

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

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| Club: | Wellington Racing Club | Date: | Saturday 23 May 2015 |
| Weather: | Overcast | | |
| Track: | Heavy(10) | | |
| Rail: | 10 Metres | | |
| Stewards: | J Oatham (Chairman), N Goodwin, B Bateup, L Tidmarsh | | |
| Typist: | P Penketh | | |

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUMMARY:

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| Swabbing: | ZARTAN; DANCE IN THE PARK; BROADSIDE; HOSTAGE; IT'S A WONDER; MAROTIRI MISS; MADONNA MIA; DAIELLO; JACKFROST | | |
| Suspensions: | Race | 5 | J Oliver OPERA KNIGHT Careless riding 200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] suspended 31/5-4/6 inclusive, 4 days |
| Protests: | Nil | | |
| Fines: | Race | 3 & 5 | M McNelis FRUITION / SLACK THE DIVER \$100 [Rule 330(3)(c)] Failure to make weight |
| Warnings: | Race | 4 | K Smith LIL MER Shifting ground 100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] C O'Beirne ERIC THE VIKING Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] |
| Bleeders: | Nil | | |
| Horse Actions: | Race | 3 | Jafa Jill – warning barrier manners |
| Medical Certificates: | Nil | | |
| Rider Changes: | Race | 3 | FRUITION – M McNelis replaced by R Goldsbury – unable to make weight |
| | | 5 | SLACK THE DIVER – M McNelis replaced by U Holmquist – unable to make weight |
| Late Scratchings: | Nil | | |

RACE COMMENTS:

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| Race 1 | GIANT'S STEPS@LINWOOD PARK STUD PREMIER |
| WINDERMERE LAD (M Dravitzki) shifted outwards jumping away hampering ZARTAN (C Johnson). ZARTAN over-raced in the early and middle stages. WINDERMERE LAD was inclined to lug outwards near the 500 metres when rounding the final turn. LADY OF LEID (R Goldsbury) had to be straightened several times in the home straight when inclined to run greenly once placed under pressure. | |
| Race 2 | ECHOES OF HEAVEN & EKRAAR @ LINWOOD PARK STUD PREMIER |
| PEWTER (C Johnson) and SANDY'S STAR (J Oliver) came together leaving the barriers with PEWTER losing ground as a result. JACKSON STREET (L Hemi) began awkwardly. HENI (R Myers) was held up entering the final straight near the 400 metres and was unable to obtain clear running until near the 200 metres. | |
| Race 3 | LONE STAR PETONE PREMIER |
| Apprentice M McNelis was unable to make the required weight for FRUITION being replaced by R Goldsbury. M McNelis was fined \$100 under the minor infringement schedule. The start was delayed due to Jafa Jill proving difficult to load. Trainer Mr S Cameron was advised that a warning would be placed against the mare for its barrier manners. DAL SIR TEE (H Tinsley) was slow to begin. LINCOLN SUN (D Bradley) began awkwardly. FRUITION raced wide without cover throughout. Rider R Goldsbury advised that the gelding had a tendency to hang from the 1000 metres and had failed to handle today's track conditions. | |

DAL SIR TEE lay out under pressure in the final straight.

J Riddell reported that **TEMPLE TIGER** did not handle the holding track conditions.

Apprentice L Hemi (**LAWRIES IMPACT**) was reminded of her obligations with regards to her whip use prior to the 200 metres.

J Oliver (Jafa Jill) relaxed his ride just prior to the post being reminded of his obligation to ride his mounts out fully to the finish.

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| Race 4 | NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE |
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HOSTAGE (S McKay) was slow to begin.

SILVER NANCHO (J Parkes) raced keenly in the early stages.

LIL MER (K Smith) shifted inwards under pressure passing the 100 metres hampering **SHE'S POPPY** (R Goldsbury). K Smith was issued with a warning.

S McKay (**HOSTAGE**) and K Smith (**LIL MER**) were both spoken to with regard to their whip use prior to the 200 metres.

D Bradley (**STARLIGHT ANGEL**) and R Myers (**LETMEGO**) both reported their respective mounts had failed to handle today's track conditions.

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| Race 5 | BLUEBRIDGE THE COOK STRAIT FERRY PREMIER |
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M McNelis was replaced on **SLACK THE DIVER** by U Holmquist.

HANDLEMEWITHCARE (J Parkes) shifted outwards under pressure over the final stages.

SIR GONZALES (R Hannam) over-raced in the early stages and near the 900 metres had to be steadied off heels for a short distance.

OPERA KNIGHT (J Oliver) shifted outwards under pressure near the 200 metres into the line of **SARABI** (R Myers) which had to be checked and shifted inwards abruptly to avoid the heels of **OPERA KNIGHT**. Prior to the authorisation of dividends connections of **SARABI** viewed film footage before electing not to proceed with a protest. Apprentice **J Oliver** admitted a resultant charge of careless riding and after hearing submissions was suspended by the Judicial Committee from the close of racing on Saturday 30 May 2015 until the close of racing on Tuesday 4 June, 2015 (4 riding days).

R Hannam the rider of **SIR GONZALES** which finished tailed off reported that the gelding had felt indifferent in its action. A subsequent veterinary examination did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

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| Race 6 | HARRISONS CARPET @ YOUR PLACE NORTH ISLAND CHALLENGE STAKES |
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MAROTIRI MISS (C Johnson) was slow to begin.

THE LONE RANGER (J Oliver) over-raced shortly after the start getting its head up when having to be firmly restrained off the heels of **SHEZGORGEIOUS** (R Myers).

D Bradley advised that **OUR GAZZA** would prefer looser rain affected footing than that encountered today.

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| Race 7 | MAGNESS BENROW TRENTAM GOLD CUP |
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SEA EAGLE (C Johnson) was slow to begin.

GUARANTOR (R Myers) shifted outwards jumping away bumping with **THATZ DAVID** (K Chiong).

NOTHING TRIVIAL (M Dravitzki) bounded leaving the barriers losing ground.

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| Race 8 | DUNSTAN FEEDS AUTUMN SPRING CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL |
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KUZANOV (J Parkes) began awkwardly.

VINCENT STREET (J Oliver) was slow away.

VINCENT STREET was held up near the 500 metres and was unable to obtain clear running throughout the final straight.

KUZANOV and **SIR KINGWOOD** (M Dravitzki) bumped near the 250 metres

JACQUI ICKX (U Holmquist) was held up near the 350 metres and continued to have some difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 200 metres.

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| Race 9 | HAIGHT ASHBURY PREMIER |
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ROCK BAND (K Smith) was slow to begin.

ITSALLBELT (C Johnson) had to be steadied when racing in restricted room near the 1700 metres. **TIZZA SECRET** (S McKay) then also had to be steadied when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **ITSALLBELT**.

LANDLORD (D Mo) over-raced in the middle stages.

JACKFROST (J Parkes) and **MANGAROA FLO JO** (J Oliver) came together on a number of occasions inside the final 200 metres when both runners shifted ground under pressure.

TIZZA SECRET was eased down in the final straight when tailed off. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

C O'Beirne (**ERIC THE VIKING**) was issued with a warning for her use of the whip in the final straight.