# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Auckland Racing Club Date: Saturday, 5 December 2015

Weather: Fine
Track: Good(3)
Rail: 6 Metres

Stewards: M J Williamson (Chairman), A Coles, W Robinson, P Kinsey

Typist: M Gemmell

#### **GENERAL:**

Nil

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY:**

Racing Te Aroha - Wednesday 25 November 2015

Race 5: Te Aroha Stallion Placement Scheme 1000

The Stewards concluded an inquiry into the riding tactics of Apprentice Rider A Jones when riding **KATIE'S SO COOL** and more specifically why she had allowed the filly to race in a three wide position rounding the turn when there had been an opportunity to race adjacent to the running rail. After considering evidence and submissions Apprentice Rider A Jones was severely reprimanded by Stewards and advised that she would be expected to show better judgement in future.

#### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: SALFORD ART, ANA, WINGATE, MAID OF STEEL, SOFIA ROSA, PERFECT FIT, STATHAM,

IRISH MOON, DOURO

Suspensions: Race 5 M McNab – VOLKSLIGHTNING

Careless riding final 50 metres [638(1)(d)] suspended 13-19 December, 5 days

Protests: Race 5 SELFIE 3<sup>rd</sup> v VOLKS LIGHTNING 2<sup>nd</sup> – dismissed

Race 7 IRISH MOON 2<sup>nd</sup> v – STATHAM 1<sup>st</sup> – dismissed

Fines: Nil

Warnings: Race 5 V Colgan - SOFIA ROSA

Shifting ground 150 metres [638(1)(d)]

7 C Dell – STATHAM

Shifting ground 300 metres [638(1)(d)]

8 M McNab – LANCIATO

Shifting ground 200 metres [638(1)(d)]

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Race 4 DARTMOOR – veterinary certificate required

5 STRATA LADY – veterinary clearance required including clear ECG

Medical Certificates: Received from V Colgan

Rider Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Race 3 DAPHNE - 9.30am, veterinary advice

# **RACE COMMENTS:**

Race 1 Dunstan Feeds Championship Qualifier 2200

**BACHELOR ZEEL** (S Collett) began awkwardly.

**BONINSKY** (T Thornton) blundered when leaving the barriers.

EL SOLDADO (M Hills) began awkwardly, crowding JAGERSFONTEIN (M Du Plessis).

**BONINSKY** (T Thornton) raced keenly when being restrained passing the winning post on the first occasion.

BONINSKY over-raced for a distance passing the 1200 metres when the pace had steadied.

**BACHELOR ZEEL** raced wide for a distance when improving forward to lead passing the 900 metres.

STORMING THE TOWER (V Colgan) had some difficulty obtaining clear running entering the final straight.

BONINSKY had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.

**EKRAARSTATIC** (C Lammas) was held up early in the final straight, shifting out to obtain clear running passing the 300 metres

**BACHELOR ZEEL'S** rider advised that the gelding would prefer some easing of the ground.

# Race 2 Dunstan Feeds Championship Qualifier 2200

**YOU ARE AMAZING** (M Coleman) and **ARYA** (M Du Plessis) both began awkwardly coming together and losing ground.

**POLYNESIA** (S Collett) began awkwardly and lost ground.

**SPECIAL UNIT** (Z Moki) shifted in slightly approaching the winning post on the first occasion and then commenced to lay in crowding **ZAVIERA** (V Colgan) for a short distance. Z Moki was advised that she must exercise greater care.

**ZAVIERA** then commenced to race ungenerously when being restrained and continued to do so in the early to middle stages, running wide passing the 1500 metres.

YOU ARE AMAZING got its head up when being steadied passing the 1100 metres.

YOU ARE AMAZING lay out when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**ANA** (S Spratt) commenced to shift out under pressure in the final straight with **ZAVIERA** then shifting away from that runner passing the 100 metres

The connections of the second placed horse **ZAVIERA** wished to view footage in the final straight alleging interference against the first placed horse **ANA**, electing not to proceed with an objection.

# Race 3 John Deere Agrowquip 1200

**RAROONEY** (A Collett) and **ESTEEM** (A Jones) were both slow to begin.

**RAROONEY** commenced to hang outwards and raced fiercely in the early stages, clipping a heel passing the 800 metres and blundering. **RAROONEY** then continued to hang outwards forcing **DANICA** (C Parish) wide on the track.

