

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Auckland Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 16 June 2012
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Slow (9)		
Rail:	9.5 Metres		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), C George, A Coles, M Williamson		
Stenographer:	M Gemmell		

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT:

Auckland Racing Club – Monday 4 June 2012 Race 6 - McGregor Grant Steeplechase An inquiry had been concluded into the riding tactics adopted aboard ZAGATA. Rider M Mitchell advised Stewards that in his opinion he had erred in not being more competitive over the final 1000 metres to remain closer to the body of the field. The Stewards reminded M Mitchell that he is responsible for riding his mounts in a manner that is not left open to query. The Stewards further added that they took into account his race riding record at Ellerslie and the inconclusive video evidence when assessing the matter.
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SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	BOY, CIVICS ROCK, NEW MOON, MANDERLEY, SPLITFIRE, THE JUNGLE BOY, CAVESTANI, RAFA, CROWN OF THORNS
Suspensions:	Race 9 M Coleman PRINCE OF WALES Careless riding 150m [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 24 June -2 July 2012 inclusive, 5 riding days.
Fines:	Nil
Warnings:	Nil
Bleeders:	Nil
Horse Actions:	Nil
Medical Certificates:	Nil
Rider Changes:	Nil
Late Scratchings:	Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	Breakfast Meetings @ Ellerslie 1200
SUMOTORI which contacted an ornament in the Parade Ring was examined by the Club's Veterinarian and passed fit to start. STAR CHASER (P Turner) and POST VENNAL (S Spratt) were slow away. CELER (M Sweeney) and BOY (S Shirahama) both over-raced and were awkwardly placed on heels near the 800 metres. POST VENNAL raced wide throughout. SUMOTORI (L Innes) and DIAMONDS IN TIME (A Collett) were held up in the early part of the straight. LA TOURNEAU (M Cameron) lay in under pressure in the straight crowding RIVA BALLERINA (A Forbes) which had to be steadied near the 250 metres. BOY lay in under pressure in the final straight.	
Race 2	Barfoot & Thompson Ellerslie Jockey of the Year 1200
BLACKBERRY NIP (H Kasim), RUSTY DEVIL (R Norvall) and TIME KEEPER (D Lui) were slow to begin. GOLDEN GLOBE (C Dell) began awkwardly.	

GOLDEN GLOBE raced wide throughout.
 HEYDENTAL TOURIST (A Taylor) was held up in the early part of the home straight.
 CIVICS ROCK (J Collett) shifted out to obtain clear running near the 300 metres inconveniencing TIME KEEPER.
 GINJA NINJA (S Spratt) did not obtain clear running until the 150 metres.
 QUEEN OF THE CASTLE which weakened in the home straight underwent a veterinary examination which did not reveal any apparent abnormalities.
 When questioned regarding the performance of GOLDEN GLOBE Apprentice C Dell advised that he had been instructed to ride the gelding forward. C Dell further advised that after beginning only fairly he improved forward to the outside of SANDBLASTER but had been unable to clear that runner being caught three wide. C Dell also stated that the gelding had not felt comfortable in today's holding track conditions.

Race 3	Insphire 2200
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YOUREIN (C Dell) began awkwardly.
 ARURITESON (M Cropp) bounded in the air on jumping away.
 Shortly after the start IT'S A MESSAGE (M Cameron) when being steadied to avoid the heels of MAGNA CARTA (M Coleman) shifted out abruptly and hampered FIORANO (J Collett) which had to be checked.
 STAGEHAND (L Innes) got its head up and raced fiercely when awkwardly placed on heels near the 1300 metres.
 ELECTRONIC SOCKS (T Thornton) raced wide throughout.
 BR Jones (LUCKY CHARM) dropped his whip approaching the 200 metres.
 SHE'S A TOMBOY (A Collett) was held up near the 150 metres having to shift out across heels to obtain clear running.
 When questioned regarding his ride on ARURITESON Apprentice M Cropp advised that from his experience the gelding is better when ridden in front and he had opted to continue to press forward in the early to middle stages as the gelding has a tendency to pull hard once restrained. M Cropp was advised by the Stewards that in their opinion he would have been better to endeavour to take a sit rather than contending for the lead in the manner he had on this occasion and that he would be expected to show better judgment in future.
 When questioned regarding the performance of MAGNA CARTA Rider M Coleman stated that the gelding had travelled well through the running but once placed under pressure had been unable to quicken in the holding track conditions.

