

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Levin RC at the Otaki Racecourse	Date:	Friday 29 November 2019
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead(4) upgraded to Good(3) at 11.25am		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), N Goodwin, D Balcombe, B Bateup		
Vet:	E Simpson BVSc; M Leyland BVSc.		
Typist:	S Shirriffs		

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	DEZELLA; PREAKNESS; ALL IN STITCHES; MALO BIK; EVALINA, WHAT A SMASHER; BONNY EZRA; SCORPZ, SHENANIGANS; CREDIT MANAGER.		
Suspensions:	Race	4	D Turner BELLE PLAISIR Failure to make weight [Rule 330(3)(c)] Suspended 1-15/12 incl (10 days)
		4	R Myers BELLE PLAISIR Careless riding 200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 1-11/12 incl (6 days)
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race	8	E Davies INCRANIBULL [Rule 802(1)(a)] - Saddling outside authorised area
Horse Actions:	Race	5	FERRANDO - Veterinary clearance required
Follow Up:	Race	5	FERRANDO
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race	4	BELLE PLAISIR - R Myers replaced D Turner (overweight)
		5	SHE'S A GODDESS - R Kozaki replaced C Lammas (unwell)
		7	WILD WEST - D Turner replaced C Lammas
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

GENERAL:

Club representatives were spoken to regarding concerns with several runners blundering leaving the barriers throughout the day. Stipendiary Stewards were advised that the starts had been ground-hogged but the Club undertook to look at further remedial options prior to their next meeting.
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RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	VETS ON RIVERBANK PREMIER (2300 Metres)
COLLINSTREET (C O'Beirne) - Dropped its head as the barriers opened and was slow away as a result (4L). Had a tendency to lay in under pressure in the final straight.	
HIGH QUALITY (J Parkes) - Slow away.	
FRANCIS DRAKE (R Elliot) - Raced ungenerously for a distance in the early stages. Restrained off heels near the 800 metres.	
C Lammas was attended to by St John paramedics immediately following the race after suffering an asthma attack and was stood down from his remaining rides.	

Race 2	RIBBONS PLUS PREMIER (1000 Metres)
<p>SILENT ZONE (T Thornton) - Blundered at the start.</p> <p>GURTLYN (B Ansell) - Began awkwardly.</p> <p>PASSIONE (R Myers) - Raced wide without cover throughout. Unbalanced when received contact to its hind quarters near the 600 metres.</p> <p>MEGLIO DI FALCREST (R Elliot) - Hampered at the start when PREAKNESS shifted out. Restrained off heels near the 800 metres then raced ungenerously for a distance getting its head up. Held up early in the home straight.</p> <p>GENTLEMAN JACK (H Andrew) - Disappointed for a run approaching the 200 metres when SILENT ZONE rolled in when weakening with GENTLEMAN JACK having to be angled outwards across heels to improve.</p> <p>JUST BEN (R Hannam) - Briefly held up passing the 400 metres.</p> <p>PREAKNESS (V Colgan) - Lost the right hind plate near the 300 metres.</p>	
Race 3	SUMMERSET ON THE COAST PREMIER (2300 Metres)
<p>SO IT WAS (S Collett) - Slow away. Held up rounding the final turn and continued to have difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 100 metres.</p> <p>KATIEM MARIE (R Myers) - Slow away.</p> <p>SPEED CALL (R Goldsbury) - Slow away.</p> <p>ZAC BROWN (D Turner) - Raced ungenerously for a distance near the 1400 metres getting its head in the air.</p> <p>LA PHYTA (J Fawcett) -When questioned regarding performance rider was of the opinion the mare is better suited to more rain-affected conditions. A post race veterinary inspection was clear.</p> <p>ALL IN STITCHES (M Singh) - Over-raced outside the leader in the middle stages.</p> <p>M Singh (ALL IN STITCHES) - Spoken to regarding his whip use prior the 100 metres.</p>	
Race 4	PAUL IRELAND DIGGER HIRE PREMIER (1200 Metres)
<p>D Turner - Admitted a breach of Rule 330(3)(c) in that he failed to make the contracted weight for BELLE PLAISIR and was replaced by R Myers. D Turner had his licence to ride in races suspended from the close of racing on Saturday, 30 November up to and including racing on Sunday, 15 December (10 national riding days).</p> <p>MOTIVATION (J Parkes) - Began awkwardly.</p> <p>TELLYAWHAT (J Riddell) - Blundered at the start and shifted outwards making contact with WALKIN' BY.</p> <p>WALKIN'BY (S Collett) - Hampered when contacted leaving the barriers. Steadied when placed in restricted room near the 300 metres.</p> <p>MALO BIK (Z Moki) - Made the bend near the 900 metres awkwardly.</p> <p>BELLE PLAISIR (R Myers) - Rider reported that with the improved track conditions the filly would now be better suited over more ground.</p>	

R Myers - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that she permitted her mount BELLE PLAISIR to shift outwards when not sufficiently clear of HARBOURSIDE, which was checked passing the 200 metres. R Myers had her licence to ride in races suspended from the close of racing on Saturday, 30 November up to and including racing on Wednesday, 11 December (6 days).

