STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Auckland Racing Club Date: Wednesday 1 January 2014

Weather: Showery

Track: Dead(4), downgraded to Dead(6) after Race 5

Rail: 4 Metres

Stewards: J Oatham (Chairman), R Neal, A Coles, M Williamson, N Ydren

Typist: M Gemmell

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: DUQUESA, DEMANDZ, VINNIE EAGLE, STEEL ROSE, GRAPHIC, SHOW THE WORLD, BLIZZARD,

RISING ROMANCE, LUCIA VALENTINA, CHINTZ, JUBILATE, BOUNDING, WATERFORD, LITTLE

WONDER, MOSQUITO, CHAPARRONE, DRAGONKEEPER

All runners in Race 1 were pre-race blood tested.

Suspensions: Race 4 C Grylls GRAPHIC

Careless riding 1800 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] suspended 6-11/1 inclusive, 4 days

Race 4 S Spratt JAGERSFONTEIN

Careless riding 1600 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] suspended 6-13/1 inclusive, 6 days

Race 8 M Dee SHEZHARDTOCATCH

Careless riding 1100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] suspended 6-16/1 inclusive, 9 days

Protests: Nil

Fines: Nil

Warnings: Race 6 D Nolan HER CHOICE

Shifting ground 1800 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Nil

Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Race 4 DEANE MARTIN, 2.59pm Vet advice at start

Race 6 **TELEPATHIC**, 2.10pm Vet advice after pulling plate

Race 10 **STARCHEEKA**, 4.03pm track downgrade Race 10 **DELVEEN**, 5.12pm track downgrade

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 The New Zealand Herald 2100

RACQUETOR (C Grylls) and DUQUESA (J McDonald) began awkwardly.

FLYING ORCA (M Cameron) began awkwardly and shifted out crowding **EGG** (D Hain), **OUR JESSE JANE** (M Wenn) and further hampering **DUQUESA** with both **EGG** and **DUQUESA** being steadied, losing ground.

SILK CHARDONNAY (M Coleman) raced wide without cover until passing the 1300 metres when being allowed to work forward to lead.

SIR AL SYD (S Spratt) raced keenly through the early and middle stages.

Passing the 600 metres **OUR JESSE JANE** shifted out making contact with **SIR AL SYD** with both runners becoming unbalanced.

Approaching the 400 metres **OUR JESSE JANE** raced in restricted room between **DUQUESA** which shifted out and **SIR AL SYD** with **OUR JESSE JANE** being briefly hampered.

DUQUESA was then held up early in the final straight before shifting out across the heels of **FLYING ORCA** to obtain clear running near the 300 metres.

ROMPERS (B Grylls) shifted out under pressure passing the 200 metres making contact with **I'M ALL YOURS** (R Hutchings) with both runners becoming briefly unbalanced.

Race 2 Lindauer 1400

DEMANDZ (T Thornton) shifted in leaving the barriers crowding **TAKE CHARGE** (M Cameron) on to **TIMELY REMINDER** (D Johnson) which shifted in placing **HE'S GOLD** (M Du Plessis) in restricted room for a short distance.

FIRST CLASS (J Riddell) and BELLBIRD (J Adams) came together shortly after leaving the barriers.

ZABERTO (D Nolan) was slow to begin.

RIVER HEAD (M Walker) raced ungenerously when being restrained shortly after leaving the barriers for a distance. Approaching the 1300 metres **DOMANAE** (M Sweeney) shifted out making contact with **DRESDEN PARK** (R Hutchings) which then had to be steadied to avoid the heels of **FIRST CLASS** which shifted in. J Riddell was advised to exercise more care. **DOMANAE** then commenced to over-race and continued to do so through the middle stages shifting out to avoid the heels of **BELLBIRD** which was being restrained forcing **YOUNG WARRIOR** (K Leung) wider on the track. **YOUNG WARRIOR** then shifted in across the heels of **DOMANAE** crowding **DRESDEN PARK** in on to **TAKE CHARGE** which was steadied. K Leung was advised to exercise more care.

RIVER HEAD continued to race ungenerously when being restrained in the middle stages having to be firmly restrained off the heels of **ANYX** (C Grylls) near the 900 metres.

