

STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club - Track	Launceston Pacing Club @ Mowbray		
Date	4 th October 2026		
Weather	Overcast	Track Condition	Good
Chair	B. Scott	Panel	J. Lincoln, G. Griffin, L. Jones, C. Shaw
Check In	J. Marsh	Inspections	J. Marsh
Officials	A.McDermott, S. King		
Starter	D.Bauld		
Veterinarian	Meander Valley Veterinary Clinic		
Medical Provider	Medical Edge		

GENERAL

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

RACE-BY-RACE REPORT

RACE 1 – Wayne Rattray Two Year Old Classic – 1680m MS

Pl	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
3		1	OUR ROB ROY	K Williams (C)	No report.
4		2	HAVEYOU METMAYNARD	G Rattray	Hung in when racing in the home straight on the final occasion
2		3	POGACAR	C Castles	No report.
1		4	STOLEN ONE	J Chibnall (C)	No report.

RACE 2 – Ladbrokes Flex Your Multi Stays Alive Pace – 1680m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
2		1	KYRGIOS	R Hillier	No report
3		2	JAY MILLER	T Ford (C)	No report.
1		3	MIKI SANZ	K Williams (C)	No report.
6		4	FEELINKINDALUCKY	G Rattray	No report.
9		5	PARK LANE NZ	E Arnott (C)	No report.
8		6	TWILIGHT BEACH	G Jones (C)	Inconvenienced and carried back from the 400 metres to the 250 metres when caught behind the tiring MODERN JIVE.
4		7	ROSE NOIRE NZ	J Chibnall (C)	No report.
10		8	MODERN JIVE	R Backhouse (C)	Gave ground from the 400 metres to finish tenth, beaten 45 metres. A warning was issued for a poor performance.
5		9	CHRIS BE QUICK	B Davis (C)	No report.
7		10	NO NUKES SKIPPER NZ	H Van dongen	Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start.

RACE 3 – Tassie Wash Stakes – 1680m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
		1	~~ARDEN SEASCAPE NZ~~	~~SCRATCHED~~	
1		2	CENTURIAN MISS	B Davis (C)	No report.
3		3	ATOMIC BLACK	C Castles	No report.
2		4	DIDYALOUSAROOSTA	R Hillier	No report.
11		5	CUZZY BRO	E Arnott (C,5)	No report.
6		6	ANOTHER NIEN	R Backhouse (C)	No report.
8		7	POWER UP NZ	G Jones (C,5)	No report.

4		8	KEAYANG FITZY	M Jones (C,5)	No report.
5		9	VANQUISH STRIDE NZ	T Ford (C)	No report.
7		10	JOHN VINCENT	L Alcorn	Driver L. Alcorn had his licence to drive in races suspended for one race meeting for failing to fully drive his horse out to the end of the race. His suspension will commence Sunday 11 October 2026.
10		11	MISTA EAGLE	H Van Dongen	No report.
9		12	WE SALUTE YOU	G Rattray	Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start.

General: Stewards inquired into the reason L. Alcorn (JOHN VINCENT) failing to fully drive his horse out to the end of the race. The evidence disclosed upon straightening for the run to the finish, L. Alcorn dropped his hands and did not show any vigour on JOHN VINCENT for the remainder of the race. L. Alcorn stated in his opinion he was not going to finish in the placings, and he did not want to whip the horse when he felt he could not improve his position. L. Alcorn pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 162(1)(z) of failing to drive his horse out to the finish. In determining penalty stewards took into account that JOHN VINCENT finished seventh, that L. Alcorn was mindful of JOHN VINCENT'S welfare in not applying the whip but also that it is a mandatory requirement to fully drive a horse out. Further, stewards advised Mr Alcorn there are other ways a horse can be driven out without applying the whip. Taking into account all circumstances, L. Alcorn had his licence to drive in races suspended for one race meeting to commence 11 October 2026 and conclude 17 October 2026.

RACE 4 – Victory Images Photography Pace – 2200m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
1		1	CRAYONS TO PERFUME	T Ford (C)	No report.
9		2	WEONA EAGLE	B Davis (C)	Sulky contacted near the 1000 metres. Hung in near the 200 metres.
12		3	ITZBUDDHA NZ	R Backhouse (C)	Broke gait in the latter stages of the score up and caused interference to runners on the second row. A false start was declared. Will now be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races. R. Backhouse reprimanded under Rule 168(1)(a) for careless driving on the first turn. Gave ground from the 400 metres to finish twelfth, beaten 135 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stood down from racing for one re-qualifying trial.

