

## STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	Launceston Pacing Club	
DATE	26 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	
WEATHER	Fine	
TRACK	Good	
STEWARDS PANEL	CHAIR	B Scott
	PANEL	A Hyde, G. Griffin, B. Hine, T. Barnes
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	S. Tedman	
	SWAB	D. Luttrell, S King
	STARTER	D Bauld
	VETERNARIAN	Meander Veterinary Clinic
	MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

*General:* Trainers with multiple runners in any one race advised their intended race tactics.

### RACE 1 – LADBROKES BIG BETS COPY NOW PACE. 2200M MS

ONEOFHELADS – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having started in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start. Hung in and contacted marker pegs on the first turn.

GRIZZLY MONTANA – Had tendency to hang out in the run to the finish.

PUNTARNO STRIDE – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to have started in excess of 200 race starts. Passed fit to start. H. Vandongen was found guilty of a charge under Rule 156(3) in that she applied the whip to PUNTARNO STRIDE when the gelding was giving ground and not visibly responding. H. Vandongen was fined \$200.

KENYA – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having started in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start.

OLLIES MEDAL – Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race.

## **RACE 2 – LADBROKES RACING EXTRAS IN MULTI STAKES. 1680M MS**

MIKI SANZ – J. Walters was questioned as to the reasons he applied pressure to the right rein on several occasions after the finish line. J. Walters explained MIKI SANZ tends to pull up after the finish and he was aware there was a horse behind him, therefore he was attempting to keep the gelding moving due to safety concerns. Stewards accepted the explanation, however reminded J. Walters of his obligations regarding welfare of MIKI SANZ and in similar circumstances in future he should adopt an alternate method to keep the gelding moving.

GOBSMACKED – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having started in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start. R. Backhouse was reprimanded under Rule 163(1)(c)(ii) for contacting a marker peg on the home turn.

CAMBRO FLASH – Out of position at the start and will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.

## **RACE 3 – FIND US ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM PACE. 2200M MS**

SNOWIEWILLREV – Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Gave ground over the concluding stages to be beaten 103 metres. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. G. Rattray indicated the gelding may have choked down. SNOWIEWILLREV has been stood down from racing until the completion of one re—qualifying trial.

WINDY HANOVER – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to being twelve years of age. Passed fit to start.

ROCKS ROY – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to being thirteen years of age. Passed fit to start.

MERRYWOOD PAUL – Broke in the score up and was out of position at the start. Took no competitive part in the race. Will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile starts.

## **RACE 4 – TASSIE WASH PACE. 1680M MS**

No incidents to report.

## **RACE 5 – LEES ORCHARD STAKES. 2200M SS**

General:

An inquiry into the reason for KEAYANG FITZY (D. Ford) contacting marker pegs on the first turn revealed ROCKANDAHARDPLACE (J. Walters) began to shift down the track when KEAYANG FITZY had established running to its inside, and as a result KEAYANG FITZY was tightened and carried over marker pegs. J. Walters pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 163(1)(a)(iii) of causing interference and had his licence to drive in races suspended for two race dates.

KEAYANG FITZY – Galloped out at the start and will now be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races. Tightened and contacted marker pegs on the first turn.

THE CHANCER – Contacted marker pegs on the first turn and again near the 1200 metres due to ROCKANDAHARDPLACE racing tight to its outside.

IRON CLAD – A warning was issued for galloping out at the start.

MAGIC JOE – Galloped out at the start and will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races.

GLENLEDI ELVIS – Galloped out at the start and will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races.

#### **RACE 6 – VICTORY IMAGES PHOTOGRAPHY PACE. 2200M MS**

ATOMIC BLACK – Hung in and contacted marker pegs near the 800 metres.

WEE GEORGIE WOOD – Hung in on the final turn and into the home straight resulting in the gelding losing momentum.

#### **RACE 7 – 6TY STAKES. 1680M MS**

MAJOR POPPI - Broke in the score up causing interference to FANCY ANOTHER resulting in a false start being declared. Will be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.

VOODOO RANGER – An inquiry was opened into the amount of vigour displayed by D. Ford over the concluding stages of the race. The evidence disclosed that VODOO RANGER was running in fourth position and near the 30 metres D. Ford ceased driving the gelding out and turned his whip back. VODOO RANGER finished fifth in the race. D. Ford was found guilty of a charge under Rule 162(1)(z) of failing to fully drive his horse out to the end of the race and had his licence to drive in races suspended for 2 race dates.

#### **RACE 8 – SAVE GREYHOUND RACING IN TASSIE STAKES. 1680M MS**

SETTEBELLO – Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to stumbling and fall on his knees when entering the track. Passed fit to start.

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## RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS:	5	J. Walters. Caused interference. Suspended for 2 race dates	163(1)(a)(iii)
	7	D. Ford. Fail to drive horse out to finish. Suspended for 2 race dates	162(1)(z)
FINES:	1	H. Vandongen - \$200. whip when not responding	156(3)
REPRIMANDS:	2	R. Backhouse – contact marker peg	163(1)(c)(ii)
HORSE ACTIONS:	3	SNOWIEWILLREV –Choked down. Stood down one trial	
	5	KEAYANG FITZY – Exclude from standing start barrier draw	
	7	MAJOR POPPI – Exclude from mobile barrier draw	
PRE-RACE SWABS:		OLLIES MEDAL, MY BETTOR HALF, HAMMERING SEAS	
POST RACE SWABS:		OLLIES MEDAL, MIKI SANZ, BARNABY, POSTER STORM, STEPPING STONES, ATOMIC BLACK, ONLY GLORY, KOSTYUK LEIS	
POST RACE TCO2:		Nil	
FOLLOW UPS:		Nil	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:		Nil	

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