

**CLUB:** TASMANIAN PACING CLUB

**DATE:** FRIDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2017

**TRACK:** GOOD

**WEATHER:** OVER CAST

**STEWARDS:**

A CROWTHER (CHAIRMAN)

D COOPER

B FREE

J GLEESON

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 – CRESSY CHAFF CUTTERS MINI TROTTERS PACE – 2090 METRES**

Driver Christian Salter (OUR TRIPLE ASSET NZ), was reprimanded under AHRR 168(1)(a) for allowing his drive to shift ground over the concluding stages.

STREETSIDE CLASSIC (Barrie Rattray), was held up in the latter part of the event.

Connections of BIGSIE NEPTUNE advised that from a wide barrier draw they would look to restrain the gelding and drive with a sit. Stewards approved the change and the gelding was driven accordingly to finish fifth.

**RACE 2 – LJ HOOKER PACE – 2090 METRES**

ZHUKOV LEIS (Barrie Rattray), hung out after the start towards FRANKIE FALZONI (Braden Howlett), which also shifted in slightly. The two runners locked stays for a brief time. Mr Rattray explained that his drive had a tendency to hang out for the entirety of the race, adding that this trait had cost it momentum in the early stages and that he was unable to utilise the sprint lane in the concluding stages due to the gelding hanging out. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no apparent abnormalities.

FOUR SMART ACES (Robert Walters) hung out in the score up.

ETERNAL SHADOW (Paul Williams), was caught wide in the early stages before then being restrained to the rear.

### **RACE 3 – GREEN ELECTRICAL PACE – 2090 METRES**

OUR CLASSIE MACH (Maree Blake) was caught wide early and then worked forward position outside the leader and then obtained cover as AT WEST POINT NZ (Robert Walters), progressed forward to race outside the leader.

Stewards inquired into the circumstances around ROCKNROLL HIGHLIGHT racing four wide for a short distance with a lap to race, before then gaining a trail on the back of METRO DIGBY. After viewing the films and taking evidence from drivers Paul Williams, (METRO DIGBY) and Gareth Rattray (ROCKNROLLHIGHLIGHT), who explained that his mare was pulling hard whilst progressing forward and for this reason he then shifted four wide to avoid contact to the sulky of METRO DIGBY. Stewards were satisfied that Mr Williams had commenced and completed his shift to the three wide line when clear to do so and did not hold him responsible for ROCKNROLLHIGHLIGHT racing four wide.

Post-race swab samples were taken from ROCKNROLLHIGHLIGHT, winner of the event. That mare was also detained on course until 9.20pm to allow further post-race sampling to be undertaken.

AT WEST POINT (Robert Walters), pulled hard in the score up.

ROCKNROLLHIGHLIGHT (Gareth Rattray) and AT WEST POINT NZ (Robert Walters) both pulled hard in the early stages.

### **RACE 4 – REXEL NORTH HOBART TASMANIAN MILE – 1609 METRES**

Trainer Ken Rattray was reprimanded for failing to have his runners in the parade ring in the required time.

Connections of REMEMBER JOE advised that it was their intention to drive the gelding forward from the start. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the gelding was driven forward to lead before then handing up the lead in the middle stages to MODERN RULER. REMEMBER JOE then utilised the sprint lane over the concluding stages of the event.

### **RACE 5 – OLYMPUS FEEDS PACE – 1609 METRES**

BLACKJACKHANOVER (Matthew Howlett), was held up and not able to obtain clear running over the concluding stages in the home straight.

JETCRAFT NZ (John Walters), had a tendency to shift out under pressure nearing the finish.

MAJOR CALLUM NZ (Adrian Duggan) and TUXEDO MAX NZ (Barrie Rattray), jostled briefly in the back straight.

A pre-race veterinary examination was carried out on REAL RIVER and that gelding was passed fit to run.

TUXEDO MAX NZ (Barrie Rattray), pulled hard in the score up.

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

## **RACE 6 – LUXBET PACE – 2090 METRES**

TIZYALATOR (Adrian Duggan), after showing gate speed to lead , then surrendered the lead in the middle stages as JAKS TELLER NZ (Ricky Duggan), worked forward to the lead.

KWIATKOWSKI (Christian Salter), hung out in the score up.

Connections of MODERN CHIC advised that their intention to drive the mare less aggressively in the early stages of the event. Stewards approved the change of tactics and the mare was driven accordingly.

WAR CHEST (Rodney Ashwood), hung in when attempting to progress forward nearing the 400 metre mark.

WAR CHEST has been placed back in the mobile draw.

## **RACE 7 – ROBERTS SPRINT LANE PACE HEAT ONE – 2090 METRES**

OUR BOY JOHNNY (Dylan Ford), broke in the score up and was out of position at the start and has been placed out of the draw. The gelding broke free of interference in the back straight and has been placed last chance to race truly.

IDEN DUCHESS (Christian Salter), has been placed back in the mobile draw.

TSIMBA RIDGE – (Phil Mascall), was caught wide in the early stages before being restrained to a rearward trailing position.

Trainer Kent Rattray reported that one hopple shortener pin had failed to activate, and that the gelding had completed the race with that pin still in place.

Acting on a confirmed telephone call from trainer Chris Howlett (LOMBO PROPAGANDA), who advised that mare was suffering from a foot abscess in its near fore and unfit to start. Stewards ordered the mare to be a late scratching at 1.15 p.m. The mare has been stood down for 28 days, which may be varied upon production of a veterinary certificate of fitness to race.

## **RACE 8 – CROWN LAGER PACE – 1609 METRES**

The start of this was delayed due to a sulky change being required on TIZ A SHAKER, due to the club sulky not being fitted with a quick hitch.

MARY JILL (Dylan Ford), broke in the score up, however then regained its position prior to the start and has been placed on her last chance in the draw.

Connections of COME ON BONNIE advised that with a favourable draw their intention was to drive the mare further forward. Stewards approved

ed the change of tactics and the mare was driven accordingly to lead and then surrendered the lead to READY TO FIRE.

IM PAIGE (Troy McDonald), was caught wide around the first turn and then was restrained during the middle stages to take a trail.

READY TO FIRE NZ (Gareth Rattray), broke in the score up and will consequently continue to be placed out of the draw. The mare then worked forward to lead.

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
<b>REPRIMANDS</b>	R1 – CHRISTIAN SALTER – AHRR 168(1)(a) – Careless Driving R4 – KEN RATTRAY – AHRR 135(1) – Late to parade ring.
<b>FINES</b>	NIL
<b>SUSPENSIONS</b>	NIL
<b>HORSE ACTIONS</b>	R6 – WAR CHEST – BMD R7 – OUR BOY JOHNNY – ODM R7 – IDEN DUCHESS - BMD
<b>LICENSED PERSONS ACTIONS</b>	NIL

<b>PRE-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b>	
Race 2	BOBBY JOE FLYING WINGARD CASTOR TROY
Race 3	MAKING MY MARK
Race 5	TUXEDO MAX NZ
Race 6	PUSHKIN NZ
Race 7	KARALTA DEMON
Race 8	MARY JILL

<b>POST-RACE SWAB SUMMARY</b>	
Race 3	ROCKNROLLHIGHLIGHT
Race 5	GIULIANI NZ

**Adrian Crowther**

**CHAIRMAN**

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