

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Counties Racing	Date:	Saturday 23 November 2013
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Good(3)		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), N McIntyre, A Coles, M Williamson, P Kinsey		
Typist:	M Gemmell		

GENERAL:

Trainers M Moroney and C Ormsby were fined \$50 for the late declaration of riders for today's meeting.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:		LIBERARE, QUEENS ROSE, JACKOFALL, WAY IN, SACRED STAR, NEO, FINAL TOUCH, POSTMANS DAUGHTER, MORE THAN SACRED, ANNIE HIGGINS, NOBLE WARRIOR, WATERFORD, CIVICS ROCK, GOLDEN DOWNS
Suspensions:	Race 6	C Johnson FINAL TOUCH Careless riding 1200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)], Suspended 7–16/12 inclusive, 6 days
Protests:		Nil
Fines:		M Moroney & C Ormsby \$50 – late declaration of riders [Rule 537(a)]
Warnings:	Race 6	R Hutchings MISS PELEAR Shifting ground 1100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
	Race 8	R Smyth RAFA Excessive use of whip prior to 200 metres [Rule 638(3)(b)]
Bleeders:		Nil
Horse Actions:	Race 2	PUSSY WILLOW , Vet cert of fitness to be provided prior to racing next
	Race 3	XQUISIT , euthanased
	Race 8	THUNDERBIRD ONE , required to barrier trial satisfactorily prior to racing next
Medical Certificates:		Nil
Rider Changes:		Nil
Late Scratchings:	Race 8	THE FLYING AFFAIR , 1.26pm on vet advice THUNDERBIRD ONE , 4.48pm refused to load

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	Campbell Tyson 1600
<p>REBISHA (R Hutchings) was crowded on jumping between MAYGROVE (O Bosson) and BACH (M Wenn) both of which had begun awkwardly and shifted ground.</p> <p>PINK DIAMOND (M Du Plessis) and SIR AL SYD (L Callaway) were slow to begin.</p> <p>DJANGO (A Collett) commenced to over-race when being restrained off the heels of STAND YOUR GROUND (M Coleman) near the 1100 metres and shifted out across that runner's heels shortly after hampering CURTAIN CALL (S Spratt) and BACH.</p> <p>CURTAIN CALL, MAYGROVE, HARDCORE ROCK (M Cameron), LIBERARE (M Dee), CHOCOLAT (M Sweeney) and PINK DIAMOND all over-raced in the middle stages on a moderate pace.</p> <p>STAND YOUR GROUND hung out near the 600 metres.</p> <p>LIBERARE was held up near the 300 metres having to be checked when awkwardly placed on the heels of MAYGROVE. LIBERARE then shifted out across the heels of MAYGROVE to obtain clear running approaching the 200 metres.</p> <p>CHOCOLAT had to be firmly restrained off the heels of ITSFORFREE (R Smyth) near the 250 metres.</p> <p>BACH lay in when weakening hampering SIR AL SYD near the 50 metres.</p> <p>Rider A Collett reported that her mount DJANGO had hung throughout and felt indifferent in its action on pulling up. A post-race veterinary examination of DJANGO did not reveal any abnormalities.</p>	
Race 2	Chep Pallecon Solutions 1400

TAAXMAN (BR Jones) shifted in abruptly when leaving the barriers crowding **SOPHIA'S DREAM** (M Du Plessis), **CARLOTTA** (T Wenn), **PUSSY WILLOW** (M Cameron) and **QUEST** (B Grylls) with all of those runners losing considerable ground.

PINZAARA (S Spratt) knuckled when leaving the barriers and then shifted out making contact with **BIGGIN HILL** (C Grylls) which had begun awkwardly.

TAAXMAN raced three wide without cover.

TAAXMAN had a tendency to lay in approaching the 450 metres becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **BEYOND DESIRE** (D Johnson).

PUSSY WILLOW went off stride near the 400 metres and lost its action behind with rider M Cameron then attempting to pull the mare up. A post-race veterinary examination found the mare to be lame in the right hind leg. **PUSSY WILLOW** is to undergo a full veterinary examination on return to its stable with a veterinary certificate of fitness to be provided prior to racing next.

BETTER KEEPER (R Hutchings) was held up approaching the 200 metres having to be steadied off the heels of **BIGGIN HILL**.

