



## STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

### MEETING DETAILS:

<b>Club:</b> Auckland Racing Club	<b>Date:</b> 1 January 2012	
<b>Weather:</b> Overcast	<b>Track:</b> Slow 8	<b>Rail:</b> 4.5 Metres
<b>Stewards:</b> C George (Chairman), J Oatham, A Coles, M Williamson, W Robinson		
<b>Stenographer:</b> M Gemmell		

### GENERAL:

No issues to report

### SUMMARY:

<b>Swabbing:</b>	CHRYSLITE, FLASH HAPI, WARHORSE, IRISH REBEL, MAGIC SHAFT, GREEN SUPREME, SILENT ACHIEVER, SHUKA, LADY KROVANH, CHICHARITA, OUR FAMOUS EVE, JOY'S CHOICE, PLATINUM PRINCESS, SMOULDER, VILLIFYE, ATOMIC FORCE, THE HOMBRE, TWILIGHT SAVINGS, SINGLE MINDED, MAREA ALTA TOP SPOT, SING FOR THE SUN All runners in Races 3, 5, 6, 7, 8 & 9 were pre race blood tested.
<b>Suspensions:</b>	R8 V Colgan, Rule 638(1)(d), careless riding 900 metres, suspended 8-18/1 inclusive, 5 riding days. R8 N Rawiller, Rule 638(1)(d), careless riding 300 metres, suspended 5-13/1 inclusive, 6 riding days and fined \$1,000.
<b>Fines:</b>	R5 J McDonald, Rule 638(3)(b), excessive use of the whip, fined \$300. R8 C Ormsby, Rule 330(3)(c) failed to make weight, fined \$500. R8 N Rawiller, Rule 638(1)(d), careless riding (as above), fined \$1,000.
<b>Warnings:</b>	R10 C Ormsby, Rule 638(1)(d), shifted ground shortly after start.
<b>Horse Actions:</b>	R10 SING FOR THE SUN, warning barrier manners
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil
<b>Medical Certificates:</b>	Nil
<b>Rider Changes:</b>	R8 DOUBLE BARREL, J McDonald replaced C Ormsby.
<b>Late Scratchings:</b>	Nil

### RACE COMMENTS:

<b>Race 1</b>	<b>The New Zealand Herald 2100</b>
BELINDA'S GIRL (M Tanaka) was slow away. GRANDE BELLEZZA (J McDonald) was crowded between IRA BEAN (C Parish) and NUKUMAI (P Taylor) shortly after leaving the barriers. REDEMPTION (P Turner) raced wide around the first turn before improving forward to lead near the 1400 metres. Passing the 1700 metres IRA BEAN when being steadied off the heels of TE ARIKI (M Coleman) shifted out and made contact with the hind quarters of GRANDE BELLEZZA (J McDonald) which became unbalanced.	

SPARNON (M Cropp) raced wide without cover from the 1600 metres. SPARNON lay inwards in the final straight and could not be fully ridden out by its rider. When laying in SPARNON made contact with BELINDA'S GIRL near the 150 metres. REDEMPTION was not persevered with by its rider over the final 250 metres, dropping out to finish a distant last. Rider P Turner advised that the gelding had failed to handle today's slow track conditions but also felt that it may have held its breath. A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer L Anderson advised that she would look to make appropriate gear changes and was likely to add a tongue tie for its next start. When questioned regarding the performance of GRANDE BELLEZZA Rider J McDonald stated that the mare had never travelled comfortably in today's track conditions. A post race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. When questioned regarding his ride on SPARNON, particularly passing the 800 metres when it was apparent that BELINDA'S GIRL was able to improve from his inside which took him wider on the track rider M Cropp stated that in his opinion his mount was not travelling well enough at that stage of the race after being caught three wide to hold BELINDA'S GIRL in its position. The Stewards advised M Cropp that he must show a greater effort when circumstances permit to be more competitive in his riding. He was further reminded of his obligations to ensure that he rides his horses out to the finishing line when able to do so.

<b>Race 2</b>	<b>Lindauer 1400</b>
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LEONUCASAM (J McDonald) began awkwardly and made contact with TANGO TERRIFIC (D Johnson). TANGO TERRIFIC then bumped LEONUCASAM which shifted in hampering THORNBIRDS (A Forbes)

THE HECKLER (C Ormsby) over-raced in the early stages.

BALDOVINO (J Riddell) attempted to buck on a number of occasions in the early stages.

LEONUCASAM raced keenly through the middle stages.

