

STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Taranaki Thoroughbred	Date Saturday 24			
Racing	December 2011			
Weather: Fine	Track: Good 3	Rail: Out 8m		
Stewards: R Neal (Chairman), N Goodwin and B Bateup				
Typist: K Smart				

GENERAL:

J Bullard was unable to attend the meeting due to travel disruptions encountered as a result
of the Christchurch earthquakes. R Myers replaced J Bullard on the following:
R1 SASHA FIERCE
R2 THE MITE
R3 MCLAREN
R4 SPY KING
R5 GOLD ROCK
R6 KUMUPANGO
R7 MUZZA
R8 NO EMOTION

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	STORM HOME, DANCING BABE, DANCING DEE, THE PRINCE,
	ASTUCIOUS, BUBBSY'S CHOICE, COVENTINA, DAWSON FALLS
Suspensions:	R3-R Myers - Rule 638(1)(d)- Shifting ground home straight-
	Suspended 1 st Jan – 6 th Jan 2012 (Inclusive)
Fines:	
Warnings:	
Horse Actions:	R5 - POROTENE TEKEELA – Racing manners.
Bleeders:	
Medical Certificates:	
Rider Changes:	R8 – L Allpress replaced B Lammas on KOMPLETE CONTROL
Late Scratchings:	

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	TAB'S BLUE BUBBLE TAXI JOCKEY'S CHAMPIONSHIP MAIDEN
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SAVASONG was tightened at the start when runners either side shifted ground. ALL IN CLOVER blundered at the start and lost ground. ALL IN CLOVER then lost contact with the field and near the 1600m was eased down and retired from the event. When questioned rider M Cameron stated that the mare had failed to hit out over the early stages and in his view appeared to be sore. A subsequent veterinary examination of ALL IN CLOVER revealed superficial abrasions to the right stifle consistent with it having struck the barriers at the start, which in the opinion of the veterinarian would have adversely affected its performance. MY BIZZO raced keenly in the early and middle stages. LEICA DUELL was obliged to race wide without cover in the early and middle stages.

SAVASONG was held up rounding the turn and approaching the 200m when attempting to obtain clear running to the outside of OUR ALCHEMIST was taken wider when that runner shifted ground resulting in crowding to MY BIZZO and SASHA FIERCE. When questioned regarding the run of KESTREL which gave ground over the concluding stages rider L Allpress could offer no excuses.

Race 2 DENIS WHEELER EARTHMOVING

YARDSTICK hit the side of the stall on jumping away and blundered losing ground. MENDEAN raced wide without cover throughout. D Bradley reported to the Stewards that MENDEAN had hung out throughout the event and had proved difficult to control. Trainer P Fleming undertook to affect a gear change to remedy MENDEAN's hanging tendency.

Race 3 HEARTLAND INSURANCE 1200

NINE IRON jumped out at the start. POCKET DIARY was obliged to race wide without cover throughout.

Following the event M Sweeney the rider of 4^{TH} placed horse PRINCESS KATIE lodged an objection against the 2^{nd} placed horse MCLAREN (R Myers) alleging interference over the final 100m. After submissions the protest was upheld and MCLAREN was relegated from 2^{nd} to 4^{th} placing. Apprentice R Myers admitted an associated charge of careless riding under Rule 638(1)(d) in that she allowed her mount to shift out under hard riding over the final 100m, when not clear, causing a check to PRINCESS KATIE which in turn shifted out into the line of INFORMANT which was also checked. After consideration the Judicial Committee suspended Apprentice Myers' licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 31 December 2011 up until the close of racing on Friday 6th January 2012. Also affected in this incident was LA MUCHACHA which was dictated over extra ground.

Race 4 FINELINE SERVICE MAIDEN

COOL RECEPTION jumped away slowly and shortly after was hampered when runners either side shifted ground.

TWO BOB RAHTWO collapsed shortly after the finish and died. The course veterinarian confirmed that TWO BOB RAHTWO had suffered a ruptured aorta. Rider K Myers was uninjured and was excused from weighing in under Rule 647(1) (a).

When questioned regarding the run of SKEDADDLE, which ran last, rider L Allpress stated the gelding had commenced to lug out from the 800m and thereafter could not be ridden to full advantage for the remainder of the event. SKEDADDLE underwent a veterinary examination which revealed no visible abnormalities, however connections undertook to report to the Stewards any post-race matters should they become apparent.

Race 5	GJK LTD "JUICE" GROUP 1 WINNER
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ROYAL VI and SANIANI were slow away. POROTENE TEKEELA ducked outwards abruptly at the crossing near the 1300m severely unbalancing rider L Allpress who lost the use of both irons placing her at a significant disadvantage for the remainder of the race. POROTENE TEKEELA then made heavy contact with GOLD ROCK resulting in Apprentice rider R Myers also becoming severely unbalanced. CAVESTANI which was racing in behind had to be steadied. Dictated outwards in the incident were APRIL'S CHOICE, DARCI DIVINE and WILLOW PARK. POROTENE TE KEELA then raced wide rounding the turn and near the 200m shifted in hampering GOLD ROCK which was improving to its inside. At the completion of the race L Allpress was dislodged from her mount and was excused from weighing in under Rule 647(1) (a). Connections were advised that a warning had been placed on POROTENE TEKEELA with respect to its racing manners.

Race 6 LA NUOVA APPARELMASTER MAIDEN

MEDIEVAL stood flat footed when the barriers were released losing several lengths. MADAME PADOZA raced wide in the early and middle stages and was obliged make its run wide on the track rounding the final turn.

Race 7 CITY OF NEW PLYMOUTH CLASSIC

ROYAL TAP was inclined to over race in the early and middle stages. MUZZA raced keenly in the run through the back straight and passing the 1200m had to be steadied off heels for some distance.

Race 8 CROWDED HOUSE PARTY	CENTRA
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L Allpress replaced B Lammas on KOMPLETE CONTROL after B Lammas was unable to make the gelding's carded weight due to a miscommunication between the rider and Taranaki Thoroughbred Racing.

NO EMOTION was slow to begin. KOHI ROAD raced wide without cover throughout. When questioned regarding the run of NO EMOTION rider Apprentice R Myers could offer no excuses. A post-race veterinary inspection of NO EMOTION failed to reveal any abnormality.

R Hannam the rider of JUMOKE reported to the Stewards that the gelding may have got its tongue over the bit during the running. Part-trainer D Bothwell undertook to apply a tongue tie to JUMOKE for its next start.