

# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



## MEETING DETAILS:

<b>Club:</b>	Matamata Racing Club	<b>Date:</b>	Friday 6 December 2019
<b>Weather:</b>	Fine		
<b>Track:</b>	Dead 4		
<b>Rail:</b>	True		
<b>Stewards:</b>	A Coles (Chairman), M Williamson, W Robinson, V Algar		
<b>Vet:</b>	R McQuillan		
<b>Typist:</b>	P Laboyrie		

## SUMMARY:

<b>Swabbing:</b>	BERGAMOT, MAKING WAVES, ERIDANI, ROMANTIC LADY, LEVANTE, PATSYS LASS, SODA, GRAVITELLE, KAJINO		
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Nil		
<b>Protests:</b>	Nil		
<b>Request for Ruling:</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>ITS SO EASY</b> Declared starter after starting gate opened early
		<b>5</b>	<b>BLINDSPOTT</b> Declared starter after starting gate opened early
<b>Fines:</b>	Nil		
<b>Warnings:</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>S McKay</b> ROYAL CHARTER Raising whip arm above shoulder [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)]
		<b>6</b>	<b>J Waddell</b> GOBONIEGO Shifting ground 350 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		<b>6</b>	<b>T Yanagida</b> ROBUSTO Shifting ground 175 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
<b>Horse Actions:</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>STATELINE</b> – must barrier trial prior to racing next
		<b>5</b>	<b>CHEERS AND CHEERS</b> – bled Ineligible to race in New Zealand as second occasion bled
<b>Follow Up:</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>LIKE A BOSS</b>
<b>Medical Certificates:</b>	Nil		
<b>Rider Changes:</b>	Nil		
<b>Late Scratchings:</b>	<b>Race</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>SON OF SASANOF</b> – at 12.54 pm on vet advice
		<b>4</b>	<b>STATELINE</b> – at 2.03 pm on vet advice

## GENERAL:

Nil.
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## SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil.
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## RACE COMMENTS:

<b>Race 1</b>	<b>WAIKATO BRANCH NZ FARRIERS ASSOCIATION 1600</b>
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**GOLDEN ABLE** (C Lammas) – Crowded leaving the barriers losing ground.

**KOOLASCUZ** (D Danis) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

**JAKAMA KRYSTAL** (J Waddell) – Dipped approaching the 1200 metres when linking on to the course proper.

**SAM’S SONG** (L Satherley) – Briefly steadied passing the 500 metres when placed in restricted room.

**OZYMANDIAS** (T Thornton) – Steadied when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **GOLDEN ABLE** which shifted out slightly passing the 500 metres.

<b>Race 2</b>	<b>A P GOLLAN REGISTERED VALUERS 1400</b>
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**SON OF SASANOF** (J Riddell) – Became fractious in its barrier stall and after being removed to undergo a veterinary examination was declared a late scratching at 12.54 pm.

**CAPTAIN NEWZEALAND** (S Spratt) – Slow to begin. Had difficulty obtaining clear running until shifting out passing the 200 metres.

**IZZY GEE** (D Johnson) - Contacted leaving the barrier then steadied. Dipped approaching the 1200 metres when linking on to the course proper. Crowded 1200 metres.

**ENDEAN LASS** (S Weatherley) – Restrained from a wide barrier.

**LIMENTIS** (C Lammas) – Over-raced in the early stages then dipped approaching the 1200 metres when linking on to the course proper shifting out and crowding **IZZY GEE** on to **HESAGOODBOY** which was steadied losing ground. Held up rounding the bend entering the final straight.

**GRAND SPIRIT** (T Yanagida) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

**STARRING ROLE** (J Fawcett) – Unable to obtain clear running until shifting out across heels near the 100 metres to obtain clear running.

**S McKay** (ROYAL CHARTER) – Issued with a warning for raising his whip arm above the shoulder.

**GRAND SPIRIT** (T Yanagida) – Co-trainer A Scott advised Stewards the filly had pulled up showing signs of tying up.

<b>Race 3</b>	<b>BROADWAY MOTEL 1200</b>
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**WITCHERY** (C Burdan) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Made the 900 metre bend awkwardly.

