

CLUB: LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB

DATE: SUNDAY 9 JULY 2017

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS:

D FARQUHARSON (CHAIRMAN)

R BROWN

B BAUDINETTE

J AINSCOW

G GRIFFIN (STARTER)

VETERINARY SURGEON: Dr FIONA DUGGAN

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

RACE 1 – ISLAND BLOCK & PAVING TWO YEAR OLD – 2200 METRES

Leaving the back straight, racing towards the final turn IZAHA (Todd Rattray) which was racing wide on the track, was inclined to shift in momentarily which restricted the racing room of ARK FURY (Kent Rattray).

Entering the home straight in the run to the finish PEZZAMYSTIC (Jack Laugher) shifted out marginally under pressure and, as a result, tightened the racing room of KARALTA DEMON (John Walters) which was racing to its outside. Jack Laugher was subsequently reprimanded under AHR168 (1)(a) for careless driving and instructed to use more care.

RACE 2 – BOTRA CLAIMING NOVICE DRIVERS HEAT FIVE – 3CO/CO FINAL – 2200 METRES

Stewards delayed the all clear on this race to allow driver Taylor Ford (JAMINAS JOY), placed officially third by the judge, to view the patrol film of the finish. After perusal of the video Miss Ford lodged a protest against FIRST ELVA (Matthew Cooper) being declared the second placegetter on grounds of interference at the top of the straight in the run to the finish. After consideration, Stewards dismissed the protest and the judge's placings were confirmed. It was established that STRIKER JIM (Brady Woods) which was racing to the inside of JAMINAS JOY, shifted wider marginally upon entering the home straight and, as a result, carried JAMINAS JOY into the cart of FIRST ELVA which was racing to the outside, resulting in JAMINAS JOY's off-side fore leg contacting the near side wheel of FIRST ELVA. Stewards deemed the shift of STRIKER JIM only marginal however, driver Brady Woods was advised to take greater care to ensure that his horse remains in a straight course, particularly when under pressure in the concluding stages of a race.

On the final turn, MISS SHARAPOVA (Samantha Freeman) hung in and, as a result, contacted marker pegs. A warning was issued.

RACE 3 – BOTRA CLAIMING NOVICE DRIVERS HEAT SIX – C1/C2 FINAL – 2200 METRES

Stewards inquired into an incident which occurred shortly after the start where DIDDLEY BOW (Taylor Ford) which had drawn barrier one on the front line, was tightened for racing room and obliged to race to the inside of the marker pegs to avoid interference. At a subsequent inquiry, it was established that COMEON HOWZAT NZ (Matthew Cooper) which began from barrier four, was shifted down sharply when being urged forward by its driver and, as a result, carried UNION FORCE (Samantha Gangell) into the racing line of DIDDLEY BOW, causing that gelding to be severely checked and lose its position. At a subsequent inquiry Matthew Cooper pleaded guilty to a charge under AHR163(1)(a)(iii) for causing interference by allowing COMEON HOWZAT NZ to shift down the track when insufficiently clear of UNION FORCE which tightened the racing room of DIDDLEY BOW. Mr Cooper's licence to drive in races was suspended for four race dates. Stewards directed that this term of suspension commence at the conclusion of a previous suspension imposed. The term of suspension for tonight's offence will commence midnight 21 July 2017 and expire midnight 13 August 2017.

COMEON HOWZAT NZ had a tendency to race away from the marker pegs at various stages of the race when leading. Connections were advised to take corrective measures.

TELL MIA STORY (Samantha Freeman) capitulated badly in the latter stages of the race and finished a distanced last. A subsequent veterinary examination of the mare revealed no significant findings. Stewards deemed the performance of TELL MIA STORY below the standard required for licenced meetings and the mare was subsequently stood down from racing for 10 days and completion of a satisfactory Stewards trial.

A post-race swab blood sample was taken from PUT MBACK, the fifth placegetter.

RACE 4 – LUXBET.COM STAKES – 2200 METRES

TRIED AND TRUE (Peter Dornauf) was caught racing three wide in the early stages of the race before being restrained to the rear of the field.

CHRISTIAN JAZ NZ (Jack Laughler) sustained an offside flat tyre on the final turn when MAKING MY MARK (Todd Rattray) made contact with that sulky. It was established that MAKING MY MARK had a tendency to hang in on the turns despite the efforts of Mr Rattray. A warning was issued to the connections of MAKING MY MARK and connections were advised to take corrective measures.

