

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Waikato Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 12 December 2015
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Good(3) downgraded to Dead(4) at 10am		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), A Coles, M Williamson, W Robinson		
Typist:	P Laboyrie		

GENERAL:

The track was downgraded to Dead(4) at 10am following 6mls of rain since 7.30am.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Auckland Racing Club – Saturday 5 December 2015

Race 4 – Dunstan Feeds Championship Qualifier 2200

Trainer Mr B Hawtin reported to Stewards that after suffering a tendon injury **DARTMOOR** had undergone further examination on return to its stable and following this will not be persevered with as a racing proposition.

Auckland Racing Club – Wednesday 9 December 2015

Race 3 – The Nicholas Ditrio Memorial 1200

Co-trainer Mr S McKee reported that **MAGIC OF THE SUN** had pulled up showing signs of shin soreness and would now be freshened.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	PASSING SHOT, XIONG FENG, RUUD NOT TOO, VICTOR HUGO, GUESS WHAT, ZAVIERA, NATUZZI, TAVY, VAVASOUR, THE TIDY EXPRESS, STOLEN DANCE, PIPI BEEL, BLUE FLAG		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race	4	C Grylls CAPONE Shifting ground 250 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Race	2	CAORUNN , 7.48am on veterinary advice
		4	MATIMBA , 1.32pm on veterinary advice
		7	DEANE MARTIN , 9.02am on veterinary advice

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	LOWE SCHOLLUM & JONES PREMIER
<p>Whilst the field were loading it was noticed by the Stipendiary Stewards that the barriers had been incorrectly positioned at the 1100 metres rather than the correct 1200 metre distance for this race. As a result there was a delay whilst the barriers were repositioned with the race eventually starting 8 minutes late.</p> <p>BIGGIN HILL (V Colgan) shifted outwards leaving the barriers with ATTENTION SEEKER (D Johnson) shifting away from that runner crowding CARTELL (Z Moki), IRISH ENCORE (M Coleman) and SNAPSHOT (C Grylls) on to the heels of PASSING SHOT (O Bosson) which shifted in. As a result SNAPSHOT had to steady with IRISH ENCORE also being hampered and both runners losing ground.</p> <p>SNAPSHOT raced ungenerously in the early stages when being steadied.</p> <p>BIGGIN HILL lay out and brushed CARTELL near the 250 metres.</p> <p>CARTELL raced wide without cover throughout.</p>	

