STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Avondale Jockey Club Date: Monday 24 February 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Dead (4), upgraded to Good(3) after Race 1

Rail: True

Stewards: A Coles (Chairman), M Williamson, P Kinsey

Typist: M Gemmell

GENERAL:

B Grylls was injured on Sunday 23 February 2014 at Wairoa and did not attend the meeting due to injury.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Matamata Racing Club - Saturday 22 February 2014

Race 6 – J Swap Contractors Matamata Breeders Stakes

Mr J Bridgman reported that **FLAMING** had undergone an extensive veterinary examination on Monday 24 February 2014 including multiple x-rays after the filly was found to be lame in the near fore leg with no reason for the lameness able to be detected. Mr J Bridgman further advised that **FLAMING** would now be spelled.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: DRIVING MASTER, KANSAS, OPT, SANCERRE, PIPELINE, CONCHITA, LUCKY ORPHAN

Suspensions: Race
Protests: Race

Fines: Race 1 S Clotworthy (VANUA BALAVU)

Failed to declare notifiable gear [Rule 616(2)] Fined \$50

Warnings: Race 6 M Coleman LETMEBY

Careless riding 300 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Bleeders: Race

Horse Actions: Race

Medical Certificates:

Rider Changes: Race 3 SHAARA. R Smyth replaced B Grylls (injured)

Race 5 COURIER. T Thornton replaced B GryllsRace 6 SAUCY PENNY. C Grylls replaced B Grylls

Late Scratching: Race

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 The Original Aussie Butcher Kumeu 1380

S Clotworthy (VANUA BALAVU) was fined \$50 for failing to declare notifiable gear (blinkers).

EIGHT TO RULE (T Thornton) shifted out abruptly when leaving the barriers making contact with **DRIVING MASTER** (M Cameron).

ADEPTO (L Innes) shifted in when leaving the barriers making contact with **VANUA BALAVU** (C Grylls) which became unbalanced.

ADEPTO raced keenly when being restrained in the early stages.

VANUA BALAVU raced ungenerously in the early and middle stages. **VANUA BALAVU** then made the bend passing the 800 metres awkwardly running wide.

NAZLANMAK (D Johnson) shifted out approaching the 400 metres to obtain clear running making contact with **VANUA BALAVU** which became briefly unbalanced. D Johnson was advised that she must exercise greater care.

DRIVING MASTER and ADEPTO were both inclined to shift out under pressure over the final 100 metres.

Race 2 Roger James Kingsclere Stables 1380

ZEDENUF (K Myers) and IRISH GEM (C Dell) came together when leaving the barriers.

FLYING BRIAR (BR Jones) began awkwardly shifting in and crowding KANSAS.

BUCKLEBURY (L Innes), **IRISH GEM** and **FOUR BARONESSES** (M McNab) all raced ungenerously when being restrained in the early stages.

KANSAS over-raced and when being restrained approaching the 1000 metres became awkwardly placed on the heels of **BUCKLEBURY** and continued to over-race through the middle stages.

FOUR BARONESSES was obliged to race wide without cover throughout.

KANSAS became awkwardly placed on heels approaching the 450 metres having to steady.

FLYING BRIAR shifted out approaching the 400 metres to obtain clear running forcing **FOUR BARONESSES** over extra ground.

KANSAS had difficulty obtaining clear running approaching the 200 metres.

Race 3 Morgan Furniture Past Presidents 1200

IMANANA (L Innes) and BECKINSALE (M Cameron) both began awkwardly losing ground.

TROUSSEAU (C Grylls) began awkwardly shifting in making contact with STINGER (T Thornton).

STINGER, IMANANA and SHAARA (R Smyth) all over-raced in the early to middle stages on a moderate pace.

BECKINSALE raced wide without cover throughout and had a tendency to lay out when making the bend near the 400 meters

OPT (M Coleman) shifted out to obtain clear running approaching the 300 metres inconveniencing CURIOUS (K Myers).