RACE 5 – CARLTON DRAUGHT PACE – 2200 METRES

In the run to the finish, SPITFIRE ROSE (Rohan Hadley) shifted out slightly under pressure which allowed ANOTHER SWINGER (Gareth Rattray) to progress through on the inside.

It was noted that MELOLYN (Jack Laughler) was held up for clear running over the concluding stages of the race.

RACE 6 – ELDERSLIE HORSE CARE & SPELLING PACE DIVISION ONE – 1680 METRES

NANCES DELIGHT (Gareth Rattray) was examined by the veterinary surgeon after the completion of the race at the request of the Stewards. NANCES DELIGHT, which was an odds-on favourite in the event, failed to run on in the concluding stages and finished in sixth position. Driver Gareth Rattray explained that he had progressed up three wide to the outside of GUESSTAMATE (Ben Parker) after the start and was of the view that GUESSTAMATE may lead the race however, when SAYWHAT (John Walters) was able to retain that position, NANCES DELIGHT was obliged to race three wide before working forward and obtaining the

position without cover. He further added that the first quarter of this race was timed in 28.07 seconds when the filly was racing wide. Mr Rattray, whilst being slightly disappointed with the performance of NANCES DELIGHT, explained the quick mile rate of 1.58.9 and the fact that a three-year-old filly racing against older horses in conjunction with the hard run, may have been a contributing factor. Mr Rattray further stated that it was his intention to give NANCES DELIGHT one more race start this preparation. The veterinary surgeon reported no obvious abnormalities with NANCES DELIGHT. Mr Rattray's comments were noted and he was advised that should anything arise in the ensuing days that may explain the performance, to notify the Stewards accordingly.

CARDINAL LANE (Rohan Hadley) raced roughly after the start and connections were advised that the gelding would be placed on its last chance in the draw.

Stewards inquired into an incident leaving the back straight on the first occasion where MISS RUTHLESS (Rohan Hillier) was momentarily inconvenienced. It was established that REGAL MAJOR (Christian Salter) was shifted down the track at an acute angle and when it became evident to Mr Salter that he was not in a position to cross MISS RUTHLESS, he began to take evasive action, however, due to the momentum and angle in which REGAL MAJOR was shifted down the track, MISS RUTHLESS was inconvenienced and shifted from a position one wide to the marker pegs. Christian Salter pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving under AHHR168(1)(a) and, after considering all the circumstances in this incident and Mr Salter's driving record, a fine of \$200 was imposed.

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

RACE 7 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT STAKES – 2200 METRES

Stewards inquired into an incident which occurred as the field progressed into the back straight on the first occasion where it appeared that BURITON BAILEY NZ (Jack Laughner) was inconvenienced and had to be checked by its driver which resulted in WILLIAMLEE (Taylor Ford) which was trailing that horse, being checked and racing roughly for a few strides. At a subsequent inquiry driver Robert Walters pleaded guilty to a charge under AR168(1)(a) for careless driving, in that when he shifted REGAL STRIDE NZ into a position one wide he did so with insufficient clearance over BURITON BAILEY NZ which caused that horse to be inconvenienced. After considering Mr Walters' record and the degree of interference, which the Stewards deemed as low range, Mr Walters was fined the sum of \$200.

RACE 8 – STONEBRIDGE REGAL STAKES DIVISION ONE – 1680 METRES

EL JAYS MYSTERY (John Walters) galloped as the start was effected which resulted in the filly losing ground. Connections were advised that EL JAYS MYSTERY would continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile starts.

Stewards questioned Paul Ashwood (LYNNIEMACH) regarding the overall performance of that filly. After beginning from the outside of the front line LYNNIEMACH challenged for the lead in a three wide position however, was unable to gain the lead and had to work forward past ONLY A MYTH (Todd Rattray) which had momentarily maintained the position without cover. LYNNIEMACH was able to obtain the position in advance of ONLY A MYTH entering the front straight on the first occasion, however, in the concluding stages of the race, LYNNIEMACH tired to finish towards the rear of the field. Mr Ashwood advised LYNNIEMACH races best in a forward position and was surprised by the forward progression of ONLY A MYTH when he was urging his filly forward in an attempt to gain the position without cover. Mr Ashwood said that by working hard to gain the position without cover may have had a detrimental effect on the LYNNIEMACHs' overall performance.

A post-race swab sample was taken from COURAGEOUS KATEE, winner of the event.

RACE 9 – GREAT NORTHERN SUPER CRISP PACE – 2200 METRES

HOOPER ROAD (Todd Rattray), which galloped for a considerable distance after the strands were released, will be excluded from the barrier draw in future standing starts.