L Innes (LIVING THE DREAM) which finished in 6th placing was reprimanded and advised that he must ride his mounts out to the finish when in similar circumstances in future.

TAAXMAN lost the right hind plate during the running.

Race 3	Murdoch Newell Stakes
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BORNTOACHIEVE (L Innes) shifted inwards abruptly when leaving the barriers badly hampering **REACHIN' OUT** (M Coleman) which lost ground (3L). Also hampered were **LAUTNER** (T Thornton) and to a lesser degree **TEREZA MARIA** (S Collett). **LAUTNER** was further hampered shortly after the start having to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **TEREZA MARIA**.

DOURO (C Grylls) was slow away.

Going into the first turn passing the 1000 metres **TEREZA MARIA** raced in restricted room when being steadied to the inside of **BORNTOACHIEVE** which was taken in slightly by **ARTIC WOLF** (A Collett). A Collett was advised to exercise care.

XQUISIT (M Du Plessis) went off stride passing the 800 metres and was immediately pulled up by its rider. **XQUISIT** was found to have fractured the pastern in the left fore leg necessitating the filly being humanely euthanased.

DRAGON LAIR (O Bosson), **WAY IN** (S Spratt) and **LAUTNER** were hampered by **XQUISIT** near the 700 metres.

JACKOFALL (J Riddell) lay out under pressure in the final straight inconveniencing **FLAMING** (M Cameron) near the 250 metres. **JACKOFALL** continued to shift out over the concluding stages inconveniencing **WAY IN** and **LAUTNER** just short of the finish. Prior to the authorisation of dividends the connections of **WAY IN** viewed Stewards' video footage before electing not to proceed with a protest.

ARTIC WOLF shifted out under pressure near the 200 metres into the line of **DRAGON LAIR** which was steadied to avoid that runner's heels. A Collett was advised to exercise more care.

Race 4	
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MATO GROSSO (C Johnson) blundered leaving the barriers.

SHARAKTI (J Adams) began awkwardly.

MISS HERB (M Sweeney) was slow to begin.

SACRED STAR (L Innes) shifted in shortly after the start crowding **CLASSCOROC** (M Dee) which had to be steadied.

URBAN ANGEL (M Cameron) raced ungenerously when being restrained in the early stages.

POPEYE BRAGGINS (J Nason) clipped a heel of **MATO GROSSO** approaching the 1200 metres and blundered. Hampered as a result was **MISS HERB**.

COACHLINE (A Collett) raced three wide without cover for the majority of the race.

When questioned regarding the performance of **THE MIG** Rider T Thornton advised that she had some concerns regarding the gelding's action and felt something may have been amiss. A post-race veterinary inspection including endoscopic examination found the gelding to be suffering from a mild respiratory infection.

POPEYE BRAGGINS lost the right front plate during the running.

Race 5	Franklin Long Roofing Ltd 1600
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ZANKURO (M Du Plessis) was slow to begin.

KING ZEUS (M Cameron) began awkwardly and was further hampered by **OLD DRUMBLE** (R Hutchings) which shifted inwards when leaving the barriers.

DANZA LAD (B Grylls) raced wide without cover.

ZANKURO was held up passing the 250 metres when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **MADE MY POINT** (C Grylls).

FORTUNE KNIGHT (K Leung) was held up near the 200 metres when attempting a marginal run to the inside of **MADE MY POINT** which did not eventuate when **MADE MY POINT** shifted in slightly away from **NEO** (O Bosson).

MONEYTREE (D Johnson) was briefly held up near the 100 metres.

OLD DRUMBLE lost the right hind plate during the running.

Race 6	NRM / Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes
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LADY KIPLING (O Bosson) began awkwardly and shifted in crowding **NEEDLLY** (C Grylls).

ATOZED (T Thornton) shifted away from **DIADEME** (M Cameron) leaving the barriers making contact with **NEENA ROCK** (L

Innes).

DAME MARGOT (J Parkes) and **PRINCESS KYOTO** (R Norvall) were both a little slow to begin.

