

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Wellington Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 26 May 2012
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Slow (9)		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), R Neal, G Whiterod, B Bateup		
Stenographer:	Pauline Penketh		

GENERAL:

C Parish did not attend the meeting after suffering concussion in a race fall at Hawke's Bay the previous Thursday.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	KILLA QUESTION; REMEMBA HOWE; OUR JACKPOT; ELUSIVE TRACY; PASHA SUMORE; ZUMBA; FROMELLES; SUPERVISOR; LET’S GO FRATELLI		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Nil		
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race 7	INTRANSIGENT, N Harris for C Parish	
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	TOMMY'S 13TH BIRTHDAY 2YO PREMIER
<p>NAPATAP (M McNab) was slow to begin.</p> <p>OMANA (M Hills) began awkwardly and shifted in crowding JOE COOL (M Sweeney).</p> <p>FATW (L Allpress) began awkwardly and was crowded shortly after jumping away due to outward movement by runners to its inside.</p> <p>When questioned M McNab (NAPATAP) advised that after a poor beginning and getting further back than intended it had been difficult to make ground in the holding track conditions.</p>	
Race 2	GRANT PLUMBING PREMIER
<p>SNOW EXCUSE (L Allpress) was a shade slow to begin and was then inclined to lay out in the early stages becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of PRINCE OF WALES (K Myers).</p> <p>PRINCE OF WALES had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of SNOW EXCUSE, rider L Allpress was unable to offer any excuses stating that the gelding had been disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.</p> <p>MAJOR RIO returned to the enclosure missing the right front plate and PRINCE OF WALES the right hind plate.</p> <p>The connections of GOSSIPING advised they had some concerns about the manner in which the mare pulled up. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.</p>	
Race 3	THE BREEZE PREMIER
<p>CHRISTINE RANKIN (B Lammas) jumped in the air at the start and was further hampered by SEALIGN (R Myers) which began awkwardly and shifted in.</p> <p>RISING STAR (D Walsh) and TIME AND TIDE (M McNab) came together shortly after the start. RISING STAR then became awkwardly placed inside the heels of TIME AND TIDE and had to be steadied near the 1100 metres when TIME AND TIDE shifted in and away from RATNARAJ (K Myers). TIME AND TIDE continued to race greenly and was inclined to get its head up when being restrained through the middle stages.</p> <p>When questioned on the performance of FOR PETESAKE, S Doyle advised that in his opinion being take on in front</p>	