HARBOURSIDE (J Waddell) - Checked when crowded passing the 200 metres.

Race 5	FASTTRACK INSURANCE - LEVIN STAKES (Listed Race) (1200 Metres)
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FERRANDO (R Elliot) - Charged its gate as the start was effected with its barrier opening ahead of other runners. With FERRANDO being unplaced no action was required. Raced in restricted room to the inside of ROCK 'N' AFFAIR approaching the 100 metres. Rider dismounted immediately following the race as he believed something was amiss with the entire. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a tendon injury to the right fore with a veterinary clearance now required prior to racing again.

ROCK 'N' AFFAIR (S Collett) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

SHE'S A GODDESS (R Kozaki) - Steadied when placed in restricted room to the inside of PRINCESS AMELIE (R Hannam) passing the 400 metres. R Hannam was advised to exercise greater care.

PRINCESS AMELIE (R Hannam) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the mare would be better suited by some easing of the ground.

R Kozaki (SHE'S A GODDESS) - Spoken to regarding his whip use over the concluding stages on a runner out of contention.

Race 6	LEVIN TAB & SPORTS BAR PREMIER (1600 Metres)
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STAR QUALITY (M Singh) - Blundered at the start shifting inwards tightening GERDA.

MISS CONTESSA (C Burdan) - Jumped inwards at the start contacting MONRECOUR, which settled back. Raced three wide without cover throughout.

MONRECOUR (V Colgan) - Contacted start settling back. Held up entering the straight and did not obtain clear running until near the 200 metres.

GERDA (R Myers) - Tightened at start losing ground. Held up entering the home straight having to be angled outwards across heels to gain clear running near the 150 metres inconveniencing HOCICO BLANCO.

HOCICO BLANCO (R Elliot) - Inconvenienced when GERDA shifted out near the 150 metres before being further hampered when MARIETTE LANE (J Parkes) lay in under pressure. J Parkes was advised to exercise care.

LINCOLN GREEN (R Hannam) - Held up for a short distance near the 350 metres.

Race 7	LUCIA VALENTINA WELLINGTON STAKES (Group 3) (1600 Metres)
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SHENANIGANS (R Elliot) - Slow away. Had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.

SHE'S A LADY (R Myers) - Blundered shortly after leaving the barriers losing ground.

SCORPZ (J Waddell) - Began awkwardly.

SIRACUSA (S Collett) - Hampered leaving the barriers when WILD WEST shifted in. Contacted near the 350 metres when SCORPZ shifted out to obtain clear running.

WILD WEST (D Turner) - Raced keenly in the early to middle stages.

GUMPERT (T Thornton) - Raced three wide without cover throughout. Inconvenienced when forced wider near the 350 metres.

TIBETAN (V Colgan) - Over-raced when being restrained near the 1300 metres. Shifted outwards to avoid the heels of WILD WEST rounding the bend near the 350 metres, inconveniencing GUMPERT and SIG POSITANO, which were both forced wide.

SIG POSITANO (L Hemi) - Inconvenienced when forced wider near the 350 metres.

CHIARETTA (D Johnson) - Dipped near the 1300 meters. Rider reported that the filly had not been suited by today's firm track conditions. A post-race veterinary inspection was clear.

Race 8	UZABUS AND COACHES PREMIER (1400 Metres)
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Trainer **E Davies** was issued with a warning after saddling THAT'S INCRANIBULL away from the authorised area.

VELOCE (J Fawcett) - Blundered badly at the start dislodging rider J Fawcett who was uninjured.

MADURO (S Collett) - Blundered leaving the barriers. Inconvenienced by the riderless horse inside the final 100 metres.

THAT'S INCRANIBULL (J Parkes) - Jumped away awkwardly.

SPIDERMAN (C Burdan) - Raced ungenerously in the early stages getting its head in the air. Hampered by the riderless horse near the 900 metres.

CREDIT MANAGER (T Taiaroa) - Inconvenienced by the riderless horse near the 900 metres.

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