



STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Auckland Racing Club	Date: 3 December 2011	
Weather: Fine	Track: Good 3	Rail: 6 metres
Stewards: C George (Chairman), A Coles, M Williamson, W Robinson		
Stenographer: M Gemmell		

GENERAL:

No issues to report

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	ABBAY TRALAE, XANADU, IT HAS TO BE YOU, BAZINSKY, JEU DE CARTES, ST YAZIN, TRAPICHE, DURHAM TOWN, UPSALA, ROUGH ODDS, PACIFIC ROSE, DESPEREAUX
Suspensions:	Nil
Fines:	Nil
Warnings:	R1. A Forbes, Rule 638(1)(d), shifted ground 1200 metres. R3. J Waddell, Rule 638(1)(d), shifted ground concluding stages. R10. M Wenn, Rule 638(1)(d), shifted ground 300 metres. R10. C Ormsby, Rule 638(1)(d), shifted ground 200 metres.+
Horse Actions:	R6. ELUSIVE STORM, barrier manners. Must trial to satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing again.
Bleeders:	Nil
Medical Certificates:	Nil
Rider Changes:	Nil
Late Scratchings:	R6. ELUSIVE STORM, 3.12pm, Stewards advice R8. VIVA ROMA, 3.27pm, Vet advice R9. ENCOSTA LARROCHA, 3.17pm, Vet advice

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	More FM 1400
<p>Shortly after leaving the barriers THE BEEKEEPER (J Collett) raced in restricted room to the inside of GENDARME (M Cameron) which shifted in.</p> <p>Passing the 1200 metres ABBAY TRALAE (A Forbes) shifted in crowding ISHMA (D Johnson) and GENDARME (M Cameron) both of which had to steady. A Forbes was issued with a warning.</p> <p>Approaching the 1100 metres MAJOR RIO (S Shirahama) had to steady when awkwardly placed on the heels of ABBAY TRALAE.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the improved performance of ABBAY TRALAE Trainer S Autridge stated that in his opinion with the weight relief of an apprentice rider and being able to lead over 1400 metres contributed to the improved performance. He further added that at its last two starts ABBAY TRALAE had not experienced much luck in the running.</p>	

When questioned regarding the performance of MAJOR RIO Rider S Shirahama stated that after experiencing a nice run throughout the race in his opinion MAJOR RIO failed to finish the race off and would be more suited to a shorter distance.

Race 2 Stella Artois 3YO Mile

KNIGHT'S TOUR (J Collett) was slow to begin.
 KNIGHT'S TOUR over-raced in the early and middle stages and near the 900 metres shifted out making contact with MALANDRINO (M Coleman).
 XANADU (C Grylls) made the bend awkwardly approaching the 400 metres.
 KAREN MARIE (M Vance) raced greenly when placed under pressure in the final straight.

Race 3 Babcock 1400

LUCKY MAJESTY (D Johnson) began awkwardly.
 STELLAPHYTA (J Collett) became awkwardly placed on the heels of CURIOSITY (T Thornton) passing the 1000 metres, shifting out into the line of CONDESCENDER (C Ormsby) which was hampered. As a result LUCKY MAJESTY was forced wide on the track. STELLAPHYTA and LUCKY MAJESTY both raced wide without cover for the remainder of the race.
 Near the 300 metres CONDESCENDER was crowded for room and made contact with the hind quarters of IT HAS TO BE YOU (V Colgan) when LUCKY MAJESTY lay in.
 Near the 200 metres when improving into a tight run CONDESCENDER made contact with the hind quarters of STELLAPHYTA resulting in STELLAPHYTA becoming unbalanced.
 IT HAS TO BE YOU was unable to obtain clear running until the 150 metres.
 Over the concluding stages IT HAS TO BE YOU and CONDESCENDER were crowded for room with CONDESCENDER being steadied between LUCKY MAJESTY which lay in and GRANDE ROSSO (J Waddell) which shifted out under pressure. J Waddell was issued with a warning for the reasons of LUCKY MAJESTY contributing to the interference.
 Near the 150 metres TOMMASI (A Forbes) was steadied to avoid the heels of SAND'IOR (C Grylls) which shifted in. C Grylls was advised to exercise care.

Race 4 North Harbour Hyundai 1400

MISS PIETERSEN (T Thornton) shifted out when leaving the barriers crowding GALLIVANT (A Forbes).
 SCARED STIFF (M Vance) was slow to begin.
 VALEDICTION (J Waddell) began awkwardly and raced ungenerously in the middle stages when racing in restricted room.
 Near the 1000 metres LARGE AS LIFE (M Hills) which was awkwardly placed on heels when over-racing shifted in resulting in MONKEY ROCK (R Hutchings) clipping heels. MONKEY ROCK continued to over-race for some distance.
 Near the 700 metres MISS PIETERSEN got its head up when awkwardly placed on heels. VALEDICTION which was following was checked and GALLIVANT was hampered as a consequence.
 BAZINSKY (L Innes) shifted out under pressure in the straight.

Race 5 Hospice North Shore 2200

SUPREMACY (P Taylor) shifted out when leaving the barriers crowding MAYTHEHORSEBEMAGIC (R Hutchings) and JEU DE CARTES (J Collett) with MAYTHEHORSEBEMAGIC losing ground.
 SUPREMACY raced keenly in the early and middle stages.
 Passing the 600 metres MAYTHEHORSEBEMAGIC and JEU DE CARTES came together with JEU DE CARTES becoming briefly unbalanced.

