

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Auckland Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 18 February 2017
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Slow(8)		
Rail:	7 Metres		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), B Jones, W Robinson, D Wadley		
Vet:	I Bridge, S Campbell		
Stenographer:	M Gemmell		

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	THE DOM, SPLURGE, TAVIDREAM, GRAVANO, SIN TO WIN, GINGERNUTS, CHARLES ROAD, EL SOLDADO, MEGABLAST, EXCALIBUR Pre-race and post-race blood samples: BAO SHAN MAGIC, MEGABLAST		
Suspensions:	Race 8	H Marzuki YAMATO NADESHIKO Careless riding 1650 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]	Suspended 26/2-17/3 incl, 6 days
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race 1	S Spratt THE DOM Shifted ground 150 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]	
	Race 5	R Hutchings MARTINIZ SPECIAL Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)]	
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Follow Up:	Race 6	SACRED ELIXIR	
	7	ST JEAN	
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race 8	COMIN'THROUGH - D Johnson for L Innes (unwell)	
Late Scratchings:	Race 4	SOUND PROPOSITION – 2.12pm on Veterinary advice at start	
	Race 8	MICHELIN – 4.35pm on Veterinary advice at start	
	Race 8	CASTLE RIDGE – 4.35pm on Veterinary advice at start	

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Auckland Racing Club - 8 February 2017 Race 5 Brookby Stables 2100 Trainer M Baker advised that CRAFTYEVA has been sent for a brief spell following its performance in this race. Race 6 JR Webb 1500 Trainer M Brooks advised that following its performance in this race DR GREENGRASS was now likely to be retired. Racing Te Aroha – 9 February 2017 Race 7 NZB Insurance Pearl Series Race Trainer S McKee advised that he was satisfied with the recovery of MIDSUMMER MAGIC following its performance in this race and that it is his intention to continue on with its current preparation.

Waikato Racing Club – 11 February 2017**Race 4 Cambridge Stud Sir Tristram Fillies Classic (Group 2)**

Trainer G Richardson confirmed that VOLPE VELOCE has been sent for a brief spell.

Trainer D Logan advised that ROCKABYEBABY had been feeling the effects of racing on a firm track in the days following its performance in this race and had taken some time to recover.

Race 8 NRM Sprint (Group 1)

Trainer K Kelso advised that PERFECT FIT had been treated following its performance in this race and would now be freshened prior to racing next.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	Norman Disney & Young 1200
<p>COASTING (C Grylls) – Jumped away awkwardly shifting outwards abruptly making firm contact with BOLD BACHELOR. Also hampered was FAST AND FURIOUS which lost ground. Crowded onto ARTIC STORM when THE DOM (S Spratt) shifted inwards under pressure near the 150 metres. S Spratt was issued with a warning. Contributing to this incident was slight outward movement from FAST AND FURIOUS.</p> <p>FAST AND FURIOUS (L Innes) – Hampered start losing ground.</p> <p>BOLD BACHELOR (H Marzuki) – Crowded start.</p> <p>DRAGON DANCER (C Lammas) – Jumped away awkwardly losing ground. Commenced to race ungenerously when being steadied near the 1000 metres continuing to do so through the middle stages.</p> <p>THE DOM (S Spratt) – Lay out away from COASTING rounding the final turn approaching the 400 metres.</p> <p>MURIWAI (M Coleman) – Forced over extra ground rounding the final turn after BOLD BACHELOR shifted outwards near the 500 metres.</p> <p>ARTIC STORM (A Collett) – Crowded 150 metres.</p> <p>HIGH DISTINCTION (S Collett) – When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had had to work a little early to get to the lead and after weakening over the concluding stages in its first race day run for almost three months would in her opinion derive benefit from the race.</p>	
Race 2	Ophthalmic Instrument Company 1200
<p>HOLLYWOOD LASS (L Innes) – Reluctant to enter the barriers. Trainer T Pike was spoken to regarding the mare's barrier manners. Blundered passing the 400 metres.</p> <p>MR KNOWITALL (H Marzuki) – Slow to begin. Lay out rounding the final turn near the 400 metres and continued to lay out when struck with the whip early in the final straight.</p> <p>MEMORIES ONLY (S Collett) – Raced keenly through the early and middle stages.</p> <p>SPLURGE (D Johnson) – Blundered passing the 400 metres.</p>	
Race 3	Visique Rose Optometrists 1500
<p>HUSH LITTLE SISTA (D Danis) – Jumped away awkwardly.</p> <p>COLLABORATE (M Cameron) – Shifted outwards shortly after the start placing SHOWPIN and LET THEM TALK in restricted room for a short distance. Held up early in the final straight and could not obtain clear running until inside the final 200 metres.</p>	

TWO THIRTY (J Riddell) – Jumped away awkwardly losing ground.

TAVIDREAM (C Lammas) – Inclined to over-race when being restrained passing the 1200 metres.

LET THEM TALK (S Collett) – Hampered near the 300 metres when SACRED WAY ducked outwards away from HUSH LITTLE SISTA.

SHOWPIN (S Spratt) – Lost the right front plate during the running.

TWENTY ONE TIMES (D Johnson) – When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the filly had failed to handle today's slow track conditions.

Race 4	Australian Turf Club Trophy (1500 metres)
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SOUND PROPOSITION (M Coleman) – Underwent a veterinary examination after becoming fractious in the barriers and was declared a late scratching at 2.12pm after suffering superficial abrasions.

FARM BOY (M Cameron) – Raced in restricted room between ELEONORA and GRAVANO going into the bend near the 1100 metres. FARM BOY then had to be checked when ELEONORA shifted outwards when being firmly restrained to avoid the heels of CLOVELLY PARK which was being steadied after shifting inwards when marginally clear. M Hills was advised to exercise greater care.

