STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Levin Racing Club Date: Thursday, 21 December 2017

Weather: Fine

Track: Dead (4), Upgraded to Good (3) retrospective to Race 1

Rail: True

Stewards: N Goodwin (Chairman), B Bateup, M Austin

Vet: E Simpson BVSc Typist: S Shirriffs

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: SUFFIGN, HUNTA PENCE, HARTLEY, SMOKEN HOT, TIPPING POINT, TOMS, EEPA NEEMA,

SPONDULIX.

Suspensions: Nil Protests: Nil

Fines: Race 2 S O'Malley HIGH QUALITY

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Fined \$500 [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] – Excessive use of whip prior to 100 metres.

Warnings: Race 1 A Shin BELLADITA

[Rule 638(3)(b)(i)] – Unnecessary use of whip on runner out of contention

S Gordon - [Rule 802(1)(a)] - Failed to comply with NZTR directive M Loveday - Rule 802(1)(a)] - Failed to comply with NZTR directive K Gray - [Rule 802(1)(a)] - Failed to comply with NZTR directive

6 A Sharrock- [Rule 802(1)(a)] - Failed to comply with NZTR directive

8 J Parkes - RED CLOUD [Rule 638 (1)(d)] – Careless riding

Horse Actions: Race 7 LOVETHEFEELING – Must trial to the satisfaction of stewards.

8 HERENGAWE - Must trial in the presence of veterinary surgeon.

Follow Up: Race

Medical Certificates: M McNelis - required

Rider Changes: Race 3 TOBY'S CHOICE, S MacNab replaced M McNelis

6 SIDART, T Johnson replaced M McNelis

Late Scratchings: Race 7 LOVETHEFEELING (M Tanaka) – at 5.13pm on veterinary advice

7 DANDEEDEE (D Hirini) - at approximately 5.30pm

GENERAL:

M McNelis was unable to fulfil his riding engagements due to illness and is required to provide a medical clearance. Replacement riders are as follows: Race 3 TOBY'S CHOICE, S MacNab; Race 6 SIDART, T Johnson.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 GRANT PLUMBING MAIDEN (2100 metres)

HARD BUT FAIR (M Tanaka) – Began awkwardly and settled back then raced three wide without cover throughout. M Tanaka reported the mare may appreciate some easing of the ground.

TURFSHAKER (R Myers) – Blundered at the start. Raced wide without cover in the early and middle stages. Rider reported the gelding hung throughout. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any abnormalities.

CRYSTAL ROC (M Singh) – Raced fiercely into the first bend.

S Collett (SUFFIGN) was spoken to regarding her use of the whip prior to the 100 metres.

A Shin (BELLADITA) – Was issued with a warning under Rule 638(3)(b)(i) with regard to his use of the whip on a runner out of contention.

Following the running of Race 1 the track was upgraded to Good 3, retrospective to Race 1.

Race 2 FIRST SOVEREIGN TRUST HOROWHENUA CHRISTMAS CUP (2100 metres)

Trainers S Gordon and M Loveday were issued with a warning under Rule 802(1)(a) in that they saddled their respective runners outside the designated area.

AMORATA (R Myers) – Raced fiercely when being restrained in the early stages.

MR DARCEE'S GOLD (S Collett) – Raced in restricted room when GORBACHEV shifted out under pressure near the 150 metres.

GORBACHEV (J Parkes) – Shifted out under pressure near the 150 metres.

S O'Malley (HIGH QUALITY) - Admitted a breach of Rule 638(3)(b)(ii) for excessive use of the whip prior to the 100 metres and was fined the sum of \$500.

Race 3 VETS ON RIVERBANK 3YO MAIDEN (1300 metres)

Trainer K Gray was issued with a warning under Rule 802(1)(a) in that his foreman saddled his runner outside the designated area.

LISBETH (S Collett) - Raced fiercely going into the bend near the 1000 metres. Bumped with HUNTER VILLAIN over the final stages when angled outwards to improve. S Collet was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground.

HUNTER VILLAIN (R Myers) – Bumped final stages.

ALL IN STITCHES (C-M Waddell) – Finished last. Rider reported the gelding raced greenly throughout. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

Race 4 SHIRLEY'S YUMMY STRAWBERRIES MAIDEN (1200 metres)

TOBY'S CHOICE (S MacNab) – Had to be steadied going into the first turn when WON'T BACK DOWN hung inwards and away from CHEWBACCA which was racing to its outside.

CLOSE TO ME (A Collett) - Raced wide throughout.

