

## HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

**CLUB:** LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB

**DATE:** SUNDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2016

**TRACK:** SOFT

**WEATHER:** RAIN

**STEWARDS:**

- A CROWTHER (CHAIRMAN)
- S QUILL
- B BAUDINETTE
- C ELLSON
- J AINSCOW
- G GRIFFIN (STARTER)

**VETERINARY SURGEON:** DR P SIMS

Trainers with multiple runners engaged in any race were questioned as to their intended driving tactics.

Due to the wet track conditions Stewards ordered that mud guards be fitted.

### **RACE 1 – ALLAMERICAN INGOT SERIES – 1680 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from IMA GINGER ROGERS and MASTER LEON.

IMA GINGER ROGERS which had not started in a race for 15 months underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to run.

GUESSWHAT had a tendency to hang in and hang out throughout the race. Driver Gareth Rattray explained that after working forward in the early stages to race outside the leader the mare then tired and that he stopped driving out before the home straight as the filly was hanging in towards MOBI DOC. He added that as he endeavoured to shift away from MOBI DOC the mare then shifted up the track interfering with LORD STARK NZ which broke and shifted out contacting MASTER LEON which then also broke. MASTER LEON was examined by the on course vet at the request of trainer Brian Rose following the event and was found to have sustained cuts and abrasions and also to be lame in its near hind leg. Connections must produce a veterinary certificate of fitness prior to that gelding again racing. Mr Rose added that the colt would now likely be spelled. GUESSWHAT has been placed on its last chance to race truly.

HEAVENNROLL which raced with a trail tired from the 500 metres to finish beaten 56 metres has now been stood down from racing for 10 days and until the completion of a satisfactory trial.

Stewards will inquire into the manner in which John Walters (ALL STYLE SAMMY) drove out over the concluding stages.

## **RACE 2 – CLOUDY RANGE STAKES DIVISION ONE – 1680 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from TRIED AND TRUE and FLETCHERS KNIGHT.

The start of this event was delayed by a Kalgoorlie gallops race running behind schedule.

TRIED AND TRUE was out of position at the start despite the efforts of driver Peter Dornauf and has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

Driver Todd Rattray (BRAEVIEW BRAVE) was reprimanded under AHRR 162(1) (j) for failing to maintain barrier position at the start.

Driver Christian Salter (ARK BREEZE) was reprimanded under AHRR 162(1)(i) for failing to be in position by the candy pole.

## **RACE 3 – JAY BARDON STAKES – 2200 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from OUR PERCIUS NZ, MOTO KENNY NZ and PAINT THE WIND.

The start of this event was delayed due to a Kalgoorlie gallops event running behind schedule.

Connections of THESE DAYS advised their intention to go forward at the start. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the gelding was driven accordingly.

FUSCIENNE momentarily raced rough after the start.

ANIMI SUB IGNIS was briefly held up rounding the home turn.

Stewards queried driver Shane Boon (TIBYTOA) as to his decision to attempt to progress forward three wide with 1200 metres to run. Mr Boon explained that in his opinion the gelding had raced well when making a mid-race move at its first start for the stable and he felt that should he be able to obtain the position outside the leader his gelding would then be well suited. In considering the explanation Stewards considered that whilst there was a lack of judgement from Mr Boon in his decision to go three wide it wasn't of a culpable standard. Mr Boon was however advised to exercise better judgement in similar circumstances.

Post-race swab samples were taken from MOTO KENNY, winner of the event.

ANIMI SUB IGNIS will continue to be placed out of the draw for mobile start events. Participants are reminded to seek permission from the Stewards if they intend to have horses held during the pre-start circle and reminded of ORI's policy relating to horses seeking to be re-instated in the draw being required to partake in race day starting procedures.

## **RACE 4 – PHILS MATE PACE – 1680 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from PALMISANO and LITTLE JETHRO.

ZUMBA BROMAC was scratched by order of Stewards at 6.22pm due to its late arrival on course due to a float breakdown.

Prior to the event trainer Rodney Ashwood advised that FOLLOWTHEWIND NZ whilst intending to go forward from its inside barrier then may be driven more conservatively if significant pressure were applied. The mare led from the start and did not receive any significant pressure in the early stages.

A post-race swab sample was taken from FOLLOWTHEWIND NZ, winner of the event.

### **RACE 5 – STORM GODDESS PACE – 1680 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from KARALTA DAZZLER, TRULY BLISSFULL, SOMETHING EYRE NZ and ALL I CAN BE.

Driver Paul Ashwood (WILLIAMLEE) was reprimanded for his unapproved whip use, the particulars being that his whip hand was drawn back higher than his shoulder.

MODERN RULER raced rough under pressure close to the finish.

### **RACE 6 – GOODTIME LODGE STAKES – 2200 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from ME MATE LES, MAVIS MERLE and JANE GRANT.

ROXBURGH WAY was fractious before the start rearing and then racing rough after the start and has now been placed on its last chance in the draw.

BUSTED stood flat footed as the start was effected then swung sideways and as a result MAVIS MERLE, JANE GRANT and SIR DASHER DEE were all checked and MUSSELROE BAY which collided with the sulky of BUSTED was severely checked and tailed the field taking no competitive part in the event. BUSTED has now been placed out of the draw and stood down from standing start races until the completion of a satisfactory standing start trial.

