STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Waikato Racing Club Date: Saturday 9 February 2013

Weather: Fine

Track: Dead(4), upgraded to Good(3) after Race 3

Rail: 4 Metres

Stewards: J Oatham (Chairman), A Coles, M Williamson, W Robinson

Typist: P Scott

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: CELTIC STAR, KIJANI, A'LAROSE, LOVETOHAVEIT, FIX, SORIANO, ANNA MARIA, SANGSTER,

DOLMABACHE, ASAVANT, VELDT, FINAL TOUCH, XANADU, ZURELLA, SCHOONER BAY

All runners in races 4 and 7 were pre-race blood tested

Suspensions: Race 3 S Spratt ARGENTE

Careless riding 1100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 14-23/2 inclusive (6 days)

Race 7 K Myers BETTER TOGETHER

Careless riding 1200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 12-20/2 inclusive (5 days)

Protests: Nil

Fines: Nil

Warnings: Race 7 T Thornton ASAVANT

Shifting ground after start [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Race 2 BRAVADO – barrier trial prior to racing next

Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Race 2 BRAVADO at 1.16 pm at start on vet advice

Race 4 JULIANN at 12.24 pm on vet advice

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 VALACHI DOWNS PREMIER

MARMI (R Myers) which was fractious in the barriers began awkwardly losing ground.

Near the 1200 metres **SHEEZ ALL HEART** (K Myers) which was over-racing became awkwardly placed on the heels of **SAVABELLA ROSE** (M Coleman) having to be steadied. **SHEEZ ALL HEART** continued to over-race through the middle stages.

USAINITY (M Cameron) was held up near the 100 metres and was unable to obtain clear running until just short of the finish.

L Innes advised that his mount **BORRETT BOY** had been inclined to lay out throughout the race.

Race 2 HAMILTON VETERINARY SERVICES PREMIER

BRAVADO (T Thornton) which had become fractious in its barrier reared becoming cast before escaping over the back gate of the barriers. **BRAVADO** was late scratched at 1.16 pm on veterinary advice. Trainer C Wood was advised that **BRAVADO** must barrier trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward prior to racing next.

EXABELLE (M Cameron) was slow to begin.

MEAN SLEAK (C Lammas) and SHAN'S JOY (C Dell) both began awkwardly losing ground.

SHAN'S JOY was out-paced in the early stages becoming tailed off by several lengths. When questioned C Dell stated that the mare had been reluctant to hit out early in the race and he had been instructed not to bustle her in the early stages, but agreed with Stewards that he should have made more effort to maintain contact with the body of the field.

SEA MAJOR (V Colgan) became awkwardly placed on the heels of **SUMMER ROSE** (M Du Plessis) which was being steadied near the 900 metres. When being steadied **SEA MAJOR** got its head up and made contact with **CENTRE POINT** (S Spratt) which was crowded. Also inconvenienced was **SILVERDALE** (O Bosson) which went back on to **KIJANI** (R Hutchings).

Race 3

BROKERWEB INSURANCE BROKING PREMIER

READY TO RUMBLE (C Dell) was slow to begin.

S Spratt admitted a breach of careless riding in that near the 1100 metres she permitted her mount **ARGENTE** to shift in when not sufficiently clear causing crowding to **JIMMY HOFFA** (C Lammas), **DARTING** (M Du Plessis) and **SIR LANCELOT** (D Johnson) which were checked. Also hampered as a result were **ASTUTE AND AGILE** (L Innes), **READY TO RUMBLE** and **DEVOUR** (V Colgan). After hearing all submissions the Judicial Committee suspended S Spratt's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 13 February up to and including racing on Saturday 23 February 2013, 6 riding days.

READY TO RUMBLE lugged outwards throughout the race. **SIR LANCELOT** and **JIMMY HOFFA** both made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly.

Following the running of race three the track was upgraded to Good (3).

Race 4

NEW ZEALAND BLOODSTOCK PREMIER

EASTWARD (K Myers) knuckled leaving the barriers.

STAR OF TRALEE (L Innes) began awkwardly jumping in the air and then losing ground when making solid contact with **I'VE GOT FAITH** (T Thornton) which knuckled leaving the barriers and shifted out.

DILLINGER (D Johnson) began awkwardly and then was crowded by OUR ESSENCE (V Colgan) which shifted in.

HOT IN BLACK (M Cameron) began awkwardly.

COPS 'N' COYOTE got its head up when being steadied going into the first turn near the 1800 metres with rider M Du Plessis advising that the gelding had commenced to race ungenerously. **COPS 'N' COYOTE** was further inconvenienced when **OUR ESSENCE** shifted in. V Colgan was advised to exercise more care.

Entering the final straight near the 400 metres **STAR OF TRALEE** shifted outwards away from **LOVETOHAVEIT** (S Spratt) making contact with **OUR ESSENCE**. **TUFTANE** (C Grylls) which was following **OUR ESSENCE** and attempting to shift to the outside of that runner to obtain clear running was inconvenienced. **COPS 'N' COYOTE** lay in simultaneously as **TUFTANE** shifted out having to be steadied to avoid that runner's heels.

I'VE GOT FAITH was held up passing the 350 metres before improving into a tight run to the inside of the weakening **EASTWARD** near the 200 metres. **I'VE GOT FAITH** was again held up near the 50 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **DILLINGER** rider D Johnson advised that after racing on the speed at its first start over a middle distance under equal top weight the gelding had been quickly beaten once placed under pressure and may be better ridden with cover.

Race 5

CAMBRIDGE STUD SIR TRISTRAM FILLIES CLASSIC

LOVETESSA (L Allpress) and ABIDEWITHME (M Cameron) both began awkwardly.