Race 4	Dunstan Feeds Ellerslie Trainer of the Year 1400
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ABUNDANTIA knuckled over on jumping and dislodged rider M Sweeney who was uninjured.
 PERFECT KATCH (T Thornton) raced wide throughout.
 PURR (R Norvall) and PHARSALUS (P Turner) were slow to begin.
 SHE'S INSATIABLE (R Hutchings) had to be steadied when crowded for room near the 150 metres between OSCARSGOLD (C Dell) which shifted out under pressure and RAVELLO (L Innes) which shifted in abruptly when ridden with the whip. L Innes was advised to exercise care. OSCARSGOLD then shifted in and away from RAVELLO hampering LION RED (M Cameron) with contributing movement from MANDERLEY (A Collett) which lay out under pressure.
 When questioned regarding the poor performance of A L'ORANGE Rider J Collett stated that the gelding had travelled fairly but once asked to quicken near the 700 metres failed to respond and had been disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination of A L'ORANGE did not reveal any abnormalities other than a slightly slow recovery rate.

Race 5	Stella Artois 1400
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DAKARAI (J Whiteside) was hampered at the start by CAPSTAND (H Kasim) which shifted in.
 FORBIDDEN (A Forbes) was hampered at the start by DANERIO which shifted out.
 RUSTA (M Sweeney) was slow to begin and checked shortly after when crowded for room by SMUCKERS (L Cropp) which shifted out. In this incident DIAMONDS ARE BLUE (M Coleman) was crowded for room also.
 GOOGLE ME (S Spratt) raced wide throughout.
 DIAMONDS ARE BLUE and RUSTA over-raced in the early stages and came together when both runners were being restrained passing the 1000 metres.
 Near the 150 metres DIAMONDS ARE BLUE was steadied for a short distance when awkwardly placed on heels.

Race 6	Chevalier Produce Mile
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MATOST (M Wenn), THE JUNGLE BOY (M Cameron) and TAKING THE MICKEY (L Innes) were slow to begin.
 COOLROSS (P Turner) raced wide throughout.
 THE JUNGLE BOY and MATOST shifted ground outwards under pressure over the concluding stages.

Race 7	Hirepool F&M Mile
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MAYSOPHIA (M Sweeney) was slow to begin.
 DE'COLLETAGE (L Cropp) and KULA SANDS (L Robertson) were crowded on jumping by LOVISTE (M Cameron) which shifted out.
 CAVESTANI (R Hutchings) began awkwardly.
 CAVESTANI raced wide throughout.
 DE'COLLETAGE raced fiercely and was steadied passing the 1500 metres when awkwardly placed on heels.
 Joining the Course Proper BELLE DE JEU (S Spratt) was steadied when crowded for room by MAYSOPHIA which shifted out away from the running rail.
 CONG'ER (J Whiteside) got its head up when being steadied after becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of GURUS SPIRIT (P Turner) near the 1200 metres. MAYSOPHIA then had to be steadied off the heels of CONG'ER and was then

crowded for room by BELLE DE JEU which lay in away from CAVESTANI.
CONG'ER was disappointed for a run to the inside of PURE PLATINUM (K Kalychurun) passing the 300 metres when PURE PLATINUM shifted in under pressure. K Kalychurun was advised to exercise care.
IRISH JEWEL (A Calder) was unable to obtain clear running over the final 200 metres.

Race 8 | **Rentokil Initial Mile**

SING FOR THE SUN (J Jago) was slow to begin.
CHAINEDINALKATRAZ (L Cropp) which began awkwardly was crowded shortly after leaving the barriers and made contact with GOLD MESSAGE (P Turner) with both those runners losing ground.
CHAINEDINALKATRAZ and PALRAF (C Lammas) over-raced in the early stages.
RAFA (C Dell) raced wide in the early stages.
CENTARA (K Kalychurun) was obliged to race wide throughout the race.
SING FOR THE SUN (J Jago) had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.
A protest was lodged by Mr P Williams, trainer of the third placed horse GRAND ADMIRAL (L Innes) alleging interference by the second placed horse CAPO (A Collett) over the concluding stages. After considering the evidence from all relevant parties the Judicial Committee upheld the objection on the grounds that CAPO did shift out under pressure over the final 40 metres and interfered with GRAND ADMIRAL, relegating CAPO to third placing.

Race 9 | **Auckland Co-op Taxis Ellerslie Apprentice of the Year 1400**

RUNNINGDOWNADREAM (L Cropp) began awkwardly and lost ground.
RUNNINGDOWNADREAM raced fiercely in the early and middle stages and hung out rounding the home turn.
NOBLE WARRIOR raced wide throughout.
A Protest was lodged by the trainer of the fourth placed horse COSABELLA, Mrs M Murdoch alleging interference by the second placed horse PRINCE OF WALES inside the final 200 metres. After considering all evidence presented the Judicial Committee upheld the objection with PRINCE OF WALES being relegated to fourth placing and final placings now being 3 CROWN OF THORNS 1st; 4 KHEMOSABI 2nd; 8 COSABELLA 3rd; 6 PRINCE OF WALES 4th. M Coleman admitted a breach of careless riding in that he allowed PRINCE OF WALES to shift in when not clear of COSABELLA (J Collett) who was checked near the 150 metres. The Judicial Committee suspended M Coleman's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday the 23rd June until the conclusion of racing on Monday 2nd July, 5 riding days.