

HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

CLUB: LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB

DATE: SUNDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2017

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS:

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

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR M HEMY

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

RACE 1 – LUXBET TWO YEAR OLD – 1680 METRES

JEANETTE BARRY broke free of interference a short distance after the start and that filly has now been placed out of the draw for future mobile start events. JEANETTE BARRY then tailed the field for the remainder of the event.

LADY OLIVE OYLE (John Walters) hung in when shifting off the pegs near the 400 metres.

RACE 2 – LONGFORD EQUINE CLINIC STAKES – 2200 METRES

PUNCHINELLO galloped out and then shifted in shortly after the start, inconveniencing FUTURE PROMISES (Gareth Rattray). PUNCHINELLO has been placed on its last chance in the draw. The gelding also pulled hard in the run.

DELLAS COMMAND which galloped out and then broke a hopple carrying strap was retired from the event by driver Todd Rattray. The gear was subsequently examined and found to be of good quality. DELLAS COMMAND has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

CEMENTO RAPIDO galloped out and has been placed on its last chance in the draw. That gelding was then held up and unable to be fully tested over the concluding stages.

ODINS CALL GIRL (Todd Rattray) and BLISSTAR (Rohan Hillier) made contact shortly after the start.

MASTER CHARLIE which galloped out will continue right out of the draw.

FUTURE PROMISES and JANE GRANT were both held up for clear racing room rounding the home turn before then gaining clear running.

In the middle stages SIGN NO MORE (Mark Yole) worked three wide to a position outside the leader. Post-race swab samples were taken from the mare.

Racing into the back straight on the final occasion BLISSTAR had a tendency to hang out and race greenly.

RACE 3 – NEIL PITTS PTY LTD STAKES – 2200 METRES

Connections of UNION FORCE advised that with speed to its inside and its inability to finish off in recent runs, they would drive that gelding back at the start. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the gelding was driven accordingly.

ITZ GEMMAS DELIGHT which broke free of interference racing off the back straight has been placed on its last chance to race truly. That mare has also been placed back in the mobile draw. The mare underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no apparent abnormalities. Stewards took evidence from driver and stable representative Gareth Rattray in relation to the mare's notified gear form trainer Melissa Maine was fined the sum of \$100 under the provisions of AHRR 273(6)(b)

Stewards inquired into the actions of driver Jack Laugher (METRO MOUSE) in the back straight on the final occasion. After hearing evidence from driver Jack Laugher, assisted by senior driver Michael Laugher, viewing the films and acting on their own observations, Mr J Laugher was found guilty of a charge under AR163(3) for half-carting and was fined the sum of \$100. Mr Michael Laugher was also found guilty of a charge under AHRR 231(2) for misconduct when leaving the Stewards room and was fined the sum of \$200.

Post-race swab samples were taken from ROCKIN AN RUNNIN, winner of the event.

RACE 4 – IMPRESS PRINT PACE – 2200 METRES

The start of this event was delayed 2 minutes due to a Pinjarra Gallops race running behind schedule.

There were no claims in this event.

PALMISANO raced in club colours.

WILL BE DOC hung out in the score up.

ALL STYLE SAMMY had a tendency to hang out while leading and then shied and shifted abruptly inwards whilst racing clear in the lead shortly after entering the home straight, losing momentum. Driver Rohan Hadley could not explain why his drive had shied and added that he would recommend to trainer Michael Smith that gear changes be effected. ALL STYLE SAMMY has now been placed on its last chance to race truly. ALL STYLE SAMMY then hung out under pressure over the concluding stages. Trainer Michael Smith later reported that he would add block blinkers to the horses' gear.

Post-race swab samples were taken from I AM CAMELOT, winner of the event.

RACE 5 – SUNRISE BAKERY STAKES – 2200 METRES

There were no claims in this event.

IM BARNEY RUBBLE NZ had a slight tendency to hang out at various stages.

RACE 6 – CALRTON DRAUGHT BREWERY FRESH PACE DIVISION 1 – 2200 METRES

REGMONDO broke in the middle part of the score up and the gelding then pulled hard during the latter part of the score up and has now been placed on its last chance in the draw.

SUN CLASSIQUE tired from the 800 metres to be beaten 88.5 metres and underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no apparent abnormalities and has been placed on its last chance to race truly.

USAIN JOLT has now been placed back in the mobile draw.

