

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Ashburton Racing Club	Date:	Friday, 28 th August 2015
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Dead (6)		
Rail:	Out 3 metres		
Stewards:	J McLaughlin (Chairman), S Renault, L Tidmarsh		
Typist:	C McMullan		

GENERAL:

Rider A Collett did not attend the meeting due to transport difficulties. All riders underwent workplace breath testing prior to riding.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	DIAMOND EDGE, MASTERZED, HOWZAT, TUKAWA, SHEEZ ALL HEART, SPEEDY JAX, FASTFOOT		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Races 5&6	J Lowry (SLUMDOG MILLIONARE & GOLD LEAF) [Rule 330(3)(c)] – Failed to make contracted weight – Fined \$100	
Warnings:	Nil		
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race 4	MIRAGE – Veterinary clearance including ECG required prior to racing next	
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race 4	EMERGENCY CALL – C Johnson replaced A Collett (transport difficulties)	
	5	SLUMDOG MILLIONARE – R Black replaced J Lowry (overweight)	
	6	VARVARA – D Bradley replaced A Collett	
	6	GOLD LEAF – D Prastiyou replaced J Lowry	
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	ASHBURTON LIFE MEMBERS RATING 75 (1400m)
<p>MONTRACHET was crowded leaving the barriers between DIAMOND EDGE and GILD THE LILY which shifted inwards. EDENSONG raced keenly in the early stages when attempting to trail . DIAMOND EDGE raced keenly in the early stages due to the lack of tempo. EDENSONG raced keenly for a short distance passing the 1000 metres. DIAMOND EDGE became awkwardly placed on the heels of GILD THE LILY near the 700 metres and had to be restrained for some distance. SADLERS ROCK raced three wide without cover throughout. EDENSONG was held up rounding the final bend before obtaining clear racing room near the 200 metres. MONTRACHET lay inwards over the concluding stages when under pressure.</p>	
Race 2	CHRISTMAS AT THE RACES 18 DECEMBER MAIDEN (2100m)
<p>SHE'S RIVETING was very slow to begin. ROYAL CHANCE got its head up when being restrained in the early stages. MASTERZED raced keenly for a short distance passing the 1800 metres. HIGH IN DEMAND raced keenly in the early stages.</p>	

ROYAL CHANCE raced wide from the 1400 metres.

SPIDER LILY had to be steadied rounding the final bend when becoming awkwardly placed near the heels of the tiring **STRICTLY LIMITED**. **SPIDER LILY** was then held up for a short distance near the 300 metres.

Passing the 400 metres **TYCOON CLASS** when shifting outwards made contact with **SHE'S RIVETING**.

HIGH COMMISSIONER lay in under pressure in the early stages of the home straight and had to be straightened near the 200 metres. Rider K Williams reported that **HIGH COMMISSIONER** had lay inwards from the 1000 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **SHE'S RIVETING**, trainer M McCann was at a loss to explain the performance but advised that the mare which had been working well may not have favoured today's track conditions. Rider S Muniandy reported that the mare was worked up prior to the event and only battled when placed under full pressure. A post race veterinary inspection of **SHE'S RIVETING** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.

Race 3 | **KPMG PRIVATE ENTERPRISE ASHBURTON OFFICE R65 (2100m)**

Passing the winning post on the first occasion **HARMONIZE** got its head up when being restrained when awkwardly placed to the inside of **MAEVE DAVONE**. **HARMONIZE** raced keenly for some distance thereafter.

REVENGE raced keenly in the early stages.

REVENGE raced wide in the middle stages.

PUTT FOR CASH raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

HOWZAT improved wide from the 700 metres.

S Muniandy was warned under the provisions of Rule 638(3)(b)(ii) for use of the whip prior to the 200 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **HIGH VIZ**, rider T Direen reported that in her opinion the mare had not seen out the distance of today's race.

Race 4 | **NEUMANN'S TYRES MAIDEN (1400m)**

FULL OF EXCUSES and **LATE FREIGHT** came together on jumping making firm contact.

