



STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Rotorua & Bay of Plenty Hunt	Date:	25 September 2011
Weather:	Showers	Track:	Dead 6/Slow 7 after R1/Slow 8 after R7
Rail:	2 Metres		
Stewards:	A Coles (Chairman), M J Williamson, W Robinson, G Stewart		
Stenographer:	P Scott		

GENERAL: All comments pertaining to the meeting – e.g. riders not attending, delays and all other issues.

R4 **Insignificant** – late scratched at 1.40 pm due to tendon injury
 R7 **Polish Dancer** – late scratched at 4.08 pm
 Due to the track being downgraded after race 2 the following horses were late scratched:
 R4 **High Season**
 R7 **Lord Roberto, Northern General, Lawrence Of Arabia**
 R8 **Justagem, Black N Blue**
 R9 **Jules Verne, Nordic Dane, Dark Bishop**

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	Palmero, Amanood Lad, Morpheus, Joerok, Winning Genes, Seigal, Uppland, Toma Valea, Daads Gold
Suspensions:	Nil
Fines:	R4 C Singer, Rule 649(1)(b), shaking hands prior to weighing-in, fined \$100
Warnings:	R3 C Dell, Rule 638(1)(d), shifting ground 800 metres
Horse Actions:	R1 Lohan – vet clearance required prior to racing next R2 Al Rode – must trial over hurdles prior to racing next R4 Insignificant – vet clearance required prior to racing next R4 Sahara Sunset – vet clearance required prior to racing next R7 Polish Dancer – must trial prior to racing next
Bleeders:	Nil
Medical Certificates:	Nil
Rider Changes:	R2 Stonewashed – M Cropp for P Turner R3 Me And Max – J Rathbone for P Turner R7 Sharp 'N' Fast – M Coleman for B R Jones R9 Ohopee – K Myers for L Wheelan

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	THE MASTERS HURDLES
<p>Go Jimmy Go (C Leveque) and A Soldiers Song (S Doyle) were both slow to begin. A Soldiers Song jumped indifferently throughout, and became tailed off passing the 800 metres and was then pulled up near the 400 metres.</p> <p>Ima Star (I Lupton) and Mochaccino Miss (S Houston) both jumped the second fence poorly.</p> <p>Palmero (R Cully) ran down the second to last fence hampering Lohan (P Turner) which lost its footing on landing dislodging the rider. Inconvenienced in this incident was Galente</p>	

(R Eynon). P Turner was examined by the doctor and was cleared to ride from race 5. **Ezejet** (C Singer) faltered on landing after jumping the last fence and fractured its near foreleg and was humanely euthanased. Hampered as a result was **Galente** and **Rum 'N' Ice** (J Rathbone).

Race 2	FARMLANDS TRADING SOCIETY HURDLES
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Al Rode (L Macfarlane) ran off approaching the first fence jumping part of the wing and was then pulled up. Trainer P Rodewald was informed that **Al Rode** must trial over hurdles before being permitted to race again.

Mont Saint Michel (C Singer) put in a poor jump at the second fence dislodging its rider – both horse and rider were uninjured.

The Rose (J Rathbone) jumped the fence near the 1200 metres poorly.

Brick House (S Houston) jumped indifferently throughout.

Stonewashed (M Cropp) put in a poor jump near the 100 metres on the first occasion.

The Rose and **Scimitar Lad** (C Perrett) jumped the last fence poorly.

Scimitar Lad was observed to be lame on returning to the weigh-in area with the gelding undergoing a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the gelding to be lame, Trainer Mr R Autridge was asked to report anything that may show up in the ensuing days also a vet clearance will be required prior to the geldings next race-day start.

Race 3	TEAM WEALLEANS HURDLES
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Shakeitup (S Houston) was slow away.

Beggars Banquet (C Dell) dipped on landing when negotiating the first fence.

Moonlightning (S Doyle) dipped badly on landing after jumping the second fence.

Moonlightning had to steady passing the 800 metres when **Beggars Banquet** shifted in when not clear. C Dell was issued with a warning.

Shooting Daggers (C Leveque) jumped indifferently through the middle stages.

Moonlightning ran out when jumping the fence near the 100 metres on the first occasion and inconvenienced **O'Connor** (G Walsh) who was then obliged to race three wide.

Moni Nui (R Cully) raced wide throughout.

Passing the 1000 metres **Me And Max** (J Rathbone) was under pressure and after being tried continued to drift then was retired from the race passing the 400 metres. When questioned rider J Rathbone said the horse over-raced through the early and middle stages, becoming a beaten runner near the 600 metres, but could offer no other reason for the horse's performance.

Morpheus (R Eynon) shifted in under pressure over the concluding stages and inconvenienced **Moni Nui**.

S Doyle the rider of **Moonlightning** was questioned re the horse's performance and indicated that after misjudging the fence passing the 1000 metres the horse when placed under pressure felt indifferent in its action and was not persevered with for the remainder of the race. Trainer C Eagle was informed to notify the Stewards of anything that may show up in the ensuing days.

