

## HARNESS RACING STEWARDS REPORT

**CLUB:** TASMANIAN PACING CLUB

**DATE:** SUNDAY 21 MAY 2017

**TRACK:** GOOD

**WEATHER:** FINE

**STEWARDS:**

J GLEESON (CHAIRMAN)

D FARQUHARSON

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 – SUTTER HANOVER PACE DIVISION ONE – 1609 METRES**

It was noted that UNION FORCE (P Hill), BLISSTAR (A Duggan) and JAY DUB (N Emery) were held up for clear runs in the concluding stages of the race.

### **RACE 2 – WILLIAMTELL PACE – 2090 METRES**

ONEMORELAUGH (M Cooper) was inclined to hang out as the field raced off the 800 metre mark.

BOLTNMACH (J Campbell) was inclined to pull hard at various stages of the race.

IM FULL TILT NZ (M Yole) contacted a number of marker pegs as the field raced towards the home turn on the final occasion. DAMISTAN (A Collins) which was following through behind IM FULL TILT also contacted marker pegs at this point. It was established that both horses were racing in restricted room when JETCRAFT (G Rattray) which was racing to the outside was inclined to shift in.

PUSHKIN NZ (N Emery) pulled hard in the score up.

CHICA BELLA (P Hill) shifted ground when leading as the field raced towards the 1400 metre mark. At the 400 metres, CHICA BELLA shifted out again allowing sufficient room for TIZ A JAMANE (D Ford) to progress to the inside. At a subsequent enquiry, driver Paul Hill (CHICA BELLA) pleaded guilty to a charge under AHRR168(1)(a) for careless driving, in that as the driver of CHICA BELLA he allowed that mare to shift ground outwards as the field raced off the 400 metre mark, allowing TIZ A JAMANE to gain an inside run. Mr Hill's licence to drive in races was suspended for three race dates, commencing midnight 21<sup>st</sup> May 2017 and expiring midnight 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017.

Stewards intend to convene an enquiry regarding an incident approaching the home straight with a lap remaining whereby RUSTY RED COMET (R Ashwood) was obliged to race three wide. This enquiry will be conducted at Hobart on Sunday 4 June.

### **RACE 3 – SHIRLEY HILLS PACE – 2579 METRES**

MODERN CHIC (M Yole) galloped out and has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

MISS RUTHLESS (P Hill) galloped out and will continue to be included in the outside draw in standing start events.

GUESSTAMATE (J Walters) galloped out and has been placed on its last chance in the draw.

A post-race swab sample was taken from CHESHIRE CAT, winner of the event.

### **RACE 4 – ELDESLIE HORSE CARE SWEEPSTAKES FINAL – C&G – 1609 METRES**

Connections of IDEN FOREST advised the Stewards that there would be a change of tactics in that the gelding would be driven more conservatively in the early stages of this event.

IDEN FOREST (C Salter) tired over the concluding stages.

OUR BOY JOHNNY (M Yole) was checked on the final turn by the tiring IDEN FOREST.

Racing towards the 400 metre mark AMERICAN MAC (P Ashwood) raced up on to the back of KRAFTY BOY (R Ashwood), and raced roughly for a short distance, inconveniencing DUFRENSE (R Hillier) which was following AMERICAN MAC.

Driver Rodney Ashford (KRAFTY BOY) was reprimanded under AR162(1)(h) for failing to come into position as the start was effected.

Stewards intend to interview Paul Ashwood (AMERICAN MAC) regarding his horse being out of position at the start. Stewards also intend to speak to Mr Ashwood relating to him leaving the track when required to attend the Stewards room. These inquiries will be conducted on 4 June at Hobart.

### **RACE 5 – PLUNKETT FAMILY ASCOT GOLD CUP – 2579 METRES**

ANOTHER SWINGER (S Rawnsley) was slow to muster speed at the start.

MISTER LENNOX NZ (R Hillier) galloped out and the gelding has been placed on its last chance in the draw for standing start events.

**RACE 6 – ELDESLIE HORSE CARE SWEEPSTAKES FINAL - FILLIES – 1609 METRES**

ISLAND BLISS shifted out during the score up, inconveniencing LADY OLIVE OYLE (J Walters) which was able to fill its position at the start.

MODART NIADH (G Rattray) hung out during the score up.

IDEAL BLISS (R Hillier) pulled hard throughout the race

A post-race swab sample was taken from VOUVRAY BEACH, winner of the event.

**RACE 7 – PLAYING ARKABELLA PACE DIVISION TWO – 1609 METRES**

POP THE CORK was slow to muster speed at the start and FLASH ANATOMY which was drawn directly behind was inconvenienced.

Gareth Rattray's (CRAFTY OLD FOX) feet slipped from the sulky stirrup shortly after the start when the sulky seat shifted backwards. Mr Rattray was able to get his feet back into position for the remainder of the event.

AINSLEYS DREAM (S Rawnsley) and GOGGO GEE GEE (B Rattray) jostled for a short distance as the field raced towards the home turn on the final occasion. AINSLEYS DREAM subsequently shifted GOGGO GEE GEE wider on the track to obtain clear running.

GOGGO GEE GEE pulled hard during the score up.

HIT THE LIGHTS was inconvenienced by the tiring POP THE CORK.

**RACE 8 – IFIHADYOURLUCK PACE – 2090 METRES**

ENTREEMAINDESSERT (M Howlett) was inclined to pull hard throughout the race.

**RACE 9 – STONEBRIDGE REGAL PACE – 2090 METRES**

Maree Blake (LOCKAWAY KACIE) was reprimanded under AR162(1) (j) for failing to maintain her position during the latter stages of the score up. LOCKAWAY KACIE will continue to be drawn wide in future mobile start events.

COURAGEOUS KATEE was held up for clear racing room over the concluding stages.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	RODNEY ASHWOOD – AR162(1)(h) – FAIL TO COME INTO POSITION MAREE BLAKE – AR162(1)(j) – FAIL TO MAINTAIN POSITION
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	PAUL HILL – AR168(1)(a) – 3 RACE DATES COMMENCING MIDNIGHT 21 MAY 2017, EXPIRING MIDNIGHT 2 JUNE 2017

**HORSE ACTIONS**MISS RUTHLESS – CODS  
LOCKAWAY KACIE - CODM**PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY**

Race 1	DASHER HOULI
Race 2	LORD JONES NZ
Race 3	CHESHIRE CAT
Race 4	RUN WICK
Race 5	ISAAC NZ
Race 6	CLASS TELLS
Race 7	CRAFTY OLD FOX
Race 8	SARGENT BLACK

**POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY**

Race 3	CHESHIRE CAT
Race 4	IGNATIUS
Race 5	RIVERBOAT JASPER
Race 6	VOUVRAY BEACH

**SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**

Barrie Rattray explained on behalf of connections that HARJEET had cut its gum by a displaced tooth which may have had a bearing on the gelding hanging out when leading at Launceston on 14 May 2017. Mr Rattray advised Stewards the issue had now been rectified.

**JEREMY GLEESON**  
**CHIEF STEWARD**

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[http://www.racing.tas.gov.au/harness\\_racing/policies\\_and\\_rules](http://www.racing.tas.gov.au/harness_racing/policies_and_rules) - *ORI Integrity Policy Manual*