AIR CADET (M Hills) hung out around the final turn.
 Passing the 400 metres VELDT (A Forbes) shifted outside the heels of MAYTHEHORSEBEMAGIC when attempting to obtain clear running making contact with SUM UP (S Shirahama) which became unbalanced. Contributing to the incident was outward movement of MAYTHEHORSEBEMAGIC. In this incident VELDT blundered.
 AIR CADET underwent a post race veterinary examination which found the gelding to have a slower than normal recovery rate.

Race 6	Schnauer & Co 1200
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ELUSIVE STORM (T Thornton) was a late scratching by order of the Stewards at 3.12pm for refusing to load into the barriers. Trainer N Bishara was advised that ELUSIVE STORM must be passed in the barriers before being permitted to race again.
 SPRINGTIME (V Colgan) was slow to begin.
 Shortly after the start PINZAARA (C Grylls) shifted out and hampered PENUSHKA (M Coleman).
 BELLACAT (D Johnson) lay in and made contact with the running rail near the 1000 metres and lost ground. THE PROPHECY (C Dell) which was following was inconvenienced.
 BIG BANG BABY (M Wenn) raced wide throughout.
 Near the 300 metres when endeavouring to improve into a run to the outside of HAVE NO MERCY (C Ormsby) ST YAZIN (M Vance) made contact with BELISARIUS (G Cooksley) resulting in the gelding becoming unbalanced.

Race 7	Mitre 10 1200
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EBONY DREAM (A Collett) was slow to begin.
 DANE FANTASY (R Hutchings) was crowded shortly after leaving the barriers.
 LUCY IN DISGUISE (C Grylls) began awkwardly.
 PHLORUM (S Collett) raced wide in the early stages.
 MARCELLO (A Forbes) made the turn awkwardly passing the 400 metres.
 BILLY BINGO (J Waddell) was held up until near the 200 metres.
 DANE FANTASY had difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 200 metres.

Race 8	The Aussie Butcher Concorde Handicap
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VIVA ROMA was a late scratching at 3.27pm by order of the Stewards acting on veterinary advice as VIVA ROMA was injured en route to the racecourse.
 FLASH HAPI (C Grylls) began awkwardly, losing ground.
 UNDISCLOSED (D Johnson) shifted in when leaving the barriers crowding MAE JINX (M Coleman) on to UPSALA (M Cameron) which lost ground.
 ATAPI (C Ormsby) was slow to begin.
 DOUBLE BARREL (V Colgan) and ROUGH ODDS (A Collett) both got their heads up when being steadied in the early stages.
 DURHAM TOWN (J Collett) shifted out under pressure in the final straight.
 When questioned regarding the tactics adopted on ATAPI between the 600 metres and 300 metres Rider C Ormsby stated that he was instructed to allow the horse to settle in a rearward position and ride for luck in the home straight. The Stewards questioned C Ormsby as to why he elected not to follow FLASH HAPI from the 500 metres which in the Stewards' opinion would have been the preferred option opposed to remain racing directly behind RUN LIKE AL (S Collett) and unable to improve until the home straight. C Ormsby stated that in his opinion ATAPI'S best chance to finish the race off is to hold up until well in the straight as the gelding has a very strong short sprint. He further added that he agreed with the Stewards that the option of following FLASH HAPI would have enabled ATAPI to gain a favourable run with cover into the home straight. The Stewards reminded C Ormsby

that he must at all times ride his mounts in a manner that is not left open to question by the Stewards.

Race 9	Dunstan Feeds Championship 2200
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ENCOSTA LARROCHA was a late scratching at 3.17pm acting on veterinary advice as ENCOSTA LARROCHA was injured en route to the racecourse.
A post race veterinary examination of CHAPEL BAY which hung out rounding the home turn and weakened in the straight revealed no abnormalities. D Nolan (CHAPEL BAY) could offer no tangible explanation for the horse's performance. Trainer R Collett undertook to report if anything became amiss with CHAPEL BAY in days subsequent.

Race 10:	Dunstan Feeds Championship 2200
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GEMMA O'REILLY (L Satherley) was slow to begin.
When approaching the crossing near the 1700 metres MEDICI (M Coleman) was crowded when GEORGEY AEROPLANE (L Innes) shifted out when awkwardly placed on heels and pushed MEDICI on to the hind quarters of VARNISH (C Dell) which became briefly unbalanced. MEDICI was hampered as a result.
VARNISH raced wide around the first turn.
KEENLY (M Wenn) was held up rounding the home turn and in the early part of the straight. DARK BISHOP (M Hills) was held up in the early part of the home straight.
Near the 300 metres VARNISH was steadied when crowded for room by MARVON DOWNS (V Colgan) which was taken in by KEENLY. A short distance later PAUHATU (T Thornton) was steadied when crowded for room by MARVON DOWNS which was taken in by KEENLY (M Wenn). M Wenn was issued with a warning.
Near the 200 metres MONS CALPE (C Grylls) was steadied to avoid the heels of HYPE (C Ormsby) which shifted in under pressure. C Ormsby was issued with a warning.
J Waddell stated in regards to the performance of GREEN MANNER that the gelding was inclined to hang out throughout the race and finished the race off disappointingly. A post race veterinary examination of GREEN MANNER revealed no abnormalities.