

CLUB: TASMANIAN PACING CLUB

DATE: FRIDAY 3 MARCH 2017

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS:

A CROWTHER (CHAIRMAN)
J GLEESON
R SANDERS
D COOPER
D MCMASTER
R BROWN (STARTER)

VETERINARY SURGEON: DR A MEEKER

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

RACE 1 – BURGER ME PACE – 1609 METRES

SWAP ME was fractious in the score up.

JAKS TELLER NZ which was out of position at the start despite the efforts of driver Todd Rattray has been placed on its last chance in the draw. The colt hung out in the back straight to the extent that CALL ME BLONDIE (R Hillier) was able to get off the pegs into the one out line. JAKS TELLER NZ also then hung out under pressure over the concluding stages.

Post-race swab samples were taken from JAKS TELLER NZ, winner of the event.

RACE 2 – TASMANIAN OAKS 19 MARCH PACE – 2090 METRES

LU WAY LORD pulled hard in the score up.

Stewards inquired into the reasons for AITUTAKI racing rough just past the winning post on the first occasion. After taking evidence from drivers Adrian Duggan (AITUTAKI) and Matthew Cooper (CALL HER JULIE) and viewing the film it was established that whilst CALL HER JULIE had hung in momentarily that had no direct bearing on AITUTAKI which baulked at a marker peg and raced rough.

THE STATE OF PLAY NZ had a tendency to hang in contacting marker pegs early in the event and then tired over the concluding stages.

AMINI SUB IGNIS pulled hard and was then held up over the concluding stages.

Stewards inquired as to whether CALL HER JULIE was obliged to race four wide prior to the candy pole and after taking evidence from drivers Matthew Cooper (CALL HER JULIE) and Maree Blake (METRO DIGBY) and viewing the films Ms Blake was given the benefit of the doubt as to whether CALL HER JULIE had covered her wheel at the time she elected to move wider on the track.

Stewards queried trainer Matthew Cooper as to the improved performance of CALL HER JULIE. Mr Cooper stated that he felt that the mare had settled well and was happy in her environment and that the mare had trialled well leading up to this race.

Post-race swab samples were taken from CALL HER JULIE, winner of the event.

RACE 3 – LIGHT HARNESS TASMANIA CUP 2 APRIL PACE – 2090 METRES

The connections of ALPINION advised that it was their intention for the horse to go forward from the gate and then attempt to gain a forward position. Stewards approved the change of tactics and that gelding then settled in the one out two back position after SIGNIFICANCE and WAR CHEST then progressed three wide in the early and middle stages before briefly racing on the peg line. ALPINION was then unable to finish off over the concluding stages.

CHASING CHEETAHS broke free of interference on the first turn. The gelding then commenced to tire from the 1100 metres and finished distanced. CHASING CHEETAHS underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed an excessively high heart rate and also heart arrhythmia. Trainer Paul Williams advised that he would have blood samples taken and would advise Stewards of the results. CHASING CHEETAHS has been stood down from racing pending a veterinary certificate which includes an ECG taken after fast work and must then also complete a satisfactory trial.

WHATELSUGOT raced rough at various stages and then broke free of interference entering the back straight on the final occasion. That mare has now been stood down from racing for a period of 14 days and two satisfactory trials.

OUR PERCIUS NZ was held up and unable to obtain clear running until nearing the finish.

PUSHKIN NZ was inconvenienced on the first turn as CHASING CHEETAHS broke. The gelding was held up and had to be restrained off the back of CHASING CHEETAHS at the bell and was later checked as WHATELSUGOT broke.

LITTLE JETHRO hung in and contacted marker pegs rounding the home turn.

WAR CHEST hung in while progressing forward three wide in the middle stages.

SIGNIFICANCE had a tendency to hang out at various stages.

RACE 4 – CROWN LAGER PACE – 2090 METRES

RUSTY RED COMET which galloped out has been placed out of the draw.

SWEET PEA JASPER which stood flat footed before then galloping out has been placed on its last chance in the draw. The mare after settling at the rear of the field then failed to make any ground during the race and was beaten 64 metres. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no apparent abnormalities. SWEET PEA JASPER has now been placed on her last chance to race truly. Subsequent to the race trainer Campbell Watt reported that the mare had pulled up lame after track work and would now be spelled.

PEACE CORPS NZ, which was facing sideways was reluctant to straighten as the starter called the field to the tapes and delayed the start. The gelding then broke after the start and has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

MARTYS FOR REAL was fractious before the start and then pulled hard whilst racing with a forward sit.

RACE 5 – TASMANIAN DERBY 2 APRIL PACE – 2090 METRES

Shortly after the start was effected LAKE EYRE NZ broke and then fell. The warning siren was briefly activated to alert drivers to the hazard however the track was then safely cleared. LAKE EYRE NZ has been placed out of the draw for future mobile start events. The gelding underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed abrasions to its knees, shoulders and neck. LAKE EYRE NZ has been stood down from racing for 10 days and until the completion of a satisfactory trial.

LORD JONES NZ was held up for clear racing room rounding the home turn.

