STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Waikato Racing Club Date: Saturday 14 December 2013

Weather: Fine
Track: Good(3)
Rail: True

Stewards: J Oatham (Chairman), M Williamson, W Robinson, B Jones

Typist: P Laboyrie

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: MACCOOL, FOREFRONT, STEEL ROSE, PERKINS, PROCUREMENT, PIZZAZZ, NEEDLLY, WAIRAKA,

MORE THAN SACRED, WISECRACK, RODDICK, DIADEME, ZURELLA, SACRED STAR

All runners in races 4 & 7 were pre-race blood tested.

Suspensions: Race 5 T Thornton HARVEST

Careless riding 100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 19-27/12 inclusive (5 days)

R Norvall NOBLE WARRIOR

Careless riding 1400 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 16–23/12 inclusive (4 days)

Protests: Race 8 I'LL'AVA'ALF second v RODDICK first - dismissed

Fines: Race 7 J Adams BONINSKY / BELLAZEEL

\$450 [Rule 330(3)(b)] Double riding engagement

Warnings: Nil
Bleeders: Nil
Horse Actions: Nil
Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Nil
Late Scratchings: Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 THE MEAT WAREHOUSE PREMIER

ALL TORN UP (M Cameron) and ENLIGHTENED KNIGHT (A Forbes) jumped away awkwardly.

CIVETTA (S Collett) knuckled jumping away.

HIGH TOWER (C Grylls) over-raced in the middle stages, making the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly.

ALL TORN UP was held up rounding the final turn and was unable to obtain clear running until shifting out across heels near the 150 metres.

CHIPANDCHASE (O Bosson) lay in across the heels of **HIGH TOWER** when placed under pressure near the 300 metres having to be steadied.

MYSTIC MAN (R Hutchings) was unable to obtain clear running until near the 200 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of CHIPANDCHASE rider O Bosson was unable to offer any excuses.

Race 2 LOWE SCHOLLUM & JONES PREMIER

ROUGH ODDS (M Dee) jumped away awkwardly.

COPACABANA (C Grylls) raced keenly in the lead.

SIEM REAP (R Norvall) over-raced in the middle stages.

FOREFRONT (A Forbes) shifted in under pressure passing the 200 metres.

Race 3 WENTWOOD GRANGE STAKES

SEREIN (M Du Plessis) knuckled leaving the barriers shifting out inconveniencing **CORO GOLD** (T Thornton).

WAY IN (J Adams) shifted out shortly after the start placing O'MARILYN (L Innes) in restricted room.

WAY IN and **DUEY** (R Norvall) both made the first turn near the 800 metres awkwardly when hanging out. **WAY IN** and **DUEY** both then raced wide without cover around the bend when continuing to hang outwards.

CORO GOLD raced ungenerously when being restrained off heels passing the 600 metres.

SEREIN and **O'MARILYN** came together near the 400 metres.

CRUCIAL (A Collett) had difficulty obtaining clear running in the final straight, and when attempting to shift to the outside of **PERKINS** (O Bosson) inside the final 200 metres was inclined to lay in behind that runner.

SECOND TIME LUCKY (D Johnson) raced in restricted room near the 50 metres between **SEREIN** and **O'MARILYN** which both shifted ground under pressure.

S Collett (STEEL ROSE) dropped her right rein passing the 50 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **WAY IN** rider J Adams advised that the filly had hung outwards throughout the race affecting its chances. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

Race 4 TE RAPA NEW WORLD PREMIER

CAPISTRANO MAGIC blundered badly leaving the barriers losing its footing and almost dislodging rider M Coleman who lost the use of his stirrup irons with **CAPISTRANO MAGIC** taking no effective part in the race.

STITCHENTYNE (O Bosson) began awkwardly.

CALL ME MAYBE (M McNab) and OUR KISMET (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly and came together.

When in difficulty near the 1100 metres **CAPISTRANO MAGIC** shifted out hampering **CALL ME MAYBE** and **SING FOR THE SUN** (A Collett).

STELLA'S HONOUR (R Hutchings) was steadied when racing keenly near the 900 metres dropping back on to **OUR KISMET** which was hampered.

COOL SPUR (S Collett) raced wide without cover throughout.

LADY EIKO (C Grylls) was briefly held up approaching the 100 metres when finishing on.

When questioned regarding the poor performance of **COOL SPUR** which was not persevered with in the final straight, rider S Collett advised that the gelding had been making abnormal breathing noises. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

Race 5 SHAW'S WIRE ROPES SPRINT

ESTRATO (R Hutchings) jumped away awkwardly.

KHEMOSABI (M Coleman) and STARDOM (L Callaway) both lost their footing on jumping away.

THE LAST SHOWER (C Grylls) shifted out leaving the barriers crowding GOLDMINER (O Bosson) on to SAVOUR THE MOMENT (M Cameron).

AMETSIS (L Innes) over-raced when being restrained off the heels of AGENT ZIVA (S Collett) when that runner steadied near the 1100 metres. HARVEST (T Thornton) dropped back on to ESTRATO when being steadied near the 1100 metres with ESTRATO striking a heel of HARVEST and shifting out abruptly hampering RICH'N UNHITCHED (M Du Plessis). SAVOUR THE MOMENT, THE LAST SHOWER, CHINTZ (J Adams), GOLDMINER and STARDOM also over-raced at that point of the race due to the easing of the pace. ESTRATO then raced three wide without cover. Both S Collett and T Thornton were advised not to steady their mounts to a degree that puts other riders in difficulty when in similar circumstances.

CHINTZ shifted out when attempting to obtain clear running near the 350 metres making contact with **RICH'N UNHITCHED** which was forced onto **PIZZAZZ** (B R Jones). Contributing to the incident was some outward movement from **ESTRATO** when **CHINTZ** was attempting to shift to the outside of that runner.

