

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Rotorua R C	Date:	28 December 2020
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead 6		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	A Coles (Chairman), M Williamson, W Robinson, A Dooley		
Vet:	R McQuillan BVSc		
Typist:	K Verner		

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	VULTURE STREET, LILIKOI, FRONTMAN, GET HITCHED, I'M BUZZ, MONGOLIAN WINGS, VISTOCK, TRIGON LAD, LEICALOT		
Suspensions:	Race	7	S Spratt VISTOCK Careless riding 150 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 8-16 January incl, 5 days & fined as below
Protests:	Race	7	THE GREEN GREMLIN 2nd vs VISTOCK 1st Upheld
Fines:	Race	7	S Spratt VISTOCK Shifting ground 150 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] \$500
Warnings:	Race	3	O Bosson FRONTMAN Shifting ground 1200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		5	A Goindasamy FONTEYN Shifting ground 1000 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Horse Actions:	Race	5	FONTEYN – Barrier warning
Follow Up:	Race	3	JOHNNY CANUCK
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race	1	BLOOD MONEY – D Danis for R Elliot (transport difficulties)
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Waikato Racing Club - Saturday 12 December 2020			
Race 7 - SkyCity Hamilton Waikato Cup			
Trainer Mr W Pomare was questioned regarding comments made in a post-race Trackside interview regarding OCEAN BILLY having knocked a leg on the morning of the Franklin Auctions Counties Cup (21 November) and this possibly having had a bearing on its performance in that race. Mr Pomare clarified that following an incident on that race morning OCEAN BILLY had been examined by his Veterinary Surgeon with a veterinary certificate confirming that fact now received advising that the right fetlock joint was slightly swollen but no lameness detected and the gelding was fit to race. V Colgan who was the rider of OCEAN BILLY in the Franklin Auctions Counties Cup was also spoken to with Mr Colgan advising that he had no concerns with the action of OCEAN BILLY either pre-race, during the race, or post-race. Mr Pomare was reprimanded and reminded of his obligations under the provisions of Rule 650 to report any occurrence, condition or treatment that may affect or impact on a horse's performance in a race, and that accordingly he must report any such incident to the Stipendiary Stewards in future with an official warning to be recorded on this occasion.			

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	STEPHEN "SMITHY" SMITH MEMORIAL 2200
<p>BLOOD MONEY (D Danis) – Apprentice D Danis replaced R Elliot who had transport difficulties as no other rider was available. Crowded shortly after leaving the barriers. Was not persevered with over the final 400 metres and the rider could offer no reason for the gelding's performance.</p> <p>YOU ARE SO VAIN (D Johnson) – Made contact with the front of the barrier as the start was effected forcing its gate to open slightly early but was then slow to begin as a result.</p> <p>YIN YANG WARRIOR (T Newman) – Began awkwardly. Over-raced for a distance when being steadied through the early stages.</p> <p>VULTURE STREET (J Fawcett) – Crowded shortly after leaving the barriers.</p> <p>PRINCESS ALICE (M Kareem) – Crowded shortly after leaving the barriers and steadied.</p> <p>EL ZITA (A Goindasamy) – Crowded shortly after leaving the barrier losing ground. Made the bend awkwardly passing the 1200 metres.</p> <p>DIAMOND HEIST (T Thornton) – Raced three wide until improving forward to sit outside the leader near the 1400 metres.</p> <p>SPERENZA (W Pinn) – Was not persevered with over the final 400 metres and the rider could offer no reason for the mare's performance.</p>	
Race 2	LANCE LAWSON 1400
<p>SHEZATHINKA (J Kamaruddin) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Held up for clear running early in the final straight.</p> <p>LONDON BOUND (S Collett) – Restrained from a wide barrier.</p> <p>SAIGNON (W Pinn) – Had to be restrained when awkwardly placed inside the heels of STAND TALL which was being restrained to obtain cover. Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight. Apprentice A Goindasamy was reprimanded by Stewards and reminded that he must not steady his mounts to a degree that places riders in difficulty behind him.</p> <p>STAND TALL (A Goindasamy) – Held up rounding the bend into the final straight before shifting out to obtain clear running passing the 200 metres.</p>	
Race 3	LIME CAFÉ 1400
<p>WISHING WELL (J Kamaruddin) – Commenced to race keenly when being restrained passing the 1200 metres becoming awkwardly placed inside the heels of FRONTMAN then making contact with the running rail and going off stride briefly. Shifted in under pressure over the concluding stages.</p> <p>O Bosson (FRONTMAN) – Issued with a warning after permitting FRONTMAN to shift in passing the 1200 metres when not fully clear of WISHING WELL. Continued to over-race through the middle stages.</p> <p>ALI ARC (L Satherley) – Slow to begin. Had to be firmly restrained off heels passing the 1100 metres. Held up rounding the final bend until shifting inwards to obtain clear running passing the 200 metres. Steadied over the concluding stages when awkwardly placed inside of heels.</p> <p>RELISH (R Elliot) – Began awkwardly losing ground.</p>	

MISS INTERPRET (A Goindasamy) – Knuckled leaving the barriers.

JOHNNY CANUCK (S Collett) – Raced wide without cover throughout. Following the race JOHNNY CANUCK underwent a veterinary examination and was found to be 3/5 lame in the left hind leg.

B May (CHEWY) – Rider dropped his whip passing the 200 metres.

