

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Levin Racing Club	Date:	Thursday, 18 December 2014
Weather:	Raining		
Track:	Dead(5), downgraded to Slow(8) following Race 1		
Rail:	Out 2 metres		
Stewards:	N Goodwin (Chairman) G Whiterod and L Tidmarsh		
Typist:	S Shirriffs		

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	SEAWEED, QUEENOFHEPALACE, COURT A RIPA, GOOD ONE GLADY, SILKYSAND, PERFECT MIX, CRACKLING ROSIE, MISS PROFESSIONAL.
Suspensions:	Race
Protests:	Race
Fines:	Race 4 A Sharrock (MADONNA MIA) Presenting mare to race with gear that had not been notified (blinkers) [Rule 616(4)] – fined \$50
Warnings:	Race
Bleeders:	Race
Horse Actions	Race
Medical Certificates:	
Rider Changes:	Race
Late Scratchings:	Race 1 VOXER , change in weather conditions. The following were late scratched due to a downgrade in track conditions following Race 1. 3 PLATINUM EMPIRE, SKYWARDS, COURTESAN, 4 BIDDABLE 5 SAVARIA 7 NEAT BELT, OBRAHMA, ALL CHARM, GALLETA, IRISH CHAT, POSTBOY, NOTIONANNAGINS 8 RED MELODY, POSTER GIRL

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	MADGE COACHLINES MAIDEN (2100 metres)
<p>ALAGHERA began awkwardly and settled back. I'LLBEYOURPLATINUM was slow away. INDOLLJENCE over-raced in the early stages and near the 1600 metres, when being steadied off heels, shifted in bumping LIVERPOOL KISS, which lost its footing and became unbalanced for a short distance. Also affected was LAST TRUMP, which had to steady to avoid LIVERPOOL KISS. As a result of the interference to LIVERPOOL KISS, ITSANOBRAINA, which was racing to the outside of INDOLLJENCE had to be steadied outwards and in doing so dictated REYKJAVIK over extra ground. INDOLLJENCE continued to over-race for some distance so was taken forward and wide to avoid heels near the 1200 metres.</p>	

LIVERPOOL KISS was tightened near the 800 metres when in restricted room.

SEAWEED raced wide throughout.

C O'Beirne (SEAWEED) in the presence of her employer was shown footage of her ride in the home straight after she allowed her mount to shift ground over the final stages when not clear of **SKYBIRD**, which had to steady. C O'Beirne was advised that she is expected to straighten her mount sooner than she did on this occasion.

When questioned into the disappointing run of **I'LLBEYOURPLATINUM**, rider D Bradley advised that his mount did not see out the distance (2100) in the Slow (8) conditions.

Co-trainer G Lowry applied and was given permission to scratch **VOXER** prior to the downgrade in track conditions after approximately 10mm of rain had fallen between 7.30am and the start of the first race.

Following Race 1 the track rating was downgraded retrospectively from Dead(5) to Slow(8) after consultation with riders.

Race 2 | **NIGEL STRATTON MEMORIAL 3YO MAIDEN (1200 metres)**

BARTOLI was slow away.

CAFÉ NOIR lost its footing at the start.

CLAUDE and **KURATAU** were tightened at the start when **SIR MONTY** shifted out simultaneously as **AIRLIE HOUSE** shifted in. A short distance further **CLAUDE** and **KURATAU** both had to steady when **SIR MONTY** was steadied off the heels of **ROCKAFILLY**, which shifted out.

SIR MONTY commenced to over-race throughout and when being steadied near the 800 metres went back on to **QUEENOFTHEPALACE** which was momentarily hampered.

DARCI MAC was obliged to race wide throughout.

Over the final stages **BENNIES APPROVAL** shifted in under pressure and bumped **ELEGANT ASSASSIN**.

Race 3 | **COLIN CHRYSTALL MAIDEN (1200 metres)**

REMATCH began very awkwardly losing ground (4L).

C Johnson the rider of **FIDEL** stated that the gelding failed to handle the existing track conditions

Race 4 | **RACING TIPS HANDICAP (1400 metres)**

SHEZGORGEIOUS was slow away.

MANU over-raced and when being steadied near the 800 metre turn, shifted into the line of **CASINO** which had to be steadied off heels.

When questioned into the run of **SHEZGORGEIOUS** which finished last, rider C Johnson advised the mare was unsuited to the Slow (8) track conditions.

Trainer A Sharrock was fined \$50 under rule 616(4) after he presented **MADONNA MIA** to race with gear that had not been notified (blinkers).

Race 5 | **NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (1400 metres)**

SURREAL LEGEND (D Bradley) began awkwardly then shifted in making contact with the barrier with D Bradley subsequently losing the use of his irons placing him at a disadvantage for the remainder of the race. **SURREAL LEGEND** finished several lengths last. **THE SWOOSH** was hampered in this incident and settled back.

GOLDEN SHELLS had to be steadied off the heels of **ACQUISTO** near the 150 metres.

Race 6 | **LEVIN TAB & SPORTS BAR HOROWHENUA CHRISTMAS CUP (2100 metres)**

PEARLS began awkwardly and settled back.

Race 7 | **SHIRLEY'S YUMMY STRAWBERRIES LEVIN (1600 metres)**

STONEMASON began awkwardly and settled back.

VIA DOLOROSA over-raced in the back straight and near the 800 metres improved up on to the heels of **CAVATINO** and had to steady.

VIA DOLOROSA was held up in the early part of the home straight and over the final stages lay out and bumped **STONEMASON**.

Race 8 | **R J KER CONTRACTORS HANDICAP (1600 metres)**

HIGHLAND ROSE began awkwardly and was then bumped by **TWILIGHT DOLL**.

PEWTER was slow away then commenced to race fiercely resulting in rider C Johnson taking the gelding forward near the 1000 metres. When questioned rider C Johnson said he had difficulty restraining the gelding which had little left at the finish after over-racing.

M Dravitzki (TIKVAH) was advised to exercise care after shifting in abruptly near the 100 metres when not clear of **SHADOW PLAYER**, which was hampered.

When questioned into the run of **HIGHLAND ROSE**, rider J Parkes advised the mare was unsuited to the Slow(8) track conditions.