AMETSIS was held up early in the final straight and when attempting a run to the inside of **HARVEST** was crowded by that runner. T Thornton admitted a subsequent breach of careless riding in that she permitted her mount to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear crowding **AMETSIS** which was then checked approaching the 100 metres. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended Ms Thornton's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 18 December up to and including racing on Friday 27 December (5 riding days).

GOLDMINER was unable to obtain clear running in the final straight.

Race 6 LODGE REAL ESTATE PREMIER

CAPSTAND (M Hills) jumped away awkwardly.

QUICKASUCAN (A Forbes) was slow to begin.

BIG LUCY (S Collett) jumped away awkwardly shifting out and then shifting back in making contact with **COLOMBIAN PRAISE** (J Adams).

EVERLONG (M Du Plessis) over-raced in the early and middle stages.

DUBAI SHUFFLE (O Bosson) was held up early in the final straight and continued to have difficulty obtaining clear running having to shift ground before obtaining clear running near the 150 metres.

MR TOOGOOD (R Smyth) was held up near the 150 metres.

EVERLONG was unable to obtain clear running being badly held up until passing the 75 metres.

D Johnson the rider of **ASSERTIVE** reported that the gelding appeared to be feeling the firm nature of the footing and in her opinion would benefit from some easing of the ground.

When questioned regarding the upset win of **WAIRAKA** (M Coleman) trainer G Richardson advised that the mare was only having its second start from his stable, and when resuming from a spell last month he had been pleased with its performance after receiving a tough run when trapped wide throughout. Mr Richardson further stated that the mare was suited by the step up in distance today and had been working well leading into the meeting giving him confidence of an

improved performance.

When questioned regarding the performance of **CAPSTAND** rider M Hills advised that after a poor beginning the gelding had got back further than intended from its wide draw before locking its jaw once placed under pressure near the 600 metres and proving difficult to ride.

Race 7 WAIKATO TIMES GOLD CUP

J Adams admitted a breach of Rule 330(3)(b) in that he had permitted himself to be engaged for two horses in this race, being **BONINSKY** and **BELLAZEEL**. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee imposed a fine of \$450. A Judicial hearing held at the Auckland Racing Club on Wednesday 11 December had determined that J Adams was to ride **BONINSKY** which was found to be the first engagement.

BONINSKY (J Adams) jumped away awkwardly.

After initially opting to defend a charge of careless riding R Norvall elected to change his plea during the inquiry and admit the breach in that he permitted his mount **NOBLE WARRIOR** to shift inwards near the 1400 metres when not sufficiently clear of **HIACE** (S Collett) which was checked. When being checked **HIACE** went back on to **WISECRACK** (M Du Plessis) which was hampered and shifted out forcing **MORE THAN SACRED** (L Innes) wider rounding the bend near the 1300 metres. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended R Norvall's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Sunday 15 December up to and including racing on Monday 23 December, four riding days.

GUNS AT FIVE (T Thornton) raced three wide without cover throughout.

STORMING THE TOWER (B R Jones) had a tendency to lay inwards in the final straight.

SAVANAH RUSH (D Johnson) underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a slow recovery rate.

Race 8 DUNSTAN FEEDS CHAMPIONSHIP PREMIER

UNDERTHERADAR (M Cameron) began awkwardly losing its footing and blundering making solid contact with **SAVARHYS** (N Harris) which was badly hampered losing ground (5L). Also crowded in this incident was **XALTED** (D Nolan).

XALTED made contact with **UNDERTHERADAR** going into the bend near the 800 metres.

RODDICK (T Thornton) shifted in under pressure over the concluding stages making slight contact with **I'LL'AVA'ALF** (A Jones) just short of the finish. A protest was lodged by the connections of the second placed horse **I'LL'AVA'ALF** against the winner **RODDICK** alleging interference over the final stages. After hearing evidence and submissions the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest.

When questioned regarding the performance of **UNDERTHERADAR** M Cameron stated that after recovering from its poor beginning the gelding's chances had been affected by being taken on in front for much of the race in its first run at 2400 metres. M Cameron further advised **UNDERTHERADAR** had been inclined to hang outwards throughout and in his opinion although **UNDERTHERADAR** had performed well on this track in the past it's win here had only been in maiden grade and it may be better suited to racing on right handed tracks. **UNDERTHERADAR** underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality.

Race 9 CAL ISUZU STAKES

ZURELLA (M Cameron) was slow to begin.

COSTUME (M Coleman) was obliged to race wide without cover throughout.

When questioned regarding the performance of **LADY KIPLING** rider O Bosson stated that the mare had never travelled comfortably and had been under pressure a long way from home. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

Race 10 THE PATHWAYS IMMIGRATION SPECIALISTS PREMIER

MONEYTREE (D Johnson) was slow to begin.

Approaching the 1300 metres **BREAKING DAWN** (N Harris) shifted in crowding **JOKRAAR** (J Adams), **BRONTE LASS** (M Cameron) and **CARLOTTA** (T Wenn) with **CARLOTTA** making contact with the running rail. N Harris was advised to exercise more care.

FORTUNE KNIGHT (K Leung) over-raced when being restrained near the 1300 metres.

BREAKING DAWN raced wide without cover throughout.

FORTUNE KNIGHT had to be firmly restrained off the heels of TAAXMAN (B R Jones) near the 500 metres.

CARLOTTA had to be steadied across the heels of VINCENT STREET (M McNab) near the 100 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **REVELATOR** rider C Grylls was of the opinion that the gelding may not have backed up from its previous start and may be better suited to its races being spaced further apart.

D Johnson and M Du Plessis the riders of **MONEYTREE** and **QUEST** respectively were both of the opinion that their mounts were now looking for more ground.