STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Auckland Racing Club Date: Wednesday, 12 February 2014

Weather: Fine
Track: Good (3)
Rail: 12 Metres

Stewards: M J Williamson (Chairman), J P Oatham, P Kinsey

Typist: M Gemmell

GENERAL:

Rider K Myers did not attend today's meeting after suffering injuries at Cambridge Trials, 11 February 2014. K Myers is to provide a medical certificate prior to riding next.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: SECOND INNINGS, BLOSSOM QUEEN, BUCKWILD, BEAUTY'S BEAST, OUR PINK DIAMOND,

SIR DARCI

Suspensions: Nil Protests: Nil Fines: Nil

Warnings: Race 5 R Smyth OUR PINK DIAMOND

Shifting ground 1200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Bleeders: Nil
Horse Actions: Nil
Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Race 5 GENDARME – T Thornton replaced K Myers (injured)

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 Barfoot & Thompson 2200

DESCHABEEL (O Bosson) shifted inwards near the 2100 metres making contact with **VONCINI** (L Innes). **VONCINI** and **DESCHABEEL** then came together for a distance.

Near the 1800 metres **BERGERAC** (R Smyth) had to be steadled of the heels of **VESTA** (M Hills) which shifted in. M Hills was advised that he must exercise greater care when shifting ground.

BERGERAC was held up entering the final straight and then passing the 300 metres raced in restricted room when improving to the inside of **VESTA**.

Race 2 Lindauer Mile

Nothing to report.

Race 3 Network Visuals 1200

TOMORROWLAND (P Turner) dislodged its rider during the preliminaries and escaped, before being recaptured and passed fit to run following a veterinary inspection. P Turner was uninjured.

JUSTTHEANSWER (D Johnson) began awkwardly.

DREAMWORLD was slow away.

BROADWAY EXPRESS (M Du Plessis) began a little awkwardly and was inclined to lay out in the early stages.

TOMORROWLAND raced greenly going into the bend near the 1100 metres and shifted out hampering **COIRE** (R Hutchings).

DREAMWORLD over-raced in the middle stages on a moderate pace.

TOMORROWLAND shifted away from **BUCKWILD** (J Jago) rounding the final turn passing the 400 metres before hanging outwards badly under pressure in the final straight finishing wide out on the track, placing Rider P Turner at a disadvantage.

Race 4 The Edge 1200

When making the bend near the 1100 metres **BEAUTY'S BEAST** (O Bosson) had a tendency to lay in and away from **ALTIUS** (L Innes) inconveniencing **COURIER** (D Johnson) then shifting in, hampering **HANNAH MARY** (S Collett) which had made the bend awkwardly. As a result **COURIER** then shifted out hampering **PIPELINE** (R Hutchings) and **EL PRIMO** (S Spratt). Passing the 1000 metres **BLACK RUSSIAN** (C Grylls) became awkwardly placed inside the heels of **COURIER** having to steady.

PIPELINE had a tendency to over-race through the middle stages.

Race 5 Barfoot & Thompson Twilight Cup

DUCKWORTH LEWIS (C Grylls) dropped its head as the barriers opened and was slow away as a result (4L).

ATACAMA (M Du Plessis) was slow to begin before being further hampered by **PUSSY O'REILLY** (O Bosson) which jumped away awkwardly making contact with **ATACAMA**.

OUR PINK DIAMOND (R Smyth) shifted in near the 1300 metres briefly crowding **KIDWELLY** (M Cameron) and **PINZAARA** (S Spratt) before being straightened by its rider.

When making the bend approaching the 1200 metres **OUR PINK DIAMOND** shifted in crowding **KIDWELLY** which had to steady. Apprentice Rider R Smyth was reprimanded by Stewards and advised she would be expected to exercise far greater care when shifting ground. R Smyth was further advised that a warning would be placed on her record. Passing the 1100 metres **PINZAARA** became awkwardly placed on the heels of **OUR PINK DIAMOND** which was steadying to avoid the heels of **TANGO TERRIFIC** (C Dell) which shifted in. Apprentice Rider C Dell was reprimanded by Stewards and reminded of his obligations when shifting ground. **OUR PINK DIAMOND** then shifted out off the heels of **TANGO TERRIFIC** forcing **KIDWELLY** to race three wide for the remainder of the race. **PINZAARA** then commenced to over-race through the

HE'S ROCK'N'ROLL (M Dee) raced ungenerously when being restrained through the middle stages.

PINZAARA was held up entering the final straight. Near the 350 metres **PINZAARA** was then inconvenienced when shifting to the outside of **TANGO TERRIFIC** to obtain clear running when that runner shifted ground. **PINZAARA** then had to be steadied.

Passing the 200 metres **HE'S ROCK'N'ROLL** shifted in under pressure making contact with **PINZAARA** which then became awkwardly placed on the heels of **TANGO TERRIFIC** having to steady when that runner had again shifted out.

ATACAMA had a tendency to lay out once placed under pressure in the final straight with Rider M Du Plessis changing the whip to the left hand.

When questioned regarding the performance of **PINZAARA** Rider S Spratt could offer no tangible excuses. **PINZAARA** underwent a subsequent veterinary examination which failed to find any obvious abnormalities.

When questioned regarding the form reversal of **OUR PINK DIAMOND** Trainer T Mitchell advised he was disappointed with its failure at Te Rapa when he had been confident of the mare's chances and after having **OUR PINK DIAMOND** fully checked following that failure no abnormalities had been detected. Mr Mitchell further stated in his opinion the mare may be better suited to right-handed tracks.

KIDWELLY lost the near hind plate during the running.

Race 6 Auckland Co-op Taxis Mile

BHIWANI (V Colgan) and FIRST RESPONSE (K Joyce) came together when leaving the barriers.

BHIWANI and WAZUNGU (O Bosson) both had a tendency to over-race in the middle stages.

SIR DARCI (M Cameron) became awkwardly placed on heels for a distance passing the 600 metres and then was held up until near the 300 metres.

FIRST RESPONSE raced three wide without cover throughout.

BHIWANI was held up near the 300 metres and continued to have some difficulty obtaining clear running near the 150 metres

When questioned regarding the performances of **WAZUNGU** and **BHIWANI** the respective jockeys O Bosson and V Colgan both advised that they had become awkwardly placed when getting back in the early and middle stages and had not been suited by the slow tempo.