

# STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Levin Racing Club Date: 15 December 2011

Weather: Showery Track: Dead4 Rail: True

Stewards: N Goodwin, R Neal, G Whiterod

**Typist: S Shirriffs** 

#### **GENERAL:**

A hearing into a careless riding charge against V Johnston in Race 10 at Awapuni on Saturday, 10 December 2011 was concluded, when Miss Johnston admitted a breach of rule 638(1)(d)(careless riding) in that passing the winning post on the first occasion she permitted her mount CHRYSOLITE to shift in when not clear, resulting in ZEDIVA having to be steadied and checked. After consideration the Judicial Committee suspended V Johnston's licence to ride in racing from the conclusion of racing today up to and including racing on Saturday, 24 December.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: BROWN BELLA

Suspensions: V Johnston, careless riding (Saturday 10 December 2011) –

suspended 16-24 December (inclusive)

Fines:
Warnings:
Horse Actions:
Bleeders:

Medical Certificates: Rider Changes:

## **RACE COMMENTS:**

## Race 1 104.2 MORE FM MAIDEN

MEGA D'INDE was slow to begin. UPPER CUT and PARTY HORSE came together and bumped at the start and got back. LADY LINCOLN (K Myers) slipped and lost its footing prior to entering the 800m bend. Near the 350 metre mark ENZEDDA shifted inwards simultaneously as FLEMINGTON shifted out resulting in BROWN BELLA, which was improving to the outside of FLEMINGTON, bumping with ENZEDDA for a short distance.

D Bradley reported to the stewards that his mount UPPER CUT slipped and had been unsure of its footing throughout the event and could not be ridden to advantage.

Following the running of Race 1 several riders expressed concern to the stewards with respect to their mounts slipping at various stages of the event. A delegation of jockeys, trainers, club officials and stewards inspected the racing surface where evidence of runners slipping was apparent. After considering all relevant factors the meeting was abandoned at 12.40pm due to the unsafe nature of the racing surface.