

STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB
DATE	28 TH FEBRUARY 2026
WEATHER	Fine
TRACK	Good
STEWARDS PANEL CHAIR	J. Lincoln
PANEL	T.T Styles B. Hine L. Jones J. Marsh B. Scott
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	S. Tedman
SWAB	A. McDermott I. Bray L. Rice (training)
STARTER	D Bauld
VETERINARIAN	Drs. J & M Buckerfield
MEDICAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

Sprint lane in operation.

Trainers with multiple runners in a race advised Stewards of intended tactics.

RACE 1 – TYPEFACE PACE – 2090M MS

MR BOND I NZ - Hung out under pressure over the concluding stages. Stewards questioned Driver L Older regarding the reasons WAZZA obtained an inside run over the concluding stages. Driver Older stated the gelding had begun to hang when placed under pressure, and despite his best efforts the horse continued to shift up the track. Stewards took no further action

Stewards also queried Driver Older regarding his adopted tactics, particularly in the early stages. Driver Older put forward that in his opinion the horse had not been coming off the gate quickly in most recent starts, rather, he had been able to work forward evenly. He further explained that up in class tonight, and back over the longer trip that it was in his best interest to drive the gelding more conservatively. Despite this, the horse was unable to run on as anticipated in the concluding stages. Stewards accepted his explanation.

WAZZA – Obtained an inside run, when MR BOND I NZ hung out.

RACE 2 – WOODLANDS STUD GEORGE JOHNSTONE MARES (LISTED CLASSIC) – 2090M MS

ULTIMACTION – Pulled hard during the early and middle stages. Tended to hang in throughout the turns. Shifted out under pressure over the concluding stages.

NOVA BAXTER – Contacted several marker pegs when racing in restricted room into the first turn. No further action was taken.

RACE 3 – TASMANIAN LABOR ERIC REECE MEMORIAL -- 2090M MS

Stewards delayed the all clear to review the start of the race, in particular whether SPORT WATCHER had gained any advantage. After reviewing the footage, stewards were satisfied and all clear was declared on the judges numbers.

PHLOW JO – Broke gait in the score up, and as a result was out of position at the start. Broke gait again, shortly after the start. Connections were advised PHLOW JO will now be excluded from future mobile starting draws.

SPORTY GRANT – Inconvenienced around the 800 metres by the galloping FANCY ANOTHER.

HES FIRST CLASS – Inconvenienced around the 300 metres by the tiring MAJOR POPPI.

FANCY ANOTHER – Near the 800 metres, broke the near side connector strap, resulting in the mare breaking gait.

MILLYCENT – Out of position at the candy pole. Due to the nature of the start, no further action was taken.

KING BART – Broke in the score up, however due to the other galloping runner, no action was taken other than to place the gelding on its last chance in the draw. Inconvenienced after the start by the restraining SPORTY GRANT.

OHANA BY THE SEA – Inconvenience during the score up by the galloping KING BART, and as a result, was out of position when the start was affected. Due to the nature of the start, no further action was taken.

RACE 4 – FEHLBERGS PRODUCE SPRINTLANE PACE – 2090M MS

WEE GEORGIE WOOD – Raced roughly and had a tendency to hang in, when racing into the home straight on the final occasion. Shifted in under pressure over the concluding stages, eventually racing into the sprint lane for some distance. Contacted several marker pegs shortly after the finish.

Stewards inquired into the reasons behind WEE GEORGIE WOOD racing into the sprint lane in the home straight when in the lead. Driver K Kendall put forward that the horse had previously had a tendency to be wayward, and as such she was focussing on keeping the horse balanced. Stewards noted Driver Kendall's comments, however had concerns with the lack of effort shown in correcting the horse's line. Acting on all evidence, Stewards fined Driver Kendall \$100 under AR 167(iii).

Stewards further inquired into the reasons behind the gelding contacting several marker pegs passing the winning post. Driver Kendall further stated that she had been attempting to correct the gelding, however he had been resisting her efforts. Stewards believed Driver Kendall should have made more effort to correct her drive, and as such issued a reprimand under AR 168(1)(a).

RACE 5 – BRUISER YOUNG MEMORIAL LIGHT HARNESS TASMANIA CUP – 2579M SS

SERIOUSLY SAM – Stood flat footed before racing roughly at the start of the event.

