

**CLUB:** LAUNCESTON PACING CLUB

**DATE:** SUNDAY 8 OCTOBER 2017

**TRACK:** GOOD

**WEATHER:** OVERCAST/RAINING

**STEWARDS:**

D FARQUHARSON (CHAIRMAN)

R BROWN

B BAUDINETTE

C BRYDON

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 – SUTTER HANOVER PACE – 2200 METRES**

Stewards approved a change of tactics from the connections of DEMONSTRATIVE to allow the gelding to race further forward. DEMONSTRATIVE raced one out one back.

CARDINAL RINGO (Rohan Hadley) was out of position when the start was affected and the connections were advised that the gelding will continue to be excluded to the extreme outside in mobile draws.

SPARKLING NZ, which began satisfactorily in tonight's race, will now be re-included in the barrier draw.

POSTAL EXPRESS (Rohan Hillier) was caught racing three wide racing into the first turn and had to be restrained to the rear of the field to gain a more advantageous position.

JACKMICHAELS (Natalee Emery) which led the race commenced to yield ground badly in the back straight on the final occasion and as a result ARK BREEZE (Christian Salter) and HAYLEYS COMET (Todd Rattray) were inconvenienced when taken back through the field. Stewards directed that the veterinary surgeon examine JACKMICHAELS, which failed to reveal any significant findings. Stewards advised connections of JACKMICHAELS that the gelding would be stood down from racing for a period of 10 days and at the conclusion of which a satisfactory trial must be performed.

#### **RACE 2 – SUNCRISE PAKERY STAKES – 2200 METRES**

EBONYALLSTARZZZ (Rohan Hillier) and BOLTNMACH (Adrian Collins) were slightly back from their positions when the start was affected.

ANOTHER DEREK NZ Taylor Ford was caught racing three wide in the early stages of the race before being restrained to a rearward trailing position.

In the home straight with a lap remaining DAMITSAM (Justin Campbell) momentarily broke gait and as a result caused SHAKTI BROMAC NZ (Conor Crook) inconvenience, FULL SPEED AHEAD NZ (Todd Rattray) being checked and BOLTNMACH (Adrian Collins) being severely checked and lose all chance in the race. After considering DAMITSAM's good record in this regard connections were advised the gelding would be placed on its last chance to race

truly. A veterinary inspection of BOLTNMACH subsequent to the running of this race failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Justin Campbell (DAMITSAM) was reprimanded under AHHR 168(1)(a) for driving in a careless manner for allowing his gelding to shift out leaving the front straight with a lap remaining when insufficiently clear of SHAKTI BROMAC NZ which obliged the driver that gelding to check momentarily.

### **RACE 3 – STONEBRIDGE REGAL PACE – 2200 METRES**

ONEMORELAUGH (Chris Aylett) and KILBIRNIE NORTH VIEW NZ (Samantha Freeman) were slightly back from the position at the start.

LETTUCELIEALITTLE (Taylor Ford) raced roughly in the scoreup and was out of position when the start was affected. The mare will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in future mobile starts.

LORD STARK NZ (Samantha Gangell) was caught racing three wide for the first 600 metres of the race before obtaining the position without cover. Stewards questioned driver Samantha Gangell into the driving tactics adopted, in particular the reasons why she pressured for the lead after working hard in the early stages to gain the position without cover which resulted in a quick lead time of 43 seconds. Driver Samantha Gangell advised Stewards that after working hard to cross IM PAIGE, LORD STARK NZ had an advantage momentarily over the leader KARALTA KRUISE and she advised that she had pressured momentarily for the lead. She further said that LORD STARK NZ is a horse that races best when in the lead or with cover and when the horse was caught without cover she opted to briefly challenge for the lead. In the concluding stages of the race, LORD STARK NZ tired to finish in 11<sup>th</sup> position, beaten in excess of 53 metres. A veterinary examination revealed no significant findings. Driver Samantha Gangell was advised by Stewards that her drive in tonight's race lacked judgement by the attempt for the lead after working hard early. Miss Gangell was placed on notice that any future standard of driving in this regard would result in action being taken against her licence.

ONEMORELAUGH tired badly in the concluding stages to finish a distant last. A subsequent veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Connections were advised the gelding would be placed on its last chance to race competitively.

A swab sample was taken from the winner KARALTA CRUISE

### **RACE 4 – LUXBET PACE – 1680 METRES**

Racing towards the first turn after the start, DAPPER DANA NZ (Jack Laugher) galloped when racing in restricted room to the inside of SULTAN FELLA (Paul Ashwood). At a subsequent inquiry it was established that SULTAN FELLA shifted down the track and caused a contact to the offside foreleg of DAPPER DANA resulting in that gelding galloping and losing all chance. Paul Ashwood subsequently pleaded guilty to a charge pursuant to AHHR 163(1)(a)(iii) for causing interference. Mr Ashwood's licence to drive in races was suspended for 2 race meetings to commence midnight 8 October 2017 and expiring midnight 15 October 2017. In assessing the matter of penalty the Stewards took into account the racing behaviour of SULTAN FELLA which contributed to the incident to a minor degree by hanging in.

