



STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Counties RC	Date: 18 September 2011
Weather: Fine	Track: Heavy 11
Stewards: A Coles (Chairman), M Williamson, W Robinson.	Rail: True
Stenographer: M Gemmell	

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

R4 La Tourneau Late Scr on vet advice at 9.10 am.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: THE MISSING LINK, RED HOT, NOBLE WARRIOR, SLICK CHIC, KEEPER CLOSE, TART 'N' TARTAN, PURE PLATINUM, MR TIPSY, AFFAIROFTHEHEART, TOUGHASIM, CHART THE STARS, RAFA

Suspensions: Nil.

Fines: R4. R Collett, Rule 614(2), presented the horse FOXHILL with the wrong saddle cloth number, fined \$100.

R4. S Collett, rider of GOLD HUNTER, Rule 638(3)(b), excessive use of the whip, fined \$150.

R8. P Duncan, Rule 614(2), presented the horse ZLATO with the incorrect saddle cloth, fined \$150.

R9. O Bosson, Rule 330(3)(c), unable to make contracted weight on the horse CASTLETON KING, fined \$400.

Warnings: Nil.

Horse Actions: R7. MEIGH DIAMONDS, racing manners. Must barrier trial to satisfaction of Stewards prior to next race day start.

Bleeders: Nil.

Medical Certificates: Nil.

Rider Changes: R9. CASTLETON KING, G Grylls replaced O Bosson (overweight).

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 Librettist 2400

Leaving the barriers STAGEHAND (C Ormsby) began awkwardly, making contact with the hind quarters of TRICKY (C Parish) and was further crowded when THE MISSING LINK (H Kasim) shifted out.

FLAVOUR FLAV (A Collett) began awkwardly, losing ground.

JAFJA JACK (D Nolan) got its head up when being steadied near the 1800 metres.

Passing the 400 metres BLAKMANDU (BR Jones) raced in restricted room due to inward movement from JAFJA JACK and outward movement from FLAVOUR FLAV.

Following the race FLAVOUR FLAV required veterinary attention and was found to be lame in the off foreleg. Trainer S Wright was informed by Stewards that a veterinary certificate of fitness would be required prior to the gelding being permitted to race next.

Race 2 Sunshine Coast Turf Club 2400

VONITSU (C Parish) and PEE JAY RAHTWO (M Vance) were both slow to begin.

MONI NUI lost an off hind plate during the running.

Race 3	Castaways Great Escape 1200
<p>DANROSE (BR Jones) began very awkwardly, shifting in and hampered NOBLE WARRIOR (J Collett) losing ground.</p> <p>DANROSE over-raced in the early and middle stages.</p> <p>A protest was lodged by trainer W Hillis alleging interference to MAJOR RIO (T Arumugam) by NOBLE WARRIOR over the final 200 metres. After hearing submissions from the connections of both runners the protest was dismissed.</p>	
Race 4	NZ Bloodstock Insurance 1200
<p>THORNBIRDS (D Johnson), FOXHILL (J Collett) and THE FLYING AFFAIR (S Spratt) were all slow to begin.</p> <p>CELER (P Taylor) and GOLD HUNTER (S Collett) came together when leaving the barriers.</p> <p>KILFLYNN (A Collett) had to be steadied approaching the 800 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of GOLD HUNTER which shifted in.</p> <p>PLAY THE RED (A Taylor) was inclined to hang out and made the bend awkwardly passing the 600 metres.</p>	
Race 5	Auckland Thoroughbred Owners Association 1600
<p>TAATS (C Ormsby) shifted out when leaving the barriers making heavy contact with MANDERLEY (BR Jones).</p> <p>TAATS ducked out passing the 1400 metres making contact with MANDERLEY which shifted out and inconvenienced JESSABELLA (L Robertson).</p> <p>LA CHATTE VITE (J Collett) was inclined to lay out when placed under pressure in the final straight.</p> <p>The favourite COOL LADY (S Shirahama) raced disappointingly, finishing well back. When questioned the rider explained that the horse felt fine in its action but when asked to improve at the 500 metres was unable to quicken. A post race veterinary examination of the mare revealed no abnormalities.</p> <p>DIXIE RUN lost the off hind plate during the running.</p>	
Race 6	Terry Ryan Timber 1400
<p>COOL CRUISING (M Coleman) was crowded shortly after leaving the barriers, losing ground.</p> <p>Passing the 600 metres CONG'ER (L Innes) received crowding due to outward movement from SAFE ACCESS (D Johnson) and inward movement from GURUS SPIRIT (C Lammas).</p> <p>TART 'N' TARTAN (J Collett) was obliged to race wide without cover throughout.</p>	
Race 7	Versatile Buildings 1300
<p>Gallivant (J Waddell) and RUNNINGDOWNADREAM (L Robertson) were both slow away.</p> <p>LOOK AGAIN (M Coleman) and TAKEOVER (C Lammas) both began awkwardly.</p> <p>MEIGH DIAMONDS (D Johnson) which had begun awkwardly became tailed off passing the 800 metres and was not persevered with by its rider. Trainer S Douillard was advised that the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to its next race day start. Trainer Mrs S Douillard informed the Stewards that the mare would not be persevered with as a racing proposition.</p> <p>The favourite SAVVY DANCER (BR Jones) raced beyond mid field but was unable to improve passing the 600 metres, finishing well back. When questioned BR Jones felt that the gelding was unsuited by today's very testing track conditions. Trainer A Clarcken was asked by Stewards to report the progress of SAVVY DANCER in days subsequent.</p>	
Race 8	Westbury Stud Karaka Classic 1600
<p>TAKING THE MICKEY (V Colgan) was slow to begin.</p> <p>LEDECKY'S GIRL (C Grylls) was crowded shortly after leaving the barriers.</p> <p>MATOST (M Wenn) raced keenly in the early stages.</p> <p>The favourite MATOST raced mid field but was unable to improve in the final straight. When questioned M Wenn indicated that the horse is better suited to a looser track than on this occasion where the track was very holding and testing and could offer no other</p>	

reason for the horse's performance. MATOST underwent a post race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

Race 9 | **Wharfe Bros 1600**

VALLEY DIAMOND (L Innes) shifted out when leaving the barriers and inconvenienced ANOOD PROSPECT (A Forbes).

BUCKLES (S Collett) began awkwardly.

Race 10: | **The Informant 1600**

RAFA (A Collett) began awkwardly and then was hampered when DANNY BOLT (L Satherley) shifted in.

IKE EISENHOWER (G Cooksley) began awkwardly.

GOLDEN TOWER (O Bosson) shifted away from RUSSIANOV (T Thornton) which began awkwardly and inconvenienced SHACKLETON (H Kasim).

ISTIMAGIC (C Parish) shifted out when leaving the barriers hampering BLACK WARRIOR (J Collett) which then over-raced through the early stages. When questioned Rider J Collett could offer no reason for the horse's performance.