Race 4	SWEENEY TOWNSEND ROTORUA & BAY OF PLENTY HUNT CUP
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Itsdachief (J Rathbone) and **Climbing High** (S Houston) both jumped the first fence poorly.

At the fence near the 1000 metres on the first occasion **Itsdachief** faltered on landing and was retired from the race after fracturing the off hind leg and was humanely euthanased.

Passing the 1000 metres on the second occasion **Sahara Sunset** (M Cropp) hit the fence and fell heavily, and **Vamoose** (R Cully) which was following was unable to avoid the fallen runner and was badly hampered dislodging its rider. Both riders were checked by the paramedics and were cleared to fulfil their remaining riding engagement. Trainer S Brown was told a veterinary certificate would be required prior to **Sahara Sunset** racing next.

C Singer the rider of **Joerok** was charged under Rule 649(1)(b) for shaking hands with trainer Mr K Rae prior to weighing in, and was fined the sum of \$100.

Race 5	ROTORUA LIVESTOCK LIMITED HIGHWEIGHT
<p>Cape Kinaveral (R Eynon) and Winning Genes (P Turner) both began awkwardly. Defiant (M Cropp) raced wide without cover in the early and middle stages. Pactus (R Cully) shifted out under pressure passing the 100 metres making contact with Man O' Mann (J Rathbone).</p> <p>The favourite D'Goldie (G Walsh) raced mid field, but was under pressure passing the 600 metres finishing well back. When questioned jockey G Walsh could offer no reason for the horse's performance. A post-race veterinary examination of the gelding did not reveal any abnormalities.</p>	
Race 6	BURTON CONSTRUCTION LTD – FLAIR AMATEUR RIDERS SERIES
<p>Gee Oh (M Northcott) and Black Lambo (M Frith) were both slow to begin. Long Tall Texan (J Hunt) began awkwardly.</p> <p>S Pomare the rider of Eye Kept Him was questioned as to the riding tactics adopted during the running. An inquiry was opened and adjourned.</p>	
Race 7	THE PATRONS 1200
<p>Polish Dancer (P Turner) was late scratched at 4.08 pm after failing to enter the barrier. Trainer A Wright was informed that Polish Dancer must trial to the satisfaction of Stewards before being permitted to race again.</p> <p>Red Shift (T Russell), Too Much Torque (J Waddell), Filoli (R Hutchings), Striking San (L Satherley) and Westerwold (T Thornton) all struck the front of the gates before the start was effected with Westerwold losing its footing as a consequence. All horses were checked by the Club's veterinarian and cleared fit to race.</p> <p>The starter, Mr J Humphries, was questioned post-race as to why the gates mal-functioned. He stated that the power indicator light on the starter's box was showing as working, and when informing the riders to watch their gates the starter's button was pressed but the gates failed to open. After the starting stall attendants checked all the power connections the start was effected.</p> <p>Filoli began awkwardly losing ground.</p> <p>Red Shift was slow away.</p> <p>Filoli shifted out when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of Too Much Torque passing the 600 metres.</p> <p>Westerwold and Striking San returned to the weigh-in area with a slight trickle of blood in a nostril. After undergoing a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a minor laceration to the nostril area consistent with striking the front of the starting stalls.</p> <p>The favourite Too Much Torque raced mid field until passing the 600 metres, and despite the urgings of rider J Waddell the gelding weakened out and was not persevered with in the final straight. When questioned J Waddell stated that the gelding did not travel well throughout and may have been unsuited by the existing track conditions, but could offer no other reason. The gelding underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.</p>	
Race 8	T W MOORE LTD 1200
<p>Dreams Unwind began awkwardly with rider D Lui becoming unbalanced.</p> <p>Patsy O'Reilly (M Vance) shifted in leaving the barrier crowding San Pedro (S Collett), Davone Code (L Woods) and Designacat (L Satherley).</p> <p>Lol (R Hutchings) began a little awkwardly.</p> <p>LOL underwent a post race vet examination which revealed no abnormalities.</p> <p>San Pedro raced ungenerously in the early stages.</p>	
Race 9	AONGATETE COOLSTORES LTD 1950
<p>Daads Gold (P Turner) shifted in leaving the barrier crowding Raisafuasho (J Waddell) and Avoca Ruler (H Kasim).</p>	

Approaching the 400 metres **Caliburn** (C Parish) and **Curtain Raiser** (M Coleman) both had to steady when placed in restricted room between **Shotgun** (R Myers) and **Raisafuasho**, both of which shifted ground. J Waddell and R Myers were both advised to exercise care in similar circumstances.

When questioned into the performance of **Ohopee**, rider K Myers could offer no reason for the horse's performance, but trainer Mr Kevin Myers indicated that the horse had been up for some time and his intentions are now to spell the horse.