

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Racing Tauranga	Date:	Wednesday 5 February 2014
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead(5) upgraded to Dead(4) prior to Race 1		
Rail:	8 Metres		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), M Williamson, W Robinson, B Jones		
Typist:	P Laboyrie		

GENERAL:

S Spratt did not attend the meeting due to an injury suffered at Avondale trials the day previous. D Nolan also did not attend the meeting advising that he was unwell. Both S Spratt and D Nolan are required to provide medical clearances prior to riding next.
--

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	NIGHTSHIFT, INTUITIVE, MRS SIN, GARDONE, SILVER PLATTER, MAYGROVE, FULL COUNT, OUR SERAFINA
Suspensions:	Race 3 J Oliver ROGART Careless riding 250 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 6–14/2 inclusive (5 days)
Protests:	Race 3 MALCOLM (4 th) v ROGART (3 rd) – upheld FIVEUNDRED (6 th) v ROGART (3 rd) – dismissed
Fines:	Nil
Warnings:	Race 7 R Hutchings A BEAUTIFUL KNIGHT Shifting ground 1300 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Bleeders:	Nil
Horse Actions:	Race 3 FIVEUNDRED – warning barrier manners
Medical Certificates:	Required from S Spratt and D Nolan
Rider Changes:	Race 6 SINO HEIGHTS, T Thornton for S Spratt (injured) Race 6 C'MON GEORGE, M Hills for D Nolan (unwell)
Late Scratchings:	Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	BUBBLE INTERIORS '1200'
<p>HEART OF GRACE (R Smyth) pulled the right hind plate when parading in the birdcage having to return to the plating inspection area to be re-shod. The saddle then shifted on HEART OF GRACE during its preliminary requiring adjustment behind the barriers and further delaying the start with the race eventually starting approximately 5 minutes late.</p> <p>MAGNIFIER (C Grylls) jumped away awkwardly.</p> <p>HEART OF GRACE after being fractious in the starting stalls jumped away awkwardly shifting in abruptly making contact with MISS DELL'ERA (M Coleman) which was forced onto SUGGESTIVE SMILE (D Johnson) and NIGHTSHIFT (K Myers) with all those runners becoming unbalanced.</p> <p>FALCON (R Hutchings) lay out around the final bend.</p> <p>SUGGESTIVE SMILE (D Johnson) shifted outwards to avoid the heels of MONEYMAKEHERSMILE (S Collett) near the 600 metres forcing FALCON wider on the track.</p> <p>HEART OF GRACE lay out under pressure in the final straight inconveniencing SUGGESTIVE SMILE near the 200 metres, and again inconvenienced SUGGESTIVE SMILE over the concluding stages when continuing to lay out.</p> <p>NIGHTSHIFT lay out under pressure over the final 150 metres finishing wide out on the track.</p> <p>Following the race R Smyth (HEART OF GRACE) was kicked when unsaddling. R Smyth was attended to by ambulance personnel and found to be uninjured other than suffering bruising to the right leg.</p> <p>HEART OF GRACE lost the off front plate during the running.</p>	
Race 2	KAHUI LEGAL – CELEBRATING 10 YEARS '1400'
<p>INTUITIVE (M Sweeney) dropped its head as the barriers were released and was slow away.</p> <p>OVERTIME (R Norvall) shifted out to obtain clear running passing the 450 metres taking SOVIET SONG (R Hutchings) and XINGYUN BA (O Bosson) wider with INTUITIVE then having to be steadied when improving up on to the heels of XINGYUN</p>	