PIRIWAI (J Parkes) – Underwent a veterinary examination and was cleared to start after hitting a fence in the enclosure. Held up approaching the home turn

ROCCO BELLO (S Weatherley) - Raced without a tongue tie, which broke when being loaded into the barrier and was

unable to be replaced. Commenced to race greenly near the 800 metres and when being steadied, went back onto SMOKEN HOT, which when over-racing, rapidly improved on to its heels and had to be steadied abruptly. SMOKEN HOT continued to over-race and was steadied off the heels of ROCCO BELLO for some distance prior to the home turn.

SMOKEN HOT (T Johnson) – Over-raced in the back straight and had to be steadied abruptly off heels near the 800 metres and again near the home turn.

CHARMING CHOUX (M Tanaka) – Raced greenly near the 800 metres and had to be steadied off the heels of WON'T BACK DOWN.

Race 5 NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (1400 metres)

SASSY BRIDE (S MacNab) - Slow into stride.

PLAY THE FIELD (M Singh) – Raced fiercely to the 1000 metres prior to taking a trail.

DANCING AURIOLE (D Turner) - Led from 1000 metres and then compounded in the run to the line, finishing in last place. Rider reported that the mare may appreciate more rain affected going. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities.

TIPPING POINT (R Myers) - Slow away. Returned to the enclosure with blood present in a nostril. A subsequent examination revealed a cut.

SIREN CALL (S Weatherley) - Had to be steadied in the back straight when the pace ahead eased.

EDWARDIAN LADY (A Collett) - Shifted out under pressure over the final stages, making contact with SOLSAVON near the finish.

SOLSAVON (J Parkes) – Contacted with EDWARDIAN LADY near the finish.

Race 6 LIFESTYLE AND DAIRY PUMPS MAIDEN (1400 metres)

Trainer A Sharrock was issued with a warning under Rule 802(1)(a) in that his foreman saddled his runner outside the designated area.

CHOICE ATTITUDE (S Collett) – Raced keenly in the early stages and was obliged to improve wide around the turn. When questioned, S Collett reported the gelding hung rounding the turn and in the home straight, placing her at a disadvantage.

TIME BEARER (C O'Beirne) – Raced fiercely in the run down the back straight when in restricted room.

LITTLE MAJELLA (D Bradley) – Raced keenly in the early stages, having to be steadied off heels passing the 1100 metres.

LIVE IN HOPE (T Allan) – Raced handy to the home turn and was inclined to lug out in the home straight when put under pressure.

FIELD OF FIRE (J Waddell) - Held up for a short distance prior to entering the home straight.

Race 7 PAUL IRELAND DIGGER HIRE HANDICAP(1600 metres)

LOVETHEFEELING (M Tanaka) – Late-scratching at the barrier at 5.13pm on veterinary advice after becoming very fractious in the barrier. Connections were advised that LOVETHEFEELING must trial prior to its next start. Trainer J

Millar advised the mare would be retired as a racing proposition from her stable.

DANDEEDEE (D Hirini) – Declared a non-runner under Rule 632(1) by the JCA after the field was dispatched when rider D Hirini did not have her left foot fully secured in the iron. As a result DANDEEDEE was very slow away (12L).

MISSY MOO (A Collett) – Began awkwardly and got back.

Race 8 FOX CONTRACTING MAIDEN (1600 metres)

The No.9 gate was unable to be used after being damaged by the unruly runner in Race 7. As a result **RED CLOUD** (J Parkes), **HERENGAWE** (D Hirini) **HANDYMAN** (C-M Waddell), **MINI COOPER** (S MacNab) and **RIP INTO GHIA** (A Collett) were all shifted out one gate space.

SPONDULIX (S Collett) – Slow away.

RED CLOUD (J Parkes) – Raced ungenerously in the run down the back straight. Held up briefly rounding the home turn. J Parkes was issued with a warning under 638(1)(d) after he angled his mount out near the 400 metres when there was insufficient room to improve and bumped for several strides with STUNNING. A short distance further RED CLOUD had to be steadied when ELOQUENCE shifted out off line.

HERENGAWE (D Hirini) - Finished a distant last. Rider reported that the gelding raced greenly throughout. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the gelding to have fibrillated. Connections were advised the gelding must trial in the presence of a veterinary surgeon.

MINI COOPA (S McNab) - Wide throughout. Hung outwards near the 400 metres dictating SHEZACRAFTSMAN and BUCEPHALUS wider on the track.

ELOQUENCE (S Weatherley) - Shifted ground inwards over the final stages and bumped with RIP INTO GHIA when both runners shifted ground under pressure.

RIP INTO GHIA (A Collett) – Bumped final stages.