PUSHKIN NZ which raced rough and then broke after the start will continue to be placed right out of the draw. The gelding tired over the concluding stages after leading.

DEMONSTRATIVE which broke free of interference shortly before the winning post on the first occasion has now been placed on its last chance to race truly. Driver Rodney Ashwood advised Stewards he would recommend that a shadow roll now be added to the gelding's gear.

ME MATE LES was fractious before the start and raced rough after the start.

ROXBURGH WAY was held up behind the tiring PUSHKIN NZ and was unable to be tested over the concluding stages.

ROCKBANK DANCER, MY HIGHLIGHTS and JANE GRANT were all held up for clear racing room rounding the home turn and early in the home straight.

MUSSELROE BAY underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no apparent abnormalities.

A post-race swab sample was taken from FUTURE PROMISES, winner of the event.

### **RACE 7 – BARRY FREEMAN MEMORIAL TRAINERS ENCOURAGEMENT PACE – 2200 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from OSCAR BLAKEDON and ISUNDULA ARTIST.

GRACE CAMPBELL which had not started in a race since August 2015 underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to race.

Connections of MISS GUENEVERE advised their intention to restrain from the start. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the mare was driven accordingly. After tiring to be beaten 57 metres the mare has now been placed on its last chance to race truly.

JETSONVILLE JOHN tired and has been placed on its last chance to race truly.

Driver Samantha Freeman (MISS GUENEVERE) pleaded guilty to a charge for unapproved whip use the particulars were that she was loose reining rounding the home turn. She was fined the sum of \$200.

Trainer Ron Mansfield was fined the sum of \$100 under 238 for failing to notify the intended tactics of his multiple runners.

### **RACE 8 – TOPNOTCH DAN CLAIMER – 2200 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from REGAL STRIDE NZ and CATS AND DOGS.

There were no claims in this event.

Troy Hillier was replaced by Paul Ashwood as the driver of JOHNNYACE due to an incident in the stable area in which he sustained a knock to the head from a horse. Mr Hillier is required to provide a medical clearance before again driving.

CYRILFROMTHEPOCKET was fractious before the start then raced rough after the start.

SKY TOWER galloped out and has been placed out of the standing start draw.

SHANGHAI KNIGHT was inconvenienced after the start when the runners drawn either side shifted ground.

SUTTER MAN which galloped out will continue to be placed out of the draw.

REGAL STRIDE which galloped out has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

JOHNNYACE has been placed back in the standing start draw.

### **RACE 9 – BIG TIME FELLA PACE DIVISION TWO – 1680 METRES**

Pre-race swab samples were taken from STRANGE CONDUCT and SULTAN FELLA.

Connections of AITUTAKI advised that due to the gelding being unable to finish off when driven forward at its most recent start over the same distance that it was their intention to restrain at the start. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the gelding was driven accordingly.

Stewards queried trainer Paul Ashwood (SULTAN FELLA) who stated that in his opinion that whilst the gelding had trialled well leading up to its first run from a spell it had since benefited from that run in fitness and that tonight the gelding was driven more conservatively in that it did not make its run until racing off the back straight.

### **SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**

Trainer representative Mark Yole was queried as to the gear worn by BURITON BAILEY NZ at the Tasmanian Pacing Club meeting on 11 September in race 7 not in the gear as notified to Stewards. Trainer Ben Yole was reprimanded under the provisions rule of AR 25(1) for having an incorrect stable return stipulating its hopple length.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	TPC 11/9/16 – B YOLE AR 25(1) – Incorrect stable return R2 – C SALTER – AR 162(1)(i) – Fail to come up to position by candy pole R2 – T RATTRAY – AR 162(1)(j) – Fail to maintain starting position R5 – P ASHWOOD – AR 156(3) – Unapproved whip use
<b>FINES</b>	R7 – S FREEMAN - \$200 – AR 156(3) – Unapproved whip use R7 – R MANSFIELD - \$100 – AR 44(1) – Fail to notify tactics
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	NIL
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	HEAVENROLL – SD10D, SD1T ANIMI SUB IGNIS – CODM MASTER LEON – SD VET CERT BUSTED – ODS, SD1SST PUSHKIN NZ – CRODS SKY TOWER – ODS SUTTER MAN – CODS JOHNNYACE - BSD
<b>LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS</b>	NIL

<b>PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b>	
Race 1	IMA GINGER ROGERS MASTER LEON
Race 2	TRIED AND TRUE FLETCHERS KNIGHT
Race 3	OUR PERCIUS NZ MOTO KENNY NZ PAINT THE WIND
Race 4	PALMISANO LITTLE JETHRO
Race 5	KARALTA DAZZLER TRULY BLISSFULL SOMETHING EYRE NZ ALL I CAN BE
Race 6	ME MATE LES MAVIS MERLE JANE GRANT
Race 7	OSCAR BLAKEDON ISUNDULA ARTIST
Race 8	REGAL STRIDE NZ CATS AND DOGS
Race 9	STRANGE CONDUCT SULTAN FELLA

<b>POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b>	
Race 3	MOTO KENNY NZ
Race 4	FOLLOWTHEWIND NZ
Race 6	FUTURE PROMISES
Race 7	RIVERLEGIRL

**ADRIAN CROWTHER**  
**CHAIRMAN**

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