TAKE CHARGE went off stride passing the 800 metres.

DEMANDZ made contact with **IN STYLE** (J McDonald) when attempting to obtain clear running near the 350 metres then having to be steadied to avoid the heels of **SPARE THE MOMENT** (BR Jones).

ANYX shifted out under pressure near the 250 metres hampering **ZABERTO** which had to be steadied. C Grylls was advised to exercise more care. **ZABERTO** was then unable to obtain clear running for the remainder of the race.

BR Jones (SPARE THE MOMENT) dropped his whip near the 150 metres.

Race 3 Barneswood Farm Eclipse Stakes

CRUCIAL (A Collett) shifted out abruptly leaving the barriers severely hampering **VESPA** (M Du Plessis) and **ADEQUATE** (D Johnson) both of which lost ground.

STEEL ROSE (S Collett) shifted out leaving the barriers.

CRUCIAL continued to shift out making contact with the hind quarters of **STEEL ROSE** which became unbalanced and made contact with the hind quarters of **VINNIE EAGLE** (L Innes).

SEREIN (R Hutchings) shifted away from **VINNIE EAGLE** shortly after the start crowding **LAUTNER** (T Thornton) which was steaded

DUEY (R Norvall) was slow to begin.

SECOND TIME LUCKY (C Johnson) began awkwardly and then was crowded shortly after between **O'MARILYN** (S Spratt) and **JACKOFALL** (J Riddell).

Near the 1100 metres **VESPA** lay out and shifted away from runners to its inside making contact with **LAUTNER** which was hampered losing ground. Shortly after this incident **CRUCIAL** had to be steadied and shifted out slightly with **VESPA** shifting away from that runner and having to steady, further hampering **LAUTNER**.

O'MARILYN raced three wide without cover.

CRUCIAL raced ungenerously in the middle stages and near the 800 metres when being restrained became awkwardly placed, shifting outwards abruptly across the heels of **SECOND TIME LUCKY** hampering **LAUTNER**. **DUEY** also had to be steadied as a result when racing keenly. **CRUCIAL** then hung outwards rounding the bend.

VESPA was held up entering the final straight near the 400 metres having to steady and then when improving into a run to the outside of **O'MARILYN VESPA** was taken out by that runner passing the 150 metres making contact with **SEREIN** which was forced wider.

DRAGON LAIR (J McDonald) had to change ground to obtain clear running near the 150 metres.

VINNIE EAGLE raced greenly over the final 150 metres.

Race 4 2013/14 Dunstan Feeds Championship Final

DEANE MARTIN underwent a veterinary inspection prior to the start and was declared a late scratching at 2.59pm as it was showing signs of lameness in the left fore leg.

ETOILE FILANTE (M Walker) began awkwardly shifting out and making contact with HER TO ETERNITY (D Johnson).

JAGERSFONTEIN (S Spratt) shifted in when leaving the barriers hampering MONEYTREE (M Dee).

DUBAI SHUFFLE (N Harris) and **CAPO** (T Thornton) were crowded between **SECRET'S ONLY** (K Myers) which shifted out when leaving the barriers and **BELLAZEEL** (R Hutchings) which shifted in with **DUBAI SHUFFLE** and **BELLAZEEL** both having to steady.

C Grylls admitted a breach of careless riding in that he permitted his mount GRAPHIC to shift inwards near the 1800 metres crowding JAGERSFONTEIN on to HER TO ETERNITY and ARIZONA JAZZ with JAGERSFONTEIN having to check. LION RED (A Collett) which was following ARIZONA JAZZ also had to steady. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended C Grylls' licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Sunday January until the conclusion of racing on Saturday 11 January 4 riding days.

ARIZONA JAZZ was severely checked when crowded for room by HER TO ETERNITY which was taken in by JAGERSFONTEIN

near the 1600 metres. Also badly hampered were **BEAUTY PERCEPTION** (L Innes) and **LION RED** and to a lesser degree **KENDOKA** (J McDonald), **ETOILE FILANTE** and **MONEYTREE**. **S Spratt** admitted a resultant breach of careless riding with her licence to ride in races being suspended by the Judicial Committee from the conclusion of racing on Sunday 5 January until the conclusion of racing on Monday 13 January, 6 riding days.

