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STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB	Launceston Pacing Club
DATE	10 th July 2026
WEATHER	Fine
TRACK	Good
STEWARDS PANEL CHAIR	B Scott
PANEL	A.Hyde, B. Hine, J. Marsh L Jones, C Shaw (cadet)
CHECK IN/INSPECTIONS	D. Luttrell
SWAB	S King, B Montgomery
STARTER	D Bauld
VETERNARIAN	Meander Valley Veterinary Clinic
MEDCAL PROVIDER	Medical Edge

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

Race 1 – Victory Images Photography Stakes – NR > 42. PBD/LT\$ - 1680m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
11		1	LORD JAYDO	A.Collins	No report
12		2	CINCINNATI	J.Walters	No report
10		3	MIDNITE DESIRE	T.Ratray	\$2.10 favourite. Finished tenth, beaten 14 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer T. Ratray stated

					the gelding hung in slightly on the final turn and when QUEENOFDANCE was able to move off the marker pegs in the home straight and improve to his inside, MIDNITE DESIRE got off balance slightly and dropped the bit. T. Rattray added MIDNITE DESIRE had recently joined his stable and in his opinion will be competitive when race conditions suit.
1		4	NOBLEZZZ ADVICE	D.Ford	No report
3		5	LA PIERRE	R.Ashwood	R. Ashwood pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 163(1)(a)(iii) of causing interference when he moved LA PIERRE from the marker pegs near the 700 metres into the running line when insufficiently clear of EMER, resulting in EMER being checked and breaking gait. R. Ashwood had his licence to drive in races suspended for one race meeting. In determining penalty stewards took into account his guilty plea, good driving record and the degree of interference.
5		6	BARBETTE	M.Yole	No report.
8		7	FEELINKINDALUCKY	R.Backhouse(C)	Checked near the 700 metres by EMER which was checked and broke gait.
4		8	JAY MILLER	K.Williams(C)	No report.
9		9	EMER	J.Duggan(C)	Checked and broke gait near the 700 metres
6		10	HORRIE OTARA	B.Davis(C)	No report.
7		11	COLBY ART	B.Miller(C)	No report.
2		12	QUEENOFDANCE NZ	H.Van dongen	No report.

Race 2 – Lees Orchard Stakes – NR 48 TO 52. RBD – 2200m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
4		1	SUE NIEN	J.Duggan	No report.
6		2	KENYA NZ	D.Ford	Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection due to having in excess of 200 race starts. Passed fit to start.
2		3	LOYOLA TRIOS	M.Jones(C,5)	No report.
7		4	REMEMBER ME NOW NZ	H.Van dongen	No report.
9		5	ENGLISH DANCE	R.Backhouse(C)	Led and gave ground from the 600 metres to finish ninth, beaten 117 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the offside foreleg. Stood down from racing until a veterinary certificate is provided.
3		6	MY BAD	K.Williams(C)	Raced roughly in the back straight on the first occasion.

		7	KEAYANG LEXI		SCRATCHED
5		8	PUNTARNO STRIDE	M.Yole	Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection due to having in excess of 200 race starts. Passed fit to start.
8		9	NOELS GIFT	L.Alcorn	Was under pressure at the 1000 metres and gave ground in the back straight on the final occasion to finish eighth, beaten 47 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities.
1		10	ROCK AMOUR	J.Chibnall(C)	No report.

Race 3 – Lafm Beautide Race Night 1st August Stakes – 3YO and older. NMT 1 LTW. PBD/LTW – 2200m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
7		1	ROCKNROLL MCRAE	R.Ashwood	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Hung out near the 900 metres and was checked and broke gait. A warning was issued. R. Ashwood was fined \$50 under Rule 273(5)(b) for presenting his horse to race without carrying a whip.
2		2	ZIHUATANEJO	K.Williams(C)	Hung in near the 900 metres.
9		3	SHEZ ALL HEART NZ	L.Alcorn	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Raced roughly near the 1800 metres. Was checked and raced roughly near the 900 metres. Gave ground from the 600 metres.
10		4	COLORADO GIRL	D.Ford	On the first turn and while racing three wide, raced roughly resulting in COLORADO GIRL racing tight on ZIHUATANEJO. Gave ground from the 600 metres to finish tenth, beaten 174 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have a laceration on the fetlock and a tendon scan was recommended. Stood down from racing until a veterinary certificate is provided.
4		5	HEYNOWHEYNOW	A.Turnbull	Inconvenienced near the 900 metres.
8		6	POSTER STORM	J.Walters	No report.
6		7	KLITSCHKO LEIS	B.Davis(C)	No report.
3		8	ASTORMZABREWEN	J.Chibnall(C)	No report.
5		9	QUEEN ANASTASIA	T.Rattray	Inconvenienced near the 900 metres.
1		10	SCHWARZ	M.Yole	No report.

