# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



## **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Counties Racing Club Date: Monday, 10 December 2012

Weather: Fine

Track: Dead (5), Dead (4) following Race 3

Rail: True

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

**Typist:** P Scott

# **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: TAKEOVER, SIGARSA, ETOILE FILANTE, KHISDAR, OTTO THE GREAT, RAVELLO, KAAP'S PRINCESS

Suspensions: Nil
Protests: Nil
Fines: Nil
Warnings: Nil
Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Race 2 CHATTER CAT – vet clearance required prior to racing next

**3** OUR JOHANNAR – warning barrier manners

6 LUCKY ORPHAN – must barrier trial right-handed prior to racing right handed.

7 KAAP'S PRINCESS – warning barrier manners

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

# **RACE COMMENTS:**

## Race 1 THE SURVEYING COMPANY 1400

**DUKEOFSANDHURST** (M Sweeney) was slow to begin.

**ALBERTON PRINCE** (S Spratt) and **TAKEOVER** (D Johnson) both over-raced when being restrained in the early stages. **KEEPA LADY** (S Collett) had to steady near the 900 metres when becoming awkwardly placed.

Passing the 900 metres **DUKEOFSANDHURST** made the corner awkwardly hampering **MOLTO GRATO** which then had to be restrained off that runner's heels.

THE CAPTAIN (M Wenn) raced wide without cover throughout.

**MOLTO GRATO** was held up when awkwardly placed on heels passing the 200 metres.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **ALBERTON PRINCE** S Spratt advised that the gelding had travelled comfortably in the early and middle stages, but when placed under pressure passing the 400 metres had failed to respond as anticipated.

#### Race 2 NZ MOTORSPORT PARK 1200

**DANCING ON TABLES** (M Coleman) and **HERMIONE** (M Du Plessis) came together leaving the barriers.

**VELOCITY** (S Spratt) knuckled when jumping away shifting in making contact with **CHATTER CAT** (T Thornton).

ALSUKARI (S Collett) and TAMA AKARANA (M Wenn) were both slow to begin.

DANZA LASS (P Turner) raced ungenerously when making the bend near the 900 metres, running wide.

**ALSUKARI** hung out in the early stages and when making the bend near the 900 metres ran wide. **ALSUKARI** then raced without cover for the remainder of the race.

**BRAHMA QUEEN** (D Johnson) lay in when placed under pressure early in the final straight, shifting away from **SIGARSA** passing the 400 metres.

**ALSUKARI** lay in when placed under pressure in the final straight.

When questioned regarding the performance of **CHATTER CAT** T Thornton advised Stewards that **CHATTER CAT** had felt indifferent in its action. **CHATTER CAT** underwent a post-race veterinary examination which found the gelding to have sustained an injury to the near foreleg. Trainer D Logan was advised that **CHATTER CAT** would require a veterinary clearance prior to racing next.

**ALSUKARI** returned to the enclosure with blood present in the nasal area. After undergoing a veterinary examination the gelding was found to have a minor laceration in the nostril.

#### Race 3 HOLLAND AMERICA LINE 1200

**OUR JOHANNAR** (T Thornton) was reluctant to come forward to the barrier with trainer D Jeffcoat being advised that a warning would be placed against the mare's barrier manners.

**LUHSING** (O Bosson) was slow to begin and then clipped a heel of **MOONSHINE HILL** (S Spratt) which shifted in abruptly with **LUHSING** blundering and losing ground.

**REACHFORTHESTARS** (M Coleman) began awkwardly.

Shortly after the start **REACHFORTHESTARS** became awkwardly placed on the heels of **SOLSTAR** (P Turner) having to steady.

RAP N TAP (M Sweeney) raced wide without cover.

Passing the 400 metres **REACHFORTHESTARS** shifted out to obtain clear running inconveniencing **SOLSTAR**.

ROSE TATTOO (V Colgan) was inconvenienced passing the 100 metres by ETOILE FILANTE (D Johnson) which shifted out.

**LUHSING** was held up over the concluding stages when awkwardly placed on the heels of **ROSE TATTOO** which lay in.

## Race 4 R J MCKENZIE FENCING LTD 1200

**THEBESTOFYOU** (M Du Plessis) and **MISS MARBELLA** (M Hills) both began awkwardly, crowding **WINESINWITSOUT** (M Sweeney) which lost ground.

