

# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



## MEETING DETAILS:

<b>Club:</b>	Matamata Racing Club	<b>Date:</b>	Saturday 21 February 2015
<b>Weather:</b>	Fine		
<b>Track:</b>	Dead(4)		
<b>Rail:</b>	True		
<b>Stewards:</b>	J Oatham (Chairman), A Coles, M Williamson, P Kinsey		
<b>Typist:</b>	P Laboyrie		

## GENERAL:

Track conditions were inadvertently initially posted as a Dead(5) on race morning when the notified description had been a Dead(4). This error was rectified at 9.34am.
Races 7 and 8 were both officially put back by 2 minutes to 3.54pm and 4.30pm respectively following meeting abandonments in Queensland.

## SUMMARY:

<b>Swabbing:</b>	HAPARANDA, OHOPE PRINCE, DRAMATIST, ROCANTO, SELFIE, MAE WEST, SERENA MISS, NAHEMA, RECITE, BENZINI, CLASSCOROC, CELEBRITY MISS
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 9 <b>B R Jones</b> CHAOS Careless riding 1500 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 1-8/3/15 inclusive, 4 days
<b>Protests:</b>	Race 6 <b>NAHEMA 2<sup>nd</sup></b> V <b>SERENA MISS 1<sup>st</sup></b> – dismissed
<b>Fines:</b>	Nil
<b>Warnings:</b>	Race 6 <b>L Innes</b> SERENA MISS Shifting ground 50 metres 8 <b>M McNab</b> FLYING ORCA Shifting ground 1800 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
<b>Bleeders:</b>	Nil
<b>Horse Actions:</b>	Race 5 <b>SEIZE THE MOMENT</b> – lame left foreleg, vet cert of fitness required prior to racing next
<b>Medical Certificates:</b>	Nil
<b>Rider Changes:</b>	Nil
<b>Late Scratchings:</b>	Nil

## RACE COMMENTS:

<b>Race 1</b>	<b>NEW WORLD MATAMATA 1600</b>
<b>GREEN EASY</b> (T Thornton) was slow to begin. <b>WHATZ OCCURRING</b> (L Innes) jumped away awkwardly making contact with <b>MUSCAT HILLS</b> (M Coleman). <b>AMUSE</b> (B Hutton) began awkwardly shifting inwards crowding <b>DOMANAE</b> (C Lammas) leaving the barriers. Approaching the 1400 metres <b>STORM BRO</b> (S Collett) and <b>HAPARANDA</b> (M Cameron) were both crowded when racing in restricted room to the inside of <b>FEROZ</b> (N Harris) which had a tendency to lay in. <b>STORM BRO</b> then raced ungenerously for a distance when being steadied. <b>STRAIGHT FURROW</b> (S McKay) raced three wide without cover.	
<b>Race 2</b>	<b>TONEZONE 1600</b>
<b>FULL COUNT</b> (L Innes) over-raced when being restrained in the early stages. <b>AGENT ZIVA</b> (A Jones) was inclined to lay outwards throughout the race. <b>OCEANIA</b> (R Myers) had a tendency to lay out under pressure in the final straight.	
<b>Race 3</b>	<b>RICH HILL STUD 1400</b>
<b>FRANCOME</b> (C Grylls) and <b>CADUCEUS</b> (M McNab) both began awkwardly losing ground. <b>FRANCOME</b> commenced to over-race when being steadied soon after leaving the barriers, and continued to do so for a distance. <b>FRANCOME</b> continued to race ungenerously through the middle stages. <b>DRAMATIST</b> (L Innes) raced keenly passing the 1000 metres having to be steadied off heels. <b>CADUCEUS</b> lost the right front plate near the 900 metres. <b>SMARTS ENCOSTA</b> (H Tinsley) was held up until inside the final 200 metres.	
<b>Race 4</b>	<b>REID &amp; HARRISON (1980) LIMITED SLIPPER</b>

**SELFIE** (L Innes) was a little slow to begin.

**ELEMENT** (M McNab) raced keenly in the early stages getting its head up and was inclined to hang outwards throughout. Passing the 800 metres **LINK ROAD** (M Coleman) became awkwardly placed on heels when the pace steadied.

**SELFIE** ducked outwards under pressure passing the 100 metres with **UNSURPASSED** (M Cameron) then shifting away from that runner hampering **LINK ROAD**.

A post-race endoscopic examination of **UNSURPASSED** did not reveal any abnormality.

<b>Race 5</b>	<b>DUNCAN &amp; EBBETT 1400</b>
---------------	---------------------------------

**PACHENKO** (T Thornton) began awkwardly from the outside barrier and shifted outwards abruptly, losing ground.

**ISHIGOLD** (S Collett) and **SO KEEP ME** (A Jones) both began awkwardly losing ground.

**SEIZE THE MOMENT** (M Cameron) over-raced when being restrained near the 1000 metres, and continued to do so through the middle stages.

