



STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Wellington Racing Club	Date: 7 April 2012
Weather: Fine	
Track: Slow 9 upgraded to a Slow 8 after race one and then Dead 6 after race three	
Rail: True	
Stewards: Messrs N Goodwin (Chairman); R Neal and B Bateup	
Stenographer: Pauline Penketh	

GENERAL:

Trainer W Jones advised Stewards that ALPHA PUKEKO which was the subject to veterinary examination following its unplaced run at Awapuni on Saturday 31 March, 2012 has been retired from racing.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	JACK'S BOY; TITCH; MUSUKO KING; SHAMTAARI; STARGURU; GOLD WEDDING; SHEZGORGEIOUS; ZENNISTA; GRAND BELT
Suspensions:	
Fines:	
Warnings:	
Horse Actions:	R5 -BRACKENWOOD – veterinary clearance and ECG required.
Bleeders:	
Medical Certificates:	N Harris – (required)
Rider Changes:	N Harris was stood down after race three and replaced as follows: R4: V Johnston on Racey Red R5: D Bradley on Ginner Hart R8: B Lammas on Herman Munster R9: S Doyle on Jabez

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	SANGSTER CUP
ROODYVOO (J Shackleton) was held up rounding the turn and in the early part of the home straight. When questioned on the performance of FLOAISHA, the winner of its previous two starts, L Whelan said the mare may not have been suited by the prevailing track conditions. Following the running of Race 1 track conditions were upgraded to Slow 8	
Race 2	SILENT ACHIEVER CUP
WAITUI MUSIC (D Bradley) hung inwards throughout. SPIRO (K Smith) had to be steadied near the winning post the first occasion after TITCH (L Whelan) shifted in when not clear. L Whelan was reminded of her obligations to be clear of other runners when shifting ground.	
Race 3	PLANET ROCK CUP
RATNARAJ (L Whelan) raced keenly in the early stages.	

YOUTOOFAST (D Bradley) was inclined to lay out over the final 400 metres and had to be continually straightened.
 N Harris was dislodged from THAT'SOUREXCUSE on pulling up. After being attended to by the Club Doctor, N Harris was stood down from his remaining rides.
 The trainer of HANDSOME RASCAL (J Kiernan) which finished well back reported the gelding may have got its tongue through the bit. A post race veterinary inspection failed to reveal any abnormality
 Following the running of this event track conditions were upgraded to Dead 6 after further drying of the track.

Race 4 | **WARHORSE CUP**

V Johnston replaced N Harris on RACEY RED.
 ASHALINI (L Whelan) jumped out at the start dictating MERINDA (E Lloyd) wider.
 SHAMTAARI (B Lammas) began awkwardly and lost ground.
 MERINDA raced wide throughout.
 When questioned on the run of MERINDA, E Lloyd said the mare travelled well throughout but failed to respond when placed under pressure near the 100m.

Race 5 | **ARTISTIC & ZURELLA CUP**

D Bradley replaced N Harris on GINNER HART.
 GUS (L Whelan) jumped inwards at the start and bumped with BRACKENWOOD (S Collett) which got back.
 SCARLETT O'HARA (K Smith) raced keenly in the early stages.
 ELUSIVE TRACY (D Walker) got its tongue over the bit during the running.
 A post-race veterinary examination of BRACKENWOOD which finished last revealed the gelding to have suffered a cardiac arrhythmia. Stable representative A Rennie was advised that a veterinary clearance, including the results of an ECG, would be required prior to BRACKENWOOD next racing.

Race 6 | **SIX O'CLOCK NEWS CUP**

HULA DASH and PEARLS were late scratched at 2.15pm due to their being insufficient riders available.
 TRICATCHME (H Tinsley) underwent a veterinary examination at the barrier after making contact with a gate on leaving the enclosure and was cleared to run.
 APACHE TIME (E Lloyd) jumped in abruptly at the start resulting in tightening to CLAN (L Whelan), GERRY (J Shackleton) and LILL (S Doyle) which became unbalanced for several strides.
 JULIANGRAY (S Collett) was slow to begin.
 LA ROSA (J Parkes) had to be steadied off heels near the 1000m.
 GERRY was inclined to over-race in the early stages.
 LILL had to be steadied near the 600m when on heels.
 JULIANGRAY was held up rounding the turn and early part of the home straight.
 CANSO (K Smith) raced in restricted room in the early part of the home straight.
 TRICATCHME was held up rounding the turn and unable to improve until passing the 100 metres.
 APACHE TIME shifted in under pressure and contacted the running rail near the 200m.
 APACHE TIME lost the off hind plate during the running.

Race 7 | **SCARLETT LADY CUP**

SHEZGORGEIOUS (D Bradley) was slow to begin.
 PENTIRE LAD (S Collett) began awkwardly and then raced keenly in the early stages.
 NINE IRON (J Shackleton) hung out throughout the final straight.
 When questioned into the improved run of SHEZGORGEIOUS which finished well back at its previous start, D Bradley said the filly was better suited by the track conditions today and benefitted from the addition of a tongue tie.

Race 8	MUFHASA CUP
<p>B Lammas replaced N Harris on HERMAN MUNSTER. INTRANSIGENT (L Whelan) stood flat-footed when the barriers were released and lost several lengths, and due to the very slow early tempo was taken forward to lead near the 1200m FAZZA (H Tinsley) was held up for a short distance early in the home straight. DUBHDARA had to change outward near the 100m to continue to improve. L'AMOUR (S Collett) was obliged to race three-wide without cover throughout.</p>	
Race 9	SAY NO MORE CUP
<p>S Doyle replaced N Harris on JABEZ. LADY'O (S Collett) and GOLDIE CANTRIDE (J Parkes) were slow to begin. When questioned regarding the run of JABEZ, S Doyle could offer no excuses.</p>	