

STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club - Track	Launceston Pacing Club @ Mowbray		
Date	7 th August 2026		
Weather	Fine	Track Condition	Good
Chair	B. Scott	Panel	G. Griffin, B. Hine, L. Jones, T. Barnes
Check In	D. Luttrell	Inspections	D. Luttrell
Officials	S. King, B. Montgomery		
Mobile Driver	D Bauld		
Veterinarian	Meander Valley Veterinary Clinic		
Medical Provider	Medical Edge		

GENERAL

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

RACE-BY-RACE REPORT

RACE 1 – Thank You Adam Hamilton Stakes – 1680m MS

Pl	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
2		1	COLORADO GIRL	D. Ford	No report.
10		2	TUFFTIGER	E. Arnott (C)	No report.
7		3	LA PIERRE	R. Hillier	No report.
3		4	BARBETTE	M. Yole	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race.
1		5	FEELINKINDALUCKY	G. Rattray	No report.
9		6	JAY MILLER	K. Williams (C)	No report.
11		7	EMER	R. Backhouse (C)	R. Backhouse was fined \$50 under Rule 162(1)(j) for being out of position at the start. Checked and broke near the 250 metres.
4		8	HORRIE OTARA	B. Davis (C)	No report.

8		9	COLBY ART	B. Miller (C)	No report.
6		10	SWEET AMOUR	J. Chibnall (C)	No report.
12		11	STAROFREMEMBRANCE	J. Duggan (C)	Tightened near the 250 metres
5		12	QUEENOFDANCE NZ	H. Van dongen	No report.

Stewards conducted an inquiry into why EMER broke gait near the 250-metre mark. Drivers R. Hillier (LA PIERRE) and R. Backhouse (EMER) provided evidence. The inquiry established that leading up to the incident, LA PIERRE raced tightly to the outside of EMER, who was positioned in the running line. This tight racing also restricted the room available to STAROFREMEMBRANCE on the inside of EMER. Upon entering the home straight, LA PIERRE moved forward of EMER, at which point EMER broke gait. In reviewing the incident, stewards determined that STAROFREMEMBRANCE contributed to the interference by hanging out. Stewards also noted that the general tight racing conditions played a role. Because the evidence was inconclusive as to whether R. Hillier directly caused EMER to break gait, no further action was taken and the incident was noted. However, stewards cautioned R. Hillier to provide more racing room to inside runners in similar situations in the future.

RACE 2 – Cliff Robins Memorial – 1680m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
6		1	STORM VENDETTA	J. Duggan (C)	Failed to secure clear running and was not tested.
7		2	POST KEG	E. Arnott (C,5)	No report.
3		3	GOT THE GLOW	B. Miller (C)	Failed to secure clear running until near the 50 metres.
5		4	OUR SWEET TRIXIE NZ	B. Davis (C)	No report.
4		5	KEAYANG LEXI	T. Rattray	No report.
1		6	SHEMEANSBUSINESS	R. Hillier	No report.
10		7	DOLCE DRAMA	J. Chibnall (C)	No report.
9		8	MIKI SANZ	J. Walters	No report.
11		9	SUE NIEN	R. Backhouse (C)	No report.
12		10	ROCKNROLL SPIRIT	G. Jones (C,5)	No report.
8		11	JEREMY WELLS NZ	M. Yole	When questioned regarding his failure to activate JEREMY WELLS' deafeners M. Yole explained that after racing at the rear, he made ground between horses passing the 400-metre mark but was held up until the home straight. He was then obliged to shift across the back of runners to gain clear running however he had horses to his outside racing tight. He added by the time he was in a position to release the deafeners it was the concluding stages and he felt JEREMY WELLS was giving his best.

