# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Date: Saturday 23 December 2017

Weather: Fine

**Track:** Dead(4) upgraded to Good(3) after R4

Rail: 1 Metre

Stewards: J Oatham (Chairman), N Goodwin, D Balcombe, B Bateup

**Vet:** P Radich, L Russell

**Typist:** S Shirriffs

### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: SAVATAG, GIFT OF POWER, SWORD OF OSMAN, BARCELO, HANDFULL, CLARIFY,

BLATHWAYT, SPLURGE, SCAPOLO, SHARED SECRETS.

Suspensions: Race 5 D Turner HANDFULL

Careless riding 100 metres[Rule 638(1)(d)]Suspended 28/12-2/1 incl (6 days)

6 S McKay CLARIFY

Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] Suspended 28/12-to 6/1 incl (9

days) and fined as below

Protests: Nil

Fines: Race 6 S McKay CLARIFY

\$750 [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] Excessive use of whip (and suspended as above)

Warnings: Race 1 T Johnson EXHIBIT

[Rule 638(1)(d)] Shifting ground 800 metres

**R Myers** AWATANE

[Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] Excessive use of whip

Horse Actions: Race 7 RINGO - cardiac arrhythmia, appropriate veterinary clearance required

Follow Up: Race 1 MARGOT

6 **BOXOCHOCOLATES** 

Medical Certificates: L Hemi, clearance required

Rider Changes: Race 5 CAPTAIN LINCOLN - S McKay replaced L Hemi (injured)

ALL IN VOGUE - M Tanaka replaced L Hemi
LA FILLE EN JEU - J Parkes replaced L Hemi
CORNERSTONE - S Weatherley replaced L Hemi

Late Scratchings: Nil

## **GENERAL:**

No issues to report.

#### RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 TOTALLY VETS PREMIER (1400 metres)

**OUTSTANDING** (M McNab) - Slow away.

**T Johnson** (EXHIBIT) - Issued with a warning after permitting his mount to shift inwards when not fully clear of SAVATAG, which had to be steadied approaching the 800 metres.

**SAVATAG** (J Parkes) - Had to be steadied to avoid the heels of EXHIBIT approaching the 800 metres.

**FOXY WOLF** (R Jones) - Briefly held up passing the 200 metres.

**R Myers** (AWATANE) - Issued with a warning for her whip use prior to the 100 metres with Stewards taking into account her excellent riding record.

**MARGOT** (C Johnson) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that after travelling comfortably enough the mare had failed to quicken once placed under pressure and had been disappointing. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any obvious abnormality other than the mare having a dry intermittent cough.

**SWISS ELLE** (A Jones) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised the mare felt to have jarred up and would appreciate more rain affected track conditions.

# Race 2 MILLS REEF 3YO PREMIER (1200 metres)

GIFT OF POWER (C Johnson) - Raced keenly in the lead in the early and middle stages.

## Race 3 NZ BAKELS 2YO PREMIER (1100 metres)

PLATINUM MAM'SELLE (M Tanaka) - Awkwardly away losing ground.

**ATENARTIN** (D Hirini) - Blundered leaving the barriers losing its footing behind, raced greenly near the 800 metres losing ground.

**DERECHO** (L Hemi) - Shifted inwards under pressure passing the 100 metres striking a heel of CASSIUS CLAY and blundering, dislodging rider L Hemi who was attended to by St Johns Paramedics and transferred to Palmerston North Hospital for further evaluation.

### Race 4 PROPERTY BROKERS PREMIER (1200 metres)

**ON THE HILL** (D Bradley) - Hampered leaving the barriers.

MELS EVIE (M Singh) - Raced wide without cover.

**THIEN LY** (R Myers) - Held up entering the home straight then having to be angled outwards to gain clear running passing the 100 metres.

**BRUEGEL** (S MacNab) - Held up approaching the 200 metres having to be angled inwards to gain clear running approaching the 100 metres.