UNDERTHERADAR (M Cameron) had a tendency to over-race in the middle stages.

UNDERTHERADAR had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight making contact with **GRAPHIC** when attempting to shift out near the 300 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **MONEYTREE** Apprentice Jockey M Dee advised Stewards that **MONEYTREE** had got back further than anticipated early in the running and when the pressure was applied from the 600 metres **MONEYTREE** had then been unable to quicken.

Race 5 The Sound Championship Stakes

DEZIGNATOR (J McDonald) shifted out leaving the barriers crowding **BLIZZARD** (M Du Plessis) on to **HIGH TOWER** (C Grylls) which then made contact with the hind quarters of **HOT ROD** (K Myers) which in turn made contact with **SHOW THE WORLD** (O Bosson) which both became unbalanced. **HIGH TOWER** was steadied losing ground.

ROSADO (M Cameron) raced ungenerously when being steadied soon after leaving the barriers.

Near the 1700 metres **BLIZZARD** had to be steadied when becoming awkwardly placed inside the heels of **SHOW THE WORLD** which shifted away from **MAYGROVE** (N Harris) which was racing ungenerously.

DEZIGNATOR had a tendency to race ungenerously in the middle stages.

KICK BUTTOWSKI (L Innes) was hampered when weakening near the 500 metres when BLIZZARD shifted out.

FAST DRAGON (M Walker) was inclined to shift ground under pressure in the final straight and shifted in near the 200 metres hampering **SATAY** (T Thornton).

DEZIGNATOR shifted out away from **JIMMY HOFFA** (J Riddell) near the 250 metres hampering **CHIPANDCHASE** (D Johnson) which was laying in.

Following this race the track was downgraded to Dead(6).

Race 6 The New Zealand Bloodstock Royal Stakes

TELEPATHIC which had cast the right front plate in the float on the way to the races injuring the sole of its foot was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 2.10pm.

LUCIA VALENTINA (L Innes) began awkwardly.

PERSUASIVE (J McDonald) blundered leaving the barriers.

MATAGOURI (D Johnson) was slow to begin.

NIGELISSIMA (A Collett) commenced to race ungenerously when being restrained leaving the straight on the first occasion getting its head up.

Passing the 1800 metres **WHISTLING DIXIE** (M Walker) raced in restricted room inside the hind quarters of **PERSUASIVE** which lay in away from **RISING ROMANCE** (M Coleman). Shortly after this incident **RISING ROMANCE** (M Coleman) and **PERSUASIVE** had to be steadied when crossed by **HER CHOICE** (D Nolan) when that runner was not fully clear. D Nolan was issued with a warning. **WHISTLING DIXIE** then commenced to over-race when being restrained, getting its head up and racing ungenerously for a distance.

TOTAL RESPONSE (O Bosson) and MATAGOURI raced wide around the first bend.

NIGELISSIMA continued to over-race in the middle stages being inclined to get its head up.

WHISTLING DIXIE and PERSUASIVE came together on several occasions near the 1100 metres.

HER CHOICE hung out rounding the final turn and continued to lay out under pressure in the final straight when racing greenly, inconveniencing **ROYAL DOMINANCE** (R Hutchings) near the 200 metres with **ROYAL DOMINANCE** then laying in and making contact with **HER CHOICE**.

When questioned regarding the performance of **WHISTLING DIXIE** Rider M Walker advised that the filly had hung outwards throughout the race and he had recommended to the connections that the filly may be better suited by the removal of the blinkers.

Race 7 Rich Hill Mile

CAPONE (J McDonald), NINE PIN (A Collett) and LADY KIPLING (M Walker) were all slow to begin.

CARLOTTA (T Thornton) began awkwardly and then was crowded shortly after the start when **MISS PELEAR** (R Hutchings) shifted in shortly after leaving the barriers.

BRAVE CENTAUR (M Coleman) began a little awkwardly.

BRAVE CENTAUR over-raced when being restrained near the 1300 metres having to be steadied off the heels of **JUBILATE** (N Harris) when that runner shifted in. N Harris was advised to exercise care.

CHINTZ (M Du Plessis) got its head up when being restrained near the 1250 metres. **CHINTZ** then over-raced for a distance.

