STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Ashburton Racing Club Date: Friday, 18th December 2015

Weather: Fine Track: Dead 4 Rail: True

Stewards: J McLaughlin (Chairman), J Oatham, R Quirk

Typist: C McMullan

GENERAL:

Nil

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: MANUIA, KAHARAU, BOBBY AL, MCMAY, OPIHI RANGER, VOLCANO, POP HIT, MELS EVIE

Suspensions: Race 5 S Muniandy (LOS CABOS)

[Rule 638(1)(d)] – Careless riding 200 metres – Suspended 21 December - 30

December (inclusive) - 3 riding days

Protests: Race 5 ALYTH (4th) v LOS CABOS (3rd) – Upheld

Fines: Nil

Warnings: Race 5 P Shaikh (COUP TAURANGA)

[Rule 638(1)(d)] - Shifting ground 1000 metres

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Nil
Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Race 4 TEGWIN at 10.55 am on veterinary advice

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 NIAGARA TIMBER PRODUCTS RATING 65 (1400m)

TOETWOTOE was very slow to begin (5 lengths).

KOLAMAN and **GALLANT BABE** were tightened and lost ground shortly after the start when placed in restricted room by **DAIFUKU** which shifted in and away from **RAPT** and **VANQUISHED** which shifted ground outwards.

THE REAL DEAL and VANQUISHED raced keenly in the early stages.

ARE YOU MINE made the bend awkwardly near the 900 metres, shifting outwards.

MANUIA blundered near the 500 metres.

KOLAMAN lay inwards in the early part of the straight, having to be straightened off the heels of **ARE YOU MINE** near the 300 metres and continued to lay in having to be straightened again near the 200 metres.

MANUIA was held up from the 300 metres until the 200 metres.

ROC CITY was placed in restricted room when tiring near the 200 metres as **CARBIDE** shifted outwards and **MANUIA** shifted inwards.

Race 2 JKF HOMES GEOFF FREW RATING 85 (2100m)

SHE'S INSATIABLE began awkwardly getting its head up.

KAHARAU shifted outwards to obtain clear running rounding the final turn near the 400 metres, making contact with **ALPINE HEIGHTS**.

Race 3

SUPER LIQUOR ASHBURTON MAIDEN (2100m)

SHE'S RIVETING and SEA TIGER were restrained to the rear on jumping.

BLOODSTREAM jumped away awkwardly from the outside barrier and shifted outwards over the initial stages losing ground.

BLOODSTREAM raced wide rounding the first bend when taken forward to lead.

IF RAAJ RINGS raced fiercely in the early stages and passing the 1700 metres failed to make the bend, shifting outwards making firm contact with the hindquarters of **BOBBY AL**. **IF RAAJ RINGS** continued to race fiercely for some distance.

SHE'S RIVETING was steadied near the 1400 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of ROC DE MAC.

SKILLS raced wide throughout.

SHE'S RIVETING lay inwards near the 150 metres and became awkwardly placed on the heels of **NO DEAL**, having to be straightened.

SHE'S RIVETING was held up over the concluding stages when racing to the outside of **BLOODSTREAM** which was laying outwards.

Trainer M McCann indicated that **SEA TIGER** would not be persevered with as a racing proposition from his stables.

Race 4 MOORE MECHANICAL RATING 65 (2100m)

TEGWIN was a late scratching at 10.55 am on veterinary advice.

MISTER SPIDERMAN was slow to begin.

LUKANDER began awkwardly.

MCMAY was steadied near the 1750 metres when awkwardly placed to the inside of **SOVIET SONG** which was taken inward momentarily by the improving **BLU MACH** (S Wynne). Rider S Wynne was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground.

BLU MACH raced wide rounding the first bend.

LUKANDER improved wide from the 1400 metres to lead approaching the 1000 metres.

MARCELLE was held up in the early stages of the home straight.

SOVIET SONG gave ground from the 300 metres and was not persevered with. A post race veterinary inspection of **SOVIET SONG** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Rider C Barnes advised that **SOVIET SONG** raced keenly throughout and failed to see out the distance of today's race.

MCMAY and MISSTEEFLYING came together in the shadows of the post.

Race 5

DICK, GILBERT, NORM & ROSS @ CATR MAIDEN (1400m)

PERFECT OCTAINE was slow to begin.

IONA CASTLE was steadled near the 1000 metres when awkwardly placed to the inside of **COUP TAURANGA** (P Shaikh) which shifted inwards. Apprentice P Shaikh was issued with a warning.

AGENT ANNA raced wide throughout.

ALYTH which was attempting a marginal run to the inside of **COUP TAURANGA** struck a heel and blundered passing the 700 metres.

Approaching the 200 metres **LOS CABOS** shifted outwards and made firm contact with **ALYTH** on three occasions when forcing a run.

Following this race the connections of 4th placed **ALYTH** lodged a protest under Rule 642 against 3rd placed **LOS CABOS** (S Muniandy) in respect of interference passing the 200 metres. After hearing all submissions the JCA upheld the protest with the placings amended to 1st **OPIHI RANGER**, 2nd **RIONIUS**, 3rd **ALYTH**, 4th **LOS CABOS**. Rider S Muniandy defended a charge of careless riding under Rule 638(1)(d). After hearing evidence and submissions the JCA upheld the charge and suspended S Muniandy's licence to ride at race meetings for 3 days effective 21 December to 30 December inclusive.

The connections of **RIONIUS** reported that following the race the gelding was showing symptoms of the Thumps. **RIONIUS** underwent a post race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. The connections advised it was their intention to spell the gelding.

Race 6

RD PETROLEUM OPEN HANDICAP (1400m)

MISS ALICE began awkwardly.

DR DEE BEE shifted outwards on jumping hampering **MISS ALICE**.

KEEPA TRAMP raced wide throughout.

MISS ALICE tended to race keenly in the early stages, getting its head up on a number of occasions passing the 1000 metres.

MISS ALICE had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight.

Race 7

NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES F&M MAIDEN (1200m)

ROYAL VISION and **SECONDYEARFIFTH** came together leaving the barriers.

NOT AVAILABLE shifted inwards on jumping crowding ASHWINI onto TICKETS ON HER which lost ground.

GRAFFITI raced keenly passing the 1000 metres when being restrained.

VICAR'S DAUGHTER raced wide throughout.

ASHWINI was placed in restricted room when awkwardly placed on the heels of **GRAFFITI** which lay out rounding the home turn.

GRAFFITI raced greenly in the early stages of the home straight, having to be straightened.

NOT AVAILABLE shifted out near the 400 metres forcing VICAR'S DAUGHTER over extra ground.

NOT AVAILABLE lay inwards under pressure near the 100 metres and hampered the tiring UNICO.

Race 8 VALACHI DOWNS RATING 75 (1200m)

DILLINGER began very awkwardly, losing ground.

MITCHAM and NINE PINE were slow to begin.

MADAM BENTLEY was held up in the early stages of the home straight.

MADAM BENTLEY which was attempting a marginal run near the 200 metres lay out making contact with **PEGGY'S CHOICE** which in turn was taken out onto **PAINTBALL** (R Bishop) which lay in, causing **PEGGY'S CHOICE** and **MADAM BENTLEY** to be placed in restricted room, resulting in **PEGGY'S CHOICE** being buffeted and losing momentum.

DIAMOND EDGE which returned to the birdcage with blood in its mouth underwent a post race veterinary inspection which revealed a laceration consistent with the gelding biting its tongue.