

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Whangarei Racing Club	Date:	Tuesday, 17 December 2019
Weather:	Showery		
Track:	Dead 4, downgraded to Dead 6 after Race 4		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	A Coles (Chairman), M Williamson and P Kinsey		
Vet:	Sarah Saint Merat		
Stenographer:	M Gemmell		

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	AWARENESS, RIPPED, RIP 'N' BURN, SPELTERINI, JIMMY JAMES, ANNIE'S SONG, SHOTGUN SALLY		
Suspensions:	Race 2	S Collett LORD POLONIUS Weighed in 0.6kg under handicapped weight. Suspended 22-29/12 incl, 5 national riding days [Rule 649(3)]	
Protests:	Race 1	REGAL DUCHESS 2 nd vs AWARENESS 1 st – dismissed	
	4	SEPELLA 2 nd vs SPELTERINI 1 st – dismissed	
Request for Ruling:	2	LORD POLONIUS disqualified; rider weighed in light [Rule 649(3)]	
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race 6	M Hashizume IRISH MIST Whip use prior to 100 metres [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)]	
	6	C Dell SONOFABUTCHER Whip use above shoulder height [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)]	
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Follow Up:	Nil		
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Race 6	MAJIC RULER Veterinary advice at 4.40pm	

GENERAL:

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SUPPLEMENTARY:

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RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	Lindauer (1000 metres)
SONORITY (A Calder) – Crowded when leaving the barriers and steadied.	

KITCHENER (M Coleman) – Began awkwardly. When questioned regarding the performance the rider advised that the filly had raced greenly throughout. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no obvious abnormality.

AWARENESS (C Burdan) – Commenced to over-race through the early and middle stages. Shifted in near the 50 metres under pressure despite the efforts of its rider making brief contact with **REGAL DUCHESS**.

O'JESSICA (S Spratt) – Raced greenly when placed under pressure early in the final straight.

REGAL DUCHESS (J Fawcett) – Briefly contacted 50 metres.

Following the race, the connections of the 2nd placed horse **REGAL DUCHESS** lodged a protest against the 1st placed horse **AWARENESS** alleging interference in the final straight. After considering submissions the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest.

Race 2	Northland Waste (1200 metres)
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WELL CHOSEN (M Coleman) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

LORD POLONIUS (S Collett) – Crowded when leaving the barriers.

SHIPSHAPE (S Spratt) – Raced ungenerously when being steadied in the early stages.

RIPPED (A Calder) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

Following the race Stewards lodged a request for a ruling after the rider of **LORD POLONIUS** S Collett weighed in 0.6kg under the handicapped weight. The Judicial Committee disqualified **LORD POLONIUS** from 2nd placing with placings now reading – 1st 5 **RIPPED**, 2nd 2 **APACHE LAD**, 3rd 4 **WELL CHOSEN**, 4th 7 **MELUSINA**.

S Collett (**LORD POLONIUS**) – Admitted a breach in that she weighed in 0.6kg under the handicapped weight and after considering submissions the Judicial Committee suspended her license to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on 21 December 2019 up to and including racing on 29 December 2019, 5 national riding days and the riding fee was forfeited.

Race 3	Johnco Fence Hire (2200 metres)
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PRINCE SOLARI (T Thornton) – Began awkwardly and then crowded. Raced wide without cover from near the 1200 metres. Forced wide 450 metres.

NAVEL AFFAIR (M Coleman) – Shifted out to obtain clear running passing the 450 metres forcing **PRINCE SOLARI** wider on the track. M Coleman was advised to exercise care in a similar circumstance. When questioned regarding the performance the rider could offer no excuse. **NAVEL AFFAIR** underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no obvious abnormality.

Race 4	Hirepool (1400 metres)
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PATSYS LAD (R Smyth) – Began awkwardly and was hampered as a result. Steadied when attempting a tight run to the inside of **TENNESSEE ROCK** and again had to be steadied until obtaining clear running when **TENNESSEE ROCK** shifted out under pressure.

PLAYSAMEANPINBALL (S McKay) – Slow to begin.

FAMOUS BELLE (C Dell) – Steadied when in restricted room passing the 400 metres shifting out across heels to obtain clear running.

The connections of the 2nd placed horse **SEPPELLA** instigated a protest alleging interference over the concluding stages by the 1st placed horse **SPELTERINI** which shifted out slightly under pressure making slight contact. After viewing the relevant videos available the Judicial Committee dismissed the protest and the placings stood.

Race 5 | **Coresteel Buildings (1600 metres)**

BITETHEBULLET (M Kareem) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Raced wide without cover from the 1400 metres.

MOIRAS TOWN (R Smyth) – Began awkwardly and shifted in leaving the barriers crowding **CAMEAHOTFRIDAY** and **FLUOROBUS**. Contributing was outward movement from **HIGHLAND DANCER** which lay out with **MOIRAS TOWN** then being steadied losing ground.

FLUORBUS (A Calder) -Crowded leaving the barriers losing ground.

CAMEAHOTFRIDAY (S Spratt) – Crowded when leaving the barriers losing ground.

FAST SUMMER ROCK (M Coleman) – Steadied and shifted out when becoming awkwardly placed on heels passing the 1400 metres.

HIGHLAND DANCER (M Hashizume) – Shifted out under pressure over the final 200 metres.

Race 6 | **Corona (1400 metres)**

MAJIC RULER (C Burdan) – Late scratched on veterinary advice after bolting during its preliminary.

MORRIS LASS (M Kareem) – Permission was given for the removal of blinkers due to the downgrade in track conditions. Forced wider 300 metres.

IRISH MIST (M Hashizume) – Began awkwardly with the rider becoming unbalanced and **IRISH MIST** losing considerable ground as a result (5L).

SONOFABUTCHER (C Dell) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Held up rounding the final bend until shifting out passing the 300 metres to obtain clear running dictating **MORRIS LASS** wider on the track.

ANNIE'S SONG (S Collett) – Commenced to over-race for a distance when being steadied near the 1300 metres.

DIVA EXPRESS (T Thornton) – Commenced to over-race passing the 1300 metres shifting out and was then obliged to race wide without cover.

COLOGNE (A Calder) – Briefly held up near the 350 metres when attempting a marginal run to the inside of **BOOGIE EASY**.

M Hashizume (**IRISH MIST**) – Issued with a warning over the use of his whip in consecutive strides prior to the 100 metres. M Hashizume dropped his whip inside the final 100 metres.

C Dell (**SONOFABUTCHER**) – Issued with a warning for using his whip arm above shoulder height.

Race 7

ON THE RIVET (J Fawcett) – Permission was given for the removal of blinkers due to the downgrade in track conditions.

PORTUGAL (S McKay) – Got its head up in the early stages when being restrained.

WITNESS (T Thornton) – Restrained from a wide barrier then raced keenly for a distance.

MIDNIGHT DUKE (C Burdan) – Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

CORUBA JAK (R Smyth) – Held up until shifting out passing the 100 metres to obtain clear running and was again briefly held up having to shift in over the concluding stages.

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