**TELLYAWHAT** (J Parkes) - Bumped approaching 100 metres when STRAIGHT SETS shifted outwards, when questioned regarding performance rider was of the opinion that the gelding may now be better suited over more ground.

# Race 5 THE PAVEMASTERS PREMIER (1550 metres)

**OPHELIA LEE** (M McNab) - Slow away.

**EAGLE BAY** (R Myers) - Slow away.

**TINKALICIOUS** (T Johnson) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**HOIST** (J Parkes) - Held up from the 300 metres before being bumped by THE RIPPA near the 100 metres, then obtaining clear running when improving into a tight run between FLAMINGO (S Weatherley) and STACCATO with

FLAMINGO then shifting away from HOIST crowding CAPTAIN LINCOLN which was checked near the 50 metres. When questioning riders regarding this incident, S Weatherley advised that when using his whip the reins had gone over his neck approaching the 100 metres and that he had had little control of his mount after being brushed by HOIST.

**D Turner** - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted his mount HANDFULL to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of THE RIPPA, which was crowded and checked near the 100 metres. After hearing submissions the Judicial Committee suspended from the close of racing on Wednesday 27 December up to an including racing on Tuesday, 2 January 2017 (6 national days).

**THE RIPPA** (M Tanaka) - Checked when disappointed for a run near the 100 metres then being held up for the remainder of the race.

CAPTAIN LINCOLN (S McKay) - Checked when crowded 50 metres.

**FLAMINGO** (S Weatherley) - Shifted away from HOIST after being brushed by that runner near the 100 metres making contact with CAPTAIN LINCOLN, S Weatherley advising that he had little control of his mount after the reins had gone over his neck when using his whip approaching the 100 metres.

# Race 6 HOTEL COACHMAN MANAWATU CUP (Group III) (2100 metres)

**ITSALLBELT** (D Bradley) - Steadied when placed in restricted room going into the bend near the 1700 metres, held up rounding the final turn passing the 400 metres, lost right front plate during the running.

**BOXOCHOCOLATES** (S Weatherley) - Three wide in the early stages so was allowed to improve forward to sit outside the leaders near the 1700 metres, when questioned regarding performance rider was unable to offer any excuses other the gelding possibly not have backed up. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any significant abnormality other than some muscle soreness in the hind limbs.

**WOODSMAN** (A Jones) - Raced three wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**BALHAM** (R Myers) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had been quickly beaten once placed under pressure and maybe better suited by some easing of the ground.

**S McKay** - Suspended by the Judicial Committee from the conclusion of racing on Wednesday 27 December 2017 until the conclusion of racing on Saturday, 6 January 2018 (9 national days) and in addition was fined the sum of \$750, after admitting a charge in that he used the whip excessively on his mount CLARIFY prior to the 100 metres.

# Race 7 KAMADA PARK MANAWATU CHALLENGE STAKES, Group II (1400 metres)

HARD MERCHANDIZE (C Lammas) - Had a tendency to lay out under pressure in the final straight.

**RINGO** (S Weatherley) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had never travelled comfortably. A post-race veterinary inspection found the gelding to have suffered from cardiac arrhythmia with the appropriate veterinary clearance now required prior to racing again.

## Race 8 HIREPOOL LTD PREMIER (2100 metres)

GO TO MAN (S McKay) - Slow away.

HANK MOODY (M McNab) - Held up for a distance approaching the 400 metres, inconvenienced near the 250 metres.

**CORNERSTONE** (S Weatherley) - When questioned rider could offer no excuses with a post-race veterinary examination not revealing any obvious abnormality.

**NADIASSTAR** (D Turner) - Lost the near side front plate during the running.

**FIGURABLE** (S O'Malley) - Layout rounding the final turn and shifted outwards when struck with the whip inconveniencing HANK MOODY near the 250 metres and continuing to lay out under pressure in the straight.