10		4	KOSTYUK LEIS	C Castles	No report.
4		5	IDEN OLIVER	C Salter	A warning was issued for breaking gait in the score up.
8		6	ART HUNTSMAN	K Williams (C)	No report.
5		7	MISS COLLANN	E Arnott (C)	No report.
3		8	SHOOBEE'S SPIRIT	L Alcorn	No report.
2		9	TOLD YOU TWICE	H Van dongen	No report.
6		10	MONTGOMERY BURNS NZ	G Rattray	No report.
		11	~~ONEHANDONEBOUNE (Em1)~~	~~SCRATCHED~~	
7		12	WILL HE PIKE	G Jones (C,5)	No report.
11		13	LYNRYD SKYNRYD NZ	A Collins	No report.

General: Stewards inquired into the reason for ITZBUDDHA breaking gait on the first turn. The evidence disclosed that R. Backhouse began to shift down the track to obtain the position behind the leader, however when there was insufficient room to take that position without causing interference, he shifted back out to his running line position. At the same time WEONA EAGLE was being eased, and this resulted in ITZBUDDHA contacting the sulky wheel of WEONA EAGLE and ITZBUDDHA breaking gait for several strides. R. Backhouse pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 168(1)(a) of careless driving in that he attempted to gain a position when there was no full position available and when correcting his positioning, he carelessly contacted the sulky wheel of WEONA EAGLE causing his own horse to break gait. In determining penalty stewards took into account R. Backhouse's record, that he only caused interference to his own horse and no horse lost a racing position in the incident. R. Backhouse was issued with a reprimand.

RACE 5– Find Us on Facebook Stakes – 2200m MS.

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
7		1	ROCKNALLOVERTHEWORLD NZ	H Van dongen	No report.
5		2	LETSGOBRO	E Arnott (C,5)	No report.
		3	~~OUR WILLOW~~	~~SCRATCHED~~	
10		4	SOHO TIGER LILY	R Backhouse (C)	Underwent a post- race veterinary examination that revealed no abnormalities.
1		5	PORT RUN MACHINE	G Rattray	Over-raced in the early and middle stages of the race. Dropped the offside knee

					boot in the race. Broke a connecting strap during the race.
3		6	TULLAH GIRL	C Castles	No report.
8		7	CAN FEEL THE FURY NZ	G Jones (C,5)	No report.
6		8	QUETZALLI	T Rattray	No report.
4		9	DENNY NZ	T Ford (C)	Broke a carrying strap during the race.
2		10	INTO THE HARKNESS	K Williams (C)	No report.
		11	~~KARALTA ARTEMIS~~	~~SCRATCHED~~	No report.
9		12	IAMAHUNTER	R Hillier	Broke gait in the score up and was out of position at the start. Will now be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.

RACE 6 – 6ty Show Cup – 2200m SS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
9		1	TAMBROS TILLY	B Davis (C)	A warning was issued for galloping out at the start.
3		2	COLBY SANZ	K Williams (C)	No report.
5		3	WATERMELON SUGAR NZ	T Ford (C)	Galoped out at the start and will now be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.
4		4	IRON CLAD	R Backhouse (C)	No report.
1		5	MAEBEE	R Hillier	No report.
7		6	ROCKANDAHARD PLACE	J Chibnall (C)	No report.
6		7	GO THE RED	G Rattray	No report.
8		8	BETTABLACK TIGER	T Rattray	When questioned regarding the tactics adopted, in particular his reason for racing three wide from the 1300 metres, T. Rattray explained he believed the pace of the race had been moderate leading up to his move and he wanted to advance his position so he would be in a forward position when the pace quickened in the later stages of the race. He stated

					although ROCKANDAHARDPLACE is a noted one-paced horse who races without cover, he believed he had the speed to take that position from ROCKANDAHARDPLACE. He added BETTABLACK TIGER failed to muster sufficient speed to move into the running line and as a result he was obliged to race three wide for the remainder of the race.
2		9	CUSTOM HARLEY	H Woods	No report.