**SO KEEP ME** had to be firmly restrained to avoid the heels of **MAE WEST** (R Myers) near the 800 metres.

**PACHENKO** raced three wide without cover.

**MAE WEST** made contact with **PACHENKO** when attempting to obtain clear running near the 300 metres. Rider R Myers was advised to exercise greater care.

When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of **SEIZE THE MOMENT** rider M Cameron was unable to offer any excuses other than the gelding over-racing, adding that in his opinion **SEIZE THE MOMENT** may have been feeling the effects of recent racing. A post-race veterinary examination found the gelding to be showing signs of lameness in the left foreleg. Trainer Mr S Marsh was advised that a veterinary certificate of fitness would be required prior to **SEIZE THE MOMENT** racing next.

<b>Race 6</b>	<b>J SWAP CONTRACTORS MATAMATA BREEDERS' STAKES</b>
---------------	---

**NAHEMA** (M McNab) shifted outwards when being steadied near the 1000 metres hampering **SPECIAL MEMORIES** (M Cameron).

**PLATINUM EXPRESS** (M Du Plessis) made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly forcing **GREAT EXPECTATIONS** (R Myers) over extra ground.

**SPECIAL MEMORIES** raced three wide without cover.

**NAHEMA** shifted inwards away from **SERENA MISS** (L Innes) near the 150 metres.

**NAHEMA** and **SERENA MISS** came together near the 100 metres.

**SERENA MISS** shifted inwards under pressure crowding **NAHEMA** on to **STRATA LADY** (C Grylls) inside the final 50 metres.

Following the race the connections of the second placed horse **NAHEMA** lodged a protest against the first placed horse **SERENA MISS** alleging interference inside the final 50 metres. After viewing video footage and hearing all relevant submissions the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest. L Innes was issued with a warning and advised that he must stop riding and straighten his mount more quickly than he had on this occasion.

<b>Race 7</b>	<b>WAIKATO STUD 1200</b>
---------------	--------------------------

As a result of the protest in the previous race the start of race 7 was put back to 3.58 pm.

**LADY ROYALE** (S Collett) began awkwardly losing ground.

**NEEDLLY** (M Du Plessis) shifted outwards leaving the barriers crowding **TOMORROWLAND** (M Coleman) on to **THE FILLY** (S McKay) and **IRISH ENCORE** (R Myers) which both became briefly unbalanced.

R Myers (**IRISH ENCORE**) dropped her whip near the 150 metres.

<b>Race 8</b>	<b>MARKS EWEN &amp; ASSOCIATES KAIMAI STAKES</b>
---------------	--

**APACHE FIREWORKS** (T Thornton), **SILVERDALE** (H Tinsley), **ROSE OF VIRGINIA** (M Du Plessis) and **BENZINI** (R Myers) were all slow to begin.

Approaching the 1800 metres **FLYING ORCA** (M McNab) shifted inwards when not fully clear hampering **ROSE OF VIRGINIA**. M McNab was issued with a warning.

**BREAKING DAWN** (N Harris) over-raced for a distance passing the 1700 metres.

**GUESS WHAT** (C Lammas) was steadied when awkwardly placed inside the heels of **SURPASS** (M Coleman) near the 1500 metres.

**ROSE OF VIRGINIA** raced wide without cover around the first bend before improving forward on a slow pace to lead near the 900 metres.

Entering the final straight near the 300 metres **FLYING ORCA** lay in with **SULTRY ASSASSIN** (S Collett) shifting inwards away from that runner simultaneously as **BREAKING DAWN** was attempting to shift to the outside of **GUESS WHAT** which rolled out. As a result **BREAKING DAWN** made contact with **SULTRY ASSASSIN** which then became awkwardly placed on the heels of **FLYING ORCA** having to be steadied.

**BENZINI** was held up early in the final straight until obtaining clear running improving into a tight run near the 150 metres.

<b>Race 9</b>	<b>MILLS REEF WINERY 2000</b>
---------------	-------------------------------

**SHE'S SAMASHING** (P Holmes) was slow to begin.

**THAT'S HOW WE ROLL** (M Coleman) and **SWORNTOPERFECTION** (M McNab) began awkwardly and came together.

**SHE'S SAMASHING** raced ungenerously when being restrained at the rear in the early to middle stages.

B R Jones admitted a breach of careless riding in that he permitted his mount **CHAOS** to shift inwards near the 1500 metres when not clear of **PAYDAY** (S Collett) which was checked and forced inwards on to **BACK IN BLACK** (C Lammass) which was also checked. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended Mr Jones licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 28 February 2015 until the conclusion of racing on Sunday 8 March 2015, 4 riding days. **CHAOS** was inclined to lay in under pressure in the final straight.