		12	PUNTARNO STRIDE NZ		SCRATCHED
2		13	KENYA NZ	D. Ford	No report.

RACE 3 – Ladbrokes Big Bets Copy Now Pace – 1680m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
11		1	WAZOWSKI	J. Duggan (C)	After racing without cover, gave ground from the 500 metres to finish eleventh, beaten 96 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stood down from racing until the completion of one re-qualifying trial.
6		2	JAMES CAGNEY NZ	G. Rattray	No report.
10		3	CHAMONIX	M. Yole	No report.
		4	WEONA EAGLE		SCRATCHED
9		5	LETSGOBRO	K. Williams (C)	No report.
7		6	FOURTH RESPONSE	C. O'Donoghue (C,5)	A warning was issued for breaking gait on the first turn.
12		7	KARALTA ARTEMIS	J. Walters	Gave ground from the 800 metres to finish twelfth, beaten 214 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding had suffered atrial fibrillation. Has been stood down for 14 days, until a veterinary certificate is received inclusive of ECG and one re-qualifying trial.
8		8	DENNY NZ	H. Van dongen	No report.
4		9	DIDYALOUSAROOSTA	M. Jones (C,5)	Gear malfunction in the early stages of the score up resulted in a false start.
5		10	ROCKNALLOVERTHEWORLD NZ	D. Miles	No report.
1		11	BAIL DENIED	D. Ford	Shifted out under pressure in the run to the finish. D. Ford was reprimanded under Rule 231(2) for misconduct in that he directed inappropriate comments to the Starter after the false start.
2		12	MOVESLIKEALADY	R. Hillier	Out of position at the start and will continue to be excluded

					from the barrier draw for mobile races.
3		13	LAI D BACK	B. Miller (C,3)	No report.

General: A false start was declared at the first attempt when M. Jones (DIDYALOUSAROOSTA) raised his hand to alert the start he had a gear problem. It was established as DIDYALOUSAROOSTA came out of the pre-race circle the hopple became caught under the knee boot.

RACE 4 – Nellie Robins Pace – 2200m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
3		1	OMYBACNKNEES JUDGE	R. Hillier	No report.
8		2	KAYBEE	C. Castles	No report.
11		3	KLITSCHKO LEIS	B. Davis (C)	No report.
10		4	WINNING BREW	K. Williams (C)	Unsuccessful challenge for the lead. Raced without cover and commenced to give ground from the 600 metres to finish tenth, beaten 51 metres.
6		5	QUEEN ANASTASIA	T. Rattray	No report.
2		6	A DRAGON FOR JOE	G. Rattray	No report.
9		7	SHES NANCY	R. Backhouse (C)	No report.
4		8	HEYNOHEYNOW	A. Turnbull	Failed to secure clear running until near the 50 metres and was not fully tested.
5		9	SWEETHEART DIOR	D. Ford	Will be re-included in the barrier draw for mobile races.
7		10	ASTORMZABREWEN	J. Chibnall (C)	No report.
1		11	ZIHUATANEJO	D. Miles	Will be re-included in the barrier draw for mobile races.

RACE 5 – Tenirama Stakes – 2200m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
2		1	CHARLI PIPPEN	G. Rattray	No report.
1		2	PHLOW JO	T. Rattray	No report.
5		3	ISLA ATHENA	J. Chibnall (C)	No report.
4		4	BRIGHTLY BLAZE	J. Duggan (C)	No report.
3		5	ALL ABOUT SADIE	E. Arnott (C)	No report.

8		6	SHEZ ALL HEART NZ	L. Alcorn	Raced roughly at various stages of the race. Was under pressure from the 1000 metres to finish eighth, beaten 51 metres
7		7	OUTBACK LASS	K. Williams (C)	No report.
6		8	KING BART	B. Davis (C)	No report.
9		9	MAGGIEJAYNE	R. Backhouse (C)	Gave ground from the 500 metres to finish ninth, beaten 84 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. When questioned regarding the performance of MAGGIEJAYNE (\$1.80 favourite), R. Backhouse explained when he made a mid-race move to race without cover, the filly dropped the bit and didn't travel well from that point. He added the horse had arrived in Tasmania one week ago and had been working well for that time. Stewards intend to follow up with caretaker trainer C. Howlett if anything becomes apparent in the subsequent days that may explain the poor performance. Stood down from racing until the completion of one re-qualifying trial.

RACE 6 – Jillian Robins Stakes – 2200m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
3		1	CAN FEEL THE FURY NZ	M. Yole	No report.
2		2	ART HUNTSMAN	K. Williams (C)	No report.
6		3	SHOOBEE'S SPIRIT	L. Alcorn	No report.
10		4	ADAMAN BAY	D. Ford	Checked on the final turn.
8		5	MIGHT AND TEMERITY	B. Miller (C,3)	No report.
9		6	ITSMENOTU	G. Jones (C,5)	No report.
7		7	SOHO TUXEDO	R. Backhouse (C)	A warning was issued for breaking gait near the 1700 metres.
1		8	WATCH YOUR BACK NZ	C. Castles	A warning was issued for shifting out abruptly on the final turn.
4		9	REPETITIVE NZ	H. Van Dongen	No report.
5		10	WEE GEORGIE WOOD	G. Rattray	No report.

