circumstances around the movement, gave the benefit of the doubt to driver Older on this occasion based on his racing status and acknowledgment of his error, taking no action other than to note the evidence and the circumstances around the movement.*

**General:** *Driver T Ford was charged and subsequently pled guilty to the charge of unapproved whip use in the home straight in the run to the finish. Stewards, after referring to her offence record, where it showed this was her 6<sup>th</sup> offence in less than a 12-month period, suspended driver Ford's licence to drive for two(2) Tasmanian Race Dates. Stewards, at the request of driver Ford, deferred the imposition of penalty until she completes her driving engagements on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025 [AHR Rule 156(2)(a)].*

#### **RACE 5 – RACING CONNECT PACE – 2090m    Mobile**

**PUNTARNO STRIDE** – Utilised the sprint lane in the run to the finish.

**MIGHT AND TEMERITY** – Contacted its own sulky, particularly with the inside hind leg on the turns. Connections were advised to take all required actions to prevent a reoccurrence.

#### **RACE 6 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 2090m    Mobile**

**HALLIS BOY** – Gave ground over the concluding stages, beaten in excess of 50 metres, with an individual milerate of 2:01.85.

#### **RACE 7 – SMITHAWARDS PACE – 1609m    Mobile**

**EAGLE WATCH** – Carried wide by WE SALUTE YOU, in the home straight for the run to the finish, momentarily tightening MR BONDI NZ.

**ROYAL APPOINTMENT** – Hung in under pressure, particularly in the early stages of the home straight in the run to the finish.

**MR BOND NZ** – Tightened turning into the home straight, between ROYAL APPOINTMENT, which had hung in slightly, and EAGLE WATCH, which had been carried wide by WE SALUTE YOU. Disappointed for clear running room in the early stages of the home straight.

**WE SALUTE YOU** – Utilised the sprint lane in the run to the finish. Shifted out in the final stages in run to the finish.

**RACE 8 – FEHLBERGS PACE – 2090m    Mobile**

**CAN DO MAGIC NZ** – Shifted out shortly after the start inconveniencing SERIOUSLY SAM.

**SERIOUSLY SAM** – Inconvenienced shortly after the start as CAN DO MAGIC NZ shifted ground.

**STRANDED LOLLIPOP** – Raced rough in the score-up resulting in the gelding being back from its allotted position after the start. Raced rough again in the run to the first turn. A warning was issued.

**JIMI SANZ** – Gave ground from the 800, to be beaten in excess of 140 metres, with an individual mile rate of 2:08.8. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no significant findings. Stewards deemed the performance below the required standard and as such stood JIMI SANZ down from racing until satisfactorily completing one(1) qualifying trial.

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## RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
<b>SUSPENSIONS: 1</b>	4	FORD Tiarna; Whip action – 2 Race Dates	156(2)(a)
<b>FINES: 0</b>		NIL	
<b>REPRIMANDS: 1</b>	1	FORD Dylan; Contact Markers	163(1)(c)(i)
<b>HORSE ACTIONS: 3</b>	1	HANOVER THE MINT; Bx2 (SG LW CI, SG CMP) – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	2	VELOCITY STRIDE; Pulled Up, Choked Down – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	2	COLBY ART; Broke gait, Pulled Up – Stood Down 1 Trial	
	8	JIMI SANZ; Poor Performance – Stood Down 1 Trial	
<b>PRE-RACE SWABS: 8</b>	1	TRUE IMAGE	
	2	GOODTIME OSCAR	
	3	RAY DAN	
	4	ANYTHING GOES	
	5	OUR MIKI DIVA	
	6	MEDINA	
	7	ROYAL APPOINTMENT	
	8	SERIOUSLY SAM	
<b>POST RACE SWABS: 8</b>		ALL WINNERS	
<b>POST RACE TCO2: 0</b>		NIL	
<b>FOLLOW UPS: 0</b>		NIL	
<b>ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES: 0</b>		NIL	

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