STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Banks Peninsula Racing Club, Motukarara Racecourse Date: Monday 4th February 2013

Weather: Raining Track: Dead 4

Dead 6 after Race 1, Slow 7 after Race 2, Slow 8 after Race 3.

Rail: True

Stewards: M Zarb (Chairman), J McLaughlin, S Renault

Typist: M Harris

GENERAL:

After having rained prior to and during the running of the first race, the track was retrospectively downgraded to Dead 6. The track was downgraded to Slow 7 after Race 2 following continuous rain.

The track was further downgraded to Slow 8 after Race 3.

Race 6 - A request for a Ruling was lodged with the JCA under Rule 632 after the gate of **RAGGIO SPERANZA** was slow to open.

The JCA declared **RAGGIO SPERANZA** to be a non starter.

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SUMMARY:

Swabbing: MARIA PREDADI, KATRIFFIC, FALENA, RUTHLESS TYCOON, STORMPATROL, TE NAMU,

NATKINGCOLE.

Suspensions: Race Nil

Protests: Race Nil

Warnings: Race 6 T Moseley (NEGOCIANT) Rule 638(1)(d) Shifting ground.

Race 6 L Callaway (TE NAMU) Rule 638(1)(d) Shifting ground.

Bleeders: Race Nil

Horse Actions: Race 2 MAINLAND HERO – To trial prior to racing next.

Medical Certificates:

Rider Changes: Race Nil

Late Scratchings: Race 3 14 SERAPHIM FALLS – downgrade in track conditions.

Race 5 3 COURT DANCER – downgrade in track conditions.
Race 6 8 SANDY'S GIRL – downgrade in track conditions.
Race 7 4 ASHBURN LANE – downgrade in track conditions.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 JARED HAYSTON FARRIER LTD AND GLASSEY CONTRACTING TAI TAPU RATING 65 (1200m)

ALTHELEAVESRBROWNE lost ground after jumping awkwardly and bumping CRUISEONBY.

HALO BUSTER and TREVISO raced wide throughout.

When questioned regarding the poor performance of **RUSTACE** jockey P Taylor explained the filly never travelled throughout and proved disappointing when placed under pressure.

Race 2	PRIORITY PROJECTS LTD MAIDEN (1200m)

MAINLAND HERO (R Hannam) was slow to begin, trailing the field throughout and finished a distant last. R Hannam reported the gelding hung out and raced greenly throughout. Trainer R McKay was advised **MAINLAND HERO** will be required to trial prior to racing again. Mr McKay advised that the gelding will be spelled.

Rounding the first turn near the 800 metres **BELT UP** which was racing greenly and hanging out, checked across the heels of **KAIAUA KING** which was over-racing and taken inwards slightly by **LINCOLN SEA** which in turn was receiving crowding from **SLINKYS COMET** which shifted inwards despite the efforts of its rider. As it was the opinion of the Stewards that several horses contributed to this incident no action was taken. In this incident **BELT UP** and **LINCOLN SEA** both lost ground.

D Walsh rider of **BELT UP** advised his mount continued to race greenly for the remainder of the race.

KATRIFFIC, NICMAJAC and GUNNADOO lay out in the straight when placed under pressure.

Passing the 150 metres **PARADISE CITY** shifted outwards abruptly and momentarily became unbalanced. A post-race veterinary examination of the mare revealed blood in her mouth.

Race 3 PAUL.COSTIGAN@HARCOURTS.CO.NZ MAIDEN (2200m)

SERAPHIM FALLS was a late scratching due to the downgrade in track conditions.

RED BULLET was slow to begin.

Shortly after the start **ITWASME** commenced to hang out, becoming awkward on heels and losing ground and then raced wide from the 1000 metres.

OUR ZULU GIRL raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

I CANDY raced wide throughout.

Approaching the 350 metres **SEEKING REDEMPTION** was checked when attempting to improve into a narrow run between **STEEL BATTLE** (D Walsh) and **OUR ZULU GIRL** (S Wynne) both of which shifted ground and bumped heavily. Jockey D Walsh and apprentice S Wynne were advised to exercise more care.

When questioned regarding the poor performance of **COUP SUGGESTION** apprentice B Pitman explained that the gelding failed to handle today's slow track.

Race 4 RANGIORA EQUINE SERVICES RACING 75 (2000m)

BARBARA JENNIE jumped awkwardly, shifted in and bumped PINAZ.

KOHI ROAD raced wide throughout and **PINAZ** and **TIDAL WAVE** raced wide from the 500 metres with all three runners shifting wider in the straight in an endeavour to find firmer going.

When questioned into the disappointing performance of **EDENBRAE** apprentice A Frye explained in her opinion she felt the mare handled today's soft track but did not back up from racing on Saturday the 2nd of February.

Race 5 RAY WHITE CASHMERE RATING 85 (1400m)

COURT DANCER was a late scratching due to the downgrade in track conditions.

GROOVER and **GEORGIES GIRL** bumped on jumping.

Race 6 CARGOKING.CO.NZ MAIDEN (1400m)

SANDY'S GIRL was a late scratching due to the downgrade in track conditions.

RAGGIO SPERANZA was slow to begin.

Shortly after the start **NEGOCIANT** and **TROOPER** were crowded for room between **PANCHO** and **GREY TOM** both of which jumped awkwardly and shifted ground. **TROOPER** lost ground in this incident.

Approaching the 700 metres **WEST HOLLYWOOD**, which was weakening and not handling the soft track, was checked and lost considerable ground when crowded between **TE NAMU** (L Callaway) and **NEGOCIANT** (T Moseley) both of which shifted ground. In this incident no direct action was taken against jockey Callaway or Moseley however they were both issued with a warning.

TROOPER raced greenly in the straight and proved difficult to ride.

Immediately after the running of the race the enquiry siren was sounded. On viewing the films Stewards who were of the opinion that **RAGGIO SPERANZA**'s barrier was slow to open and requested a ruling from the JCA that the mare be declared a non starter under Rule 632. After hearing and viewing all the evidence available the JCA declared **RAGGIO SPERANZA** to be a non starter.

Race 7 FAMOUS GROUSE HOTEL LINCOLN RATING 75 (1200m)

ASHBURN LANE was a late scratching due to the downgrade in track conditions.

REMEMBRANCE jumped very awkwardly resulting in its rider becoming momentarily unbalanced.

On jumping MISS EL BEE DEE was crowded between BOWLING BOY and NATKINGCOLE which jumped awkwardly and shifted out.

GOOD EXCUSE shifted ground in the straight when placed under pressure.

MOIRAI raced wide throughout.