RACE 7 – Ladbrokes New Betslip Pace – 1680m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
8		1	SOLO SALUTE	C Castles	Gave ground from the 800 metres to finish eighth, beaten 79 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Stood down from racing until the completion of one re-qualifying trial.
10		2	ROBUST SALLY	R Hillier	A warning was issued for breaking gait on the first turn.
2		3	BELLAS ANGEL	G Rattray	No report.
5		4	VOODOO RANGER NZ	K Williams (C)	No report.
1		5	LITTLE CAPPUCCINA	R Ashwood	No report.
7		6	DIAMONDONTHEROCKS	L Alcorn	Gave ground from the 300 metres to finish seventh, beaten 44 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. A warning was issued for a poor performance.
4		7	LETHAL REPLICA	T Rattray	Sulky contacted near the 1100 metres by SOHO PINA COLADA.
9		8	WILLOW STORM	A Collins	Broke gait after the start and will now be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.
3		9	CRUNCHTHEGUN	T Ford (C)	Broke gait in the latter stages of the score up and was out of position at the start. Will now be excluded from the barrier draw for mobile races.
6		10	ARRIVAL TIME	R Backhouse (C)	No report.

11		11	SOHO PINA COLADA	B Davis (C)	Contacted the sulky wheel of LETHAL REPLICA and broke gait when the pace eased slightly near the 1100 metres.
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RACE 8 – Ladbrokes Turn on Flex Multi Stakes – 2200m MS

Pla	Col	No	Horse	Driver	Incident
6		1	KENYA NZ	R Backhouse (C)	Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination due to having in excess of 200 races. Passed fit to start. R. Backhouse pleaded guilty to a charge under Rule 156(3) in that he applied the whip to KENYA continuously and without allowing time for the gelding to respond. R. Backhouse was fined \$200.
8		2	LIKEABLE ROGUE	T Rattray	No report.
10		3	ALBERIO	E Arnott (C,5)	Gave ground over the concluding stages to finish tenth, beaten 74 metres. A post-race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. A warning was issued for a poor performance.
7		4	OUR SWEET TRIXIE NZ	B Davis (C)	No report.
4		5	YARECKON IM SWEET	T Ford (C)	No report.
9		6	BUSLOAD OF FAITH NZ	A Collins	No report.
1		7	CHEYS ANGEL	K Williams (C)	No report.
3		8	GOT THE GLOW	J Chibnall (C)	No report.
5		9	TALK IS CHEAP	G Rattray	No report.
2		10	COOLANDCOLLECT	H Van dongen	No report.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

Stewards opened and adjourned an inquiry into the training bona fides of MOVESLIKEALADY, which occurred while its registered trainer, R. Hillier, was overseas. During R. Hillier's absence, the horse was nominated four times and raced three times. Both R. Hillier and T. Hillier are required to attend the inquiry. No date has been set for the inquiry.

RACE MEETING SUMMARY

CATEGORY	RACE	DETAILS	AHR RULE
SUSPENSIONS:	3	L. Alcorn. Failed to fully drive out horse – one race meeting	162(1)(z)
FINES:	8	R. Backhouse. Continuous use of whip - \$200	156(3)
REPRIMANDS:	4	R. Backhouse – careless driving	168(1)(a)
HORSE ACTIONS:	5	IAMHUNTER – Exclude from mobile barrier draw	
	6	WATERMELON SUGAR – Exclude from standing start barrier draw.	
	7	SOLO SALUTE – poor performance. Stood down one re-qualifying trial.	
	7	WILLOW STORM – Exclude from mobile barrier draw	
	7	CRUNCHTHEGUN – Exclude from mobile barrier draw	
PRE-RACE SWABS:	MIKI SANZ, TWILIGHT BEACH (urine), CUZZY BRO, LYNRYD SKYNRYD, LETSGOBRO (urine), IAMA HUNTER, IRON CLAD, BELLAS ANGEL, ALBERIO		
POST-RACE SWABS:	STOLEN ONE, MIKI SANZ, CENTURIAN MISS, CRAYONS TO PERFUME, PORT RUN MACHINE, MAEBEE, LITTLE CAPPUCCINA, CHEYS ANGEL,		
POST-RACE TCO2:	Nil		
FOLLOW UPS:	Nil		
ADJOURNED/PENDING INQUIRIES:	R. Hiller and T. Hiller – training bona fides of MOVESLIKEALADY		

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

Date	Changes / Version
5/10/2026	Version 1