FLASH HAPI (C Grylls) shifted out when struck with the whip near the 350 metres into the line of MERCURY MISTRESS (S Spratt) which had to be steadied.

TANGO TERRIFIC returned to the weigh-in enclosure with blood present in the nasal area. After being examined by the Veterinarian this was found to be due to an abrasion inside the nostril.

When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of BALDOVINO Rider J Riddell stated that his mount failed to travel comfortably at any stage of the race and despite his efforts to urge his mount forward BALDOVINO did not respond and was disappointing in its failure to finish the race off. A post race veterinary examination of BALDOVINO did not reveal any abnormalities.

<b>Race 3</b>	<b>Stella Artois Eclipse Stakes</b>
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IRISH REBEL (M Cameron) began awkwardly.

MARECHAL (V Colgan) lay out when leaving the barriers hampering SILK PINS (J McDonald).

I BELIEVE (P Taylor) was steadied going into the bend near the 1000 metres when crowded for room by MAGIC SHAFT (J Waddell) which was taken in slightly by MARECHAL which was racing greenly.

IRISH REBEL hung out around the bend.

WARHORSE (N Rawiller) raced three wide without cover.

SILK PINS raced fiercely in the middle stages.

Passing the 500 metres MAGIC SHAFT shifted out abruptly and hampered SAATCHI (J Riddell). MARECHAL which was following was steadied and SILK PINS was checked.

IRISH REBEL hung out under pressure in the straight and near the 200 metres shifted out abruptly.

Approaching the 100 metres M Cameron, the rider of IRISH REBEL, lost control of his whip for a short distance until he could re-gather it.

<b>Race 4</b>	<b>2011/12 Dunstan Feeds Championship Final</b>
<p>PAYBACK (N Rawiller) began awkwardly and shifted out hampering GREEN SUPREME (J McDonald).</p> <p>TEMPELTEN (D Johnson) began awkwardly.</p> <p>HOT PURSUIT (S Spratt) raced three wide without cover until passing the 1200 metres.</p> <p>EL SOLDADO (S Shirahama) raced wide throughout.</p> <p>PERO (J Riddell) shifted out near the 350 metres making contact with GREEN SUPREME and becoming unbalanced. GREEN SUPREME then lay in under pressure for the remainder of the race.</p> <p>YOUREIN (L Innes) shifted out under pressure near the 100 metres hampering PAYBACK.</p> <p>A post race veterinary examination of TEMPELTEN which finished a distant last did not reveal any abnormalities. D Johnson advised that the gelding had never travelled comfortably in the existing track conditions.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the poor performance of SUAZA Rider V Colgan stated that the mare had been unable to quicken in the existing track conditions once placed under pressure.</p>	
<b>Race 5</b>	<b>Radio Live Championship Stakes</b>
<p>PLATINUM PLAYBOY (P Holmes) became fractious in the barriers prior to the start and attempted to rear. After being removed from the barriers PLATINUM PLAYBOY was passed fit to run by the Veterinarian.</p> <p>Near the 600 metres MUSTANG (J Riddell) got its head up when awkwardly placed on heels.</p> <p>P Holmes, the rider of PLATINUM PLAYBOY, stated that his mount did not feel comfortable throughout the race. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.</p> <p>J McDonald, the rider of LADY KROVANH, admitted a breach of Rule 638(3)(b) for excessive use of the whip and was fined \$300.</p> <p>BARNEY lost the right front plate during the running.</p>	
<b>Race 6</b>	<b>New Zealand Bloodstock Royal Stakes</b>
<p>OUR FAMOUS EVE (M Cameron) began awkwardly, making contact with PLANET ROCK (H Tinsley).</p> <p>ZURELLA (J McDonald) began awkwardly.</p> <p>Near the 1200 metres ZURELLA and DOWAGER QUEEN (J Riddell) made contact on several occasions when ZURELLA was awkwardly placed on the heels of JOY'S CHOICE (M Coleman).</p> <p>Near the 700 metres ZURELLA made contact with DOWAGER QUEEN when improving to the outside of JOY'S CHOICE.</p> <p>Near the 200 metres ZURELLA went off stride and became unbalanced.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of DOWAGER QUEEN Rider J Riddell was unable to offer a tangible reason for the filly performing disappointingly. A post race veterinary examination of DOWAGER QUEEN did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer G Rogerson reported that DOWAGER QUEEN will now be spelled.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of ZURELLA Rider J McDonald stated that in his opinion the filly did not feel comfortable in the track conditions and that when placed under pressure ZURELLA was inclined to hang out. He further added that this is his mount's first race racing right-handed which may have attributed to its disappointing performance. A post race veterinary examination of ZURELLA did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer S Ritchie could not offer any tangible explanation. However, he undertook to report to the Stewards if anything becomes apparent in the days subsequent which may have attributed to the performance of ZURELLA.</p>	
<b>Race 7</b>	<b>Rich Hill Mile</b>
<p>PLATINUM PRINCESS (K Myers) was crowded when jumping away.</p>	

FLORIA (D Johnson) was inclined to get its head up when being restrained in the early and middle stages.