Race 4 – Hamilton & Hall at the Lafm Beautide Pace – 3YO and older. LMT 1 LTW. PBD/LTW – 2200m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
2		1	WINNING BREW	B.Davis(C)	Fractious in the score up.

		2	TWILIGHT STORM		SCRATCHED
5		3	STORM VENDETTA	J.Duggan(C)	Hung out in the back straight on the first occasion.
8		4	SHEEZA SOHO	R.Backhouse(C)	No report.
4		5	A DRAGON FOR JOE	A.Turnbull	A.Turnbull was fined \$50 under Rule 162(1)(j) for failing to be in position at the start.
6		6	I AM CAESAR	H.Van dongen	H. Van Dongen was fined \$50 under Rule 162(1)(h) for failing to be in position at the start.
1		7	IYLAC CHAMBER	D.Ford	No report.
3		8	ALL ABOUT SADIE	T.Rattray	No report.
7		9	GEMMY LOU	R.Ashwood	No action was taken against R. Ashwood for being out of position at the start due to GEMMY LOU being inconvenienced in the score up by WINNING BREW and the horse he was drawn behind, STORM VENDETTA being off the mobile barrier.

Race 5 – Tassie Wash Pace – NR 43 – 47. PBD/LTW – 2200m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
9		1	MIRA DOMINA	J.Duggan(C)	No report.
7		2	AWAY GAME	A.Collins	Tightened on the first turn
3		3	IDEN OLIVER	G.Jones(C,5)	G. Jones pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 163(1)(a)(iii) of causing interference on the first turn when she shifted IDEN OLIVER down the track when insufficiently clear of AWAY GAME which was carried down on to YARECKON IM SWEET who was checked. G. Jones had her license to drive in races suspended for one race meeting. In determining penalty Stewards took into account her guilty plea, her driving record and the degree of interference.
5		4	LADY IN LINE	D.Ford	No report.
1		5	IFYOULOVEMELETME GO	B.Davis(C)	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race.
2		6	KUHIO CREST	L.Alcorn	Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish.
6		7	ANGELSHAVTIME NZ	M.Yole	No report.
4		8	YARECKON IM SWEET	R.Backhouse(C)	Tightened and checked on the first turn.
8		9	LALIBELA NZ	H.Van dongen	No report.

Race 6 – Lafm Beautide Here 1st August Stakes – NR 58 – 63. PBD/LTW – 2200m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
1		1	ROCKY ROCKS	A.Turnbull	No report.
4		2	ROCKNALLOVERTH E WORLD NZ	H.Van dongen	Failed to secure clear running and was not fully tested.
8		3	NATIONAL NEWS NZ	M.Yole	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Gave ground from the 300 metres to finish eighth, beaten 82 metres.
2		4	MY WAY NZ	D.Ford	No report.
6		5	KARALTA ARTEMIS	J.Walters	No report.
5		6	LETSGOBRO	K.Williams(C)	No report.
3		7	WILL HE PIKE	G.Jones(C,5)	G. Jones was fined \$50 under Rule 162(1)(j) for failing to be in position at the start.
7		8	ROCKS ROY	R.Backhouse	Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to being thirteen years of age. Passed fit to start.

Race 7 – Ladbrokes Big Bets Copy Now Pace – NR 53 – 57. PBD/LT\$ - 1680m MOBILE START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
4		1	POST KEG	T.Ratray	No report.
6		2	REPETITIVE NZ	H.Van dongen	No report.
5		3	SHOOBEE'S SPIRIT	L.Alcorn	Failed to secure clear running and was not fully tested.
2		4	ADAMAN BAY	D.Ford	No report.
3		5	CHAMONIX	M.Yole	No report.
1		6	MOVESLIKEALADY	J.Chibnall(C)	Out of position at the start and will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.