Race 2	WENTWOOD GRANGE PREMIER
<p>NIKITA (R Norvall) and GLASS SLIPPER (M Coleman) came together leaving the barriers. GLASS SLIPPER then raced ungenerously in the early stages, bounding and briefly attempting to buck.</p> <p>NIKITA lay out rounding the final turn with XIONG FENG (S Spratt) which was about to attempt a run to the outside of NIKITA then being steadied to shift inwards across that runner's heels to obtain clear running near the 300 metres.</p> <p>GLASS SLIPPER was held up near the 350 metres angling outwards across the heels of MAJESTIC CHAMPION (M Du Plessis) to obtain clear running.</p> <p>XIONG FENG lay out under pressure in the final straight inconveniencing GASOLINE (O Bosson) just short of the finish.</p>	
Race 3	TE RAPA NEW WORLD 1400
<p>AMADEUS (T Thornton), LIGHT UP A SCREEN (S Collett), PATTICAN (A Jones) and AMUN RA (M McNab) were slow to begin.</p> <p>BEAR (C Grylls) and AOTEAROWER (M Coleman) came together leaving the barriers with BEAR then making contact with CHACHI ARCOLA (Z Moki). CHACHI ARCOLA then shifted outwards slightly with BEAR shifting away from that runner crowding AOTEAROWER on to CANTINA (V Colgan) and MIDNIGHT MISTRESS (M Du Plessis) with MIDNIGHT MISTRESS losing ground.</p> <p>PATTICAN raced ungenerously when being steadied passing the 1200 metres, and continued to over-race through the middle stages.</p> <p>CHACHI ARCOLA raced three wide without cover.</p> <p>AMUN RA commenced to over-race passing the 1100 metres, and hung outwards rounding the bend. AMUN RA continued to shift outwards hampering PATTICAN on the point of the bend near the 400 metres with PATTICAN then running wide. Taking into account the racing manners of his mount, whilst on this occasion no charges were preferred, M McNab was advised that in future he would be expected to make a far greater attempt to prevent his mount from causing interference than he had on this occasion.</p> <p>MEESKA MOOSKA (C Johnson) raced keenly in the middle stages.</p> <p>When questioned, rider C Grylls was unable to offer any excuses for the poor performance of BEAR.</p>	
Race 4	THE PATHWAYS IMMIGRATION SPECIALISTS PREMIER
<p>MATIMBA was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 1.32 pm after being injured during the float trip to the races.</p> <p>MOCCONA MIST (S Spratt), THEE AULD FLOOZIE (D Johnson) and YSABELLA BRAVE (U Holmquist) all lost their footing jumping away.</p> <p>THE LAST SHOWER (M McNab) was very slow to begin.</p> <p>VICTOR HUGO (O Bosson) began awkwardly.</p> <p>GUESS WHAT (S Collett) raced ungenerously when being steadied for a distance passing the 1400 metres.</p> <p>WOLFVHISTLE (M Cameron) was steadied to avoid the heels of GIRL OF MY DREAMS (Z Moki) which shifted inwards near the 1300 metres. Z Moki was advised to exercise greater care. WOLFVHISTLE then raced keenly through the middle stages.</p> <p>YSABELLA BRAVE raced three wide without cover.</p> <p>GIRL OF MY DREAMS lay out rounding the final turn.</p> <p>CAPONE (C Grylls) shifted outwards under pressure into the line of SULTRY ASSASSIN (V Colgan) which had to be steadied to avoid that runner's heels near the 250 metres. C Grylls was issued with a warning.</p> <p>When questioned, rider M Cameron was unable to offer any excuses for the poor performance of WOLFVHISTLE.</p>	
Race 5	DUNSTAN FEEDS PREMIER
<p>TOKOMUTU JUDGE (S Spratt), LIL MISS WAITOKI (M Coleman) and EL PISTOLA (C Johnson) all blundered leaving the barriers.</p> <p>SILK CHARDONNAY (A Jones) lost its footing and blundered badly jumping away further hampering EL PISTOLA. SILK CHARDONNAY lost several lengths as a result.</p> <p>HIGHLY LIKELY (M Du Plessis) and NOLAWOOD (S Collett) both began awkwardly.</p> <p>IMPERIUM (M McNab) and SNOW SECRET (D Johnson) came together jumping away with SNOW SECRET then making contact with TEQUILA SUNRISE (T Thornton).</p> <p>ZAVIERA (V Colgan) over-raced in the early stages being inclined to get its head up.</p> <p>SILK CHARDONNAY commenced to over-race in the early stages, and was allowed to improve forward racing wide around the first turn until reaching the lead near the 1600 metres.</p> <p>CASTLE BEE (O Bosson) raced ungenerously when being restrained to avoid the heels of LIQUID ASSET (C Grylls) passing the 1800 metres.</p> <p>LIQUID ASSET came under pressure passing the 800 metres commencing to give ground shortly after, dropping out to finish last. Rider C Grylls was unable to offer any excuses other than the gelding racing keenly in the early stages. A post-race veterinary examination of LIQUID ASSET revealed an elevated heart rate.</p> <p>ZAVIERA lay in under pressure in the final straight.</p>	
Race 6	J SWAP CONTRACTORS SPRINT
<p>BLACK MASCARA (T Thornton) shifted outwards leaving the barriers crowding NATUZZI (C Johnson) which was steadied.</p>	

TAVY (D Johnson) was a little slow to begin.

TOMORROWLAND (C Grylls) over-raced when being restrained in the early to middle stages.

NATUZZI raced ungenerously for a distance from near the 900 metres.

BREAKING DAWN (M Du Plessis) raced wide without cover from the 800 metres.

TAVY was unable to obtain clear running early in the final straight having to be angled outwards across heels near the 300 metres.

MISS FOXWOOD (V Colgan) was held up early in the final straight, and continued to have difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 150 metres.

MOSSE (S Collett) and **BECHTOLSHEIMER** (M McNab) were both held up rounding the final turn with **BECHTOLSHEIMER** continuing to be held up until near the 250 metres.

GUSTAVO (O Bosson) raced wide without cover throughout.

MISS FOXWOOD lost the left front plate during the running.