Robert Walters (HOLLY MISS MOLLY) was fined \$100 for careless driving by allowing his mare to shift wider on the track approaching the final turn and contact the near side sulky wheel of SULTAN FELLA which resulted in the sulky of that horse sustaining a nearside flat tyre, a distinct disadvantage for the final 400 metres of the race.

Christian Salter (ANINCHOFHISLIFE) was reprimanded under AHHR 170 for striking his horse with a whip on one occasion when his foot had become displaced from the foot hold.

Trainer Rohan Hillier was reprimanded under AHHR 272(7) for allowing DAPPER DANNA NZ to start in colours not registered for that horse.

### **RACE 5 – TASMANIAN HORSE TRANSPORT SHOW CUP – 2200 METRES**

CALL HER JULIE (Justin Campbell) galloped out when the start was effected and the mare has been placed on its last chance in the draw from standing starts.

JEANS MATTJESTY NZ (R Hadley) galloped out and lost considerable ground. JEANS MATTJESTY NZ will be excluded from the barrier draw in future standing starts.

IM BARNEY RUBBLE NZ (R Hillier) galloped out and will continue to be drawn wide in future standing start events.

A swab sample was taken from the winner IM BARNEY RUBBLE NZ

### **RACE 6 – LONGFORD EQUINE CENTRE STAKES – 2200 METRES**

SEA SKY (Adrian Collins) was caught racing three wide in the early stages of the race before being restrained to a rearward trailing position.

JIMMY DE PANDA (Peter Dornauf) was out of position at the start despite the efforts of its driver and a warning was issued.

Entering the back straight on the final occasion ITSNOTALWAYSABOUTU (Rohan Hadley) galloped without interference resulting in SEA SKY and SAPPHIRE RIVER (Troy Hillier) being checked. After considering ITSNOTALWAYSABOUTU previous record in this regard, connections were advised that the gelding would be placed on its last chance to race truly.

It was noted that HOT SHOT BONNIE (Natalee Emery) was held up for clear running in the early stages of the straight.

### **RACE 7 – ELDERSLIE HORSE CARE STAKES – 1680 METRES**

Stewards inquired into an incident which occurred on the final turn whereby GOGGO GEE GEE (Todd Rattray) contacted a number of marker pegs and was placed in tight racing when racing to the inside of STYLISH TREND NZ (R Walters). At a subsequent inquiry it was established that Robert Walters had allowed STYLISH TREND to shift down closer to the marker pegs when driving the horse forward which resulted in the sulky wheels of STYLISH TREND NZ and GOGGO GEE GEE locking for a short distance and ultimately placing GOGGO GEE GEE in restricted room. Robert Walters pleaded guilty to a charge of careless driving under AHHR 168(1)(a). After considering his record in this regard, Mr Walters' licence to drive in races was suspended for 2 race dates. Stewards directed that this term of suspension be deferred to commence midnight 15 October 2017 and to expire Saturday 28 October 2017.

It was noted that ARTARAMA Rohan Hadley failed to gain clear running in the concluding stages of the race.

### **RACE 8 – MITAVITE CLAIMER – 2200 METRES**

REGAL EAGLE NZ (Rohan Hadley) galloped out and the connections were advised that the gelding would be placed on its last chance in the draw.

CYRILFROMTHEPOCKET (Adrian Collins) was fractious behind the barrier strands and galloped out losing valuable ground. CYRILFROMTHEPOCKET will continue to be excluded from the barrier draw in future standing starts.

JUKEBOX MUSIC (Todd Rattray) galloped out and lost ground. After considering a previous offence in this regard, connections were advised JUKEBOX MUSIC would be excluded from the draw in future standing starts.

A swab sample was taken from the winner WASHIES CHANCE NZ.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	R2 – JUSTIN CAMPBELL – AHHR 168(1)(a) – Causing horse to check R4 – CHRISTIAN SLATER – AHHR 170(1) – Dropped foot
<b>FINES</b>	R4 – ROBERT WALTERS – AHHR 168(1)(a) – Careless driving \$100
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	R4 – PAUL ASHWOOD – AHHR 163(1)(a)(iii) – 2 Race Dates - causing interference R7 – ROBERT WALTERS – AHHR 168(1)(a) – 2 Race Dates careless driving causing tightening
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	SPARKLING NZ – BMD, JACKMICHAELS –SD10D SDIT JEANS MATTJESTY NZ – ODS JUKEBOX MUSIC - ODS
<b>SCRATCHINGS</b>	BERTILS DELIGHT – 10 DAYS, CARDINAL SPEC – 10DAYS, VOLKOVA LEIS 10 DAYS

<b>PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b>	
Race 1	SPARKLING NZ
Race 2	MAKING MY MARK, BOLTNMACH
Race 3	MIDAIR MELTDOWN
Race 4	ANINCHOFHISLIFE
Race 5	IM BORN TO RULE
Race 6	SHADOW STORM
Race 7	MERSEY DELIGHT, ULTIMATE COURAGE
Race 8	REGAL STRIDE NZ

<b>POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b>	
Race 3	KARALTA KRUISE
Race 5	IM BARNEY RUBBLE NZ
Race 7	WASHIES CHANCE NZ

**David Farquharson**

**ACTING CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS**

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