**UP ‘N’ GONE** (J Fawcett) – Crowded leaving the barriers then steadied.

**IHU** (J Riddell) – Dipped shortly after jumping away.

**BOLT FROM THE BLUE** (CV Colgan) – Briefly steadied approaching the 1000 metres when in restricted room to the inside of **VAN IRVING** (D Johnson) which shifted in. D Johnson was advised to exercise greater care in a similar circumstance.

**CHOCTOC** (L Innes) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

**ERIDANI** (T Yanagida) – Held up until passing the 100 metres. When shifting out into a run was dictated out by **MUNSTER** making contact with **POKURU’S GIFT** which was briefly unbalanced.

**POKURU'S GIFT** (T Harris) – Contacted and briefly unbalanced passing the 75 metres.

<b>Race 4</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS AT THE RACES – 18TH DECEMBER</b>
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**STATELINE** (S Weatherley) – Became restless in its stall then became cast, and was declared a late scratching at 2.03 pm on veterinary advice. The connections were advised that STATELINE must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next.

**SHOW BIRD** (A Schwerin) – Began awkwardly then crowded and steadied. Raced ungenerously in the early stages becoming awkwardly placed on heels near the 900 metres shifting out and running wide with SHOW BIRD continuing to race ungenerously through the middle stages.

**CRAFTYAFFAIR** (S Collett) – Raced in restricted room soon after leaving the barrier. Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight.

**NO FINER PINS** (M Coleman) – Raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**MARIJA** (C Grylls) – Raced wide in the early stages before being restrained to obtain cover passing the 700 metres.

<b>Race 5</b>	<b>THOMPSON FAMILY 1100</b>
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The siren was sounded into the start as to whether ITS SO EASY (J Fawcett) and BLINDSPOTT (V Colgan) had gained an advantage due to their starting gates opening slightly early. The Judicial Committee after questioning riders concerned and viewing a video of the start found that both runners had not gained an advantage through their starting gates opening slightly early. The gates were tested several times prior to the next race.

**ITS SO EASY** (J Fawcett) – Began awkwardly.

**BLINDSPOTT** (V Colgan) – Began awkwardly. Crowded and briefly steadied near the 50 metres by LEVANTE (R Elliot) which had shifted out to obtain clear running. R Elliot was advised to exercise care in a similar circumstance.

**EL NYMPH** (T Thornton) – Hampered on jumping away losing ground due to TANGODANZER beginning awkwardly shifting in and outward movement from CHEERS AND CHEERS (S Collett) which also had begun awkwardly shifting out with rider S Collett becoming unbalanced. Raced in restricted room approaching the 1000 metres and steadied, then further retrained near the 900 metres.

**ANA ZORRA** (C Lammas) – The mare lost a hind plate prior to the race and as it could not be replaced the Stewards granted permission for the mare to race minus a hind plate. Improved on to heels approaching the 200 metres, and then was held up for the remainder of the race.

**CHEERS AND CHEERS** (S Collett) – Returned to the enclosure with blood present in the nostrils and after undergoing a veterinary examination was deemed a bleeder, and as this is the second occasion the gelding has bled it is now ineligible to race in New Zealand.

**TERRACOTTA** (S McKay) – Raced ungenerously when being restrained in the early stages. Held up early in the final straight until shifting out passing the 200 metres inconveniencing CHEERS AND CHEERS. Lost the right hind plate during the running.

**SHINING SUN** (G Swann) – Raced wide without cover when disputing the pace.

**LIKE A BOSS** (C Grylls) – Held up early in the final straight with rider advising the gelding finished the race off disappointingly, but was unable to offer any other reason.

**LEVANTE** (R Elliot) – Had difficulty obtaining clear running until the 100 metres.

**Race 6**

**TOWER ROAD INVESTMENTS 1600**

**LAGERTHA** (M Kareem) – Slow to begin. Raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**GOBONIEGO** (J Waddell) – Slow to begin. Shifted out 350 meters to obtain clear running. When questioned into the performance of GOBONIEGO rider advised the mare may be better suited to less ground than the 1600 metres of today's race, and also may prefer some easing of the ground.

