# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Counties Racing Club Date: Thursday, 28 February 2019

Weather: Fine Track: Dead 4 Rail: True

Stewards: M Williamson (Chairman), A Coles, B Jones

**Vet:** B Vosloo BVSc **Stenographer:** P Laboyrie

#### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: MISSTUMUT, DARE TO COMPARE, ENJOY THE SHOW, WAY ABOVE, MAGIC CONDOR,

FABULOUS FLIGHT, ANYTHING BUT, THE BUZZ, DEELS DONE, FLOMILINE

Suspensions: Nil Protests: Nil

Fines: Race 5 J Riddell ROBUSTO

Over-weight \$100 [Rule 330(3)(c)]

Warnings: Race 6 T Thornton PIAZZETTA

Eased pace 1000 metres [Rule 638(4)]

8 R Smyth SIX SCHILLINGS

Shifting ground 1000 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Horse Actions: Race 2 PHILOSOPHICAL Veterinary cert required prior to racing next

Follow Up: Race 3 TEARS OF JUPITER

10 CRESCENT

Medical Certificates: Received from D Mansour

**Rider Changes:** Race 5 **ROBUSTO** C Grylls for J Riddell (over-weight)

Late Scratchings: Nil

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### **SUPPLEMENTARY:**

Nil		

### **RACE COMMENTS:**

Race 1 SSANGYONG 2100

SHE DARES (R Elliot) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

**VALMUR** (A Calder) – Hampered leaving the barrier losing ground.

**FELICITY ANNE** (S McKay) – Slow away.

**OUR BEESKEES** (O Bosson) – Hampered when making the crossing awkwardly passing the 1600 metres.

**EKRAAR LASS** (D Mansour) – Gave ground quickly from near the 600 metres briefly hampering MR SCALLYWAG which shifted out to avoid that runner's heels with POWER TYCOON then being steadied for a distance when becoming awkwardly placed on that runner's heels passing the 500 metres. EKRAAR LASS was then not persevered with in the final straight. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality. Trainer S Marsh advised EKRAAR LASS would now be retired.

MR SCALLYWAG (L Satherley) – Briefly hampered 500 metres.

**POWER TYCOON** (J Riddell) – Hampered for a distance approaching the 400 metres losing considerable ground.

## Race 2 NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (2100 metres)

**PHILOSOPHICAL** (M Cameron) – Began awkwardly losing ground. When questioned regarding performance M Cameron was of the opinion that the mare had failed to back-up from Saturday. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which found the mare to be lame in the left hind leg. The connections advised the mare is now retired to stud.

**STAR KAREN** (A Calder) – Held up early in the final straight shifting out passing the 400 metres to obtain clear running.

**NEWMARKET** (S Spratt) – Inconvenienced 200 metres by DARE TO COMPARE which ducked out under pressure.

**NOCTURNAL** (J Bayliss) – Slow away. Shifted out to obtain clear running 400 metres making contact with TOP ACTRESS.

**TOP ACTRESS** (M McNab) – Contacted approaching the 400 metres by NOCTURNAL (J Bayliss) which lay out after making brief contact. J Bayliss was reprimanded by Stewards and advised he must take greater care in a similar circumstance.

**LUCKY DREAMER** (L Satherley) – Trainer P Mirabelli was spoken to regarding the manners of LUCKY DREAMER during the preliminary and reminded of his obligations in that he is not permitted to assist his horse in getting it to the start.

#### Race 3 SPLICE CONSTRUCTION 1200

**TEARS OF JUPITER** (A Calder) – Began awkwardly and then was further hampered losing ground. When questioned regarding performance A Calder advised that the filly had got further back than intended after beginning awkwardly, and then had travelled well through the middle stages but failed to respond as anticipated once placed under pressure in the final straight. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a mildly swollen left hind fetlock.

**THE GREEN DRAGON** (J Bayliss) – Hampered leaving the barrier losing ground.

**HOLY MONGOLEMPEROR** (J Riddell) – Steadied when awkwardly placed inside heels passing the 1000 metres. Raced in restricted room approaching the 100 metres to the outside of CUSTOM CRUISER which shifted out to obtain clear running.

**RENDITION** (S Collett) – Raced in restricted room approaching the 100 metres, and then improved on to heels and was steadied over the concluding stages.

# Race 4 COUNTIES HOME LOANS & INSURANCE 1200

**HETTY** (T Yanagida) – Hampered leaving the barriers losing ground.

**SCHERZO** (S Collett) – Over-raced through the early and middle stages. Held up in the final straight and could not obtain clear running until inside the final 100 metres.

### Race 5 HAUNUI FARM 1400

J Riddell – Fined \$100 under the Minor Infringement Schedule after failing to make the weight for ROBUSTO. J Riddell was replaced by C Grylls.

**DRAGON STORM** (C Lammas) – Began awkwardly and was then further hampered losing ground.

**THE CHASER** (O Bosson) – Over-raced through the middle stages. Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight. Returned to scale with blood present in the left nostril. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a minor abrasion in the nostril.

**SPANCILHILL** (M McNab) – Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight.

MAGIC CONDOR (S Collett) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**MORRIS LASS** (C Dell) – Crowded and steadied over the concluding stages to the inside of ROBUSTO (C Grylls) which shifted in after improving on to the heels of MAGIC CONDOR. Rider C Grylls was advised to exercise care in a similar circumstance.