Passing the 1200 metres **THE MENACE** (C Dell) raced in restricted room when awkwardly placed inside **SACRED STAR** (L Innes).

Near the 1200 metres **MISS PELEAR** became awkwardly placed on the heels of **FORTUNE KNIGHT** (M Sweeney) which was steadied and shifted out abruptly.

SACRED STAR raced three wide without cover.

CARLOTTA was held up rounding the final turn obtaining clear running near the 400 metres.

FORTUNE KNIGHT was briefly held up entering the final straight.

JUBILATE lay out under pressure inconveniencing DIADEME (O Bosson) near the 150 metres.

JUBILATE continued to lay out again inconveniencing DIADEME just short of the finish.

When questioned regarding the performance of **BRAVE CENTAUR** Rider M Coleman advised that the gelding had travelled well but had failed to respond once placed under pressure and possibly not being entirely suited in today's track conditions.

Race 8 Sistema Railway Stakes

EIGHT SCHILLINGS (M Walker) and WATERFORD (L Innes) began awkwardly, coming together.

FLEUR DE LUNE (J Jago) shifted in when leaving the barriers crowding **DURHAM TOWN** (J McDonald) which had begun awkwardly which then was dictated in further inconveniencing **WATERFORD** and **EIGHT SCHILLINGS**.

NATUZZI (C Johnson) began awkwardly.

JETSET LAD (J Riddell) bounded when leaving the barriers losing considerable ground.

Approaching the 1100 metres **SHEZHARDTOCATCH** (M Dee) shifted in crowding **FLEUR DE LUNE** on to **DURHAM TOWN** which was dictated into the line of **WATERFORD** and **EIGHT SCHILLINGS** which were both checked. Also hampered was **NATUZZI**. Apprentice Rider **M Dee** admitted a resultant breach of careless riding with the Judicial Committee suspending his license to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Sunday 5 January until the conclusion of racing on Thursday 16 January, 9 riding days.

Near the 1100 metres when being steadied **SEQUIN** (C Grylls) became awkwardly placed on the heels of **LITTLE WONDER** (S Spratt) which was taken out by **BOUNDING** (M Du Plessis) with **SEQUIN** getting its head up when being restrained and racing ungenerously for a short distance. M Du Plessis was advised to exercise care.

NATUZZI was held up over the final 50 metres.

POSTMANS DAUGHTER lost the right front plate during the running.

Race 9 Scot Thrust City of Auckland Cup

SORIANO (M Cameron) began awkwardly, shifting out and crowding **MOSQUITO** (J McDonald) and **CHAPARRONE** (D Johnson) which were both hampered losing ground.

JULIANN (J Adams) was steadied when awkwardly placed inside the heels of **MOSQUITO** (J McDonald) near the 1400 metres. **JULIANN** then over-raced for a distance.

SORIANO was crowded between BACK IN BLACK (C Grylls) and EL SOLDADO (J Jago) passing the 200 metres.

WISECRACK (M Du Plessis) gave ground quickly near the 700 metres, dropping out to finish a distant last. M Du Plessis advised that the gelding had travelled comfortably in the lead until compounding quickly. A post-race veterinary inspection which included an endoscopic examination failed to find any obvious abnormality. Trainer Mr K Kelso advised that he had considered late scratching **WISECRACK** as the gelding had previously failed on rain affected footing in the NZ Derby and he would be looking to continue with its preparation on suitable track conditions.

Rider R Hutchings reported that SUM UP got its tongue over the bit during the running.

Race 10 Auckland Co-op Taxis Mile

CAPTAIN SCOTT (J Adams) and MACCOOL (M Du Plessis) were both slow to begin.

VIBRANT (L Innes) and GAME CHANGER (C Dell) both began awkwardly.

KLITSCHKO (N Harris) shifted out rounding the final turn inconveniencing GAME CHANGER near the 400 metres.

A TOUCH OF RUBY (O Bosson) shifted out under pressure inconveniencing **ADOLAY** (J McDonald) near the 150 metres. When questioned regarding the performance of **VIBRANT** rider L Innes advised that the mare had travelled comfortably in the lead but had failed to respond in the existing track conditions once placed under pressure.