C Johnson admitted a breach of careless riding in that he permitted his mount **FINAL TOUCH** to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of **MELODY CELEBRE** (A Collett) which was checked near the 1200 metres. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended C Johnson's license to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Friday 6 December 2013 until the conclusion of racing on Monday 16 December 2013, 6 riding days.

Passing the 1100 metres **MISS PELEAR** (R Hutchings) shifted in when being steadied crowding **NEEDLLY** which had been attempting to improve to the inside of **MISS PELEAR**. Taking into account that **MISS PELEAR** may have been dictated inwards slightly by **POSTMANS DAUGHTER** (D Nolan), R Hutchings was in this occasion issued with a warning.

POSTMANS DAUGHTER raced three wide without cover.

Passing the 1000 metres **PUSSY O'REILLY** (M Du Plessis) and **MISS PELEAR** (R Hutchings) raced in restricted room to the inside of **POSTMANS DAUGHTER** for a distance.

DIADEME (M Cameron) was held up until passing the 250 metres.

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

MISS PELEAR lost the right front and hind plates during the running.

Race 7	H.R. Fiskens & Sons Ltd 2400
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GLITZABEEL (T Thornton) blundered leaving the barriers.

BACK IN BLACK (J Parkes) knuckled leaving the barriers.

Approaching the winning post on the first occasion **GLITZABEEL** raced in restricted room to the inside of **MORE THAN SACRED** (L Innes) with **GLITZABEEL** then steadying and racing ungenerously for a distance.

HYDROGEN (M Du Plessis) had a tendency to lay in when being steadied passing the 1800 metres.

STORMING THE TOWER (BR Jones) hung out rounding the final turn.

HYDROGEN lost the right front plate during the running.

Race 8	DHL Counties Cup
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THE FLYING AFFAIR was declared a late scratching at 1.26pm acting on veterinary advice as it was lame in the left fore leg after twisting a plate.

THUNDERBIRD ONE (M Cameron) was a late scratching at 4.48pm after the gelding had refused to enter the barriers. Co-trainer Mr M Baker was advised that **THUNDERBIRD ONE** would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward prior to racing again.

SOU'EAST (S Spratt) began awkwardly then was crowded shortly after leaving the barriers having to steady.

Approaching the winning post on the first occasion **SOU'EAST** was steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **THRIVE** (K Myers).

RAFA (R Smyth) commenced to over-race passing the 1700 metres becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **BONINSKY** (M Dee).

R Smyth was issued with a warning for her whip use prior to the 200 metres on **RAFA**.

SUM UP lost the right front plate during the running.

Race 9	BNZ Partners Counties Bowl
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PACIFIC CHOICE (S Spratt) began awkwardly then was further hampered when crowded.

WATERFORD (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly making contact with the hind quarters of **PIZZAZZ** (T Thornton).

AMETIS (C Grylls) raced keenly in the middle stages.

PIZZAZZ raced wide without cover and was taken over further ground rounding the final turn near the 500 metres when **WATERFORD** shifted out.

When questioned regarding the performance of **PELLEGRINI** Rider O Bosson was unable to offer any excuses and felt that the gelding would be improved by the outing. A post-race veterinary inspection including an endoscopic examination did not reveal any abnormality.

Race 10	Graeme Thomson Antique Jewellery 1400
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DIVINE STAR (M Cameron) shifted in leaving the barriers making contact with **EEZEMOOVA** (M Sweeney) which then shifted away from that runner making heavy contact with **SNIPPECHEE** (T Thornton) with **SNIPPECHEE** becoming unbalanced and losing ground.

ENDORSEMENT (M Dee) was slow to begin.

TEAM PETE (D Johnson) and **CHARLIE FARLEY** (S Collett) both over-raced when being restrained in the early stages.

EEZEMOOVA raced wide without cover.

GOLDEN DOWNS (N Harris) made contact with **EEZEMOOVA** passing the 500 metres when shifting out to obtain clear running.

O Bosson reported that his mount **PASSING PARADE** was feeling the firm nature of the footing.

When questioned regarding the performance of **DIVINE STAR** rider M Cameron stated that the gelding had not helped his chances by over-racing in a fresh state and he was further of the opinion that **DIVINE STAR** may be better suited being ridden in a more forward position at its next start. Trainer R James advised that he would be removing the blinkers from **DIVINE STAR** prior to next racing.