ELEONORA (D Johnson) – Had to be firmly restrained to avoid the heels of CLOVELLY PARK passing the 1100 metres.

Race 5	Macular Degeneration NZ 1600
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The start of this race was delayed after a barrier malfunction at the first attempt at a start where the release mechanism did not function. All runners were removed to undergo veterinary inspections with all horses being passed fit to run. After remedying the issue with the barriers the field was then reloaded with the race running approximately 3 minutes behind schedule.

BAO SHAN MAGIC (J Riddell) – Slow to begin. Lost the right hind plate during the running.

SIN TO WIN (L Innes) – Shifted outwards under pressure making brief contact with VICTORY DRIVE passing the 100 metres.

VICTORY DRIVE (J Waddell) – Received brief contact passing the 100 metres.

R Hutchings was issued with a warning for his whip use on his mount MARTINIZ SPECIAL in the final straight.

DAME MARGOT FONTEYN (M Cameron) – Returned to the enclosure with a small amount of blood in the right nostril which upon veterinary inspection was found to be from a small wound in the nostril.

Race 6	Retina Specialists Avondale Guineas (2100 metres)
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GINGERNUTS (J Parkes) – Dropped its head as the gates opened and was very slow away as a result (6L). Inconvenienced passing the 400 metres when SAVASAVA shifted outwards when struck with the whip.

MONGOLIAN WOLF (M Du Plessis) – Jumped away awkwardly making firm contact with CHA SIU BAO shortly after the start.

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CHARLES ROAD (M Coleman) – Crowded when leaving the barriers. Raced wide without cover throughout.

BEAUMARCHAIS (A Collett) – Had to be steadied near the 1800 metres to avoid the heels of SACRED ELIXIR (L Innes) which shifted inwards when not fully clear. L Innes was advised to exercise care. Made the first turn near the 1700 metres awkwardly when again having to be restrained away from the heels of SACRED ELIXIR, running wide hampering DISTURBANCE with LEADING ROLE also being forced wider as a result.

DISTURBANCE (S Collett) – Commenced to over-race near the 1800 metres then being hampered near the 1700 metres.

LEADING ROLE (M Hills) – Forced wider 1700 metre turn. Raced wide without cover.

SACRED ELIXIR (L Innes) – Steadied to avoid the heels of CAMINO ROCOSO (J Waddell) which when over-racing, shifted inwards to a position behind HIGHLAD which was being steadied near the 1800 metres. J Waddell was advised to exercise care. Had to be steadied passing the 800 metres to avoid the heels of ROMANCER. When questioned regarding performance rider was unable to offer any excuses.

CAMINO ROCOSO (J Waddell) – Continued to over-race through the middle stages. Came together on a number of occasions with HIGHLAD early in the final straight. When questioned regarding performance rider advised had not helped its chances by over-racing.

HIGHLAD (M Cameron) – Came together on a number of occasions with CAMINO ROCOSO early in the final straight.

ROMANCER (J Riddell) – Raced wide without cover.

SAVASAVA (C Lammas) – Briefly steadied to avoid the heels of GINGERNUTS which shifted inwards near the 200 metres.

Race 7	Go Racing Syndications Avondale Cup (2400 metres)
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CHENILLE (L Innes) – Jumped away awkwardly.

IMPERIUM (A Collett) – Jumped away awkwardly.

ARROW IN THE SAND (D Prastiyu) – Blundered leaving the barriers. Over-raced in the middle stages.

NYMPH MONTE (M Hills) – Slow to begin.

JACKSSTAR (C Lammas) – Had to be steadied when crowded to the inside of ARROW IN THE SAND which was racing in restricted room to the inside of FIVE TO MIDNIGHT which was racing ungenerously and shifted inwards slightly when getting its head up making contact with ARROW IN THE SAND which was bumped into the line of JACKSSTAR near the 2100 metres.

MARCIANO (M Du Plessis) – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

DALEZINGA (T Wenn) – Raced three wide without cover for the majority of the race.

KING KAMADA (C Grylls) – Made contact with the running rail near the 1200 metres when crowded to the inside of FIVE TO MIDNIGHT which lay in.

ST JEAN (J Parkes) – When questioned regarding poor performance rider advised that the entire had failed to handle today's track conditions. A post race veterinary inspection did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

Race 8

Auckland Eye 2100

COMIN'THROUGH – Declared rider L Innes was stood down suffering from dehydration being replaced by D Johnson.

MICHELIN (J Waddell) and **CASTLE RIDGE** (BR Jones) were both declared late scratchings behind the barriers at 4.35pm on veterinary advice with MICHELIN having suffered a laceration when losing a plate and concerns around the action of CASTLE RIDGE.

There was a further delay after a number of unknown persons trespassed on the track in the back straight pulling down a portion of the running rail near the 1300 metres which was promptly repaired and the area secured prior to loading of the field.

MODEL AYE (M Du Plessis) – Slow to begin.

LE MOUSSIER (Z Nor Azman) – Jumped away awkwardly.

Apprentice H Marzuki - admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted his mount YAMATO NADESHIKO to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear crowding NEALA inwards on to TAKEIT TO THELIMIT which was severely checked near the 1650 metres. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended Mr Marzuki's license to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 25 February 2017 until the conclusion of racing on Friday 17 March 2017, 6 riding days.

NEALA (R Norvall) – Crowded 1650 metres. Held up rounding the final turn before obtaining clear running passing the 400 metres. Required veterinary treatment following the race after suffering a laceration to the left hind leg during the running.

TAKEIT TO THE LIMIT (G Saejohor) – Severely checked 1650 metres.

THE CHIEF (A Schwerin) – When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had failed to handle today's slow track conditions.