SUPERSUB NZ pulled hard throughout the race.

GRINABLE NZ was also held up for clear racing room rounding the home turn.

DEPLOY (N Emery) shifted off the peg line racing into the back straight on the first occasion and SUPERSUB (J Walters) then raced three wide as a result before then getting to the position outside the leader. Due to the warning siren having briefly sounded and the drivers' awareness of the fall after the start no action was taken.

RACE 6 – REXEL NORTH HOBART PACE – 2090 METRES

Trainer Christian Salter reported that post-nominations on Tuesday THATSWHATSHESAID had suffered from temporary swelling to its head and that he had immediately sought veterinary advice for the condition which then quickly resolved without requiring treatment. THATSWHATSHESAID underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to run.

LORD STARK NZ contacted marker pegs on the first turn.

SIGN OF ORO pulled hard in the score up and then commenced to give ground racing down the back straight on the final occasion.

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

RACE 7 – LUXBET PACE – 1609 METRES

SUMMERVILLE SAN (John Walters) had a tendency to hang out and near the 300 metres and momentarily contacted STRIKER JIM (Gareth Rattray) which was racing to its outside and hanging in at the same stage.

LILDUDEWIFATTITUDE, after racing outside the leader, commenced to tire from the 600 metres to finish beaten 65 metres. The gelding which had previously been placed on its last chance to race truly for tiring, has now been stood down from racing for 10 days and until completion of a satisfactory trial.

RACE 8 – ROBERTS PACE – 2090 METRES

There were no claims in this event.

WRONGLY ACCUSED had a tendency to pull hard.

REGAL STRIDE NZ shifted out down the back straight and at the same time WASHIES CHANCE NZ (Natalee Emery) then obtained an inside run.

Stewards inquired into the circumstances around WASHIES CHANCE NZ, obtaining an inside run near the 500 metres and after taking initial evidence from driver Mark Yole (REGAL STRIDE NZ) and viewing the official race replays then adjourned the inquiry to consider the evidence and to examine betting data on the event and to also hear evidence from driver Natalee Emery. A post-race veterinary examination of REGAL STRIDE NZ revealed no apparent abnormalities and the gelding which tired to finish beaten in excess of 70 metres has been stood down from racing for 10 days and until completion of a satisfactory trial for its unsatisfactory performance.

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

SUMMARY	
HORSE ACTIONS	WHATELSUGOT – STOOD DOWN 14 DAYS & 2 TRIALS CHASING CHEETAHS – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIALS; VET CERTIFICATE SWEET PEA JASPER – ODS RUSTY RED COMET – ODS LAKE EYRE NZ – ODM; STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL LILDUDEWIFATTITUDE – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL REGAL STRIDE NZ – STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 TRIAL WAR CHEST - BMD
LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS	K GRANT (DRIVER) – STOOD DOWN PENDING MEDICAL CERTIFICATE

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	DUCTAPE
Race 2	CALL HER JULIE AITUTAKI
Race 3	CHASING CHEETAHS WAR CHEST
Race 4	RUSTY RED COMET BLISSTAR
Race 5	DEPLOY TIZYALATOR LAKE EYRE NZ
Race 6	PABLO SANTANNA
Race 7	CHENIN VALLEY
Race 8	WRONGLY ACCUSED ELECTRIC OLLIE NZ

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	JAKS TELLER NZ
Race 2	CALL HER JULIE
Race 6	PABLO SANTANNA

Please see below the new Standing Start procedure to take effect Friday the 10th of March 2017.

STANDING START PROCEDURES-EFFECTIVE Friday 10 March 2017.

Starter to blow whistle five minutes prior to start.

Drivers to immediately proceed to start point and do gear adjustments, hopple shorteners etc.

Starter to blow second whistle at two minutes by which time all drivers are to be back in sulky and circling.

Drivers must get starters permission to get out of the sulky after the two minute whistle has sounded.

Horses to circle in an anti- clockwise direction immediately behind their handicap mark with the outside horse on each handicap mark leading the circle with runners then in descending number order.

Circles to use whole width of track regardless of number of runners on any mark.

If two lines of horses on any handicap mark then no tape to be used on the mark ten metres behind that mark.

If no tape is used on a particular handicap then a track attendant will be designated by the Starter to stand on that mark and alert starter if any runner is in front of their handicap by raising their arm and calling to the starter.

When starter calls horses up to tape outside horses on all lines immediately proceed to the top of the track and turn to face tape.

All other runners immediately turn to face tapes.

Inside runners may circle inside the marker pegs to allow sufficient room to turn and face the tape.

As soon as all starters are facing tapes starter will effect the start by calling "stand them up" and simultaneously releasing the tapes.

At Burnie, Scottsdale and St Marys runners will circle anti-clockwise on the infield immediately adjacent to the inside of the track and immediately proceed out onto the track in descending number order when called to the tapes by the starter.

Drivers who fail to comply with the above may be subject to penalty.

Procedures will be reviewed on 30 April 2017.

A copy of this document can be found on the Office Of Racing Integrity website

ADRIAN CROWTHER
CHAIRMAN

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