

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	OTAKI –MAORI RACING CLUB	Date:	23 February 2013
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead 4 – upgraded to Good 3 after race 1		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	Messrs N Goodwin; M Zarb; G Whiterod and B Bateup		
Typist:	Pauline Penketh		

GENERAL:

SUPPLEMENTARY:

An enquiry was opened and adjourned into the behaviour of a starter's assistant when attempting to load a runner which was reluctant to load into the barrier prior to Race 1.
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SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	EVEREADY; MELS EVIE; MENDOZA; ENZEDDA; HEAPZACASH; DELICIANO; NASHVILLE; VEYRON; BETTER THAN EVER; SWORNTOPERFECTION
Suspensions:	Race 5 D Walsh – suspended from conclusion on 2 March 2013 up to and including 7 March 2013 638(1)(d) 4 days
Protests:	Race
Fines:	Race
Warnings:	Race 5 K Myers – shifting ground when not clear
Bleeders:	Race
Horse Actions:	Race 1 LAST TO DANCE – vet clearance received 1 ALLEYOOP – must trial before next starting
Medical Certificates:	
Rider Changes:	Race
Late Scratchings:	Race 1 ALLEYOOP at 12.55pm – refused to load into barrier

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	94.3FM THE SOUND OF KAPITI MAIDEN
<p>ALLEYOOP was a late scratching at 12.55pm by order of the Stewards after refusing to load into the barrier. Trainer J Bridge was advised that the filly must trial to the satisfaction of Stewards before next racing.</p> <p>MASTERSTROKE raced keenly in the early stages.</p> <p>Near the 900 metres EDGE OF GLORY steadied when racing in restricted room to the inside of KISSES which was taken in slightly by EVEREADY</p> <p>AUNTY MUTAWAI raced keenly in the early stages and then raced wide throughout without cover.</p> <p>SARAH JANE and STAR EMERALD raced wide rounding the home turn.</p> <p>KISSES was inclined to hang out in the final straight.</p> <p>When questioned into the run of STAR EMERALD which finished well back, K Myers was of the opinion the mare would be better suited to any easing in track conditions.</p> <p>A post race veterinary inspection of AUNTY MUTAWAI revealed signs of distress and of muscle soreness</p>	
Race 2	THE TUI BREWERY. . . LEADING ALL THE WAY SINCE 1889 HANDICAP
<p>SHARMACK jumped outwards abruptly at the start dictating WEE JEAN onto VANILLA which settled back.</p> <p>LA VIE ONZE over-raced in the early and middle stages.</p>	

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SHARMACK had to be restrained near the 800 metres when racing keenly.

When questioned into his ride on **SHARMACK** rider H Tinsley explained that his instruction was to take a trail if possible. He advised that in his opinion there were several pace runners in the race and although his mount raced keenly he was able to obtain cover. However when a run was presented near the 350m, the gelding was initially unable to sprint when required and subsequently raced in restricted room for some distance after **MELS EVIE** shifted in marginally near the 200m. H Tinsley added that passing the 100m he elected to shift outward to improve but over the final stages had to steady and stop riding when **MELS EVIE** shifted out when under pressure.

Race 3	EL CHEAPO CARS MAIDEN
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MENDOZA jumped awkwardly and lost ground.

PICCADILLY was a little slow to begin and was steadied shortly after the start to avoid the heels of **I'M SAM** which shifted out slightly.

LUCY LINCOLN and **GOLDEN DUO** raced keenly in the early stages.

MISS CLAWDY raced wide without cover for the majority of the event.

Near the 500 metres **I'M SAM** shifted outwards to improve.

Passing the 300 metres **LUCY LINCOLN** had difficulty obtaining completely clear running and was obliged to shift inwards to continue to improve.

COLD HEARTED (L Allpress) hung out throughout and proved difficult to ride in the straight. When questioned, L Allpress was of the opinion the gelding may be better suited to any easing of the ground.

A post-race veterinary examination of **SKUPINA** failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Race 4	MLLS REEF WINERY HANDICAP
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MINNALEO raced wide for the majority of the race.

In the early part of the straight **CELEBRATION** when attempting to shift out to improve bumped on several occasions with **CRIXUS**.

R MYERS reported that in her opinion **MINNALEO** was unsuited to today's track conditions.

Race 5	CAVALLO AGISTMENT HANDICAP
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Approaching the 1400 metres, **JILTED**, **LONDON DREAM** and **PREPARED** were crowded for room when racing tight to the inside of **WHATA DELIGHT** (K Myers) which shifted inwards when not sufficiently clear. **K Myers** was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d).

Approaching the 1200 metres **LONDON DREAM** had to be steadied when attempting to improve where there was insufficient room between **JILTED** and **WHATA DELIGHT**.

D Walsh the rider of **MISS ANA** was advised to exercise care after shifting inwards approaching the 1200 metres hampering **WHATA DELIGHT** for a short distance.

D Walsh admitted a charge of careless riding under Rule 638 (i) (d) after he allowed **MISS ANA** to shift inwards near the 300 metres tightening **PREPARED** and **JILTED**. The JCA Committee imposed a suspension of his license from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 2 March 2013 up to and including Thursday 7 March 2013.

A post-race veterinary examination of **PREPARED** revealed no abnormalities.

Race 6	THE DOMINION POST ST LEGER TRIAL
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TIBERIUS and **JABEZ** bumped heavily when the start was made.

JOE COOL jumped awkwardly and lost ground.

Approaching the 1200 metres **MAJOR LINCOLN** and **JOE COOL** commenced to over-race and had to be steadied off the heels of the runner in front.

JABEZ raced wide from the 1000 metres.

Near the 350 metres B Lammas (**ST MORITZ**) accidentally dropped his whip.

When questioned into the disappointing run of **O'CEIRINS SECRET**, **R Myers** was of the opinion the gelding was feeling the firm track. A post-race veterinary inspection revealed a slower than normal recovery with a slightly elevated heart rate.

The gelding had also lost some skin off the near hind leg and was showing signs of slight soreness. Trainer S Cookson reported that **O'CEIRINS SECRET** would be subjected to a full veterinary inspection in the coming days with a report forwarded to Stewards.

Race 7	HAUNUI FARM GROUP ONE WFA CLASSIC – Group I
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BETTER THAN EVER began awkwardly.

When questioned into the run of **OCEAN PARK** rider **L Allpress** advised the gelding did not hit out to her expectations during the race and when placed under pressure from near the 800 metres failed to respond and was disappointing.

Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection of **OCEAN PARK** which failed to reveal any abnormalities. The gelding

was treated post-race for a superficial wound to the offside hind leg after being kicked by an opponent on returning to the enclosure.

When questioned into the performance of **FINAL TOUCH**, **C Johnson** said the mare raced a little keenly in the early and middle stages but when placed under pressure did not respond as he expected.

VEYRON returned to the enclosure minus the near hind plate.

Race 8

OTAKI HUNTING & FISHING / GARDNER BUILDING HANDICAP

THE MAILMAN began awkwardly.

Approaching the crossing near the 1400 metres **THE AFTERSHOCK** shifted in abruptly despite the rider's efforts to keep it straight, tightening **BELLA VI** and **GENERAL LINCOLN**. **THE AFTERSOCK** continued to race erratically along the back straight.

STOPOVER raced three-wide without cover throughout.

LUCY SPUR and **THE MAILMAN** raced wide throughout.

When being angled outwards near the 150 metres **SWORNTOPERFECTION** bumped **BELLA VI**.

When questioned into the run of **POLLY FLINDERS** which travelled well early and then dropped away, B Lammas said the mare may prefer any easing of the ground.