STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Otaki-Maori Racing Club Date: Thursday, 12 May 2016

Weather: Fine
Track: Slow (7)
Rail: True

Stewards: N Goodwin (Chairman), G Whiterod, B Bateup

Typist: S Shirriffs

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SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: ALINKO PRINCE; JAYLA MONET; ITS OUR SHOWTIME; ROCKSUN; DAL SIR TEE; PERANTO;

GRACIELLA; WAZUZU; BRAD THORN; AIDE MEMOIRE; ASH PALACE.

Suspensions: Race

Protests: Race

Fines: Race 3 M McNab ABSOLUTELY ME

[Rule 330(3)(c)] – Unable to make weight fined \$300

Warnings: Race

Bleeders: Race

Horse Actions: Race

Medical Certificates:

Rider Changes: Race 3 ABSOLUTELY ME – S Collett replaced M McNab (over-weight).

Late Scratchings: Race

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 EL CHEAPO CARS HANDICAP (2100 metres

Connections advised that GREY POWER is retired.

Race 2 NIGEL SMITH TRACTORS MAIDEN (2100 metres)

MR ENTHUSIASTIC began awkwardly but recovered quickly to race in a handy position.

TUI BABE and **SHEZAGOODBET** bumped together on leaving the barriers and settled back.

SHEZAGOODBET hung out and raced very wide in the back straight.

WRONG BELT raced three wide without cover in the back straight until being allowed to go forward and lead going into the bend.

HIGH ESTEEM finished well back and when questioned, rider K Smith could offer no tangible excuse for the horse's performance.

Race 3 INPRO GROUP 3YO MAIDEN (1200 metres)

M McNab was unable to make the carded weight for **ABSOLUTELY ME** and was fined the sum of \$300. **M McNab** was replaced by **S Collett.**

BOOK SMART jumped out at the start causing a chain reaction of movement which resulted in **JAFFARI** and **MAYBE BABY** being checked and settling back.

TRAVIMYFRIEND over-raced and had to be steadied off heels near the 800 metres.

DEJA ROO steadied near the 800 metres.

DANACANTO raced wide throughout.

Race 4 94.3FM THE SOUND OF KAPITI MAIDEN (1400 metres)

CAIMARLEY and **ROCKSUN** were tightened at the start from runners either side, resulting in CAIMARLEY settling back.

HOLLYPOP and **NEMESIS** got back at the start.

CAIMARLEY over-raced in the back straight.

HOLLYPOP commenced to hang near the 800 metre turn resulting in rider **L Allpress** having to severely restrain the mare for some distance. **HOLLYPOP** continued to hang outwards until near the 400 metres.

NEMESIS was held up and unable to improve for a short distance passing the 800 metres and in the home straight was unable to obtain clear running until being angled inwards inside the 200 metres.

Race 5 CLARK & CO REALTY MAIDEN (1400 metres)

DAL SIR TEE jumped out at the start and hampered **ON DEBUT** and **WAIZ ONE** with both those runners settling back. **MR MURFITT** raced three wide without cover throughout.

FOXY POROTENE tended to over-race for some distance when the pace eased going into the first bend. When questioned rider **L Allpress** reported that **FOXY POROTENE** raced greenly but would improve with the run.

Race 6 DUNSTAN FEEDS AUTUMN SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFIER (1300 metres)

MR CONDUCTOR began awkwardly and then over-raced in the back straight.

N Teeluck (THATZ LOUIE) was advised to exercise more care after shifting in shortly after the start dictating PERANTO inwards on to **STEEL ROSE**, which was momentarily hampered.

THE AXE raced wide throughout.

FAZED and **MR CONDUCTOR** had to be eased going into the first bend when in restricted room.

S Collett reported that her mount, **SWEET MELODY**, may have swallowed a clod during the running which may have been a reason for its disappointing performance. A subsequent veterinary inspection confirmed the mare to be suffering from a respiratory ailment which will require further treatment.

D Turner had no excuse for the disappointing run of **SILVER BLADE**.

Race 7 MILLS REEF MAIDEN (1600 metres)

PAMPAS PONY began awkwardly and got back.

OUR WONDER over-raced in the back straight and had to be steadied for some distance.

SEA CRUISER raced wide throughout.

FISTFULOFDOLLARS raced three wide without cover throughout.

SPARCLING THYME lost the near front plate during the running.

Race 8 CREATIVE CATERING MAIDEN (1600 metres)

KNUCKLEHEAD over-raced in the back straight.

REPENT raced wide throughout.

BLAZING OPAL had to be momentarily steadied off heels when in restricted room near the 800 metres.

Race 9 RIVERSTONE CAFÉ HANDICAP (1600 metres)

KEILIB began awkwardly and then blundered. Rider S Collett reported that the gelding spread itself in doing so.

Race 10 VETS ON RIVERBANK HANDICAP (1400 metres)

ACUTELY GOLD was eased off the heels of **TAINUI** approaching the end of the back straight and in doing so went back on to **MISS BENCI**, which was over-racing and **WHEELER FORTUNE**, which also had to steady to avoid that runner's heels. **Apprentice jockey R Elliot** was questioned regarding his ride on **SARABI**. When after being wide in the early and middle stages he elected to cross to the rail near the 600 metres and then angle very wide again in the home straight losing ground. R Elliot advised that his mount struggled to maintain its position rounding the turn when being forced outward and he was of the opinion that the preferred option would be to save ground by angling inwards toward the rail and cutting the corner. However, on doing so the mare was unsuited to the going near the rail so he elected to angle very wide in the home straight. Apprentice jockey R Elliot accepted the stewards' view that he had shifted wider than was necessary on this occasion.

Race 11 HUNTING & FISHING OTAKI HANDICAP (2100 metres)

ROCK ON and **FRED FLINSTONE** were slow to begin and settled at the rear.

ETERNAL ANGEL over-raced passing the winning post and into the bend with a circuit to run.

POROTENE DIVA had to be steadied near the finish when racing in restricted room.