

CLUB: CARRICK PARK PACING CLUB

DATE: TUESDAY 27 DECEMBER 2016

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: OVERCAST

STEWARDS:

- A CROWTHER (CHAIRMAN)
- B BAUDINETTE
- R BROWN
- C ELLSON
- C BRYDON
- G GRIFFIN (STARTER)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR J ROWE

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

Driver Kristy Grant was injured in a race fall at Devonport on the 26/12 and was unable to drive at today's meeting. At the Devonport meeting trainer Marc Butler confirmed the following driver changes for today's Carrick meeting.

Race 1 BERTILS BLISS- G Rattray.

Race 3 SMILIN GEOFF- R Duggan.

Race 7 SAPPHIRE SWAYZE- R Duggan.

RACE 1 – T.M. FOLEY FUNERALS – 2150 METRES

The start of this event was delayed due to a Gore, New Zealand Harness race running behind schedule.

DEVIL OF TYNE (Allister Woods) broke in the score up and was out of position at the start and has been placed out of the draw. Driver Allister Woods reported that the gelding had lost a shoe when breaking in the score up.

BERTILS BLISS (Gareth Rattray) broke free of interference near the 900 metre mark and has been placed on its last chance to race truly.

PARWILL (Samantha Freeman) after racing outside the leader, then tired over the concluding stages.

SIOUX WEST pulled hard whilst leading. Stewards queried trainer Bianca Heenan as to the tactics adopted on that gelding. Ms Heenan was reminded of her obligations under 44(1), particularly that when a change of tactics has been notified at previous starts, Stewards would then deem those tactics to be the intended tactics unless otherwise notified.

LU WAY LORD has now been placed back in the mobile draw.

RACE 2 – LEIGH PLUNKETT MEMORIAL STAKES – 1670 METRES

MISS POPPY MARY, which had not started in a race since 4 December 2015 underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to run. The filly also hung in under pressure near the finish and contacted a marker peg.

Stewards held the All Clear in this event in order to view the start. After viewing the films and taking evidence from driver Paul Hill who stated that MISS POPPY MARY had raced rough momentarily in the score up and, for that reason, was not then fully in position at the candy pole before then being in position at the start. Stewards accepted the explanation of Mr Hill and all clear was given.

Driver Adrian Duggan (SKYMAKER) 3rd placed, also asked to view the photo finish and after doing so was satisfied.

KYLEASHA (Todd Rattray) hung out in the event and then also hung out under pressure in the home straight.

KOOL MINTZ (Matthew Howlett) broke free of interference on the first turn and then galloped excessively then tailed the field. KOOL MINTZ has been stood down from racing for 10 days until completion of a satisfactory trial.

KARALTA STARDUST (John Walters) broke when racing three wide in the back straight and has been placed on its last chance to race truly.

Trainer/Driver Samantha Freeman advised that MISS GUENEVERE would be driven less aggressively in today's event. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the mare was driven accordingly.

RACE 3 – R N V HORSE TRANSPORT PACE – 2150 METRES

KAMILI (Duncan Dornauf) pulled hard in the score up and was then held up in the home straight.

OUR MAXICAM (Keith Toulmin) pulled hard whilst trailing.

CARDINAL FINN (Barrie Rattray) had a tendency to hang out racing off the back straight.

Stewards queried driver John Walters and trainer Zane Medhurst (IDEN AMRAK) as to the tactics adopted on that gelding. Connections explained that at the geldings previous start it had to be driven hard to gain the lead and had taken some time to then obtain the lead resulting in a fast lead time with the gelding then tiring late in the race. Connections further explained that in their view they, whilst intending to race in a forward position were of the opinion that they would be unable to cross SMILIN GEOFF easily and when that runner showed good gate speed their best option was then to race with a sit. IDEN AMRAK was then held up behind CARDINAL FINN which gave ground over the final 350 metres. Stewards noted the explanation put forward by connections.

MEANDER VALLEY has now been placed back in the mobile draw.

RACE 4 – VANDENBURG TRANSPORT STAKES – 2150 METRES

REGAL IDEA unsuccessfully contested the lead.

Trainer Ben Yole (REGMONMDO) advised that the gelding would also be driven conservatively to attempt to then finish the race off. The gelding raced with a trail and hung out and raced rough with 1200 metres to travel, losing ground as a consequence.

RACE 5 – MAXFIELD DRILLING MEANDER VALLEY CUP – 2650 METRES

PUNT ROAD DISCO (Ben Parker) which galloped out has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

FRANCO JAMESON NZ (Rohan Hillier) which galloped out and then galloped for an excessive distance took no competitive part in the event. FRANCO JAMESON NZ has been placed out of the draw for standing start events.

