

STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Racing Taupo Date: Thursday 6 October 2011

Weather: Fine Track: Dead 6 Rail: 2 Metres, 4 Metres 375m to 1500m

Stewards: JP Oatham (Chairman), W Robinson, GP Stewart

Stenographer: P Scott

GENERAL:

M Tanaka did not attend the meeting due to transport difficulties.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: Banchee, Academy Royale, Precision King,, Burgundy,

Commanding Oak, Villifye, Justagem, Viking Ace

Suspensions: Nil Fines: Nil Warnings: Nil

Horse Actions: R2 Blonde Rose - must barrier trial

R4 Davone Code – 3 month stand down R5 Superlative - must barrier trial

R6 Gusto – warning for racing manners

Bleeders: R4 Davone Code

Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: R6 Lil Miss Perfect – P Holmes for M Tanaka Late Scratchings: R1 My Byron Bay, 10.49am on vet advice

R2 Blonde Rose, 12.46 pm at start

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 TAUPO TIMES 1400

Banchee (J McDonald) which was fractious in its barrier stall was slow away.

L Allpress advised that her mount **A Real Prince** had not felt entirely happy in the existing track conditions and had been unsure of its footing going into the bend near the 700 metres.

A post-race veterinary examination of **Balerune** (H Kasim) which appeared to be slightly lame on return to the enclosure did not reveal any significant abnormalities other than the gelding possibly suffering from minor muscle soreness. The veterinarian recommended to the connections that **Balerune** be the subject of further tests on return to its stable.

Race 2 DPA CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS 1800

The start of this race was delayed due to **Blonde Rose** (C Grylls) refusing to load. **Blonde Rose** was declared a late scratching at 12.46 pm. Trainer R Manning was advised that the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward before racing next.

Katya Grace (D Johnson) which was fractious in the barriers began awkwardly.

Jokraar (K Myers) was crowded when jumping away.

Dixie Run (M Hills) and **Sir Clifford** (M Vance) both raced wide without cover throughout. **Jokraar** was briefly held up passing the 350 metres and had to be steadied across the heels

of Tralee (C Ormsby) to obtain clear running passing the 200 metres.

Race 3 EBBETT TAUPO MARQUE OF EXCELLENCE 3YO 1200

Power Climber (M Cameron) and Irish Fling (J Parkes) were both slow away.

Precision King (L Allpress) and **Irish Fling** were both inclined to over-race in the early to middle stages.

Heza Rebel (C Lammas) and **Smartly** (C Grylls) both raced wide without cover throughout.

Max Gold (C Ormsby) lay in under pressure in the final straight.

When questioned regarding the performance of **Nineteen Forty**, rider L Innes advised that the filly had raced a little greenly throughout, but could otherwise offer no excuses and had been disappointed with her performance.

Race 4 AMBITIOUS DRAGON SPONSORED BY PAT & JANE LOWRY 1400

Iceskates (S Shirahama) shifted out when jumping away hampering **I Chianti** (A Taylor) which was forced out making solid contact with **Start Packing** (M Vance). Also hampered as a result was **Mojave Aster** (H Kasim).

Xalted (R Hurdle) began awkwardly and got its head up losing ground.

I Chianti over-raced in the middle stages.

Start Packing raced three wide without cover throughout.

Iceskates was held up passing the 400 metres becoming awkwardly placed on heels for a distance. **Iceskates** which continued to be held up clipped a heel of **I Chianti** passing the 250 metres and blundered badly unbalancing its rider.

Davone Code (P Turner) returned to the enclosure with blood present in the nasal area. A veterinary examination confirmed the mare to have bled and as such is subject to the mandatory three month stand down from racing.

Race 5 LANCE NOBLE RACING 1800

Superlative (C Ormsby) proved very difficult to load. Co-trainer Mr M Donoghue was advised that with the mare having had barrier warnings recorded for its two previous starts it must now barrier trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward prior to racing next.

Superlative began awkwardly.

N Harris (Pactus) dropped his whip near the 300 metres.

A post-race veterinary examination of **Miss Curiosity** (A Forbes) which raced poorly did not reveal any abnormalities.

Race 6 HEINEKEN 1200

Gusto (J Waddell) began awkwardly and made contact with **One Hipp Chick** (J McDonald). **Gusto** then attempted to buck losing ground. Co-trainer Mr G Lowry was advised that a warning would be placed against the gelding for its racing manners.

Shortly after jumping away **Lil Miss Perfect** (P Holmes) shifted out and **Beautiful Brother** (S Collett) shifted in resulting in crowding to **Alpena Rosea** (K Myers), **Villifye** (V Colgan) and **Sequin** (M Coleman).

Pin Etoile (M Vance) got its head up when having to be steadied after becoming awkwardly placed on heels near the 800 metres and shifted in hampering **True Light** (C Lammas). **Pin Etoile** then made the bend near the 700 metres awkwardly running wide hampering **Lil Miss Perfect** which was taken into the line of **Gusto** and lost its footing behind when struck by **Gusto**. Gusto was hampered and forced wider on the track as a result of this incident.

Marching On (M Cameron) which had difficulty obtaining clear running in the final straight had to be steadied approaching the 150 metres when inclined to lay out across the heels of **Sequin**.

Miss Meena (M Hills) was unable to obtain clear running in the final straight going to the line untested.

True Light was held up over the concluding stages.

Race 7 STARLIGHT CINEMA CENTRE 1200

Guru Girl (M Cameron) was crowded on jumping away between Adhira (A Collett) and

Sunshine Park (M Hills) which both shifted ground.

Justagem (V Colgan) raced three wide without cover throughout.

Guru Girl made contact with the hind quarters of **Adhira** when attempting a tight run to that runner's inside passing the 200 metres.

Justagem shifted in under pressure near the 150 metres crowding **Adhira** which made contact with **Guru Girl** which was forced on to **Panthera** (C Grylls). After being straightened by its rider **Justagem** again shifted in near the 50 metres with **Adhira** having to briefly steady.

Anita Pea (L Innes) shifted out over the concluding stages making slight contact with **Justagem** just short of the finish.

Race 8 CHEAL CONSULTANTS 1400

Mayhem Magic (A Edmeads) began awkwardly getting its head up and losing ground.

Riccioli (C Ormsby) raced three wide without cover throughout.

Riccioli was steadied near the 400 metres when crowded for room by **Golden Tower** (L Innes) which was taken in by **Viking Ace** (C Lammas) which lay in.

Stingray (L Satherley) was inclined to lay in under pressure in the final straight.

Juggernaut Rock (M Sweeney) lost the near front plate during the running.

When questioned regarding the performance of **Moirai** rider J McDonald advised that in his opinion the filly had failed to see out the 1400 metre distance of today's race. Trainer S Ritchie advised that he was of a similar opinion and was likely to restrict **Moirai** to races shorter races in the near future. A post-race veterinary examination of the filly did not reveal any abnormalities other than a slow recovery rate with the filly blowing heavily.