NATUZZI returned to the enclosure bleeding profusely from a laceration to the Palmar Digital Artery on the left foreleg requiring veterinary treatment.

A post-race veterinary examination of **TOMORROWLAND** which weakened appreciably over the final 250 metres to finish a distant last did not reveal any abnormality. Rider C Grylls advised that the gelding had not helped its chances by over-racing badly. When questioned trainer Ms D Guy advised that the gelding's preparation had been affected to a degree following its win at Otaki on 27 November due to an issue with bruised soles. Ms Guy further advised that **TOMORROWLAND** had been swum for a few days as an alternative, and following its two track gallops this week she had been satisfied with its condition leading into today's race, but felt that the gelding had raced in a fresher state than she had anticipated with particular regard to stepping up to the 1400 metres of today's race. Ms Guy was reminded by the Stipendiary Stewards that in future she must report any issues that issue which may potentially affect the running of one of the horses in her care.

Race 7	SKYCITY HAMILTON WAIKATO CUP
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MANGAROA FLO JO (A Jones) lost its footing and blundered jumping away losing ground.

DELAGO'S SECRET (S Collett) began awkwardly.

APACHE FIREWORKS (T Thornton) knuckled leaving the barriers.

DUBAI SHUFFLE (M Du Plessis) was slow away.

APACHE FIREWORKS had to be restrained to avoid the heels of **STORMING THE TOWER** (C Grylls) which shifted inwards near the 2200 metres when not fully clear. C Grylls was advised to exercise more care. **APACHE FIREWORKS** then raced ungenerously for a distance.

THE TIDY EXPRESS (M McNab) angled outwards to obtain clear running near the 250 metres making contact with **DECORAH** (O Bosson) which was forced onto **APACHE FIREWORKS**. Prior to the authorisation of dividends the connections of **DECORAH** viewed Stewards film footage before electing not to proceed with a protest. Rider M McNab was advised to exercise greater care.

M McNab (**THE TIDY EXPRESS**) dropped his whip passing the 150 metres.

Shortly after passing the winning post **VAVASOUR** (D Johnson) ducked outwards abruptly with both **THE TIDY EXPRESS** and **DECORAH** having to be checked to avoid the heels of **VAVASOUR**.

When questioned regarding the performance of **SAINT EMILION** rider M Cameron was of the opinion that the gelding may be feeling the effects of recent racing. Co-trainer Mr A Forsman indicated that **SAINT EMILION** was now likely to be spelled.

Race 8	CAL ISUZU STAKES
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ULTRAVIOLET (M Du Plessis) began awkwardly making heavy contact with the hind quarters of **PIPI BEEL** (O Bosson) which became unbalanced with both horses losing ground.

IRION (G Cooksley) over-raced when being restrained in the early to middle stages.

KISSES (T Thornton) raced wide without cover.

When questioned regarding the poor performance of **TIE ME DOWN** rider M McNab advised that the mare had failed to respond once placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary examination found the mare to have an elevated heart rate.

Race 9	LODGE REAL ESTATE PREMIER
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NEK MINNIT (A Collett) and **BLUE FLAG** (O Bosson) came together leaving the barriers.

THE SWEET ESCAPE (M Du Plessis) was slow to begin.

HEEZA DREIMER (C Johnson) blundered leaving the barriers losing ground.

KAKAHU NELL (S Collett) and **LAMASON** (M Coleman) both began awkwardly.

TABLE ONE (L Tiley) raced keenly when being restrained in the early stages.

SING FOR THE SUN (U Holmquist) raced three wide without cover throughout.

HEEZA DREIMER was inconvenienced near the 450 metres when **TIARA CONCERTO** (M McNab) shifted outwards across the heels of **SING FOR THE SUN**.

NEK MINNIT had to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **HALONG BAY** (T Thornton) passing the 300 metres.

GORGEOUS RYDER (A Jones) lay out under pressure in the final straight having to be straightened by its rider on a number of occasions.

Apprentice A Jones (**GORGEOUS RYDER**) was spoken to regarding the manner in which she used her whip near the 250 metres.

When questioned regarding the poor performance of **WOODSMAN**, which was not persevered with in the final straight, rider D Johnson was unable to offer any excuses other than the gelding possibly being better suited by some further easing of the ground. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.