Race 4	HOUSE OF ELLIOTT 1215
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STYLISH SUGGESTION (C Grylls) – Slow to begin.

ROC CHA (B May) – Slow to begin then ridden urgently to recover.

FELIX FAURE (T Thornton) – Raced in restricted room soon after leaving the barrier and steadied.

FIRST ROCK (L Satherley) – Raced keenly through the middle stages.

CRAFTYAFFAIR (W Pinn) – Held up for a distance from near the 450 metres when awkwardly placed near the heels of ROC CHA which commenced to give ground appreciably. Unable to obtain clear running until passing the 200 metres.

Race 5	MACMILLAN ACCOUNTANTS 1215
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PANDEMIC (W Pinn) – Began awkwardly then crowded losing ground.

NOUVELLE REINE (B May) – Began awkwardly then restrained.

I'M BUZZ (T Harris) – Restrained soon after leaving the barrier after beginning awkwardly.

FONTEYN (A Goindasamy) – Was restless in its barrier stall with a barrier warning being placed against the filly. Inconvenienced 200 metres.

PIPSQUEAK ROSE (E McCall) – Steadied when awkwardly placed inside the heels of FONTEYN passing the 1000 metres which shifted in when not fully clear.

A Goindasamy (FONTEYN) – Issued with a warning for allowing FONTEYN to shift in when not fully clear of PIPSQUEAK ROSE passing the 1000 metres.

LIKE A BOSS (L Satherley) – Held up rounding the turn and shifted out to obtain clear running passing the 200 metres inconveniencing FONTEYN. Rider L Satherley was reprimanded by Stewards and advised to exercise care in a similar circumstance.

Race 6	RYDGES ROTORUA 1560
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SUPER SID (O Bosson) – Slow to begin.

BARI (A Calder) – Began awkwardly. Raced ungenerously passing the 1400 metres when awkwardly placed inside the heels of MIGHTY COLOMBO which was taken in slightly by MONGOLIAN WINGS.

O'SUSANA (S Spratt) – Restrained off heels passing the 1400 metres. Held up for a distance entering the final straight.

EN SOIE (C Grylls) – Raced in restricted room passing the 150 metres to the outside of BARI which shifted out under pressure. A Calder was reprimanded and advised he must exercise greater care in a similar circumstance.

Race 7	FASTTRACK INSURANCE 1560
<p>THE BLING (O Bosson) – Shifted in on jumping away hampering NONAAME which lost ground. When questioned into the performance of THE BLING rider advised the gelding was reluctant to improve between other runners but could offer no other reason for the performance.</p> <p>NONAAME (B May) – Hampered at the start losing ground.</p> <p>TOPKAPI (D Johnson) – Slow away.</p> <p>VALYRIAN (C Grylls) – Slow away. Made the bend awkwardly near the 1200 metres.</p> <p>SWEET FIELDS (R Elliot) – Raced wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>MISSOURI (A Calder) – Raced wide without cover.</p> <p>VISTOCK (S Spratt) – Crowded leaving the barrier. Shifted in to obtain clear running approaching the 250 metres. Shifted out under pressure from near the 150 metres making contact with THE GREEN GREMLIN near the 50 metres. Relegated from 1st to 2nd.</p> <p>THE GREEN GREMLIN (S Weatherley) – Dictated out from near the 150 metres then contacted by VISTOCK becoming briefly unbalanced near the 50 metres. Promoted from 2nd to 1st.</p> <p>A protest was initiated by the Stipendiary Stewards alleging interference by the winner VISTOCK to the second placed horse THE GREEN GREMLIN. After viewing all relevant videos and hearing submissions from the connections of both runners, the protest was upheld with THE GREEN GREMLIN being promoted to first and VISTOCK relegated to second. Placings read 2, 7, 9, 10.</p> <p>S Spratt (VISTOCK) – Admitted a breach of careless riding in that she allowed VISTOCK to shift out over the final 150 metres impeding THE GREEN GREMLIN with her licence to ride in races suspended from the conclusion of racing on Thursday 07 January up to and including racing on Saturday 16 January, 5 national days and in addition fined \$500.</p>	
Race 8	WAITOMO FUELS 1560
<p>VELARDE (S Weatherley) – Raced in restricted room shortly after the start</p> <p>CASTLE BLACK (R Elliot) – Began awkwardly losing ground.</p> <p>BLUE MOON (A Calder) – Crowded soon after leaving the barrier.</p> <p>WESTERN GIRL (S Collett) – Crowded soon after leaving the barrier</p> <p>DAWON (A Goindasamy) – Crowded and hampered soon after leaving the barrier</p> <p>FUNNY GAME (O Bosson) – Crowded and hampered soon after leaving the barrier. Raced wide without cover for a majority of the race.</p> <p>TRIGON LAD (S Spratt) – Raced fiercely through the middle stages.</p>	
Race 9	NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (1400 m)
<p>BLOOD DIAMOND (S Collett) – Slow to begin.</p>	

LEICALOT (L Satherley) – Raced wide without cover for the majority of the race. Shifted in making brief contact with LOCOMOTION over the concluding stages.

LOCOMOTION (D Johnson) – Briefly contacted over the concluding stages.

PENNY JANE (J Fawcett) – Could not obtain clear running before shifting out passing the 200 metres and was then held up again before shifting in inside the final 100 metres when improving into restricted room and was steadied.

CAPISTRANO ROCS (S Weatherley) – Had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.

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