combined with the gelding's top weight, had been factors but was also of the opinion that FOR PETESAKE may now benefit from a break. Trainer T Dravitzki advised that he will assess the condition of FOR PETESAKE on return to his stable indicating that he would be considering freshening the gelding.	
Race 4	CAMBRIDGE THOROUGHBRED LODGE TBS NORTH ISLAND CHALLENGE STAKES
<p>BLAKMANDU (M Dravitzki) was slow to begin.</p> <p>BELLA CAROLINA (A Taylor) was disappointed for a run near the 350 metres when I AM SAM (D Walker) lay in under pressure.</p> <p>D Walker (I AM SAM) advised that the gelding had been unable to quicken when asked to do so in the final straight under its big weight.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of OAK PARK, L Allpress was unable to offer any excuses. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.</p>	
Race 5	KONAMI 3YO PREMIER
<p>MICKEN (R Myers) raced in restricted room from the 1200 metres to near the 1000 metres.</p> <p>When questioned on the disappointing performance of POLLY FLINDERS, T Russell was unable to offer any excuses but was of the opinion that the filly had not backed up after winning the previous Saturday and would now benefit from being freshened. A post-race veterinary examination of POLLY FLINDERS revealed a slow recovery rate. Trainer S Gillies advised that it was now his intention to give the filly a break for a month.</p>	
Race 6	ECHOES OF HEAVEN@LINWOOD PARK PREMIER
<p>DIANA (D Bradley) was slow away.</p> <p>BARBARA ANN (B Lammas) began awkwardly.</p> <p>Approaching the 1200 metres, BARBARA ANN had to be steadied when SHAMTAARI (M Hills) shifted in. M Hills was advised to exercise care.</p> <p>DUBAI BELLE (M Sweeney) raced keenly when trapped three-wide without cover.</p> <p>GOLDEN MIST was briefly held up near the 300 metres and when shifting out to obtain clear running, inconvenienced ANAGRAM which was weakening. ANAGRAM was eased down over the final 200 metres with rider K Myers advising she felt something may have been amiss with the mare. A post-race veterinary examination of ANAGRAM did not reveal any obvious abnormalities other than the mare to be blowing heavily. The stable representative undertook to advise Stewards of anything that may come to light in ensuing days.</p> <p>NEGOTIATE (R Myers) made contact with the hindquarters of ZUMBA (J Parkes) when attempting a marginal run passing the 250 metres. NEGOTIATE again made contact with the hindquarters of ZUMBA near the 150 metres. NEGOTIATE then had to be steadied near the 50 metres when the tight run it was attempting between AUNT DAISY (D Walsh) and ZUMBA closed due to both those runners shifting ground slightly. Prior to the authorization of dividends, the connections of NEGOTIATE viewed the Steward's video footage before electing not to proceed with a protest.</p>	
Race 7	MAGNESS BENROW TRENTAM GOLD CUP
<p>INTRANSIGENT (N Harris) was slow away.</p> <p>BELFAST LAD (B Lammas) began awkwardly inconveniencing LISA LOVE (M Hills).</p> <p>FROMELLES (L Allpress) was briefly held up entering the final straight.</p> <p>INTRANSIGENT was held up until near the 250 metres.</p> <p>When questioned on the performance of FAST LOVE, R Myers advised that the mare had travelled comfortably until placed under pressure near the 400 metres where it had been quickly beaten and was unable to offer any excuses.. A post-race veterinary examination of FAST LOVE did not reveal any abnormalities.</p> <p>Trainer K Lawrence was spoken to regarding the barrier manners of INTRANSIGENT and advised that she would be adding blinkers for the geldings next start.</p>	
Race 8	NEW ZEALAND CAR PARTS PREMIER
<p>HYPE (C Johnson) SAVVY DANCER (N Harris) and SO REGAL (D Walsh) were all crowded at the start when ORMOND ROAD (M Sweeney) and DEFIANT (R Hannam) shifted ground with SO REGAL being worst affected and losing ground.</p> <p>DANISH RULER (B Lammas) raced wide in the early stages when improving from a wide position.</p> <p>ALL IN CLOVER (L Allpress) over-raced when three-wide without cover in the middle stages before improving forward to sit outside the leader near the 1200 metres. ALL IN CLOVER continued to race keenly outside DEFIANT with these two runners then establishing a break on the field before coming under pressure passing the 600 metres and commencing to give ground. When questioned R Hannam advised that his instructions had been to keep rolling as the gelding is one-paced. Both riders concurred with Stewards that they had erred in their respective decisions on this occasion and were advised that in future they would be expected to show better judgment.</p> <p>ORMOND ROAD was held up behind the weakening DEFIANT rounding the home turn.</p> <p>Rider M Sweeney reported that ORMOND ROAD was making abnormal breathing noises on pulling up with the mare having lost the tongue tie.</p> <p>Post-race veterinary examinations of DANISH RULER, which was eased down in the final straight, and ORMOND ROAD did not reveal any obvious abnormalities in either runner.</p>	
Race 9	TURF DIGEST/BEST BETS 'SUPPORTING NZ RACING' PREMIER
GO THUNDER (S Doyle) and JOKRAAR (D Walker) were slow to begin.	

BLACK N BLUE (D Turner) and BENJY HULLAH (D Walsh) both began awkwardly.

BLACK N BLUE raced three-wide without cover throughout. Apprentice D Turner was shown video footage and advised that he should have made a greater attempt to obtain cover when the opportunity was available going into the bend passing the 1000 metres.

LET'S GO FRATELLI (J Shackleton) lay in under pressure in the final straight.

A post-race veterinary examination of RAPIDPOWER which raced poorly did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer R Allen advised that it is his intention to have the mare scoped on return to its stable and undertook to advise Stewards of any findings.