**DANICA** then hung out for the remainder of the turn. **RAROONEY** raced four wide for the remainder of the race.

**ESTEEM** shifted out passing the 700 metres to race wide without cover for the remainder of the race.

**HYPERVELOCITY** (S Spratt) was briefly held up passing the 300 metres.

# Race 4 Dunstan Feeds Championship Qualifier 2200

**HIGHLY LIKELY** (C Lammas) blundered when leaving the barriers, losing ground.

IRISH GEM (C Dell) and VICTORIA HEIGHTS (B Hutton) both jumped away awkwardly, losing ground.

**IRISH GEM** raced keenly when being restrained in the early stages and continued to do so through the middle stages being allowed to work forward passing the 1200 metres to lead.

VICTORIA HEIGHTS raced ungenerously when being restrained in the early stages.

**DARTMOOR** (M Coleman) raced keenly through the middle stages when awkwardly placed on heels.

**SKY IDEA** (C Parish) was held up passing the 300 metres and then improved into a marginal run approaching the 200 metres before obtaining clear running near the 100 metres.

**DARTMOOR** appeared to go off stride passing the 100 metres and was eased down by its rider. **DARTMOOR** then was dismounted by its rider when pulling up. A subsequent veterinary examination found the gelding to have sustained tendon injuries to the right fore leg. Trainer B Hawtin was advised that a veterinary clearance would be required for **DARTMOOR** prior to racing again.

Rider C Lammas advised that **HIGHLY LIKELY** had never recovered after its poor beginning.

### Race 5 Rentokil Initial 1300

**PREETHA VARMA** (B Hutton) began awkwardly making contact with the hind quarters of **STRATA LADY** (M Du Plessis) which became unbalanced.

IT'S BEN AGAIN (T Thornton) raced ungenerously when being restrained in the early stages.

**STRATA LADY** raced wide without cover throughout.

**SELFIE** (A Collett) was held up rounding the final turn.

**SOFIA ROSA** (V Colgan) shifted out approaching the 400 metres with **PREETHA VARMA** shifting away from that runner and becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **STRATA LADY. PREETHA VARMA** then shifting out abruptly to avoid heels, crowding **IT'S BEN AGAIN** which was hampered.

**SOFIA ROSA** commenced to lay in when placed under pressure in the final straight and shifted in passing the 150 metres despite the efforts of its rider, crowding **KHALAMA** (S Collett) which was steadied. V Colgan was advised that he must make a greater attempt to straighten his mounts and was further advised that a warning would be placed on his record.

**VOLKS LIGHTNING** (M McNab) raced greenly in the final straight, shifting in under pressure passing the 50 metres badly crowding **SELFIE** near the 25 metres which was checked, losing ground. M McNab admitted a resultant breach

of careless riding with the Judicial Committee suspending his license to ride in races 13-19 December inclusive, 5 riding days.

**STRATA LADY** which was eased down in the final straight underwent a post-race veterinary examination which found the filly to be suffering cardiac arrhythmia. Co-trainer A Scott was advised that a veterinary certificate including a clear ECG would be required, prior to the filly racing next.

Following the race the connections of the third placed horse **SELFIE** lodged an objection against the second placed horse **VOLKS LIGHTNING** alleging interference in the final straight. After considering submissions the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest.

#### Race 6 Devan Plastics 1200

VIBRANT MOSS (M Du Plessis), BULLDOZER (D Nolan) and CARNAVALITO (M McNab) were all slow to begin. Approaching the 1100 metres HUNAPO (A Collett) shifted in making contact with CARNAVALITO which then commenced to over-race and then shifted out slightly, forcing HUNAPO out on to the heels of PARTY CRASHER (BR Jones). As a result HUNAPO was hampered losing ground. HUNAPO then raced ungenerously for a distance. HAYPIN (T Thornton) commenced to race fiercely when being steadied passing the 1000 metres and continued to do so through the middle stages.

**PARTY CRASHER** raced fiercely when being restrained passing the 800 metres shifting out off heels, forcing **VIBRANT MOSS** wider on the track.

