# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Otaki-Maori Racing Club Date: Saturday, 23 February 2019

Weather: Cloudy

**Track:** Slow (7), downgraded to Slow (8) retrospective to Race 1.

Rail: True

Stewards: N Goodwin (Chair), D Balcombe, M Austin, B Bateup.

Vet: E Simpson, BVSc

**Typist:** S Shirriffs

### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: OUR HAIL MARY; SASSO CORBARO; AWESOME AL; TIRO; BEYOND THE FORT; FELAAR; MELODY

BELLE, WYNDSPELLE, CONSENSUS; PLATINUM INVADOR.

Suspensions: Race

Protests: Race

Fines: Race 6 O Bosson FELAAR

Fined \$200 Under the minor infringement [Rule 330(3)(c)] – Unable to make

contracted weight

Warnings: Race 7 J Lowry (BOOTS 'N' ALL)

Rule 638(3)(b)(ii) – Use of whip prior to 100 metres.

Horse Actions: Race

Follow Up: Race 7 ENDLESS DRAMA

**Medical Certificates:** 

**Rider Changes:** Race 6 FELAAR – T Harris replaced O Bosson (overweight)

Late Scratchings: Race 5 HARLEM 'N' CO – Late scratching at 1.42pm due to track downgrade.

**SOLESEIFEI** – Late scratching at 2.00pm due to track downgrade.

GENERAL:	 	
SUPPLEMENTARY:		
SUPPLEIVIENTARY:		

## **RACE COMMENTS:**

### Race 1 CAVALLO FARM & CHRIS RUTTEN BLOODSTOCK 1200 (1200 Metres)

**WINGS** (Z Moki) - Began awkwardly settling back. Raced keenly in the early stages and when being restrained shifted out bumping OUR HAIL MARY near the 950 metres.

**OUR HAIL MARY** (D Turner) – Bumped 950 metres, making the bend awkwardly.

FLORAL BELT (C Johnson) – Slow away.

Track downgraded to Slow (8) retrospective to Race 1.

### Race 2 OTAKI MAIL 1200 (1200 Metres)

SASSO CORBARO (O Bosson) - Slow away.

**ROCK MY SOUL** (D Turner) - Tightened at the start when MERLINI began awkwardly shifting inwards, dictating HANGER. Was not persevered with over the final stages when out of contention. When questioned into performance rider advised the gelding was not suited to today's track conditions.

VINNIE'S VOLLEY (C Johnson) - Raced fiercely near the 800 metres, having to be restrained off heels.

MERLINI (M Cahill) - Lay inwards under pressure early in the home straight.

**HONNEUR NOIR** (S Spratt) – Made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly when over racing. Was not persevered with over the final stages when out of contention. When questioned into performance rider advised the mare did not appreciate today's track conditions. A subsequent veterinary inspection was clear.

### Race 3 RIVERSTONE CAFÉ 1400 (1400 Metres)

PADDY BOURKE (D Turner) - Slow away, raced ungenerously in the early stages getting its head in the air.

**AWESOME AL** (C Johnson) - Began awkwardly settling back.

TORRE DEL GRECO (S MacNab) -Slow away.

**BENAUD** (R Elliot) - Raced wide on the pace throughout.

**BLUE ON BLACK** (Z Moki) – When questioned into performance rider advised the gelding did not appreciate today's track conditions. A post-race veterinary inspection was clear.

### Race 4 SUNRANS SPA 1600 Maiden (1600 Metres)

**TORCHED** (H Andrew) - Jumped outwards at the start contacting VIVA LA PLATINUM which settled back.

**TIRO** (C Johnson) - Tightened at the start when RUN LEE began awkwardly. Accidentally struck with the whip by the rider of LINCOLN FURY, near the 50 metres when shifting in.

**THUTMOSIS** (S O'Malley) - Raced keenly in the early stages when in front.

TORQUE TIME (J Lowry) - Raced keenly having to be restrained for some distance in the back straight.

LINCOLN FURY (T Harris) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

**R Hannam** (VIVA LA PLATINUM) – Was spoken to regarding his whip use prior to the 100 metres.

**SWIFT SAOIRSE** (R Myers) – A post-race veterinary inspection was conducted at the request of the trainer and was found to have tied up.

### Race 5 AQUASHIELD ROOFING 1600 (1600 Metres)

HARLEM 'N' CO (O Bosson) – Late scratching at 1.42pm due to downgrade in track conditions.

**SWISS ELLE** (C O'Beirne) – Trainer P Peake advised stewards the mare had come into season but was happy to run.

**COLORADO MISS** (D Turner) - Began awkwardly settling back. When questioned into performance rider advised the mare did not appreciate today's rain-affected conditions.

**GERDA** (R Myers) – Slow away.

PLATINUM WILD CARD (R Hannam) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

**CLEAVER** (Z Moki) - Raced keenly in the early stages.

**CONSTANT BARRAGE** (S O'Malley) - When questioned into the performance rider was of the opinion the gelding is better suited to a longer distance.

## Race 6 EL CHEAPO CARS RAUKAWA CUP 2200 (2200 Metres)

**FELAAR** – T Harris replaced O Bosson (overweight).

**SOLESEIFEI** (J Parkes) – Late scratching at 2.00pm due to track downgrade.

**ALL IN VOGUE** (H Andrew) – When questioned into performance rider was of opinion that the mare had not appreciated today's rain-affected going.

# Race 7 HAUNUI FARM WFA GROUP ONE CLASSIC (Group I) (1600 Metres)

The start was delayed when C O'Beirne (CHOICE ATTITUDE) was dislodged in the starting gates but was uninjured.

**BOOTS 'N' ALL** (J Lowry) – Slow away.

**J Lowry** (BOOTS 'N' ALL) – Was issued with a warning under Rule 638(3)(b)(ii) regarding his whip use prior to 100 metres.

**LADIES FIRST** (D Turner) – Slow away.

MELODY BELLE (O Bosson) - Raced wide without cover throughout

**MORE WONDER** (R Elliot) - Lay inwards under pressure in the home straight having to be straightened over the final stages, tightening SHADOWS CAST near the line.

**ENDLESS DRAMA** (L Cassidy) – When questioned into performance Jockey L Cassidy said the horse had raced keenly throughout the running and had hung in the home straight but nevertheless had been disappointing. A post-race veterinary inspection revealed a poor race recovery rate

**CHOICE ATTITUDE** (C O'Beirne) – Lost the left rear plate during the running.

### Race 8 VETS ON RIVERBANK 2100 (2100 Metres)

**CHARTWELL** (R Hannam) - Began awkwardly bumping SCHIST. Made the bend awkwardly near the 1900 metres. When questioned into performance, which over raced throughout, rider was of the opinion the gelding may be better placed ridden handier.

**EKSTREMEMISS** (C O'Beirne) – Slow away, raced ungenerously in the early stages having to be heavily restrained.