<p>BA. R Norvall was advised to exercise care. OVERTIME then shifted away from ARCHIMAGO (M Dee) near the 400 metres hampering SOVIET SONG (R Hutchings).</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of XINGYUN BA, which was not preserved with in the final straight, O Bosson stated that the gelding had raced very greenly in its race day debut.</p>	
Race 3	MILLS REEF WINERY & RESTAURANT '1400'
<p>FIVEUNDRED (P Turner) held up the start when reluctant to load. Trainer Mr G Old was advised that a barrier warning would be placed against the filly.</p> <p>ROGART (J Oliver) lay out rounding the final turn and shifted out abruptly near the 250 metres severely crowding MALCOLM (D Hain) and FIVEUNDRED which were both checked with MRS SIN (M Cameron), STAGE DOOR (R Hutchings) and ERNIE (M Du Plessis) all also being hampered. Following the race protests were lodged by the fourth placed horse MALCOLM and the sixth placed horse FIVEUNDRED alleging interference by the third placed horse ROGART. After viewing video footage and hearing submissions the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest sixth against third, but upheld the protest fourth against third, with final placings now reading 6 MRS SIN first, 3 ERNIE second, 2 MALCOLM third, 4 ROGART fourth, 8 STAGE DOOR fifth and 7 FIVEUNDRED sixth. Apprentice J Oliver admitted a resultant breach of careless riding and was suspended from the conclusion of racing today, Wednesday 5 February, until the conclusion of racing on Friday 14 February, 5 riding days.</p>	
Race 4	MATAMATA VETERINARY SERVICES '1200'
<p>ELUSIVE KITTY (M Du Plessis) was slow to begin.</p> <p>SWEET MOLLY (M Dee) jumped away awkwardly making contact with JUSTTHEANSWER (D Johnson) and was further hampered when crowded by GARDONE (T Thornton) which shifted in abruptly leaving the barriers.</p> <p>RUNNING SCARED (J Oliver) raced three wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of SWEET MOLLY apprentice M Dee advised that the mare had over-raced and hung badly. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.</p>	
Race 5	DOMINATOR GARAGE DOORS TAURANGA '1200'
<p>ONLYAROSE (P Turner) began awkwardly shifting out and further hampering SILVER PLATTER (D Johnson) which had also began awkwardly.</p> <p>BASEER (C Grylls) began awkwardly.</p> <p>ONLYAROSE raced three wide for the majority of the event and shifted in slightly passing the 700 metres crowding IFFLEY ROAD (M Du Plessis) on to ADRENALINE RUSH (R Smyth) which raced in restricted room for a distance.</p> <p>IFFLEY ROAD was briefly held up entering the final straight.</p> <p>ADRENALINE RUSH was inclined to lay out under pressure in the final straight.</p> <p>When questioned, M Cameron was unable to offer any excuses for the poor performance of THE MUSICIAN. A post-race veterinary examination found the gelding to be stepping short behind.</p>	
Race 6	BLUELAB-SOLUTION & SOIL TESTERS '2100'
<p>SINO HEIGHTS (T Thornton) began awkwardly.</p> <p>MAYGROVE (O Bosson) began awkwardly shifting in and hampering MYSTIC MAN (K Myers) which was forced inwards making contact with VIOLETTA STAR (D Johnson).</p> <p>CHOICE ONE JONESY (P Turner) and SINO HEIGHTS both over-raced in the early stages with SINO HEIGHTS continuing to over-race through the middle stages. SINO HEIGHTS was then obliged to race wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>VIOLETTA STAR was held up rounding the turn from the 600 metres until into the final straight near the 300 metres.</p> <p>MALINA (C Grylls) shifted out when struck with the whip approaching the 300 metres inconveniencing PINK DIAMOND (M Du Plessis) and CRIMSON PRINCE (R Hutchings).</p> <p>CRIMSON PRINCE was not persevered with over the concluding stages with rider R Hutchings advising that the gelding had felt indifferent in its action. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.</p>	
Race 7	CROCKFORD REAL ESTATE '1600'
<p>CONCHITA (D Johnson) was slow to begin.</p> <p>HORSE WARRIOR (O Bosson), STAMEN (M Hills), FULL COUNT (M Cameron) and ISTILANE (M Dee) were all crowded between MANNY (M Du Plessis) which shifted out jumping away and SAM MESI (K Myers) which shifted in leaving the barriers with STAMEN losing ground as a result.</p> <p>Approaching the 1300 metres MANNY which was racing keenly was placed in restricted room and had to steady when crowded by CALL THE SHOTS (K Leung) which was taken in by A BEAUTIFUL KNIGHT (R Hutchings). R Hutchings was issued with a warning.</p> <p>GARDEZ LA FOI (P Turner) raced wide in the early stages before being allowed to improve forward to dispute the lead near the 1100 metres.</p> <p>CALL THE SHOTS had to be steadied when held up passing the 500 metres.</p> <p>MANNY was held up approaching the 400 metres and continued to have difficulty obtaining clear running, again being held up near the 300 metres before shifting outwards across heels to obtain clear running near the 200 metres.</p> <p>K Leung (CALL THE SHOTS) dropped his whip near the 300 metres.</p>	

K Leung was reminded of his obligation to ride his mounts out fully to the finish after relaxing his ride just short of the line narrowly holding third placing.

STAMEN shifted out under pressure over the final stages.

When questioned, rider O Bosson was unable to offer any excuses for the disappointing performance of **HORSE WARRIOR**.

Race 8

C U @ THE PHOENIX TAURANGA '1600'

OUR SERAFINA (R Smyth) was placed in restricted room shortly after the start when runners to either side shifted ground.

PERMISSION GRANTED (T Thornton) over-raced in the early stages.

MR GARCIA (R Hutchings) was inclined to hang outwards throughout, and when hanging badly rounding the bend near the 450 metres hampered **LUXURY LIZ** (D Johnson) and to a lesser degree **CAPINSKY** (C Grylls).

SELINE (M Cameron) was inclined to lay out and race greenly in the final straight.