**RICKY BAKER** (S Weatherley) – Began awkwardly then crowded.

**CAMEAHOTFRIDAY** (D Johnson) – Over-raced in the early stages on a moderate pace.

**GUILLOCHARM** (V Colgan) – Over-raced in the early stages on a moderate pace. Had to be firmly restrained near the 350 metres when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of GOBONIEGO (J Waddell) which shifted out when not fully clear. Was not persevered with for the remainder of the race.

**J Waddell** (GOBONIEGO) – Issued with a warning for shifting ground 350 metres.

**ROBUSTO** (T Yanagida) – Had to steady when placed in restricted room to the inside of PATSYS LASS passing the 200 metres, then shifted out across the heels of PATSYS LASS with KONSTANTINA then having to shift out to avoid the heels of ROBUSTO (T Yanagida) forcing LAGERTHA over extra ground.

**T Yanagida** (ROBUSTO) – Issued with a warning for shifting ground 175 metres.

**KONSTANTINA** (J Riddell) – Inconvenienced 175 metres.

**JIMMY JAMES** (S Collett) – When questioned regarding performance rider S Collett advised that the gelding had travelled too keenly and would be better suited over 1400 metres.

**Race 7**

**LOWE SCHOLLUM JONES – FASTTRACK INSURANCE \$5K ADDED STAKE 1600**

**INITIATIVE** (J Fawcett) – Slow to begin.

**DE KONING** (L Satherley) – Slow to begin. Had difficulty obtaining clear running until the 150 metres.

**TAVIGARDE** (C Lammas) – Crowded leaving the barriers.

**LADY PAINTON** (J Waddell) – Raced wide without cover.

**ROC WHEELER** (S Spratt) – Held up until shifting out across heels passing the 150 metres to obtain clear running.

**PENTEVEREST** (M Coleman) – When questioned into the performance of the favourite PENTEVEREST rider advised the gelding may appreciate some easing of the ground. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormality.

**Race 8**

**MBS ADVISORS 2000**

**KIPLING** (T Yanagida) – Crowded leaving the barrier and steadied.

**REFLECTION** (J Fawcett) – Crowded leaving the barrier and steadied.

**TE WAEWAE BAY** (A Calder) – Began awkwardly then crowded.

**DELLE QUARTZA** (S Weatherley) – Began awkwardly then steadied.

**Race 9**

**THE REDOUBT BAR & EATERY 2000**

**LETS ROC** (C Burdan) – Began awkwardly losing ground after being fractious in its barrier. Further crowded shortly after leaving the barrier and steadied. Raced ungenerously in the early stages.

**MATAWHEREO** (T Thornton) – Began awkwardly then crowded. Raced ungenerously when being steadied passing the 1800 metres.

**RED RUSHIN** (J Fawcett) – Began awkwardly. Raced wide for the majority of the race.

**TWO MADISON** (S Spratt) – Restrained from a wide barrier and settled back. Held up rounding the final turn and early in the final straight shifting out near the 200 metres to obtain clear running. When questioned rider S Spratt was unable to offer any other reason for the mare's performance.

**HOSEL ROCKET** (C Lammas) – Crowded soon after leaving the barrier.

**HARDOUT** (S McKay) – Shifted in abruptly leaving the barrier crowding HOSEL ROCKET and LETS ROC which was steadied.

**MEANT TO BE** (T Yanagida) – Held up for clear running until passing the 150 metres.

**SWAY MOON** (G Swann) – Rider G Swann was questioned regarding his riding tactics, and in particular why he had allowed the gelding to become detached from the field through the first 700 metres of the race when there had been an opportunity to allow the gelding to maintain a position closer to the body of the field. G Swann explained that he was conscious of SWAY MOON being first up over 2000 metres and was trying to ride the gelding quietly in the early stages. G Swann agreed with Stewards that he had erred in his judgement.

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