PUSHKIN NZ galloped out and connections were advised that the gelding will be placed on its last chance in the draw. PUSHKIN NZ was inclined to pull hard throughout the race and was held up for clear running over the concluding stages.

BE GOOD FRANKLIN (Adrian Duggan) which stepped and led, gave ground in the concluding stages and, as a result, LAUGHYAHEADOFF (Allister Woods) which was trailing that horse, was inconvenienced when taken back through the field.

JUKEBOX MUSIC (Mark Yole) which galloped out, will be excluded from the draw in future standing start events.

Driver Robert Walters was reprimanded under AHR156(3) for unapproved whip use over the concluding stages of the race.

RACE 10 – IFIHADYOURLUCK PACE DIVISION TWO – 1680 METRES

JODIS CHOICE (Samantha Gangell) pulled hard in the score up.

Stewards inquired into an incident which occurred in the back straight on the final occasion whereby WASHINGTON EXPRESS NZ (Robert Walters) and THE KEYSTONE KID NZ (Adrian Collins) locked wheels for a considerable distance resulting in THE KEYSTONE KID NZ being placed in restricted racing room, requiring driver Adrian Collins to check his drive to alleviate tight racing. At a subsequent inquiry Robert Walters pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving under AR168(1)(a) for shifting away from the marker pegs in the back straight on the final occasion when not sufficiently clear of THE KEYSTONE KID NZ which placed that gelding in restricted racing room. Stewards considered the degree of interference as low and Mr Walters was fined the sum of \$200.

MARTYS FOR REAL (W Rattray) which began safely will now be reincluded in the barrier draw in future mobile starts.

A post-race swab sample was taken from SU YOU TOO, winner of the event.

RACE 11 – SUTTER HANOVER STAKES DIVISION TWO – 1680 METRES

ITSNOTALWAYSABOUTU galloped after the start was effected and connections were advised that the gelding would be excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile starts.

Entering the back straight on the final occasion SARGENT BLACK (John Walters) which raced in a one-wide mid-field trailing position, dropped the bit momentarily and was inclined to run out. As a result, CARDINAL COFFEE (Rohan Hadley) which was moved away from a midfield marker pegs position, contacted the off-side hind leg of SARGENT BLACK which was inclined to race ungenerously at this point of the race. The connections of SARGENT BLACK were advised that the gelding would be placed on its last chance to race truly.

PAGLIACCI (J Laugher) which began safely will now be reincluded in the draw in mobile starts.

SUMMARY	
REPRIMANDS	R1 - JACK LAUGHER - AR168(1)(a) - CARELESS DRIVING R9 - ROBERT WALTERS - AR156(3) - UNAPPROVED WHIP USE
FINES	R6 - CHRISTIAN SALTER - AR168(1)(a) - \$200 R7 - ROBERT WALTERS - AR168(1)(a) - \$200 R10 - ROBERT WALTERS - AR168(1)(a) - \$200
SUSPENSIONS	R3 - MATTHEW COOPER - AR163(1)(a)(iii) - 4 RACE DATES COMMENCING MIDNIGHT 21/7/17, EXPIRING MIDNIGHT 13/8/17
HORSE ACTIONS	TELL MIA STORY - STOOD DOWN 10 DAYS & 1 SATISFACTORY TRIAL EL JAYS MYSTERY - CODM HOOPER ROAD - ODS JUKEBOX MUSIC - ODS MARTYS FOR REAL - BMD ITSNOTALWAYSABOUTU - ODM PAGLIACCI - BMD

PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 1	PEZZAMYSTIC WAR DAN STAR DEBT TILL WE PART ARK FURY
Race 2	STRIKER JIM KARALTA KRUISE JAMINAS JOY FIRST ELVA
Race 3	MASTER CHARLIE COMEON HOWZAT NZ
Race 4	ARTARAMA TRIED AND TRUE CHRISTIAN JAZ NZ
Race 6	SAYWHAT KARALTA STARDUST
Race 7	CARDINAL SPEC PAINT THE WIND WILLIAMLEE
Race 8	MCADEM EL JAYS MYSTERY
Race 9	PUSHKIN NZ SUTTER MAN
Race 10	MARTYS FOR REAL
Race 11	PAGLIACCI

POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY	
Race 3	PUT MBACK

Race 6	WHENTHEGROUNDSHOOK
Race 8	COURAGEOUS KATEE
Race 10	SU YOU TOO

DAVID FARQUHARSON
CHAIRMAN

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