

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Auckland Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 9 March 2019
Weather:	Showery becoming Fine		
Track:	Dead(5) downgraded to Slow(7) @ 10.50am, Slow(8) retrospective to Race 1, Heavy(10) retrospective to Race 2		
Rail:	2.5 Metres		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), M Williamson, A Coles, N McIntyre, P Kinsey		
Vet:	I Bridge, B Vosloo		
Stenographer:	M Gemmell		

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	SPINDLE, SANDRINE, TROUBLE, MONACO, IRISH FLAME, PRETTY TO SEA, YOURDEEL, AALAALUNE, ARETHA, MELODY BELLE, DANZDANZDANCE, RONDINELLA, GLORY DAYS, FIVE TO MIDNIGHT, BLUE BREEZE, HOIST		
Suspensions:	Race	8	M Cameron VIN DE DANCE Careless riding 1100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 17-30/3 incl, 10 days
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Race	6	M Baker & A Forsman LADYNADEL \$50 [Rule 614(2)] Presented with incorrect saddle cloth number
		9	S Collett GLORY DAYS \$400 [Rule 638(2)] Celebratory Gesture
Warnings:	Race	8	J Bayliss ON THE ROCKS Shifted ground 1850 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		8	V Colgan RONDINELLA Shifted ground 1700 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		8	O Bosson MELODY BELLE Shifted ground 500 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Horse Actions:	Race	6	STRATOCASTER - Veterinary certificate of fitness required
		9	THE REBEL KNIGHT - Veterinary certificate of fitness required
Follow Up:	Race	9	CHARLES ROAD
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race	1	HOVER - J Parkes replaced J Bayliss (traffic delay)
		9	DEE AND GEE - S Spratt replaced L Hemi (traffic delay)
Late Scratchings:	Due to downgraded track conditions: R4 HONESTY 1.22pm; R5 PEP TORQUE 11.05am, SLEEK SECRET 1.28pm, RHINESTONE COWBOY 12.30pm; R6 IT'S DESTINY'S CHILD 11.49am, DAMA ZORRO 12.00pm, CINEMATIC 1.13pm; R7 EQUINOX 11.12am, BEAUTY DIVA 11.12am; R8 CONSENSUS 2.12pm, TIPTRONIC 2.30pm; R10 THE GLINT 1.22pm, DIAMONDSANDBUBBLES 2.25pm		
	Race	6	STRATOCASTER (non-starter)

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Counties Racing Club - Thursday 28 February 2019

Race 3 - SPLICE CONSTRUCTION 1200

TEARS OF JUPITER (A Calder) – Co-trainer P Williams advised that he was satisfied with the recovery of the filly.

Race 10 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEVE & MICHELLE 1600

CRESCENT (V Colgan) – Trainer T Pike advised that he was satisfied with the recovery of CRESCENT and it is his intention to freshen the filly prior to racing next.

Auckland Racing Club - Saturday 2 March 2019

Race 1 - The Pond Premium Recruitment 1200

ONE BAKERSTREET (R Elliot) – Co-trainer A Peard advised that in the days following this race the mare underwent blood tests which did not reveal any abnormality, adding it is their intention to freshen ONE BAKERSTREET prior to racing next.

Race 9 - Vodafone NZ Derby

IN A TWINKLING (G Boss) - The starter was reprimanded after Stewards became aware that the barrier blanket which was an item of notified gear had not been placed on the gelding. The starter's explanation for this omission was noted.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	White Cliffs Timber 1200
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MR UNIVERSE (O Bosson) - Began awkwardly. Over-raced through the middle stages.

IGNORED (C Grylls) - Slow to begin then further hampered when crowded shortly after.

HOVER (J Parkes) - Crowded shortly after leaving the barriers.

MORRIS LASS (C Johnson) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

THE DOM (S Spratt) - Lay out in the final straight.

Race 2	Royal Descent Stakes (1600 metres)
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SUNBURST (M McNab) - Hampered by CONTESSA VANESSA which shifted inwards leaving the barriers.

CONTESSA VANESSA (R Elliot) - Was unable to obtain clear running until near the 150 metres.

NICOLETTA (O Bosson) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the mare had floundered in the track conditions once placed under pressure.