After the start MISS MARBELLA had to be steadied off the heels of HEAD HONCHO (P Turner) which was awkwardly placed on the heels of ITSALLME (V Colgan) which shifted in. V Colgan was advised to exercise greater care.

**SUMOTORI** (S Shirahama) was slow to begin.

**BLANKET BAY** (S Spratt) made the bend awkwardly passing the 900 metres.

**POGUE** (J Whiteside) was obliged to race wide without cover throughout.

**BLANKET BAY** was held up over the concluding stages when awkwardly placed inside the heels of **THEBESTOFYOU** which shifted in slightly.

When questioned regarding the performance of **BLANKET BAY** S Spratt advised Stewards that the filly had travelled well in the early and middle stages, but had not responded as anticipated when placed under pressure passing the 400 metres, further advising that **BLANKET BAY** may now be better suited to more distance. **BLANKET BAY** underwent a post-race veterinary examination which could find no obvious abnormalities.

#### Race 5 APPLIED CONVEYOR 1400

**HANAMICHI** (R Hutchings) shifted out abruptly leaving the barriers losing ground.

ANYX (S Shirahama) shifted out leaving the barriers hampering THE PAPERBOY (B Hutton).

**FATS** (M Hills) was crowded shortly after the start by **THE GRINNER** (S Spratt) which was dictated out by **OTTO THE GREAT** (O Bosson).

**BACHELOR ZEEL** (M Coleman) began awkwardly.

NANCHO'S HOPE (T Thornton) was slow to begin.

Approaching the 1200 metres **THE GRINNER** was crowded to the inside of **RAJAH BROOK** (A Calder) which was taken in slightly by **ANYX** who was racing ungenerously. **ANYX** continued to race ungenerously through the middle stages. **RAJAH BROOK** raced keenly in the middle stages.

Approaching the 900 metres **BACHELOR ZEEL** commenced to over-race when becoming awkwardly placed.

# Race 6 THE COUNTIES FUNCTION CENTRE 1400

**FLOWER POWER** (T Thornton) began awkwardly losing ground.

MOVIDA (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly shifting in making contact with the hind quarters of RAVELLO (O Bosson).

**LUCKY ORPHAN** (V Colgan) commenced to race ungenerously soon after leaving the barriers, shifting in passing the 1200 metres and crowding **RAVELLO** which lost ground. **LUCKY ORPHAN** then made the bend awkwardly passing the 900 metres shifting out forcing **CARDON BOY** (R Norvall) wider on the track. **LUCKY ORPHAN** continued to hang out for the remainder of the race running wide. V Colgan was placed at a disadvantage with **LUCKY ORPHAN** not being persevered with in the final straight. The connections of **LUCKY ORPHAN** were advised that the gelding would be required to barrier trial right-handed to the satisfaction of Stewards before racing right-handed again.

**BEL AMI** (S Shirahama) was held up early in the final straight.

**RAVELLO** shifted out abruptly passing the 400 metres when placed under pressure despite the efforts of its rider. **RAVELLO** continued to lay out under pressure for the remainder of the race.

## Race 7 MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM COUNTIES RACING CLUB 1600

**REVES EN ROUGES** (J Whiteside) underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after making contact with the Armco in the enclosure and was cleared fit.

KAAP'S PRINCESS (S Collett) was slow to begin. Connections were advised that a barrier warning would be placed

against the filly.

**REVES EN ROUGES** was slow to begin.

RIO TONTO (C Dell) and PERMESSO (A Calder) both began awkwardly losing ground.

KAKAHU NELL (M Coleman) began awkwardly.

Passing the 1400 metres **TIMELY MAGIC** (M Du Plessis) became awkwardly placed on the heels of **COSMIC DUST** (M Sweeney) which shifted in when racing ungenerously. **PERMESSO** was hampered as a result and then commenced to over-race.

I'VE GOT FAITH (S Spratt) raced wide without cover throughout.

**SAMPHIRE** (R Hutchings) was held up passing the 400 metres, shifting to a marginal run to the inside of **REVES EN ROUGES** with **REVES EN ROUGES** shifting away from that runner passing the 200 metres making contact with **TIMELY MAGIC**.

KAAP'S PRINCESS shifted out passing the 300 metres to obtain clear running.

PERMESSO shifted out under pressure passing the 300 metres inconveniencing OUR ESSENCE (V Colgan).

KAKAHU NELL lay in over the concluding stages making contact with OUR ESSENCE.

Following the race **COSMIC DUST** underwent veterinary attention after suffering a laceration to the near foreleg.