

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Otaki-Maori Racing Club	Date:	Friday, 6 March 2015
Weather:	Rain		
Track:	Good(3), downgraded to Dead(4) prior to Race 1, further downgraded to Dead(5) following Race 1.		
Rail:	Out 3 metres		
Stewards:	N Goodwin (Chairman), B Bateup, B Jones		
Typist:	S Shirriffs		

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	LUMINEER, MICHELIN, BEAU AGEN, FIGURAC, SKYBIRD, IRISH WHISPER.		
Suspensions:	Race		
Protests:	Race		
Fines:	Race	3	R Goldsbury (BEAU AGEN) – excessive use of whip prior to the 200 metres – fined \$150 [Rule 638(3)(b)]
		5	Trainer S Gordon (KALINGA) – late declaration of rider – fined \$50 [Rule 537(a)]
Warnings:	Race		
Bleeders:	Race		
Horse Actions	Race	1	THE CZAR – must trial
Medical Certificates:			
Rider Changes:	Race		
Late Scratchings:	Race	4	REMATCH – at 1.04pm on veterinary advice
		4	HEAVENS KEEP – due to downgrade in track conditions

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	CREATIVE CATERING 2YO MAIDEN (800 metres)
<p>Shortly after the start THE CZAR veered sharply inwards approaching the junction, dislodging rider J Riddell then continuing on through the running rail. Connections of THE CZAR were advised that the gelding must barrier trial prior to the satisfaction of stewards prior to next racing. Trainer M Breslin said THE CZAR, which was uninjured would be spelled prior to trialing. Rider J Riddell did not require medical treatment.</p> <p>LUMINEER made the bend near the 400 metres awkwardly, shifting out crowding PRINCESS ATHENA and forcing MARVELLE across the heels of MISS PERCYNALLITY, with both runners having to steady.</p> <p>LUMINEER continued to lay out for the remainder of the final straight.</p> <p>After consultation with riders the track conditions were further downgraded to Dead (5) following Race 1.</p>	
Race 2	94.3FM THE SOUND OF KAPITI MAIDEN (2100 metres)
<p>R Myers the rider of ALAGHERA reported that the gelding had lost its footing passing the crossing on the first round. Near the 700 metres SAMOGON was crowded between CLAUDE (R Hannam), which shifted out, and LUCQUIDE, which lay in. R Hannam (CLAUDE) was advised to exercise more care.</p> <p>LICQUIDE hung inwards throughout and near the 300 metres shifted in abruptly into the line of CLAUDE, which had to be steadied. LICQUIDE then continued to hang inwards badly throughout the home straight and had to be steadied away</p>	

<p>from the rail near the finish. ALAGHERA raced three wide without cover throughout.</p>	
Race 3	THE DOMINION POST HANDICAP (2100 metres)
<p>Apprentice R Goldsbury (BEAUAGEN) admitted a charge of breaching Rule 638(3)(b) in that she used her whip excessively prior to the 200 metres. The JCA committee imposed a fine of \$150.</p>	
Race 4	LION BROWN MAIDEN (1200 metres)
<p>REMATCH was a late scratching at 1.04pm on veterinary advice after suffering an injury en route to the track. HEAVENS KEEP was a late scratching at approximately 1.30pm due to the change in track conditions. FIGURAC was slow away. GERARDASUN raced keenly early and near the 800 metres had to be steadied off the heels of RED REBEL. FIGURAC was held up in the early part of the final straight prior to being angled inwards near the 300 metres. LILLY PINS was inclined to shift out under pressure over the final stages. KEEP US HAPPY disappointed, finishing well back. Rider R Myers was reluctant to blame the deterioration in track conditions and said the filly was disappointing. Stewards ordered a subsequent veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality. CLASSIC GOLD lost the off side rear plate during the running. Rider M McNelis reported that the saddle had shifted on FRUITION shortly after the start, placing him at a disadvantage.</p>	
Race 5	CLARK & CO REALTY HANDICAP (2100 metres)
<p>Trainer S Gordon (KALINGA) admitted a breach of Rule 537(a) in that she was late declaring a rider and was fined the sum of \$50. SKYBIRD and ROCK BAND were slow to begin. ROCK BAND over-raced in the early and middle stages before shifting out when awkwardly placed on the heels of LORD CASANOVA near the 1600 metres and was then obliged to race wide without cover for the remainder. The saddle slipped forward on LORD CASANOVA near the 1500 metres placing the rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the race, with LORD CASANOVA finishing some distance last. POSTER GIRL had to be steadied to avoid the heels of LORD CASANOVA near the 700 metres. Stable representative M Dixon attributed the winner SKY BIRD'S improved performance from the previous Saturday at Hawke's Bay, where it had disappointed, due to the more even tempo of the race today and the Dead(5) track conditions.</p>	
Race 6	NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (1600 metres)
<p>DIVERSITY blundered at the start, slipped and lost ground. SHE KNOWS and MISS INTERPRETED bumped at the start.</p>	