MISS ENDERS (S Spratt) was slow to begin.

Near the 1900 metres **LOVETESSA** improved forward becoming awkwardly placed inside the heels of **JIMATO** (M Du Plessis). **LOVETESSA** then raced ungenerously for a distance when being restrained.

JIMATO raced wide without cover throughout.

KIDWELLY (M Coleman) was held up early in the final straight obtaining clear running passing the 300 metres.

SORIANO (O Bosson) was held up until near the 200 metres.

ABIDEWITHME (M Cameron) lay in under pressure in the final straight.

KIDWELLY shifted away from **FIX** (V Colgan) near the 200 metres inconveniencing **EMERALD QUEEN** (K Myers), **MORE THAN SACRED** (L Innes) and **LOVETESSA**.

FIX lay out under pressure in the final straight.

Race 6

HAWTHORN BUILDERS PREMIER

NINE PIN (L Innes), FASTNFREE (C Lammas) and YARDSTICK (R Myers) were slow to begin.

LONDON DREAM (C Johnson) raced wide without cover throughout.

C'EST MAGNIFIQUE (V Colgan) was held up over the final stages.

Race 7

DARCI BRAHMA INTERNATIONAL STAKES

DOLMABACHE (L Innes) began awkwardly and was further hampered when **PARNELL PRINCE** (N Harris) shifted out on jumping away.

SANGSTER (O Bosson) knuckled shortly after leaving the barriers.

REVOLT (S Dye) began awkwardly.

Shortly after the start **PERO** (H Tinsley) and **SHOOTOFF** (V Colgan) raced in restricted room between **CASSINI** (L Allpress) which shifted out slightly and **ASAVANT** (T Thornton). **ASAVANT** then shifted in further crowding **PERO** which was steadied. T Thornton was issued with a warning.

LADY KIPLING (M Cameron) raced wide without cover around the first bend.

A charge of careless riding against K Myers in that she permitted her mount **BETTER TOGETHER** to shift outwards when not sufficiently clear hampering **LADY KIPLING** which was forced out on to the hind quarters of **SANGSTER** near the 1200 metres was upheld. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended K Myers from the conclusion of racing on Monday 11 February until the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 20 February, 5 riding days.

ASAVANT was held up for a short distance near the 150 metres.

S Dye was questioned regarding his riding tactics aboard **REVOLT**, in particular where he had elected to move forward

quickly from the 1000 metres to lead near the 700 metres and continue to apply pressure pressure for the remainder of the race. S Dye explained that the tempo of the race had been muddling through the middle stages and he was of the opinion that it would have been detrimental to the chances of **REVOLT** if he remained at the rear of the field when the pace had slackened appreciably with the race then likely to develop into a sprint home. The explanation of S Dye was noted.

A post-race veterinary examination of **LADY KIPLING** which disappointed did not reveal any abnormalities other than a slow rate of recovery. Rider M Cameron was of the opinion that the mare may have been feeling the effects of recent racing.

Race 8 RAFFLES FARM PREMIER

VELDT (M Cameron) which began awkwardly was then crowded by FIORANO (C Dell) which shifted out.

DANCING CHIEF (R Norvall) began awkwardly.

DUKE OF YORK (L Innes) was slow to begin.

SUPREME LADY (L Allpress) made the bend awkwardly passing the 1800 metres shifting in slightly crowding **ROAMIN** (M Du Plessis).

SUPREME LADY raced three wide without cover until improving forward to sit outside the leader near the 1000 metres.

DANCING CHIEF lay in under pressure in the final straight.

Race 9 WAIKATO DRAUGHT SPRINT

GUISEPPINA (L Innes) was slow to begin.

XANADU (M Coleman) began awkwardly making contact with the hind quarters of FLEUR DE LUNE (J Jago).

ZURELLA (M Cameron) and **JETSET LAD** (R Myers) both began awkwardly.

Near the 1100 metres **DEMOPHON** (C Dell) was steadied when racing in restricted room to the inside of **FAZZLE** (H Tinsley).

FAZZLE which was over-racing had to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **BETTER THAN EVER** (O Bosson) and made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly.

ANTONIO LOMBARDO (V Colgan) got its head up and ran wide when being steadied off the heels of **TINTERN** (R Hutchings) also going into the bend near the 800 metres.

FINAL TOUCH (C Johnson) shifted out to obtain clear running near the 350 metres with **DEMOPHON** then shifting away from that runner crowding **GUISEPPINA** on to the hind quarters of **XANADU** which became unbalanced. **GUISEPPINA** was then disappointed for a run between **DEMOPHON** and **ZURELLA** which both shifted ground under pressure approaching the 100 metres. C Dell and M Cameron were both advised to exercise more care.

Race 10 CALEGASTRO PREMIER

KAHALA (S Spratt) shifted in leaving the barriers crowding **MONKEY ROCK** (M Coleman) on to **KILLA QUESTION** (K Myers). **ZONZA** (L Innes) began awkwardly.

ROMAN TOIA (A Calder) began awkwardly shifting out dictating **EIGHTLIVES** (M Du Plessis) into the line of **MANGAROA MINI** (M Cameron) which was hampered losing ground.

KAHALA over-raced in the early stages.

EIGHTLIVES made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly when being steadied making contact with the running rail.

ROMAN TOIA raced wide without cover throughout.

ZONZA had difficulty obtaining clear running until passing the 200 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **MANGAROA MINI** M Cameron advised stewards the he was of the opinion that the mare may have been feeling the effects of recent racing. **MANGAROA MINI** underwent a post-race veterinary examination which failed to find any obvious abnormalities. Trainer G Thomas undertook to report to stewards the progress of **MANGAROA MINI** in days subsequent.