**ROBUSTO** (C Grylls) – Steadied near the 40 metres when improving on to heels.

**L Hall** (ITS ALL FAKE NEWS) – Trainer L Hall was reminded of his obligations in that he is not to remove blinkers from his runners prior to returning to the saddling area.

# Race 6 WYCHWOOD FARM 1600

**COSSACK WARRIOR** (D Danis) – Crowded leaving the barrier losing ground.

**T Thornton** (PIAZZETTA) – Issued with a warning after steadying the pace approaching the 1000 metres with FABULOUS FLIGHT becoming awkwardly placed on that runner's heels for a distance then clipping a heel near the 1000 metres.

**FABULOUS FLIGHT** (N Bakar) – Became awkwardly placed clipping a heel near the 1000 metres. Ducked in 200 metres.

**MERCY HILL** (A Calder) – Made contact with PIAZZETTA approaching the 400 metres when improving into a marginal run. A Calder was advised to exercise care in a similar circumstance.

**WOODLOVETO** (T Harris) – Crowded and steadied approaching the 200 metres by PIAZZETTA which was dictated in by FABULOUS FLIGHT (N Bakar) which ducked in despite the efforts of its rider. N Bakar was advised to exercise care in a similar circumstance. WOODLOVETO was then held up for a distance.

PIAZZETTA (T Thornton) – Contacted 400 metres. Crowded 200 metres.

**O'HARA** (S Collett) – When questioned regarding performance rider S Collett advised that in her opinion the mare will now be better suited to more ground.

# Race 7 CHOOKY'S AUTO 1400

**TRIP TO FREEDOM** (M Cameron) – Steadied when placed in restricted room shortly after the start. Shifted out to obtain clear running passing the 250 metres inconveniencing the weakening VALETTI.

**BLANCO CANYON** (D Danis) – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

**NONCHALANT** (J Riddell) – Held up when becoming awkwardly placed on heels passing the 350 metres for a distance before shifting out across heels to obtain clear running passing the 250 metres.

**RATHVILLY** (O Bosson) – When questioned regarding performance rider O Bosson could offer no excuses. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

#### Race 8 OSCAR ON MAIN 1400

**THE BUZZ** (J Fawcett) – Began awkwardly. When questioned regarding the improved performance co-trainer M Murdoch advised that the gelding had suffered cardiac arrhythmia when racing at Waikato 22 December and was at a loss to explain the disappointing performance at Te Aroha 13 February, further explaining THE BUZZ had worked well leading in today's race and had benefited from an extended warm up prior to the race.

**BALEGA** (D Danis) – Steadied when becoming awkwardly placed inside the heels of SIX SCHILLINGS (R Smyth) which shifted in when not fully clear near the 1000 metres.

**R Smyth** (SIX SCHILLINGS) - Issued with a warning after permitting her mount to shift in when not sufficiently clear crowding BALEGA near the 1000 metres.

**SIX SCHILLINGS** (R Smyth) – Shifted out when placed under pressure approaching the 400 metres.

**HOLY LOCH** (T Harris) – Held up entering the final straight and crowded passing the 400 metres by BALEGA which had been dictated outwards by SIX SCHILLINGS (R Smyth) which shifted out under pressure. R Smyth was advised to exercise greater care in a similar circumstance. HOLY LOCH then had difficulty obtaining clear running for a distance.

**RUSAVY** (A Calder) – Held up early in the final straight then was inconvenienced approaching the 200 metres when improving on to the heels of THOMAS AQUINAS which shifted in.

### Race 9 KARAKA ACCOUNTING 1600

STRATIUS (C Lammas) – Slow away. Raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**WESTERN GIRL** (M Cameron) – Steadied when placed in restricted room shortly after the start. Had to briefly steady passing the 250 metres when improving on to the heels of SCIACCA which shifted in, with WESTERN GIRL then racing in restricted room for a distance and shifting out to obtain clear running. Rider M Cameron was dislodged after returning to the weigh-in enclosure and was uninjured.

**SCIACCA** (T Harris) – Raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

POPPA'S SHOCK (J Riddell) – Could not obtain clear running until near the 250 metres.

**CAUGHT THE EYE** (J Bayliss) – When questioned regarding performance J Bayliss advised that after drawing wide the gelding had to work hard in the early stages and had tired over the final 200 metres as a consequence.

## Race 10 HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEVE & MICHELLE 1600

**MASTER MARBRIDOU** (S McKay) – Crowded and steadied shortly after the start losing ground.

**INIGO MONTOYA** (C Grylls) – Crowded shortly after the start having to be steadied losing ground. Steadied passing the 700 metres for a distance when becoming awkwardly placed on heels. When questioned regarding performance rider C Grylls advised that after receiving interference shortly after the start the gelding had got further back than

intended and had been further disadvantaged when improving on to heels for a distance passing the 700 metres and being held up.

**SAVASTEP** (L Satherley) – Shifted out abruptly shortly after leaving the barrier crowding RUMOUR HAS IT on to MASTER MARBRIDOU and INIGO MONTOYA which were both crowded losing ground. Had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.

**MAGNIFY** (S Collett) – Raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**HEREMON** (J Bayliss) – Forced wide approaching the 600 metres when FLOMILINE (R Elliot) shifted out. R Elliot was advised to exercise greater care in a similar circumstance.

**KRAKADEEL** (J Riddell) – Raced in restricted room over the concluding stages.

**CRESCENT** (V Colgan) – When questioned regarding performance rider V Colgan advised that the filly had not responded as anticipated when placed under pressure in the final straight. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

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