STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Taranaki Thoroughbred Racing	Date:	Thursday 17 April 2014
Weather:	Raining		
Track:	Heavy (10) – Downgraded from Slow (9) at 11:00am		
Rail:	Out 6 metres.		
Stewards:	G Whiterod (Chairman); R Neal and B Bateup.		
Typist:	K Smart		

GENERAL:

Following persistent rain the track was downgraded prior to race one.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

HAWKES BAY RACING – Saturday 12th April 2014

RACE 4 – Napier Park Sprint Prelude

Stewards have concluded an investigation into comments attributed to trainer J Bridge after the run of the favourite ALLEYOOP in the The Napier Park Sprint Prelude at the Hawke's Bay Racing Club's meeting on Saturday 5th April 2014. These comments, which were printed on the NZTR website, recorded Mr Bridge as saying that the mare was to have been ridden `cold' with such comments being at odds those made by rider J Parkes in a Trackside interview which was shown at approximately 12:30pm on the day of the race, where Mr Parkes said that his intentions were to ride the mare handy.

When questioned Mr Parkes confirmed that he had intended to ride ALLEYOOP handy to the pace, albeit with cover if possible, as at this stage of its career she needed to learn to settle in her races. Mr Parkes then stated that after beginning awkwardly and settling back he had taken a hold in an attempt to obtain a trail, but when doing so ALLEYOOP had skied its head and lost a length. Mr Parkes added that thereafter ALLEYOOP had been unable to make sufficient ground.

Mr Bridge confirmed the instructions given to Mr Parkes – this being that he would, if possible, like ALLEYOOP to be ridden in a trailing position as opposed to leading as he felt this would be beneficial to its chances. Mr Bridge stated that his comments about ALLEYOOP being ridden cold had been misconstrued and that it was never his intention to have the mare ridden at the back of the field. However after beginning awkwardly ALLEYOOP had got back in consequence and when attempting to be settled by rider Parkes had reacted poorly and got is head up and lost ground.

The Stewards are satisfied that there was no intent, either on the part of Mr Bridge or Mr Parkes, to mislead the Stewards or the racing public but rather the comments attributed to Mr Bridge referring to ALLEYOOP being ridden `cold' were only that he would prefer the mare to be ridden with cover. Mr Bridge was advised that in the future he should choose his words more carefully than he did on this occasion.

SUMMARY:			
Swabbing:	I'VE G	OT TH	HIS, MALACHY LAD, BELLA'S DELIGHT, POROTENE LOLLIPOP, SIR GONZALES, WAR
	STORY	, ZET	OW, LOU SEA, ITSALRIGHT
Suspensions:	Race		
Protests:	Race	7	S Doyle (SKYCHI) (placed 2 nd) against K Leung) ZETOW (placed 1 st) [Rule 642(1)] - Dismissed
Fines:	Race		
Warnings:	Race	1	D Miller (SOMETIME LUCKY)
			[Rule 638(3)(b)] – excessive use of whip
		6	R Hutchings (THE GREMLIN)
			[Rules 638(1)(d) – shifting ground
Bleeders:	Race		
Horse Actions:	Race		
Medical Certificates:	Cleara	nce r	required from K Myers

SUMMARY:

Rider Changes:	Race	2	C Studd replaced A Kuru on HE SURE IS
Late Scratchings:	Race		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	ECOLAB MDN HIGHWEIGHT
LEAHTHER N' LA	CE was slow begin.
I'VE GOT THIS w	as placed in restricted room approaching the 1800 metres when inside HEDGE FUND which shifted in and
away from HEZA	NAKILAD which lay in marginally when improving. I'VE GOT THIS then over raced for a distance.
AND THATZ SCO	TTY raced three wide without cover for the majority.
I'VE GOT THIS an	nd JOYOHJOY bumped after passing the winning post on the first occasion.
LYKAROC had to	shift inwards away from the heels of I'VE GOT THIS near the 100 metres to continue to improve.
Rider C Studd (L	EATHER N' LACE) was reminded of his obligations with respect with his use of the whip on a horse out of
contention.	
Rider D Miller (S	OMETIME LUCKY) was issued with a warning with respect to the use of a whip prior to the 200 metres on a
horse out of con	tention.
Race 2	WARRNAMBOOL MAY CARNIVAL HWT
Rider A Kuru (HE	SURE IS) was delayed in traffic and did not arrive to take his engagement on HE SURE IS and was replaced
by C Studd.	
•	n very awkwardly losing several lengths.
	hifted in abruptly simultaneously as CLOEMMBAI shifted out, resulting in JOKRAAR being tightened and
losing ground.	
	E was slow to begin.
	TTLE BENNY bumped heavily passing the winning post on the first occasion, resulting in JOKRAAR having to
	the gelding then over-racing for a short distance.
	ay in near the crossing near the 1600 metres, momentarily crowding SUNSET PASS .
	d wide without cover throughout.
	d regarding the run of FRED FLINSTONE which finished well back, rider R Hutchings stated the gelding was
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	heavy track conditions.
Race 3	HASSALL HOMES GIB 1800
	r began awkwardly and settled back.
	d wide in the middle stages in search of firmer going.
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Race 8 RADIO HAURAKI 90.8 FM MDN

TE HANA and LOU SEA were both slow to begin.

ROSEADAY jumped the crossing near the 1500 metres. **ROSEADAY** then raced ungenerously and near the 1400 metres when being restrained got its head up and lost ground.

HESTOLEMYROSES raced greenly near the 200 metres dictating **TE HANA** inward momentarily.

I CANDY hung in throughout the final straight and could not be fully tested.

WHO WHY commenced to give ground passing the 700 metres and near the 400 metres blundered when well back.

Race 9 SAT MAY 10TH RACEDAY MDN

K Myers did not attend the meeting due to sustaining a minor injury on race morning and was replaced on MIDNIGHT JEWEL by S Doyle.

Apprentice R Hutchings was observed to relax his ride on **RACQUETOR** over the final stages. When questioned Apprentice Hutchings stated that the gelding had been unable to quicken when pressured and it was struggling in the heavy going shortly after entering the home straight.

Rider S Doyle reported that **MIDNIGHT JEWEL** had been unsuited to the track conditions.