Race 4 Avondale Sunday Markets 1200

BLISS STREET (M Cameron) began awkwardly shifting in abruptly crowding **ZAMBARI** (T Thornton), **CHALET QUEEN** (C Grylls) and **CAGA DANCE** (S Spratt) with both **ZAMBARI** and **CHALET QUEEN** having to steady losing ground.

SANCERRE (L Innes) began a little awkwardly.

CEDAR ROSE (M Sweeney) was obliged to race wide without cover for the majority of the event.

CHALET QUEEN had to steady approaching the 800 metres when becoming awkwardly placed inside the heels of **SANCERRE**.

ZAMBARI over-raced through the middle stages.

ZAMBARI had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight and lay in when placed under pressure passing the 200 metres.

SANCERRE lay in under pressure inconveniencing FRANK WHO (M Du Plessis) passing the 100 metres.

When questioned into the performance of the favourite **DOMINIO** Rider M Coleman advised the gelding was feeling the effects of the firmer nature of the track. A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Race 5 Avondale Appliance Centre 1200

PIPELINE (S Spratt) shifted in abruptly when leaving the barriers crowding **ADRENALINE RUSH** (R Smyth) and **BASEER** (L Innes) which were both hampered losing ground.

SILVER PLATTER (D Johnson) was slow to begin.

MAT DILLON (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly shifting in.

SILVER PLATTER over-raced in the early stages.

MAT DILLON raced wide without cover throughout.

BASEER (L Innes) hung out around the bend and was not persevered with over the final 150 metres.

When questioned into the performance of the favourite **BASEER** Rider L Innes felt that the colt would prefer some easing of the ground. **BASEER** underwent a post race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

Race 6 Roger James Kingsclere Stables 2100

SACRED KNIGHT (M Hills) and MONS CALPE (R Smyth) both began awkwardly.

SAUCY PENNY (C Grylls) began awkwardly losing ground.

THENAMESBOND (S Spratt) over-raced when being restrained when leaving the straight on the first occasion.

SACRED KNIGHT became awkwardly placed on the heels of **THENAMESBOND** approaching the 800 metres having to steady.

Passing the 350 metres **THENAMESBOND** lay out under pressure inconveniencing **SACRED KNIGHT** which had to steady.

MONS CALPE was held up entering the final straight and then raced in restricted room passing the 300 metres for a distance to the inside of **SMUCKERS** (C Dell) which was taken in by **LETMEBY** (M Coleman). **SMUCKERS** then shifted out and away from **MONS CALPE** making contact with **LETMEBY**. Rider M Coleman was issued with a warning.

Inside the final 100 metres **SMUCKERS** and **LETMEBY** raced in restricted room between **MONS CALPE** and **I'VE GOT FAITH** (BR Jones) both of which shifted ground slightly.

When questioned into the performance of the favourite **THE GRINNER** Rider M Du Plessis stated that the gelding travelled well in the early and middle stages but when placed under pressure failed to respond. Rider M Du Plessis

also indicated that the gelding would prefer some easing of the ground.	
Race 7	Avondale Dental 1380
BROKASH (S Collett) and ALAGINT (C Grylls) both began awkwardly and then were crowded by LUCKY ORPHAN (C	
Dell) which had shifted in abruptly when leaving its barrier.	
BURMA (L Innes) and RISING FORCE (D Johnson) both began awkwardly with RISING FORCE then being	
inconvenienced by BRONDAN (BR Jones) when leaving the barriers.	
EVERLONG (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly.	
FLICKA OF GOLD (M Cameron) knuckled when leaving the barriers.	
BRONDAN over-raced in the early stages when being restrained off the heels of FLICKA OF GOLD , shifted in placing	
BROKASH in restricted room for a distance passing the 1100 metres.	
LUCKY ORPHAN shifted out under pressure from the 200 metres inconveniencing RISING FORCE passing the 50	
metres finishing wide on the track.	
When questioned regarding the performance of FLICKA OF GOLD Rider M Cameron advised that the gelding had	
travelled well in the early and middle stages but had failed to respond when under pressure as anticipated in the final	
straight and could offer no tangible excuses for the horse's performance.	