

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Thames Jockey Club	Date:	Wednesday, 27 November 2013
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Good (2)		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	M J Williamson (Chairman), J P Oatham, A Coles, W Robinson		
Typist:	R Oatham		

GENERAL:

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SUPPLEMENTARY:

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SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	ELUSIVE UNICORN, JERSEY GIRL, RINGO STARR, DRAGONKEEPER, CATCH ON, XALTED, DREAMCOAT		
Suspensions:	Race	1	K Joyce DAN THE MAN Careless riding 75 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 29 November – 4 December inclusive, 4 days
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race	1	M Cameron OVERNIGHTSENSATION Shifting ground final straight [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratching:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	SRE ELECTRICAL 1000
<p>ELUSIVE UNICORN (M Du Plessis) proved problematic in the preliminary, with Stewards giving permission for the stable representative to remove the tongue tie.</p> <p>ELUSIVE UNICORN began awkwardly, losing ground.</p> <p>COUNTRY VIEW (D Johnson) was slow away.</p> <p>DAN THE MAN (K Joyce) was obliged to race three wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>OVERNIGHTSENSATION (M Cameron) shifted out under pressure over the final 100 metres, dictating CODE DUELLO (R Hutchings) wider on the track. Rider M Cameron was reprimanded by Stewards and advised that a warning would be placed on his record.</p> <p>DAN THE MAN was inclined to shift out under pressure in the final straight, and passing the 75 metres shifted in to the line of BECKINSALE (C Dell) which was checked, losing ground. Apprentice rider K Joyce admitted a resultant breach of careless riding, with the Judicial Committee suspending her license to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Thursday 28 November, until the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 4th December, four riding days. Apprentice jockey K Joyce was questioned regarding her riding tactics adopted aboard DAN THE MAN, in particular why she had not elected to restrain DAN THE MAN passing the 800 metres to take a trial behind NOTHINLYKHIM (T Thornton). K Joyce, in the presence of her employer S McKee, agreed with Stewards that she had erred in her judgement in not having been more decisive early in the race.</p>	

Race 2	PAK 'N' SAVE THAMES 1000
<p>REDENZA (M Cameron) jumped away awkwardly, losing ground (2L). STAGE DOOR (R Hutchings) was slow away. BORN HAPPY (M Du Plessis) shifted out approaching the 600 metres to obtain clear running, forcing IONA ABBEY (A Collett) wider on the track. SPY IN THE HUDDLE (L Callaway) had to be steadied passing the 600 metres when improving onto heels.</p>	
Race 3	DUNSTAN SWEET MIX 1700
<p>MY MESTARI (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly, shifting out and making contact with GRACE O'MALLEY (M Wenn), which lost ground. MALCOLM (D Hain) was slow away. ASADAUSKAITE (M Sweeney) became awkwardly placed on heels passing the 250 metres and then shifted in to obtain clear running. ASADAUSKAITE ducked out passing the 100 metres, becoming awkwardly placed on heels. When questioned regarding the performance of GRACE O'MALLEY, rider M Wenn explained that after being crowded leaving the barrier GRACE O'MALLEY had settled further back than intended, further advising that when shifting out passing the 600 metres to obtain clear running the mare had not responded as anticipated. M Wenn was of the opinion the turning nature of the track had not been to the mares liking. Rider R Hutchings was questioned after noticeably relaxing his ride short of the finish. Apprentice jockey R Hutchings advised that CRIMSON PRINCE had felt to shorten up in its action behind over the concluding stages.</p>	
Race 4	GOLDRIDGE MARINE FARMS 1700
<p>GIRLS DON'T CRY (S Collett) raced wide in the early stages, before improving forward passing the 1000 metres to sit outside the leader. SING HANG STAR (M McNab) raced wide without cover for the majority of the race. Approaching the 800 metres, GIRLS DON'T CRY commenced to give ground with VIKING CHIEF becoming awkwardly placed on that runners heels. Approaching the 600 metres, GIRLS DON'T CRY then shifted out abruptly hampering JAGERSFONTEIN (T Thornton) with ALL IN BLUFF (L Innes) then becoming awkwardly placed on GIRLS DON'T CRY's heels, having to steady for a distance. THATS HOW WE ROLL (M Cameron) was held up for a distance approaching the 400 metres. Passing the 400 metres, ALPHABET STREET (R Hutchings) made the crossing awkwardly. ALPHABET STREET ducked out abruptly passing the 100 metres. GIRLS DON'T CRY, which was eased down over the final 400 metres, underwent a subsequent veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Rider S Collett reported that the tongue tie had broken during the race with Trainer Mr S Fache advising he would not be persevering with the mare as a racing proposition. When questioned regarding the improved performance of DRAGONKEEPER, Trainer N Bishara advised the mare had appreciated the step up in distance of today's race. N Bishara further advised DRAGONKEEPER had been working well leading into today's race, and although confident of an improved showing, the winning performance was somewhat of a surprise.</p>	
Race 5	HARCOURTS THAMES/PAEROA 2000
<p>COCKABULLY (T Thornton) shifted out abruptly when jumping away, hampering ALEZAN (R Hutchings), with both runners then further hampered by CATCH ON (S Spratt) which shifted out shortly after jumping away. COCKABULLY commenced to race keenly when being restrained leaving the straight on the first occasion, running wide rounding the first turn. SIR AL SYD (L Callaway) had to steady when awkwardly placed on heels passing the 1300 metres. ALEZAN was held up for a distance between the 400 and the 200 metres. CATCH ON lay in passing the 200 metres, making contact with EGG (D Hain). EGG then lay out under pressure over the final 150 metres, making contact with CATCH ON on several occasions. When questioned regarding the performance of RIVA BALLERINA, rider M Du Plessis advised that the mare had travelled comfortably in the lead, but had failed to respond when placed under pressure. In his opinion, RIVA BALLERINA may have been feeling the effects of recent racing with Trainer Mr G Merkulov advising that it was now his intention to spell RIVA BALLERINA.</p>	
Race 6	GOLDRIDGE MARINE FARMS 2000
<p>CHEVREMONT (M Du Plessis) was held up for clear running until passing the 150 metres, and when shifting out made slight contact with DENMARK (S Spratt). M Sweeney, the rider of IKE EISENHOWER which performed poorly, advised that the gelding had raced flat and made</p>	

some irregular breathing noises. Trainer Mr G Merkulov advised it was now his intention to spell **IKE EISENHOWER**.

Race 7

WARREN KIDD MEMORIAL 1000

Trainer Mr G Rogerson advised that it was their intention to ride **SWEET SUITOR** (R Hutchings) back today. **SWEET SUITOR** was ridden accordingly.

After becoming fractious in the starting stalls, **CASSIE MAY** (M Coleman) jumped in leaving the barrier, making contact with **GATEWAY** (S Spratt).

CASSIE MAY was held up for clear racing room approaching the 100 metres, then racing in restricted room for a short distance.

EVEREADY (T Thornton) shifted out under pressure, inconveniencing **A'LA ROSE** (A Collett) passing the 100 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **A'LA ROSE**, apprentice rider A Collett was of the opinion that the filly would appreciate some easing of the ground.