STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Rangitikei Racing Club

Date: 19 May 2012

Weather: Fine Track: Slow (9) Rail: True

Stewards: C George (Chairman); R Neal, G Whiterod and B Bateup

Stenographer: Pauline Penketh

GENERAL:

Rider drug testing was carried out.

Race 7: Taranaki Racing Club Saturday 12 May – The Energy City Ford Open

Steward today concluded an investigation into an incident passing the 100metres where I AM SAM (D Walker) had to be steadied when between MATOST (M Wenn) and DEMOPHON (R Myers). It was established that MATOST which was racing greenly had shifted in bumping with I AM SAM simultaneously as DEMOPHON shifted ground out under hard riding, this resulting in I AM SAM having to be steadied for a short distance. After considering all relevant factors Apprentice Myers was issued with a warning and was told that when in similar circumstances she would be expected to stop riding and straighten her mounts earlier than she did on this occasion.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: SINS OF THE FATHER; BRIGHT GLO; STAND UP; IS DA CHIEF; JACK'S POINT;

POLLY FLINDERS; ZENNISTA; NANCHO BELLA; SAVVY DANCER; DANCING

EMBERS

Suspensions: Nil Fines: Nil

Warnings: R Myers – [Rule 638 (1) (d)]- shifting ground -Taranaki 12 May 2012

Bleeders: R1- MASTER PLAN – subject to mandatory three month stand down

R9 -SIR NEIL – subject to mandatory three month stand down

Horse Actions: HULA SISTER – veterinary clearance required

GOLDEN QUEEN - veterinary clearance required

Medical Certificates: L Whelan (Received)

Rider Changes: Nil

Scratching R8 – HULA SISTER on veterinary advice at 1.15pm

R9 - GOLDEN QUEEN at 3.25pm on veterinary advice

Penalties:

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 SOUTHERN RANGITIKEI VETERINARY SERVICES MAIDEN

LUCKY LOLA was passed fit to race by the club's veterinary surgeon after falling and dislodging rider (H Hooper) in the birdcage.

LUCKY LOLA began awkwardly and lost ground.

DONTUJUSTLUVIT (S Collett) was slow to begin.

MASTER PLAN returned to the enclosure with blood in both nostrils. A subsequent veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be a bleeder. Trainer P Kauri advised that consideration would be given to persevering with MASTER PLAN as a racing proposition.

J Shackleton reported that MISS TEA TIME lost the off-hind plate during the running.

Race 2 J B WARE LTD 3YO HANDICAP

CITY CHIC (D Bradley) and TURQUOISE were crowded for several strides shortly after leaving the barriers between DIAMOND TANGO (L Whelan) which lay out and TACTICALL (K Myers) which shifted in.

BRIGHT GLO (R Myers) and TACTICALL both raced fiercely for a short distance passing the 800m.

Rounding the home turn, TACTICALL and DANROSE (H Kasim) were hampered when BRIGHT GLO shifted out. R Myers was advised to exercise care.

DIAMOND TANGO was inclined to lay in in the early part of the home straight.

Race 3 AB EQUIPMENT HANDICAP

ANAGRAM (L Whelan) began awkwardly.

PIPETTE (R Myers) was slow to begin

DI'S BOY (S Collett) which was slow to begin was bumped shortly after by TIDAL WAVE (D Bradley) which shifted in

Over the concluding stages GOLDEN MISS (L Allpress) was inconvenienced by ANAGRAM shifting out. Apprentice L Whelan was advised to exercise care.

DI'S BOY raced wide throughout.

Race 4 WATER FORCE HANDICAP

ORMOND ROAD (D Bradley) was slow to begin.

Race 5 TOD SEEDS OHAU RYEGRASS HANDICAP

GUESSING (H Tinsley) was tightened at the start by runners either side shifting ground. MISS DARLEY (D Walsh) was slow to begin.

Race 6 S D LOURIE LIVESTOCK HANDICAP

A'GUIN ACE underwent a veterinary inspection at the barrier before being declared fit to start after blood was observed in the mare's mouth.

DUNN'S CREEK (J Parkes) began awkwardly and shifted in abruptly crowding to A'GUIN ACE (M Hills);

DAUFINO (B Lammas) and ASHALANI (A Morgan).

DUNN'S CREEK had to be steadied when racing in restricted room passing the 1000metres.

POLLY FLINDERS (T Russell) was held up rounding the home turn.

When questioned on the performance of MISS ANA, L Allpress could offer no excuses. A post-race veterinary examination revealed of MISS ANA revealed no abnormalities.

Race 7 138th JAMES BULL RANGITIKEI GOL CUP - Listed

SUPERTURF (R Hannam) was slow to begin and was then tightened between ANNIE HIGGINS (R Myers) and L'AMOUR (K Myers) and as a result lost ground.

ZENNISTA (D Bradley) and KEEPEREEL (H Kasim) over-raced in the early stages.

When questioned regarding the performance of MAREA ALTA and the riding tactics over the final 800metres, rider N Harris stated that despite his efforts to improve his mount from inside the 800metres MAREA ALTA did not respond and did not travel comfortably until straightening. N Harris then stated that when balanced up in the home straight he applied some pressure to MAREA ALTA to which she responded fairly. Rider Harris further added that MAREA ALTA was not entirely suited to the holding nature of today's track and is better suited to wet tracks with rain on the day. Trainer A Fieldes advised the Stewards that he was confident of a forward showing of MAREA ALTA today and had expected the mare to race in a more forward position. He also added that the horse is better suited to a looser track condition than offered today.

Stewards noted the comments of both N Harris and A Fieldes. A post-race veterinary inspection of MAREA ALTA revealed no abnormalities.

Race 8 JOHN TURKINGTON LTD HANDICAP

HULA SISTER was a late scratching at 1.15pm on veterinary advice due to filling in the offside foreleg. Trainer D Fuge was advised that a veterinary clearance will be required for the mare before next racing.

SAVVY DANCER (N Harris); SEDUCER (H Tinsley) and TIGRIS (L Whelan) were all slow to begin.

JOSEPHINE (E Lloyd) raced wide from the 1000 metres.

L Allpress report that TAP 'N' GOLD was making irregular breathing noises throughout the race. Connections advised that TAP 'N' GOLD would no undergo a wind operation.

Race 9 RANGITIKEI BUSINESS HOUSES HANDICAP

GOLDEN QUEEN was a late scratching at 3.25pm on veterinary advice after being injured en route to the course.

Trainer J MacMillan was advised that a veterinary clearance will be required before the mare next races.

JABEZ (J Riddell) and GENERAL LINCOL (R Hannam) were slow to begin.

LET'S GO FRATELLI (J Shackleton) was held up rounding the turn until near the 200 metres.

RANGATIRA (K Collins) was inclined to lay out down the final straight.

SIR NEIL returned to the enclosure with blood present in both nostrils. A subsequent veterinary examination confirmed the gelding to be a bleeder. Trainer T Chambers was advised that the gelding is now subject to a mandatory three month stand down period.

When questioned regarding the run of GENERAL LINCOLN rider R Hannam said the gelding never travelled comfortably at any stage and attributed the disappointing performance to the holding nature of today's track.

When questioned on the performance of JABEZ rider J Riddell could offer no excuses. A post-race veterinary examination of JABEZ revealed no abnormalities.