# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Matamata Racing Club Date: Wednesday 4 June 2014

Weather: Fine
Track: Slow(9)
Rail: 3.5 Metres

**Stewards:** J Oatham (Chairman), A Coles, W Robinson, B Jones

**Typist:** P Laboyrie

#### **GENERAL:**

Apprentice Z Moki did not attend the meeting due to illness and is required to provide a medical clearance prior to riding next.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: ROYAL COMMAND, SOUL TO SQUEEZE, CENTAVADA, LAMASON, CLOSE UP, EPICUREAN, LADY

MARILYN, KALINDA

Suspensions: Race 4 J Oliver DASHA

Shifting ground after start [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 8 – 18 June inclusive (6 days)

Protests: Nil

Fines: Race 6 Mr D Murray FAIRYTALE ROMANCE

\$50 [Rule 616(3)] Incorrect gear

Warnings: Race 3 C Thornton HEZ COOL

Shifting ground after start [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Race 6 FAIRYTALE ROMANCE – vet cert required

Medical Certificates: Required from O Bosson and Z Moki

Rider Changes: Race 4 QUANTUM MAELSTROM – M Coleman for O Bosson (unwell)

5 ALI – L Satherley for O Bosson

6 MADAME MILLIE – J Oliver for Z Moki (unwell)

7 DARTING – M Cameron for O Bosson

Late Scratchings: Nil

#### RACE COMMENTS:

#### Race 1 JIM FURNESS MATAMATA GRADER SERVICES 2000

**CRUISEO** (M McNelis) began very awkwardly and shifted outwards abruptly over the early stages losing several lengths.

FAST PROFIT (C Thornton) reared at the start.

BAYROSS (C Studd) began awkwardly.

ST SATURNIN (M Mitchell) shifted inwards jumping away hampering ROYAL COMMAND (A Kuru).

WHATWASTHAT (T Harris) shifted outwards leaving the barriers hampering SERGIOS (G Walsh).

**CONSPIRACY** (E Farr) went off stride when shying at the crossing near the 1700 metres dropping back on to **TEQUILA AT MIDNITE** (D Miller) which had to steady, and in turn hampered **LAZARUS** (P Ormsby) which ran wide when avoiding the heels of **TEQUILA AT MIDNITE** forcing **CRUISEO** wider on the track. **CRUISEO** then raced wide without cover for the remainder of the event.

**SERGIOS** was briefly steadied to avoid the heels of **CRUISEO** which was giving ground near the 500 metres.

**FAST PROFIT** was held up rounding the final turn before obtaining clear running near the 300 metres.

**ST SATURNIN** shifted outwards to obtain clear running rounding the final turn near the 350 metres inconveniencing the weakening **CONSPIRACY**.

After leading on a moderate pace **WHATWASTHAT** was quickly under pressure once asked to quicken entering the final straight and failed to respond finishing well back. Rider T Harris was unable to offer any excuses. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

When questioned regarding the improved performance of **ROYAL COMMAND** co-trainer Mr K Shailer advised that when disappointing at its most recent start the mare had been caught in the worst of the going on the inside in holding track conditions, and was better suited today racing over more ground and back on its home track where it had performed well

previously.

## Race 2 SLATTERY CONTRACTING LIMITED 1400

**BO YING** dislodged rider J Jago on its way to the start. J Jago was uninjured. **BO YING** was recaptured undergoing a veterinary inspection behind the barriers before being passed fit to run.

**FIONN'S KID** (B R Jones) was placed in restricted room leaving the barriers when **BO YING** shifted out and **SHAMAL** (M Coleman) shifted in.

**BOMAYE** (M Cameron) was slow to begin before being further hampered when **FLANDERS** (M Sweeney) shifted out and **FAIRY CAKE** (J Wong) shifted in forcing **LITTLE DREAMER** (S Collett) on to **BOMAYE**.

FLANDERS and POWER STAR (P Turner) both raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

**FAIRY CAKE** was held up entering the final straight near the 300 metres before shifting outwards across heels to obtain clear running near the 200 metres.

Following this race O Bosson advised that he was feeling unwell and was stood down from his remaining three rides. O Bosson was advised that a medical clearance is required prior to riding next.

Race 3

#### **COLCHESTER ENGINEERING LIMITED 1600**

NASRINA (E Farr) was slow away.

**HEZ COOL** (C Thornton) shifted inwards shortly after the start when not fully clear of **CENTAVADA** (M Mitchell) which had to ease. C Thornton was issued with a warning and advised to ensure that he is fully clear when shifting ground in future. Also inconvenienced was **SHARAKTI** (R Hutchings).

GALAXY ROAD (T Harris) and CENTAVADA came together near the 175 metres when both runners shifted ground.

A post-race veterinary examination of **SOUTHERN COUNTESS** (A Kuru) which finished a distant last did not reveal any abnormality.