SAVOUR THE MOMENT (L Allpress) raced wide without cover.

SMOULDER (L Innes) was held up rounding the home turn.

SMOULDER and FLORIA came together near the 250 metres with FLORIA then being steadied away from the heels of IRISH OPERA (N Rawiller).

<b>Race 8</b>	<b>Blandford Lodge Railway Stakes</b>
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C Ormsby was replaced by J McDonald as the rider of DOUBLE BARREL as he was unable to make the weight. A charge under Rule 330(3)(c) was proven against C Ormsby and he was fined the sum of \$500.

DURHAM TOWN (V Colgan) began awkwardly and shifted out abruptly crowding ATOMIC FORCE (N Rawiller) on to FAZZLE (J Waddell). Also hampered was UPSALA (M Cameron). MAGIC BRIAR (C Grylls) was slow away.

TWILIGHT SAVINGS (L Allpress) was crowded shortly after the start.

MAE JINX (M Coleman) had to be steadied when crowded for room near the 900 metres by DURHAM TOWN which shifted in. V Colgan (DURHAM TOWN) admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) for being careless when allowing his mount to shift in and causing the interference to MAE JINX. After considering the evidence the JCA suspended his license to ride in races for a period to commence after racing on 7 January 2012 up to and including racing on 18 January 2012, 5 days.

COOL STORM (T Thornton) raced three wide without cover.

UPSALA and ATOMIC FORCE raced wide throughout.

Near the 300 metres TWILIGHT SAVINGS was steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of THE HOMBRE (S Spratt).

N Rawiller, the rider of ATOMIC FORCE, admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) in that he permitted his mount to shift in near the 300 metres causing DURHAM TOWN to check.

After considering the evidence the JCA suspended his license to ride in races for a period to commence after the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 4 January until the conclusion of racing on Friday 13 January (6 riding days) and in addition imposed a fine of \$1,000.

DOUBLE BARREL had to be steadied when ATOMIC FORCE continued to shift in near the 100 metres.

<b>Race 9</b>	<b>Waiwera Water City of Auckland Cup</b>
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CASSINI (L Allpress) and JEU DE CARTES (K Myers) began awkwardly.

CASTLE HEIGHTS (J McDonald) and CASSINI came together on several occasions shortly after the start. Contributing to this incident was some inward movement from MAREA ALTA (N Harris).

SUM UP (M Cameron) made contact with the hind quarters of TULLAROAN (D Johnson) near the 2200 metres with TULLAROAN then having to be steadied off the heels of BACK IN BLACK (V Colgan).

CASSINI raced fiercely in the early stages.

CASSINI and JEU DE CARTES got their head up when racing fiercely rounding the first turn.

CASTLE HEIGHTS over-raced passing the 1600 metres.

TULLAROAN was crowded for room near the 700 metres when POSTMANS DAUGHTER shifted out. Also inconvenienced was CASTLE HEIGHTS. N Rawiller was advised to exercise care.

Near the 200 metres FAZZA (J Waddell) shifted in abruptly resulting in JEU DE CARTES being steadied.

<b>Race 10:</b>	<b>Auckland Co-op Taxis 1400</b>
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SING FOR THE SUN (S Collett) became fractious in the barriers prior to the start with THATZ IT (L Allpress) which was in an adjacent barrier then also becoming fractious. Both SING FOR THE SUN and THATZ IT were removed from the starting stalls and underwent

veterinary examinations with both runners being passed fit to start. As a result the race ran 5 minutes late. Trainer T Devcich was advised that a barrier warning would be placed against SING FOR THE SUN.

THATZ IT began awkwardly, hampering KAOS (J McDonald) which lost ground.

Shortly after the start SING FOR THE SUN which was racing fiercely was steadied to avoid the heels of HAVE NO MERCY (C Ormsby) which shifted in. C Ormsby was issued with a warning.

KAOS raced fiercely in the early stages.

When questioned regarding the improved performance of SING FOR THE SUN T Devcich advised that the gelding had worked well leading into today's race and felt the slow track conditions had been in it's favour.