Race 3	Stella Artois 1600
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WILLIAM TELL (T Yanagida) - Slow to begin. Bumped near the 200 metres when BIRDIE BLITZ lay out under pressure with WILLIAM TELL then hampering the weakening BETHANY.

ITS ALL FAKE NEWS (R Norvall) - Slow to begin.

WESTERN GIRL (C Grylls) - Began awkwardly then raced in restricted room.

TROUBLE (R Myers) - Restrained from a wide barrier.

VERSES (D Danis) - Steadied when paced in restricted room approaching the 1500 metres to the outside of BIRDIE BLITZ which lay out crossing the junction on to the Course Proper, BIRDIE BLITZ then shifting in when being corrected by its rider resulting in WILLIAM TELL becoming awkwardly placed on that runner's heels. VERSES again had to be steadied when crowded near the 1400 metres between WILLIAM TELL which shifted outwards and BETHANY which shifted inwards slightly before being corrected by its rider. Lost the right hind plate during the running.

WILLIAM TELL (T Yanagida) - Steadied when awkwardly placed near heels near the 1500 metres.

ETCH (J Riddell) - Inconvenienced near the 350 metres when WESTERN GIRL shifted outwards to obtain clear running.

BETHANY (M Cameron) - Hampered when weakening passing the 200 metres. Rider reported that the mare had not felt comfortable in today's track conditions.

THE HELIX (S Collett) - Rider advised that the gelding had failed to handle today's track conditions.

Race 4	PGG Wrightson / Vetmed 1400
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GIANT GEM (T Harris) - Upon application Trainer B Dyke was granted permission to remove the visor blinkers due to today's track conditions.

PROJECT (T Yanagida) - Jumped away awkwardly.

NUCLEAR FUSION (C Johnson) - Over-raced when being restrained in the early stages.

LIGHT SHADOW (J Riddell) - Rider advised that the gelding had hung badly throughout and proved a difficult ride.

Race 5	Fasttrack Insurance 1600
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DRAGON STORM (C Lammas) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

IRISH FLAME (L Innes) - Restrained early after jumping from a wide barrier.

JAKE THE MUSS (S Collett) - Restrained off heels passing the 1400 metres.

TIGHTLIGN (M Cameron) - Inconvenienced when weakening near the 350 metres when IRISH FLAME shifted outwards. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had failed to handle today's track conditions. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

SAVAPAK (O Bosson) - Steadied over the concluding stages when improving onto heels.

Race 6	Laser Te Puke 1200
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The start of this race was delayed due to **LADYNADEL** (J Parkes) and **JOY ANNA** (S Spratt) having to be re-saddled after a mix-up with saddle cloths.

M Baker & A Forsman - Fined \$50 after presenting LADYNADEL with an incorrect saddle cloth number.

STRATOCASTER (T Yanagida) - Upon application permission was granted to race without blinkers due to today's track conditions. Very slow away losing considerable ground and all effective chance in the race. On reviewing video footage immediately after the race it was apparent that STRATOCASTER had kicked out just prior to the barriers opening getting a leg caught in the back gate of the barriers resulting in its very slow beginning. A request for a ruling was filed with the Judicial Committee who after hearing submissions and viewing films determined that

STRATOCASTER had been denied a fair start and should be declared a non-starter with all bets on that runner to be refunded. Required veterinary treatment following the race for a superficial laceration to the left hind cannon being 2/5 lame with a veterinary certificate of fitness now being required prior to racing again.

GO NICHOLAS (G Cooksley) - Slow away.

LADYNADEL (J Parkes) - Slow away.

MARZEMINO (A Calder) - Contacted near the 300 metres when PRETTY TO SEA shifted outwards to obtain clear running.

Race 7	Sistema Stakes (1200 metres)
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The start was delayed when the bridle on JUST ZERENE (S Spratt) had to be replaced behind the barriers.

AOTEA LAD (M McNab) - Began awkwardly making contact with RAINBOW DASH.

QIJI SWORDSMAN (S Collett) - Crowded shortly after the start having to be checked when placed in restricted room between AALAALUNE which shifted inwards slightly and ENJOY THE SHOW which was taken out slightly by JUST ZERENE which lay out in the early stages. In this incident ENJOY THE SHOW and JUST ZERENE both became badly unbalanced when contacted.