**CHERRY VAIN** (Z Moki) raced wide without cover throughout.

**HAYPIN** failed to obtain clear racing room for the majority of the final straight.

Rider M Du Plessis reported that **VIBRANT MOSS** had hung outwards throughout.

# Race 7 Stella Artois Concorde Handicap

TO BE SURE (S Collett) blundered when leaving the barriers.

WHOSYOURMASTER (M McNab) began awkwardly, losing ground.

RYAN MARK (M Coleman) began awkwardly.

Soon after leaving the barriers **RIDING SHOTGUN** (A Collett) shifted out making contact with **FASCINATION STREET** (M Du Plessis) with **RIDING SHOTGUN** then shifting back in crowding **DURHAM TOWN** (S Spratt) which clipped a heel and blundered.

**IL CAVALLO** (T Thornton) raced keenly when being restrained in the early to middle stages.

Passing the 1000 metres **RIDING SHOTGUN** lay in, becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **TREPIDATION** (C Parish) and was steadied.

**STATHAM** (C Dell) became awkwardly placed on heels and shifted out abruptly hampering **IL CAVALLO** approaching the 800 metres.

**TO BE SURE** commenced to race fiercely passing the 700 metres and shifted out hampering **TREPIDATION**, **RIDING SHOTGUN**, **WHOSYOURMASTER** and **DURHAM TOWN** which was forced wide on the track.

WHOSYOURMASTER shifted out to obtain clear running passing the 400 metres.

Approaching the 300 metres **STATHAM** was held up when denied clear racing room to the inside of **FAST DRAGON** (M Hills). **STATHAM** then shifted out across the heels of **FAST DRAGON** crowding **IRISH MOON** (C Lammas) which had to briefly steady.

Following the race the connections of the second placed horse **IRISH MOON** lodged an objection against the first placed horse **STATHAM** alleging interference in the final straight. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest. C Dell was severely reprimanded by Stewards and advised a warning would be placed on his record.

D Logan undertook to report if anything becomes apparent following the disappointing performance of **DURHAM TOWN**.

### Race 8 Auckland Staff 1400

**MODERATION** (T Thornton) began awkwardly.

**IWANNADANCELIKEHIM** (M Coleman) shifted out leaving the barrier, crowding **WHAT'S UP ALF** (S Spratt) onto **LANCIATO** (M McNab) and **BRAKBAR** (H Moki), with **BRAKBAR** then becoming awkwardly placed inside the heels of **ROCKTHATCITY** (M Hills) which shifted in slightly. As a result **BRAKBAR** was hampered, losing ground **CITY EXPRESS** was slow to begin.

**FLICKA OF GOLD** was crowded leaving the barriers, losing ground.

**DOURO** (V Colgan) began awkwardly, hampering **GISELA** (Z Moki).

WATCH THIS SPACE (C Lammas) was steadied passing the 1200 metres when awkwardly placed on heels.

HOLLYWOOD LAD (M Du Plessis) lay in passing the 1200 metres crowding WHAT'S UP ALF which was steadied.

**ROCKTHATCITY** raced ungenerously when being restrained off the heels of **OVERNIGHTSENSATION** (T Moseley) passing the 1100 metres.

MODERATION raced ungenerously when being steadied for a distance passing the 1000 metres.

**ROCKTHATCITY** and **EVEN BETTER** (B Jones) raced wide without cover throughout.

**WATCH THIS SPACE** shifted out when being restrained, crowding **FLICKA OF GOLD** which was hampered losing ground passing the 700 metres.

**WHAT'S UP ALF** became awkwardly placed on the heels of the weakening **MODERATION** approaching the 400 metres and was steadied for a distance.

**DOURO** shifted out to obtain clear running passing the 375 metres inconveniencing **WHATCH THIS SPACE** which then shifted back further inconveniencing **WHAT'S UP ALF.** 

**LANCIATO** commenced to race greenly when placed under pressure in the final straight shifting out abruptly passing the 200 metres, inconveniencing the weakening **OVERNIGHTSENSATION** which had to steady. Rider M McNab was reprimanded by Stewards and further advised a warning would be placed on his record.

**GISELA** lost the off hind plate during the running.