General: Stewards inquired into an incident that occurred on the final turn and the reason for ANDAMAN BAY being placed in restricted room. Evidence was taken from C. Castles (WATCH YOUR BACK), G. Jones (ITSMENOTU) and D. Ford (AMDAMAN BAY). It was established as C. Castles directed WATCH YOUR BACK off

the marker pegs to ease ITSMENOTU wider, WATCH YOUR BACK shifted out abruptly resulting in ITSMENOTU being carried up into ANDAMAN BAY and the sulky wheel of ANDAMAN BAY being placed under WEE GEORGE WOOD. Stewards were satisfied C. Castles attempted to correct the abrupt shift of WATCH YOUR BACK and placed a warning on WATCH YOUR BACK for its racing manners.

RACE 7 – Ladbrokes Next Multi in Next Up Pace – 2200m SS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
4		1	SAPPHIRE GAMBLER	M. Yole	No report.
3		2	TULLAH GIRL	C. Castles	No report.
8		3	ALBERIO	G. Rattray	No report.
10		4	OLLIES MEDAL	R. Backhouse (C)	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Gave ground from the 450 metres to finish tenth, beaten 48 metres. Will be re-included in the barrier draw for standing start races.
7		5	WE SALUTE YOU	M. Jones (C,5)	No report.
2		6	MY WAY NZ	D. Miles	A warning was issued for galloping out at the start.
1		7	WILL HE PIKE	G. Jones (C,5)	G. Jones was fined \$400 under Rule 156(2)(a) for incorrect whip action.
6		8	KOSTYUK LEIS	B. Davis (C)	Galoped out at the start and will now be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races.
9		9	ROLLWITHARTY	D. Ford	Worked forward from the start to lead from the 1600 metres. Commenced to give ground from the 600 metres to finish ninth, beaten 48 metres.
5		10	MONTGOMERY BURNS NZ	H. Van dongen	No report.
11		11	ONEHANDONEBOUNCE	B. Miller (C,3)	Galoped out at the start and will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw for standing start races.

RACE 8 – Thank You Gareth Hall Stakes – 2200m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
6		1	AWAY GAME	H. Van dongen	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race.
4		2	CHRIS BE QUICK	B. Davis (C)	No report.
3		3	GOBSMACKED	M. Yole	Over-raced throughout. M. Yole was questioned as to the reasons GOBSMACKED raced in close proximity to the driver he was trailing including making contact

					with the drivers helmet on several occasions. M. Yole stated GOBSMACKED is a difficult horse to drive and over-races which makes it difficult to restrain the horse. He added previous gear changes had failed to rectify the problem. Stewards advised M. Yole that it was not acceptable for horses to make contact with a drivers helmet and a repetition may result in stronger action being taken. A warning was placed on GOBSMACKED racing manners.
5		4	BOLD COWBOY	D. Ford	Failed to secure clear running until near the 100 metres and was not fully tested.
1		5	NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ	G. Rattray	No report.
2		6	ROSE NOIRE NZ	J. Chibnall (C)	No report.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

CATEGORY	RACE	DETAILS	AHR RULE
SUSPENSIONS:		Nil	
FINES:	1	R. Backhouse – Out of position at start - \$50	162(1)(j)
	7	G. Jones – incorrect whip action - \$400	156(2)(a)
REPRIMANDS:	3	D. Ford – misconduct	231(2)
HORSE ACTIONS:	3	WAZOWSKI – Poor performance – Stood down 1 trial	63(2)
	3	KARALTA ARTEMIS – Atrial Fibrillation. Stood down 14 days, Veterinary certificate inclusive of ECG and one re-qualifying trial	101C(2)(a)
	4	SWEETHEART DIOR – Re-include in mobile barrier draw	
	4	ZIHUATANEJO – Re-include in mobile barrier draw	
	5	MAGGIEJAYNE – Poor performance – Stood down 1 trial.	63(2)

	7	KOSTYUK LEIS – Exclude from standing start draw	
	7	OLLIES MEDAL – Re-include in standing start draw	
PRE-RACE SWABS:	LA PIERRE, JAY MILLER, JEREMY WELLS, MOVESLIKEALADY, QUEEN ANASTASIA, BRIGHTLY BLAZE, ANDAMAN BAY, KOSTYUK LEIS, BOLD COWBOY		
POST-RACE SWABS:	FEELINKINDALUCKY, SHEMEANSBUSINESS, BAIL DENIED, ZIHUATANEJO, PHLOW JO, WATCH YOUR BACK, WILL HE PIKE, NO NUKES SKIPPER		
POST-RACE TCO2:	Nil		
FOLLOW UPS:	Nil		
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:	Nil		

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

Date	Changes / Version
8/8/2026	Version 1