Stewards inquired into the reasons for LE PREMIERE (Bradley Walters) being checked and breaking with two laps to go. After taking evidence from drivers Bradley Walters (LE PREMIERE) and Paul Hill (FINN MAC KEE), Mr Hill pleaded guilty to a charge under R163(1)(a)(iii), the particulars being that when crossing to the one out line just short of two laps to go he has done so when insufficiently clear which resulted in his sulky wheel making contact to the legs of LE PREMIERE which then broke. Mr Hill's licence to drive in races was suspended for three race dates commencing midnight 27 December 2016 and expiring midnight 6 January 2017.

As a result of LE PREMIERE (Bradley Walters) breaking short of two laps to go, FOLLOWTHEWIND NZ (Rodney Ashwood) was also checked and then broke. MODERN CHIC (Mark Yole) was also inconvenienced.

FINN MACKEE hung in and contacted marker pegs on the home turn.

Post-race swab samples were taken from JUST KNEW, winner of the event.

RACE 6 – PFEIFFER CRANES STAKES – 2150 METRES

MARTYS FOR REAL (Jack Laugher) pulled hard whilst leading the event.

Trainer/Driver Paul Ashwood (SULTAN FELLA) beaten favourite, could offer no explanation for the disappointing effort of the gelding, adding that it was unable to maintain its position on the leader's back which then resulted in CAMPAIGN DRIVE (John Walters) then being able to cross and gain that position. A post-race veterinary examination of SULTAN FELLA revealed no apparent abnormalities.

CAMPAIGN DRIVE was held up rounding the home turn.

TIZYALATOR was held up for a run in the latter stages.

RACE 7 – RAND FENCING PACE – 2150 METRES

RUN RIPALONG NZ, which had not started in a race in excess of twelve months, underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to run.

TRULY BLISSFUL (Paul Hill) commenced to tire from the 400 metres to be beaten 25 metres.

MELOLYN (Paul Ashwood) broke in the score up and was out of position at the start and has now been placed out of the draw.

SAPPHIRE SWAYZE (Ricky Duggan) hung under pressure over the concluding stages.

Post-race swab samples were taken from MODERN RULER, winner of the event.

RACE 8 – CRESSY TRANSPORT PACE – 2150 METRES

FRANCO SHEFFIELD NZ (Jack Laugher) raced rough in the latter part of the score up.

Stewards inquired in to the manner in which driver Wayne Watson (BRAVO CHARLIE) drove out over the concluding stages and as to the reasons why his left foot remained out of the sulky footrest from the home turn until close to the finish line. After hearing evidence from driver Wayne Watson, Mr Watson was found guilty of a charge under R168(1)(e) for improper driving, the particulars being that shortly before entering the home straight, his left foot left the sulky footrest and remained in the vicinity of his horses' hind legs until his drive was headed some 40- 50 metres off the line. In determining penalty, Stewards considered the serious nature of improper driving offences and the need for significant deterrence and consistency in determining penalties. Mr Watson was fined the sum of \$500.

A post-race veterinary examination of LA EBONY KITA which tired revealed no significant findings.

A post-race veterinary examination of LITTLE JETHRO which tired indicated a slow recovery rate.

Post-race swab samples were taken from BRAVO CHARLIE, second placegetter in the event.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	ROHAN HILLIER – R162(1)(d) (LPC 11/12/16 Race 7)
FINES	WAYNE WATSON – R168(1)(e) – IMPROPER DRIVING - \$500
SUSPENSIONS	PAUL HILL R163(1)(a)(3) – 3 RACE DATES 1/1/2017 – 13/1/2017
HORSE ACTIONS	DEVIL OF TYNE – ODM KOOL MINTZ – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL FRANCO JAMESON NZ – ODS MELOLYN – ODM LU WAY LORD – BMD MEANDER VALLEY - BMD

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	RAINBOW PHOENIX BERTILS BLISS
Race 2	WHY WENT WRONG KARALTA STARDUST MISS GUENEVERE
Race 4	ALL STYLE SAMMY
Race 5	MUSSELROE BAY FRANCO JAMESON NZ PUNT ROAD DISCO JUST KNEW
Race 6	GLAMOUR ART
Race 7	HUGO PLAY MELOLYN STAR CHAMBER
Race 8	LA EBONY KITA

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY

Race 5	JUST KNEW
Race 7	MODERN RULER
Race 8	BRAVO CHARLIE

ADRIAN CROWTHER
CHAIRMAN

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http://www.racing.tas.gov.au/harness_racing/policies_and_rules - *ORI Integrity Policy Manual*