STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Waikato Racing Club Date: Saturday 5 May 2012

Weather: Fine
Track: Dead (4)
Rail: 4 Metres

Stewards: M J Williamson (Chairman), C George, A Coles, L Tidmarsh

Stenographer: P C Scott

GENERAL:

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: LOHAN, BORRACK, BELLINO, CLIMBING HIGH, LOVINGTHELIMELIGHT, OFF THE TOP, WRECKING

CREW, BRONTE WALK

All horses in races 2 and 4 pre-race blood tested.

Suspensions: Nil

Fines: Nil Warnings: Nil

Bleeders: Race 3 ALLENDE

Horse Actions: Race 1 PORTRUSH – vet cert required

EVER SO SHARP – vet cert required
 ALLENDE – 3 month stand down
 SPORTAVIAN – vet cert required

5 THE INNKEEPER – vet cert required

Medical Certificates: Received covering M McNab

Issued to M Gillies

Rider Changes: Race 2 EL MARINO – I Lupton replaced M Gillies (injured in R1)

Late Scratchings: Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 HAMILTON CATERERS HURDLE

PARAGLIDE (E Stack) made the first jump awkwardly.

SWAZI (C Perrett) over-raced in the early stages with the bridle becoming displaced. **SWAZI** was retired from the race near the 1400 metres as a result. **STAINLEY** was taken over extra ground. The bridle of **SWAZI** was inspected by Stewards found to be in good condition.

ATOMIC ROAD (P Ormsby) and SWAZI jumped the fourth fence poorly.

EVER SO SHARP (M Gillies) fell at the fence approaching the 1000 metres. M Gillies was found to be suffering from concussion. M Gillies is to stand down for three weeks unless cleared prior by a neurologist. **EVER SO SHARP** underwent a veterinary examination after the gelding had blood present in the left nostril – this was found to be consistent with head trauma. Trainer D Stevenson was advised that he must provide a veterinary certificate of fitness for **EVER SO SHARP** prior to racing next.

PARAGLIDE put in a poor jump near the 900 metres.

FINDERSFEE (J Maguire) when approaching the hurdle near the 350 metres clipped a heel of **PORTRUSH** (D Oakden) when both runners shifted ground.

APPLAUD (M Mitchell) dipped on landing at the fence near the 250 metres.

PORTRUSH blundered jumping the last fence and fell hampering **ATOMIC ROAD** (P Ormsby) which blundered dislodging the rider. **PARAGLIDE** had to take evasive action as a result. Also hampered were **APPLAUD** (M Mitchell), **LOHAN** (G Walsh), **FINDERSFEE** and **STAINLEY**.

The connections of **PORTRUSH** advised Stewards that the gelding had shown signs of soreness in the near foreleg following the race. Trainer S Thompson was advised that **PORTRUSH** would need a clear veterinary certificate of fitness before being permitted to race again.

Following this race both P Ormsby and D Oakden were cleared fit by the doctor.

Race 2 MINIBUS EXPRESS HURDLE

EL MARINO (I Lupton) over-raced in the early stages.

BORRACK (C Singer) contacted the hurdle at the 1200 metres.

GIOARCHINO (J Maguire) raced wide throughout.

Race 3 BNZ PARTNERS 2100

BELLINO (D Nolan) began awkwardly.

MAGIC POWER (S Spratt) shifted out on jumping and hampered THE STRUTTER (T Thornton).

OAKBERRY (M Wenn) was slow to begin.

EL SOLDADO (C Grylls) raced wide in the early stages.

MAGIC POWER raced three wide from the 1400 metres.

ALLENDE (N Collett) returned to the weigh in enclosure with blood present in both nostrils. After undergoing a veterinary examination **ALLENDE** was deemed a bleeder and trainer L Somervell was advised that **ALLENDE** will be stood down from racing for a period of three months under the provisions of Rule 651.

Race 4 KEN & ROGER BROWNE MEMORIAL STEEPLECHASE

HO DOWN landed awkwardly at the fifth fence almost dislodging rider R Cully.

SPORTAVIAN (L Macfarlane) fell at the first fence in the centre of the course. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have blood present in one nostril, consistent with a laceration. Trainer P Rodewald was advised that he must produce a veterinary certificate of fitness before **SPORTAVIAN** races next.

PENSTAR (I Lupton) jumped indifferently throughout.

HO DOWN (R Cully) put in a poor jump near the 1000 metres.

HO DOWN had to steady when crowded near the 900 metres when **VOLKSWAGIN** (S Doyle) shifted in. S Doyle was advised to exercise care.

S Houston (CLIMBING HIGH) was reminded of her obligations when riding horses out to the finish of a race.

Race 5 DD BLOODSTOCK 1600

THE INNKEEPER (L Cropp) raced fiercely in the early stages.

AMADEO (A Collett) began awkwardly.

A post-race veterinary examination of **THE INNKEEPER**, which weakened in the home straight, revealed lameness in the near hind leg. The connections were advised that **THE INNKEEPER** would require a veterinary certificate of fitness before racing next.

Apprentice R Hutchings (WON'T LIE DOWN) dropped his whip passing the 350 metres.

Race 6 A1DEZINE 1600

HAERE MAI (S Collett) was slow to begin.

KIWI SPIRIT (M McNab) and SHAN'S JOY (A Forbes) over-raced in the early stages.

Near the 300 metres **DENMARK** (S Spratt) shifted out to obtain clear running crowding **SHAN'S JOY** outwards and making contact with **GALLANT** (R Hutchings).

When questioned regarding the performance of **KIWI SPIRIT**, M McNab explained to Stewards that the gelding was not suited by the slow pace of the race.

Race 7 PELLOWS FUNERAL DIRECTORS & ADVISORS 1600

CAPO (A Collett) was slow to begin.

SERENADE (R Hutchings), **NO COMMISSION** (S Spratt) and **CAPO** over-raced in the early stages.

GORDYFROMGREATBARR (M McNab) raced ungenerously when being restrained in the early stages and ducked in crowding **SERENADE** passing the 1100 metres.

PIMMS TIME (L Cropp) lay in under pressure in the straight.

Near the 400 metres **SERENADE** had to steady when racing in restricted room to the inside of **GLITZABEEL** (C Grylls) which shifted in. **SERENADE** was then held up for a distance behind the tiring **GORDYFROMGREATBARR**.

PIMMS TIME raced wide throughout.

S Spratt reported to the Stewards NO COMMISSION would be better suited to a softer track.

Race 8 BROKERWEB RISK SERVICES 1200

BRONTE WALK (S Spratt) stumbled on jumping away.

SCHOONER BAY (M Coleman) began awkwardly.

SCHOONER BAY raced ungenerously in the early stages and then was crowded passing 900 metres by **GINJA NINJA** (R Hutchings) which was dictated inwards by **HUG A GINGA** (R Norvall) who became awkwardly placed on the heels of **SPRINGTIME FEVER** (A Forbes) when over-racing which shifted in. A Forbes was advised to exercise care.

HEZA REBEL raced wide for the majority of the race.

Passing the 700 metres **MAYSOPHIA** (M Sweeney) became awkwardly placed on the heels of **BRONTE WALK** when the pace eased and had to be firmly restrained, and as a result **SCHOONER BAY** was hampered.

Passing the 400 metres **BRONTE WALK** shifted out to obtain clear running and inconvenienced **SPRINGTIME FEVER**.

HUG A GINGA lay out around the final turn inconveniencing **SCHOONER BAY** passing the 400 metres.

N Collett (ERNESTO) was reminded of her obligations when riding horses out to the finish of a race.