STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: OTAKI MAORI RACING CLUB Date: Saturday 21 February 2015

Weather: Fine
Track: Dead 4
Rail: True

Stewards: N Goodwin (Chairman); R Neal, G Whiterod and B Bateup

Typist: P Penketh

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: STAR O'FRAAJ; BRONSTEEL; JONQUIL; CITY CHIC; BEL SORRISO; TE HANA; IAMISHWARA;

NATUZZI; JULINSKY PRINCE; BEAU AGEN

Suspensions: Race 4 C Johnson (SHEZASTUNNA) –careless riding - from close of racing on 21st February

2015 until close of racing on 28th February 2015 - 4 days

[(Rule 638 (1) (d)]

Protests: Race

Fines: Race

Warnings: Race 5 R Hutchings – use of whip prior to the 200 metres. 638 (3)(b)

Bleeders: Race

Horse Actions Race 3 I CANDY – veterinary clearance required

NO CHANGE – veterinary clearance including ECG and must trial

Medical Certificates:

Rider Changes: Race
Late Scratchings: Race

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 TUI BACKING A WINNER SINCE 1889 3YO

REILLY LINCOLN (D Bradley) was inclined to get its head up when being restrained in the early stages.

J Parkes (STAR OF O'FRAAJI) was reminded of his obligations with regard to his whip use in the home straight.

Race 2 HYLAND SPORTSWEAR MAIDEN

FIGURAC (O Bosson) dwelt at the start and settled last.

KONOHIKI (B Lammas) shifted out abruptly on jumping.

SOMEKA (J Parkes) was slow to begin.

KEEN TEMPO (R Hannam) bounded at the start but recovered quickly.

DAN CUGAT (K Smith) shifted out on jumping hampering JUDI ANNE (R Goldsbury) which settled back.

DAN CUGAT over-raced throughout.

FIGURAC was held up and unable to improve near the 400 metres prior to gaining a clear run when angled inwards inside the 200 metres.

JUDI ANNE raced greenly in the run home and had to be straightened.

PERFECT PITCH (R Hutchings) was inclined to lug in down the home straight.

Race 3

MILLS REEF WINERY MAIDEN

NEAT BELT (D Bradley) blundered on jumping shifting out and hampering **CAN COUP (B Lammas)** with both runners losing ground.

I CANDY (R Hannam) was slow to begin settling back (3 lengths).

DAL DUNVEGAN (C Johnson) was slow to begin and then raced wide until near the 800 metres.

BARTOLI (D Turner) and MASTER JACK (J Riddell) bumped near the 250 metres.

I CANDY returned to the enclosure showing signs of lameness which a subsequent veterinary examination confirmed in the near foreleg. Trainer I Marks was advised that a clearance will be required prior to the mare's next start.

Race 4

HUNTING AND FISHING OTAKI HANDICAP

SECONDS OUT (J Parkes) had to steady going into the first corner.

SHEZASTUNNA (C Johnson) raced three-wide without cover until near the 1000 metres where it improved to race adjacent to the leader.

ATTICA compounded quickly near the 800 metres and on returning to the birdcage collapsed and died. A post mortem will be conducted to verify the cause of death

NO CHANGE gave ground over the final stages and finished well back. A subsequent veterinary examination revealed that **NO CHANGE** had suffered an atrial fibrillation. Trainer P Nelson was advised that prior to next racing, **NO CHANGE** will have to undergo a veterinary inspection including the results of an ECG examination after trialling.

C Johnson admitted a charge of careless riding under Rule 638 (1) (d) after he allowed his mount **SHEZASTUNNA** to shift in shortly after the start dictating **CITY CHIC (D Bradley)** onto **PIRINITETE (K Smith)** with that runner being forced into the line of **ATTICA (R Hutchings)** which was checked. After hearing all evidence and submissions the JCA imposed a period of suspension from the close of racing today 21st February 2015 until the close of racing on Saturday 28 February 2015 (4days).

Race 5

THE DOMINION POST ST LEGER TRIAL

MISCHIEVOUS MIS (K Myers) was crowded on jumping away between BEL SORRISO (D Johnson) and EYEFUL TOWER (D Turner).

TEQUILA SUNRISE (R Hutchings) began awkwardly and lost ground.

SEALED BY A DANCE (J Parkes) over-raced in the early stages

SEALED BY A DANCE was held up early in the home straight and unable to obtain clear running until near the 200 metres.

TEQUILA SUNRISE lay out under pressure in the home straight.

R Hutchings (TEQUILA SUNRISE) was issued with a warning for his use of the whip prior to the 200 metres.

Race 6

CLARK & CO REALTY HANDICAP

TE HANA (J Parkes) began awkwardly and settled back.

BELLA'S DELIGHT (L Allpress) dipped shortly after leaving the barriers.

GEMMA LASS (K Myers) raced in restricted room shortly after leaving the barrier.

STUNNING PRINCESS (D Bradley) and MISS DAISY (R Hutchings) both raced keenly in the run along the back straight.

Race 7

HAUNUI FARM GROUP ONE WFA CLASSIC - Group. 1

PUCCINI underwent a veterinary check at the barrier after blood was observed in the mouth area and was cleared to start. **PUCCINI** (**D Johnson**) was slow to begin and settled at the rear then commenced to over-race.

PUCCINI over raced in the early stages.

When questioned regarding the performance of **PUCCINI, D Johnson** reported that the run was very disappointing and she could offer no excuse. Trainer **P McKay** was of the opinion that **PUCCINI** was unsuited to the Dead 4 track today.

A subsequent veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

L Allpress could offer no excuses for the run of **SLICE OF CLASS** which finished well back. A subsequent veterinary examination revealed no abnormality.

When questioned **R Hutchings** reported that **SORIANO** was possibly not suited coming back to the mile distance from the 2000 metres of its previous start adding the mare finished the race off in a pleasing fashion.

Race 8

94.3FM THE SOUND HANDICAP

PETITE BRIGITTE (R Hannam) shifted out abruptly on jumping shifting out onto **ELVERA (D Johnson)** which was taken out onto **TAIPA TIGER (K Myers)** and **POSTER GIRL (C Johnson)** which became unbalanced and lost ground.

ROCK BAND (N Teeluck) and HIGHLAND ROSE (J Parkes) bumped at the start.

WAIT A SEC (D Bradley) raced three-wide without cover throughout.

D Bradley reported he felt something amiss with WAIT A SEC and allowed the gelding to ease down over the final stages. Stewards ordered a post race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormalities.

enquiry was opened	and adjourned with re	gard to the use of t	the whip in the ho	me straight by N Te	eeluck (ROCK BAI