STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Otaki-Maori Racing Club	Date:	Thursday, 10 March 2016
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Dead(4)		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	N Goodwin (Chairman), G Whiterod, L Tidmarsh		
Typist:	S Shirriffs		

GENERAL:

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: HEISENBERG, JONQUIL, HIIQUE, CAFÉ CULTURE, BRIENNE, SHADOWS CAS		G, JONQUIL, HIIQUE, CAFÉ CULTURE, BRIENNE, SHADOWS CAST, YODELAY.	
Suspensions:	Race		
Protests:	Race		
Fines:	Race		
Warnings:	Race	5	GERONIMO – competitiveness.
Bleeders:	Race		
Horse Actions:	Race		
Medical Certificates:			
Rider Changes:	Race		
Late Scratchings:	Race	6	AUDEN – veterinary advice, at 4.05pm.
		7	DE CHINE – veterinary advice, at 7.50am.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	NIGEL SMITH TRACTORS 2YO MAIDEN (800 metres)				
OUR GIRL MADI underwent and passed a pre-race veterinary examination after becoming fractious in the birdcage area.					
OUR GIRL MADI was slow to begin.					
Race 2	VETS ON RIVERBANK HANDICAP (2100 metres)				
PERFECTLYENCHANTED and CAJUN came together and bumped leaving the barrier, with CAJUN settling back.					
BELLA'S DELIGHT raced keenly in the early stages.					
BELLA'S DELIGHT was held up rounding the final bend until near the 300 metres.					
Race 3	TUI, BACKING A WINNER SINCE 1889 MAIDEN (2100 metres)				
MISS DRAMA QUEEN was slow to begin.					
GYPSY VERSE raced keenly early.					
EXPEDITE raced wide without cover until near the 1200 metres and eventually finished some distance last after being					
eased down. Rider S McKay had no tangible excuse.					
A subsequent veterinary examination of EXPEDITE revealed a respiratory complaint.					
BLAZING OPAL was held up for a short distance near the 400 metres.					
When questioned regarding the performance of GYPSY VERSE, rider L Allpress was of the opinion the gelding had little left					
after racing keenly throughout but did feel a little indifferent in its action over the final stages. Stewards ordered a post-					

race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

Race 4 HUNTING & FISHING OTAKI HANDICAP (1600 metres) R Connors, the trainer of ON THE HILL, advised stewards after passing through Levin that he had been delayed in transit but was hopeful of arriving in time for **ON THE HILL** to take its place in the race. As a precaution Stewards in consultation with the TAB, put the race start time back approximately five minutes. After a further delay the race started approximately seven minutes after the scheduled start time. VOLKSWOOD began awkwardly. ON THE HILL had to be straightened near the 150 metres when inclined to run in. Race 5 **RIVERSTONE CAFÉ MAIDEN (1200 metres)** GERONIMO and AMARONE were slow to begin. FULLY INFECTED over-raced for some distance in the back straight and when attempting to avoid the heels of RADIANT near the 800 metres, shifted out and bumped with GERONIMO. HOLLYPOP had to be steadied going into the first bend when over-racing and then commenced to hang out rounding the turn. GERONIMO raced three wide throughout and dropped out in the home straight and proved uncompetitive. Connections were advised that a warning (competitiveness) is placed against the gelding. When guestioned, trainer H Mathews attributed the improved performance of the winner BRIENNE to the addition of a tongue tie. EL CHEAPO CARS HANDICAP (1200 metres) Race 6 AUDEN was a late scratching at 4.05pm on veterinary advice, after becoming fractious in its tie-up stall. SILVER BLADE became fractious in its barrier and after undergoing a veterinary examination was cleared to start. **CAULFIELD** was slow away. **CAULFIELD** was obliged to make its run wide rounding the turn. **CAULFIELD** shifted wide in the straight prior to being straightened. SHADOWS CAST shifted out near the finish resulting in DANMULAN shifting away from that runner. NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (1600 metres) Race 7

HIGH SPIRITS, ROYAL SAV and KEEPING FAITH bumped at the start.

YODELAY was slow to begin.

HIGH SPIRITS had to steady near the 600 metres when DIVERSITY (L Allpress) was taken forward. L Allpress was advised to exercise care.

EM KAY POPS raced up on to the heels of STORMY RED near the 400 metres and had to steady.

ROYAL SAV had difficulty obtaining clear racing room in the home straight prior to being angled out near the 150 metres.