

## STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	TASMANIAN TROTTING CLUB	
DATE	15 <sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2026	
WEATHER	FINE	
TRACK	GOOD	
STEWARDS PANEL	CHAIR	J. Lincoln
	PANEL	B. Hine J. Marsh
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	T. Barnes (cadet)	L. Jones (cadet)
	SWAB	A.McDermott I.Bray L.Rice (training) K. Valentine (training)
	STARTER	D. Bauld
	VETERNARIAN	Dr Ruth Walker
	MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

*General: Trainers with multiple runners reported pre-race tactics*

*Race 1 was delayed due to the non-arrival of the Ambulance. New start times were R1 – 2.54pm R2 - 3:15pm R3 – 3:40pm*

### RACE 1 – FEHLBERG'S PRODUCE SPRINT LANE PACE – 2090m MS

IAMHUNTER – Jumped a shadow shortly after the start, and again near the winning line.

NATIONAL NEWS – Was fractious before the start. Over-raced in the lead

HAMMER DAN – Pulled hard in the early and middle stages

General – Driver Jacob Duggan was reprimanded under AHR 156(4)(v) for using the whip passed the winning post

### RACE 2 – SMITHWARDS PACE – 1609m MS

BACKTALK – Out of position in the score up, warning issued. Gave ground from the 800m A post-race vet examination revealed no abnormalities

MILLYCENT – Jumped a shadow and broke. Placed on its last chance to race truly

MAJOR POPPI – Severely checked when Millicent broke

OHANA BY THE SEA – Severely checked when Millicent broke

HARLEY GLENWOOD – Raced rough at the winning post to get the bell.

PHLOW JO – Broke in the score and pout of position at the start, continue ODM. Inconvenienced when Millycent broke.

### RACE 3 – TYPEFACE PACE – 1609m MS

General – HEY FRANCO was declared a late scratching for refusing to circle pre-race and/or score up. He is stood down pending the completion of 2 satisfactory trials. Stewards spoke to the trainers representative Phillip Ford who advised that the gelding would now be sent for a spell.

### RACE 4 – LATHER UP @ WOODLANDS STUD PACE – 1609m MS

THEE OLD BOMB – Checked and broke at the 400m when tightened by runners to his outside and broke a connecting hopple strap. Queried driving tactics

MY WAY – Was declared a late scratching at the request of the driver after the gelding jumped the shadow at the winning post on two occasions during the warmup.

IMPERIAL LAZ – Was checked t the 400m when Ray Dan hung inwards.

RAY DAN – Hung in at the 400m and checked Imperial Laz. A warning was placed against the horses racing manners

General – Stewards inquired into the reasons for Imperial Laz and Thee Old Bomb being checked at the 400. After viewing the patrol footage, it was evident that Ray Dan had hung inwards despite the driver's best efforts to straighten the gelding. A warning was placed on against Ray Dans racing manners.

Stewards inquired into an incident that occurred after the race and carried on into the stalls area involving drivers Jack Watson and Ryan Backhouse. After taking evidence from both drivers, swabbing assistant Andrew McDermott, watching the patrol footage and the CCTV footage, stewards issued a charge to both drivers under AHR 231(2) for misconduct. Jack Watson was fined the \$500.00 and Ryan Backhouse was fined \$300

Stewards inquired into the driving tactics employed on Thee Old Bomb (Hannah van Dongen). In particular the reason why Ms Van Dongen held the lead tonight after being challenged by the odds-on favourite Imperial Laz, which was in direct contrast to a very similar race at Carrick on 22 February where the horse surrendered the lead to stablemate Mr Bondi. Ms Van Dongen put forward that she drove to the instructions that she was issued on both occasions. Stewards spoke to trainer Wayne Yole who confirmed Ms Van Dongen's evidence. After deliberation, stewards noted the comments and advised both Ms Van Dongen and Mr Yole that we expect to see the horse driven in a consistent manner. Mr Yole was further advised to be mindful that the tactics being issued to his drivers should be such that further scrutiny and questioning by stewards is avoided.

RACE 5 – TTC LIFE MEMBERS PACE – 1609m MS

AURORA REASON – Inconvenienced by the tiring Kiavino Stride

SUE NIEN – Gave ground

KIAVINO STRIDE – Gave ground and will be stood down until the completion of a satisfactory trial. A post-race vet examination revealed no abnormalities.

RACE 6 – LADBROKES BIG BETS PACE – 2090m MS

I AM CAESAR – Shifted in at went inside the marker pegs leaving the front straight on the first occasion.

General – Driver Liam Older (I Am Caesar) was fined \$100.00 under AHR 168(1)(a) for driving in a careless manner, in that he allowed his horse to shift inside the marker pegs leaving the front straight on the first occasion.

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## RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS:		NIL	
FINES:	4	BACKHOUSE, Ryan - \$300.00 – Misconduct	231(2)
	4	WATSON, Jack - \$500.00 – Misconduct	231(2)
	6	OLDER, Liam - \$100.00 – Careless Driving	168(1)(a)
REPRIMANDS:	1	DUGGAN, Jacob – Use whip after the winning post	156(4)(b)(v)
HORSE ACTIONS:	2	PHLOW JO – Continue ODM	
	3	HEY FRANCO – Stood down 2 satisfactory trials	
	5	KIAVINO STRIDE – Stood down 1 satisfactory trial	
PRE-RACE SWABS:		SPORTZSILK, OHANA BY THE SEA, SHES ALLABOUTLUV, SOUTHERN LUCK, ALWAYS AURORA, THEE OLD BOMB, ANGELSHAVTIME, DEBT TIL WE PART, LOUTENANT	
POST RACE SWABS:		ALL WINNERS	
POST RACE TCO2:		NIL	
FOLLOW UPS:		NIL	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:		NIL	

JASON LINCOLN  
CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS

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