IAMAHUNTER – Bad away at the start. Will be placed on its last chance in the draw.

IMPERIAL LAZ NZ – Bad away at the start. Will continue to be excluded from future standing start draws. Driver J Watson was issued a reprimand for his whip action over the concluding stages. [AR 156(2)(b)]

RACE 6 – LADBROKES TASMANIA CUP FINAL – 2579M MS

TRIEDTOTELLYA – Out of position at the candy pole and also at the start of the event. Driver R Hillier was fined \$100 under AR 162(1)(i).

Driver L Older was fined \$300 for his whip action in the home straight, on the final occasion. [AR 156(2)(a)]

RACE 7 – HENRY PULLEN MEMORIAL – 1609M MS

MARV DREAING – Hung in racing out of the back straight on the first occasion, contacting several marker pegs for which a warning was issued.

EVERYTHING BUT THE – Broke gait as the start was affected, as a result the gelding will now be excluded from future mobile barrier draws.

JUST LIKE A DREAM – Inconvenienced after the start by the galloping EVERYTHING BUT THE.

Stewards inquired into an incident shortly after the start where OUR WILLOW (L Older) crossed MY BEAUTIFUL LIFE (K Kendall) to take the lead. After taking evidence from all drivers, and acting on their own observations, Stewards reminded Mr Older to take more care when shifting but no further action was taken.

RACE 8 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 1609M MS

PREPARATION – Broke gait racing out of the back straight on the first occasion, and subsequently will be placed on its last chance to race truly.

RACE 9 – SMITHAWARDS PACE – 1609M MS

SIR NIPPA – Shifted out under pressure over the concluding stages.

General:

The following horses were subjected to out-of-competition testing during the week:

Denny NZ, Hammer Dan, Horatius Speculo, Stepping Stones, The Shallows, Custom Harley, Sport Watcher, Major Poppi, Imperial Laz NZ

Following a report from Inspector M McCarthy on Wednesday the 25th of February, Stewards charged licenced person Phillip Ford after he was observed during trackwork failing to wear a properly affixed helmet, nor vest. Mr Ford was fined \$200 per offence, a total of \$400 and was further reminded of his obligations regarding helmets and vests while driving any racehorse. [AHR 159A(1)(a)(i), AHR 159B(1)(a)(i)]

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS:		NIL	
FINES:	4	K Kendall - \$100 – Fail to remove horse from sprint lane	167(3)
	6	R Hillier – \$100 - Out of Position Candy Pole/Start	162(1)(i)
	6	L Older - \$300 – Whip Action	156(2)(a)
		Trackwork 25/2 - P Ford - \$200 – Fail to wear a property affixed helmet	159A(1)(a)(i)
REPRIMANDS:	4	K Kendall – Careless Driving	168(1)(a)
	5	J Watson – Whip Action	156(2)(a)
HORSE ACTIONS:		NIL	
BARRIER INFORMATION:	3	Phlow Jo – BAS, ODM	
	7	Everything But The – BAS, ODM	
SCRATCHINGS:	3	Left One Hangin (Emg not required)	
	4	Rock Amour (Emg not required)	
	6	Custom Harley (Emg not required)	
	7	Iden Regal Wave (Emg not required)	
	8	Stranded Lollipop (LATE – Foot Abscess)	
PRE-RACE SWABS:	ZARA TINDAL NZ, ULTIMACTION, STEPPING STONES, PHLOW JO, VODOO RANGER NZ, HES FIRST CLASS, HARBOUR SPRINGS, ASHANTE QUEEN, IAMAHUNTER, DENNY NZ, GOODTIME OSCAR, MAEBEE, TOLD YU TWICE, STAR MAJOR, MAGNETIC TERROR NZ, GLENLEDI ELVIS NZ, CELEBRITY ROYAL, HORATIUS SPECULO, DALTON SHARD NZ, TRIEDTOTLLYA		
POST RACE SWABS:	ALL WINNERS RACE 6 – 2 ND AND 3 RD		
POST RACE TCO2:	NIL		
FOLLOW UPS:	NIL		
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:			

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28/02/2026	1
04/03/2026	2
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