ENJOY THE SHOW (J Riddell) - Badly unbalanced when contacted shortly after the start. The rider was dislodged from his mount when pulling up being uninjured.

JUST ZERENE (S Spratt) - Badly unbalanced when contacted shortly after the start.

Race 8	Bonecrusher New Zealand Stakes (2000 metres)
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ELUSIVE TREASURE (D Danis) - Began awkwardly then raced in restricted room.

DANZDANZDANCE (C Grylls) - Bumped shortly after leaving the barriers and steadied.

J Bayliss (ON THE ROCKS) - Issued with a warning after permitting his mount to shift inwards placing RONDINELLA in restricted room near the 1850 metres resulting in RONDINELLA having to be steadied. Contributing to the interference was some minor outward movement from VIN DE DANCE.

RONDINELLA (V Colgan) - Steadied when placed in restricted room near the 1850 metres. Made contact with ON THE ROCKS near the 1700 metres. Unbalanced when contacted near the 1100 metres being forced wider and losing its rightful running. Checked to avoid heels near the 500 metres.

V Colgan (RONDINELLA) - Issued with a warning after shifting outwards near the 1700 metres making contact with ON THE ROCKS which was forced wider.

ON THE ROCKS (J Bayliss) - Forced wider when contacted near the 1700 metres. Blundered near the 500 metres. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the entire had failed to handle today's track conditions with a post-race veterinary inspection not revealing any obvious abnormality.

M Cameron - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted his mount VIN DE DANCE to shift outwards near the 1100 metres when not sufficiently clear making contact with RONDINELLA which was unbalanced, then being forced wider and losing its rightful running. After hearing submissions M Cameron was suspended from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 16 March 2019 up to and including racing on Saturday 30 March, 10 national riding days.

FARM BOY (M McNab) - Raced wide around the first bend being allowed to improve forward to sit outside the leader near the 1300 metres.

O Bosson (MELODY BELLE) - Issued with a warning after permitting his mount to shift to the outside of SHADOWS CAST approaching the 500 metres dictating VIN DE DANCE outwards with RONDINELLA then having to be checked to avoid the heels of VIN DE DANCE. Contributing to the interference to a degree which was inconclusive on film footage was DANZDANZDANCE which when improving to the outside of RONDINELLA made contact with that runner forcing RONDINELLA in onto the heels of VIN DE DANCE.

Race 9	Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup (3200 metres)
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KAMANDA LINCOLN (C Lammas) - Slow to begin. Steadied approaching the 2600 metres in an attempt to shift wider on the track.

THE REBEL KNIGHT (T Thornton) - Began awkwardly. Crowded soon after leaving the barriers. Gave ground quickly from the 800 metres. A post-race veterinary inspection found the gelding to be 2/5 lame in the right hind with a veterinary certificate of fitness now required prior to racing again.

DELEGATE (M McNab) - Began awkwardly.

DEE AND GEE (S Spratt) - Raced wide rounding the first bend being allowed to improve forward to lead.

BLUE BREEZE (C Dell) - Raced wide throughout. Shifted inwards under pressure in the final straight inconveniencing VENGEUR MASQUE near the 250 metres and continuing to shift inwards inconveniencing FIVE TO MIDNIGHT inside the final 100 metres.

VENGEUR MASQUE (O Bosson) - Inconvenienced 250 metres.

GUNDOWN (M Cameron) - Raced wide throughout.

FIVE TO MIDNIGHT (J Parkes) - Held up rounding the bend from the 800 metres before shifting back to the inner part of the track near the 600 metres. Inconvenienced inside final 100 metres.

S Collett (GLORY DAYS) - Fined \$400 after admitting a charge of making a celebratory gesture prior to passing the winning post.

CHARLES ROAD (C Grylls) - When questioned regarding performance C Grylls advised that he had been caught towards the inner part of the track being unable to get to what he considered to be better ground wider out but could otherwise offer no excuse. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

Race 10	Barfoot & Thompson 2100
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MOFARA (T Harris) - Hampered when leaving the barriers when WHEAO shifted outwards.

AMANO (C Grylls) - Crowded between runners leaving the barriers.

SWEET TREAT (C Johnson) - Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

Stipendiary Stewards report as posted is provisional and subject to further review and amendment.

