STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Counties Racing Date: Wednesday 20 February 2013

Weather: Fine
Track: Good(2)
Rail: 4 Metres

Stewards: A Coles (Chairman), M Williamson, W Robinson, P Kinsey

Typist: P Scott

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: SERPENT, PIPEDREAMS, JEALOUS MUCH, VOGUE, BIGGIN HILL, BLANKET BAY

Suspensions: Race 6 B Grylls MEMORY

Failed to ride mount to finish [Rule 636(1)(c)] Suspended 24th February - 8th

March, 7 riding days.

Protests: Nil Fines: Nil

Warnings: Nil

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Race **5** ALSUKARI – Vet cert required prior to racing next

Medical Certificates: Nil
Rider Changes: Nil
Late Scratching: Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	TWOMEY CONSTRUCTION 1600
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OUR JESSE JANE (M Tanaka) began awkwardly losing ground, then commenced to race ungenerously in the early stages.

SERPENT (O Bosson) lost the off front plate during the running.

Race 2 COUNTIES GARDEN BAGS 1400

BRITANNIA (M Walker) and LADY HAWK (M Du Plessis) both began awkwardly.

THE LAST SHOWER (T Thornton) raced greenly when placed under pressure over the final 200 metres and shifted out abruptly approaching the winning post.

Race 3 SUNLINE LODGE 1400

FLYING SOUND (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly.

CALL ME BLONDIE (C Dell) and **JEALOUS MUCH** (C Grylls) came together leaving the barrier.

FLYING SOUND raced ungenerously in the early stages.

AMBITIOUS CHAMPION (M Cameron) shifted out approaching the 400 metres to obtain clear running inconveniencing **CALL ME BLONDIE**.

When questioned regarding the performance of **TOUCH AHEAD** V Colgan could offer no tangible explanation. **TOUCH AHEAD** underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

C Dell was questioned regarding the performance of the favourite **CALL ME BLONDIE** and felt that the mare may not have backed up from her last race 10 days prior and also advised that the mare had pulled up well, but was unable to offer any other tangible reason.

Race 4 TASMAN CARGO AIRLINES 1200

BRILLIANT MAID (D Johnson) was slow to begin.

MANACOR (A Calder) began a little awkwardly.

Shortly after the start **TEMPUS FUGIT** (B Grylls) had to be steadied when racing in restricted room to the inside of **PACIFIC CHOICE** (M Walker) which shifted in. M Walker was advised to exercise care when shifting ground.

Race 5 JIM DOWNER MEMORIAL 1200

KANSAS (C Grylls) was slow to begin then raced ungenerously in the early and middle stages.

ALSUKARI (S Collett) faltered passing the 600 metres and was retired from the race. ALSUKARI was attended to by

the Club's veterinarian and was found to have sustained an injury to its near hind quarter. Trainer M Lawlor is to be advised that the gelding will require a clear veterinary certificate prior to racing next.

KANSAS was briefly held up approaching the 100 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **HONG KONG PEARL** O Bosson advised Stewards that **HONG KONG PEARL** was feeling the effects of the firm nature of the track, and that the gelding would benefit from the removal of the blinkers which was confirmed by the trainers.

Race 6 PETER & JOAN RUSSELL MEMORIAL 1600

PAY ATTENTION (C Grylls) shifted out abruptly leaving the barrier.

SONOZA (M Walker) began awkwardly.

SONOZA was denied clear racing room passing the 400 metres when **PAPER LACE** (M Sweeney) shifted out slightly under pressure and **BELORUSSIYA** (M Cameron) shifted in slightly, **SONOZA** then clipped the heel of **PAPER LACE** when shifting in to obtain clear running with that runner becoming briefly unbalanced.

Apprentice jockey B Grylls admitted a breach of Rule 636(1)(c) in that she failed to ride her mount **MEMORY** out to the end of the race when there was a reasonable chance of finishing in a better position. After hearing all submissions the Judicial Committee suspended B Grylls licence to ride in races 24th February – 8th March, 7 riding Days.

MEMORY underwent post-race veterinary examination which failed to find any abnormalities.