LATE FREIGHT and **LUKE** raced keenly in the early stages.

MIRAGE raced wide in the early and middle stages.

EMERGENCY CALL became awkwardly placed on heels near the 400 metres and had to steady and shift ground inwards to obtain clear running.

ZAH KEISHA lay outwards rounding the final bend.

LUKE lay out in the early stages of the home straight.

LUKE lay inwards over the concluding stages and had to be straightened, proving a difficult ride.

A post race veterinary inspection of **MIRAGE** revealed the mare to be suffering from Atrial Fibrillation. The connections were advised that a veterinary clearance including ECG would be required prior to **MIRAGE** racing next.

Race 5 | **PREMIER EQUINE VETS RATING 65 (1400m)**

As J Lowry was unable to make the contracted weight for **SLUMDOG MILLIONARE** he was replaced by R Black. J Lowry was fined \$100 under Rule 330(3)(c).

TANTELLA underwent a pre race veterinary examination after rearing in the barriers and was cleared to race.

TANTELLA and **SECRET POWER** were buffeted at the start between **SLUMDOG MILLIONARE** which shifted inwards and **MAGGIE'S SECRET** which jumped outwards.

IRONWORKER got its head up in the early stages when being restrained.

KEVILDO and **IRONWORKER** both raced wide throughout.

INCONTROL raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

Passing the 600 metres **SECRET POWER** was unbalanced when contacted from the inside by **WANDERIN STAR** which was shifting outwards.

INCONTROL was held up rounding the final bend and was not afforded clear running until inside the final 100 metres.

MAGGIE'S SECRET was held up passing the 300 metres and shifted wider near the 200 metres to obtain clear running.

Rider L Allpress reported that **SANDY'S STAR** returned to the birdcage in a distressed condition. A post race veterinary inspection of **SANDY'S STAR** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.

Race 6 | **SIM'S BAKERY RATING 75 (2100m)**

As J Lowry was unable to make the contracted weight for **GOLD LEAF** he was replaced by D Prastiyou.

GOLD LEAF underwent a pre race veterinary inspection and was cleared to race.

HYDRAULIC began awkwardly and got back.

ASTROTURF and **SLICK NICKEL** came together and bumped as the start was effected.

ABSOLUTION over raced in the early stages when being restrained.

CAVATINO and **SPEEDY JAX** raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

VARVARA improved wide from the 600 metres.

ASTROTURF lay inwards throughout the final straight.

SPEEDY JAX raced in restricted room for a short distance near the 200 metres.

CAVATINO and **GOLD LEAF** made contact after both shifted ground near the 100 metres.

Race 7**HOTEL ASHBURTON RATING 85 (1600m)**

KEEP THE COURAGE and **ROCKAHOY** were slow to begin.

MADAM VICTORIA raced fiercely in the early and middle stages.

CODY CAT over raced in the early and middle stages.

Passing the 350 metres **CODY CAT** was held up when awkwardly placed on the heels of **UPPLAND** which shifted inwards and **MADAM VICTORIA** which shifted ground outwards. Shortly thereafter **CODY CAT** was further held up when **UPPLAND** shifted outwards.

CODY CAT was again held up near the 250 metres when attempting to shift ground inwards, becoming awkwardly placed again on the heels of **UPPLAND** and **MADAM VICTORIA** for some distance.

Passing the 150 metres **CODY CAT** shifted outwards to obtain clear running, brushing with **LAKOTA** near the 50 metres, with apprentice rider C Barnes being unable to use her whip in tight quarters.

Following the race the connections of **CODY CAT** viewed the film before deciding not to proceed with a protest.

When questioned over her ride on **CODY CAT**, apprentice C Barnes stated that she had committed to shift inside **UPPLAND** near the 250 metres after that gelding had shown tendencies to lay out prior to that however had been disappointed for a run when **UPPLAND** again shifted inwards. Trainer A Carston when questioned about the riding tactics given to C Barnes, reported he had instructed his rider to save the gelding for one run. C Barnes was reminded of her obligations not to leave her rides open to query.