Race 4

#### **MURRAY WILCOX LIMITED 1200**

**MARY POPPINS** dislodged rider R Hutchings during the preliminary. After being recaptured **MARY POPPINS** was passed fit to run following a veterinary inspection at the start. R Hutchings was uninjured.

**PATAKIA** (B Grylls) was reluctant to enter the barriers. Trainer Mr M Dromgool was advised that its barrier manners must improve.

Apprentice S McKay (LABELS) lost his right stirrup iron leaving the barriers and did not regain the use of the iron until near the 600 metres.

**CELEBRITY MISS** (S Collett) and **RIP CITY** (P Turner) were both slow away.

MARY POPPINS and MESKERRE (J Wong) began awkwardly with MESKERRE making contact with PATAKIA which then shifted away from that runner hampering MONTEREY BAY (R Smyth).

J Oliver admitted a breach of careless riding in that he permitted his mount **DASHA** to shift inwards shortly after the start when not sufficiently clear of **GEMODI** (M Sweeney) which was dictated inwards crowding **PATAKIA** on to the hind quarters of **MESKERRE** with **PATAKIA** being checked. Also inconvenienced was **MARY POPPINS**. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended J Oliver's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 7 June until the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 18 June, 6 riding days.

LAMASON (M Cameron) had a tendency to over-race when disputing the lead through the middle stages.

**PATAKIA** over-raced when being restrained approaching the 800 metres.

**GEMODI** lay in going into the bend near the 800 metres.

**LAMASON** hung outwards rounding the final turn.

**CELEBRITY MISS** lay inwards under pressure in the final straight

Race 5

#### **TEAM WEALLEANS 1200**

**PRIZE LAD** (M Coleman) was hampered when crowded shortly after leaving the barriers. **PRIZE LAD** was then inclined to over-race when being restrained in the early to middle stages.

Going into the bend near the 800 metres **ALI** (L Satherley) shifted outwards away from **LAUGH** (M Cameron) bumping **DAHLS DELIGHT** (D Johnson) which was hampered.

**CLOSE UP** (R Norvall) had some difficulty obtaining clear running rounding the final turn into the straight near the 300 metres making contact with **SILK SHOT** (S Collett).

When questioned regarding the performance of **HEART OF GRACE** rider R Hutchings was unable to offer any excuses, but was of the opinion that the gelding may be better suited being ridden more quietly early.

Race 6

### **TANKS AND SILOS NZ LIMITED 1400**

Trainer Mr D Murray was fined \$50 after presenting FAIRYTALE ROMANCE (R Smyth) to race with incorrect gear.

MADAME MILLIE (J Oliver) which had been fractious in the barriers began very awkwardly losing ground (4L).

**JACKY PAPER** (K Leung) was slow to begin before being further hampered by **ABSOLUTE GEM** (A Jones) which began awkwardly and shifted in.

KINGS CALL (D Johnson) began awkwardly.

FLASH FORWARD (S Collett) shifted outwards leaving the barriers inconveniencing SILVERBURN (D Hain).

OOMPA (B R Jones) lay out near the 1100 metres making contact with EPICUREAN (R Hutchings). OOMPA then raced

ungenerously again hampering EPICUREAN shortly after.

KINGS CALL ducked inwards away from JOCHEN RINDT (M Wenn) near the 300 metres.

Following the race **FAIRYTALE ROMANCE** was found to have suffered a significant tendon injury in the left front leg. Trainer Mr D Murray was advised that a veterinary certificate of fitness would be required if **FAIRYTALE ROMANCE** was to race again.

## Race 7 PGG WRIGHTSON MATAMATA 1400

**RUNNING SCARED** (J Oliver) which had become fractious in the barriers was removed to undergo veterinary inspection which found the filly to have a minor laceration in a nostril being passed fit to run.

CHINA TEA (M Coleman) began awkwardly losing ground.

LUCKY RUBY (M Sweeney) knuckled jumping away.

FLOSSY THE CAT (P Turner) began awkwardly.

**DARTING** (M Cameron) shifted inwards leaving the barriers hampering **SWEET RITA** (S McKay) which lost ground.

**FLOSSY THE CAT** over-raced in the early stages.

**CHINA TEA** raced ungenerously when being restrained near the 1200 metres.

Rounding the final turn near the 300 metres **DARTING**, which was looking to improve into a run between **BRONDAN** (S Collett) and **FLOSSY THE CAT**, made solid contact with the hind quarters of **FLOSSY THE CAT** unbalancing both runners with **DARTING** then becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **BRONDAN** which rolled out resulting in **DARTING** being checked. **SWEET RITA** was hampered as a result. **SWEET RITA** then had difficulty obtaining clear running until inside the final 100 metres.

## Race 8 MATAMATA TRACTORS & MACHINERY 1600

**DREIMS OF GOLD** (R Hutchings) was slow away.

**REBEL ROSE** (R Smyth) had a tendency to race greenly and shift ground throughout ducking inwards passing the 250 metres placing **ISTIS LASS** (M Cameron) in restricted room.