Race 8 – Ladbrokes Quick Multi Pace – NR 50 or better. RBD – 2200m STANDING START

PI		No	Horse	Driver	Incident
2		1	MIKI SANZ	J.Walters	Slowly away.
5		2	SETTEBELLO	A.Collins	Hung out at various stages of the race.
4		3	SAPPHIRE GAMBLER	H.Van dongen	H. Van Dongen was found guilty of a charge under Rule 163(1)(a)(iii) of causing interference when she made insufficient effort to prevent SAPPHIRE GAMBLER from shifting in on the final turn which tightened the running of OLLIES MEDAL causing it to race inside marker pegs and be checked. H. Van Dongen had her license to drive in races suspended for three race meetings. In determining penalty Stewards took into account, her plea of not guilty to the charge, driving record and the degree of interference.

6		4	OLLIES MEDAL	R.Backhouse(C)	Galoped out and will now be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races. Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Tightened on the final turn, raced inside marker pegs and checked.
1		5	ROLLWITHARTY	D.Ford	Galoped out and will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races.
3		6	WE SALUTE YOU	M.Yole	Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start.

General: A false start was declared at the first attempt when the 10 metre tape failed to release. At the second attempt, the 10 metre tape was hand held.

Launceston Trials – 10 July 2026

Prior to the scheduled trial, which was to be run over 2200 metres, Stewards ordered the trial be divided into two trials to allow the two years to trial separately over 1680 metres. Due to this late change, CREAMY KARALTA incorrectly carried saddlecloth number 2, when it should have carried saddlecloth number 3. PETERS THE DREAM incorrectly carried saddlecloth number 3 when it should have carried saddlecloth number 2.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Hobart Trials – 6 July 2026 – Trial 7

R. Backhouse was fined \$400 under Rule 156(2)(a) for applying his whip to CHEYS ANGEL in an unapproved manner.

Launceston 21 June 2026 – Race 8

Stewards questioned R. Backhouse (VOODOO RANGER) regarding the tactics he adopted over the final 450 metres of the race, in particular his reasons for remaining in the running line prior to ASTORMZABREWEN improving to his outside. By remaining in the running line, VODOOO RANGER was held up until near the 100 metres before gaining clear running. R. Backhouse explained VODOOO RANGER is not overly strong and races best when saved for one run. He added in the race he was trailing OMYBACNKNEES JUDGE which he considered a well performed horse that would continue to take him into the race. He added if he had moved wide prior to ASTORMZABREWEN he would have been wide around the final turn, covering more ground and believes VODOOO RANGER wouldn't have run on. In considering the matter, stewards reviewed the previous races of VODOOO RANGER including its best placed performances, where the gelding raced on the marker pegs for the majority of the race or remained in the running line until the home turn. Stewards therefore accepted the explanation of R. Backhouse.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

	RACE	DETAILS	AHR Rule
SUSPENSIONS:	1	R. Ashwood. Caused interference – one race meeting	163(1)(a)(iii)
	5	G. Jones. Caused interference – one race meeting	163(1)(a)(iii)
	8	H. Van dongen – Caused interference – three race meetings	163(1)(a)(iii)
FINES:	3	R. Ashwood. Presented horse to race without approved gear (whip)-\$50	273(5)(b)
	4	A.Turnbull. Out of position at start - \$50	162(1)(j)
	4	H. Van dongen. Out of position at start - \$50	162(1)(h)
	6	G. Jones. Out of position at start - \$50	162(1)(j)
REPRIMANDS:		Nil	
HORSE ACTIONS:	2	ENGLISH DANCE – Stood down veterinary certificate	
	3	COLORADO GIRL – Stood down veterinary certificate	
	8	OLLIES MEDAL – Exclude from standing start barrier draw	
PRE-RACE SWABS:		CINCINNATI, ENGLISH DANCE, SHEZ ALL HEART, A DRAGON FOR JOE, MIRA DOMINA, LETSGOBRO, CHAMINOX, OLLIES MEDAL.	
POST RACE SWABS:		NOBLEZZZ ADVICE, ROCK AMOUR, SCHWARZ, IYLAC CHAMBER, IFYOULOVEMELETMEGO, ROCKY ROCKS, MOVESLIKEALADY, ROLLWITHARTY.	
POST RACE TCO2:		Nil	
FOLLOW UPS:		Nil	
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:		Nil	

B. Scott
Deputy Chief Steward

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

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