RACE 7 – ALLEN WILLIAMS MEMORIAL HEAT SIX – 2200 METRES

MEANDER VALLEY pulled hard in the score up and contacted the barrier arm shortly before release point.

ADELE SAID which broke free of interference racing off the back straight on the final occasion has now been placed on its last chance to race truly.

OUR TRIPLE ASSET NZ which tired over the concluding stages to finish beaten 88.3 metres, has been placed on its last chance to race truly.

GIVIT TO ME (Mark Yole) which tired to finish beaten 103 metres, has been stood down from racing for 10 days until completion of a satisfactory trial.

EL JAYS MONZA (John Walters) hung in whilst racing three wide on the home turn and lost momentum.

HARJEET pulled hard whilst leading.

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

RACE 8 – CARLTON DRAUGHT STAKES – 2200 METRES

Acting on a confirmed telephone call from trainer Brian Rose (MASTER LEON) who advised that the colt was suffering from skin irritation and hives and possible signs of an allergic reaction, Stewards ordered MASTER LEON's withdrawal at 2.16pm. MASTER LEON will be stood down from racing for 28 days which may be varied upon production of a veterinary certificate as to the reasons for the scratching.

Stewards inquired into the reasons for SCOOTERWILLREV breaking racing into the back straight on the first occasion. After hearing evidence from driver Craig Hayes, Mr Hayes pleaded guilty to a charge under AR168(1)(a) for careless driving, the particulars being that he attempted to shift out when insufficiently clear, causing his drive to contact the sulky wheel of FRED'S UNDER FIRE (Gareth Rattray) and SCOTTERWILLREV broke as a consequence. Mr Hayes, after considering the level of carelessness and his record under the rule, was fined the sum of \$200.

Mr Hayes (SCOOTERWILLREV) also explained that the gelding which was wearing a lugging pole on the near side was reluctant to shift away from the pegs after the start when clear to do so.

RACE 9 – LUXBET LUXDIV PACE DIVISION TWO – 2200 METRES

LU WAY LORD was out of position at the start. Driver Taylor Ford was reprimanded under AR162(1)(h).

ROYAL CANVAS which tired over the concluding stages to finish beaten in excess of 100 metres underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no apparent abnormalities. The gelding has been stood down from racing for 10 days and until completion of a satisfactory trial. ROYAL CANVAS has also been placed back in the mobile draw.

GIRLSNPEARLS, after working round to a position outside the leader in the middle stages, then commenced to tire and finished distanced. The mare underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed an elevated respiratory rate and signs of tying up when trotted out. GIRLSNPEARLS has been stood down from racing for 10 days and until completion of a satisfactory trial. Trainer Ben Yole later reported that the mare was significantly tied up on arrival back at his stables and had been treated for this condition.

Post-race swab samples were taken from RAINBOW PHOENIX, second placegetter.

GENERAL

Stewards concluded an inquiry from Carrick Cup, Saturday 18 February 2017 and, after taking evidence from drivers Craig Hayes and Wade Rattray, Stewards were satisfied that TRULY BLISSFUL had sustained a flat tyre at some point prior to it tiring from the 900 metres. As such, no action was taken.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	TAYLOR FORD – AR 162(1)(h) – BARRIER POSITION
FINES	JACK LAUGHER – AR163(3) – HALF CARTING - \$100 MICHAEL LAUGHER – ar231(2) – MISCONDUCT - \$200 MELISSA MAINE – AR273(6)(b) – INCORRECT GEAR - \$100 CRAIG HAYES – AR168(1)(a) – CARELESS DRIVING - \$200
HORSE ACTIONS	JEANETTE BARRY – ODM MASTER CHARLIE – CRODS GIVIT TO ME – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL ROYAL CANVAS – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL GIRLSNPEARLS – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 2	DELLAS COMMAND ODINS CALL GIRL
Race 3	PAINT THE WIND PUSHKIN NZ
Race 4	WASHIES CHANCE NZ MOTO KENNY NZ I AM CAMELOT
Race 5	ISAAC NZ NEVER SIGHTED NZ IM BARNEY RUBBLE NZ
Race 7	ADELE SAID

Race 9	FAITHFUL JET SIDURI
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POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 2	SIGN NO MORE
Race 3	ROCKIN AN RUNNIN
Race 4	I AM CAMELOT
Race 7	HARJEET
Race 9	RAINBOW PHOENIX

ADRIAN CROWTHER
CHAIRMAN

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