

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Matamata Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 27 February 2021
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead(4)		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chairman), A Coles, B Jones, W Robinson		
Vet:	R McQuillan, R Kerr		
Typist:	K Verner		

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	ENDEAN LASS, TAR AND CEMENT, LIGHT BROCADE, SWORD OF STATE, ON THE BUBBLES, HASABRO, COVENTINA BAY, BONNY LASS, FONSALETTE, PAISLEY PARK, PEP TORQUE, MIGHTY CONNOR		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race	9	D Montes de Oca HEISTHEONE Whip use [Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)]
Horse Actions:	Race	6	PINMEDOWN – Cardiac arrhythmia, veterinary clearance required then being required to trial satisfactorily
Follow Up:	Race	5	LONG JACK
		7	MOZZARELLA
		8	SHERRIF
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race	6	MELARITA – T Thornton for T Harris (unwell)
		7	CRAVING – S McKay for T Harris
		8	VERNANME – V Colgan for T Harris
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

GENERAL:

No issues to report.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	VALACHI DOWNS 1600
VALETTI (T Thornton) – Knuckled on jumping away. Briefly crowded when weakening near the 200 metres.	
FELIX FAURE (L Satherley) – Raced ungenerously in the early to middle stages.	
RIP EM UP (C Grylls) – Slow away.	
SUNBURST (J Parkes) – Restrained in the early stages to obtain cover after jumping from an outside barrier.	

<p>CANDID CAMERA (D Danis) – Held up behind the weakening FELIX FAURE near the 500 metres then shifted outwards forcing KING’S CROSS wider on the track. D Danis was advised to exercise care. Lost left front plate during the running.</p> <p>KING’S CROSS (K Asano) – Inconvenienced when forced wider passing the 500 metres.</p>	
Race 2	GAVELHOUSE.COM 1400
<p>SWORD OF WAR (R Elliot) – Slow to begin.</p> <p>TAVIDORA (S Weatherley) – Began awkwardly losing ground.</p> <p>PORTOFINO (D Johnson) – Restrained in the early stages to obtain cover after jumping from an outside barrier.</p> <p>ENDEAN BAY (W Pinn) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>GOLDEN EAGLE (L Satherley) – Had a tendency to over-race in the middle stages when being restrained.</p> <p>SWANSEA BAY (J Fawcett) – Inconvenienced when GOLDEN EAGLE shifted outwards under pressure passing the 150 metres.</p>	
Race 3	WESTBURY WAIKATO 1200
<p>TEREINE (D Johnson) – Began awkwardly losing ground.</p> <p>CASTANI (K Asano) – Began awkwardly then crowded shortly after, having to be steadied. Had to be firmly restrained when improving onto the heels of HIGHLIGHTER near the 700 metres. Had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the straight.</p> <p>ALL BLACK BOURBON (A Goindasamy) – Slow to begin. Steadied when improving and becoming awkwardly placed near the heels of TEREINE near the 700 metres. Had difficulty obtaining clear running until the concluding stages.</p> <p>LANGKAWI (S McKay) – Began awkwardly.</p> <p>HIGHLIGHTER (T Yanagida) – Made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly, then raced ungenerously when being restrained.</p> <p>A PROPER LADY (L Innes) – Made contact with the hindquarters of VAZQUEZ near the 250 metres.</p> <p>VAZQUEZ (T Newman) – Hindquarters contacted near the 250 metres.</p>	
Race 4	WAIKATO STUD SLIPPER (1200 metres)
<p>MANA NUI (D Johnson) – Slow to begin. Got its head up and shifted outwards when being restrained approaching the 1000 metres, then lay in when being restrained shortly after.</p> <p>WESTERN SPRINGS (V Colgan) – Slow to begin.</p> <p>WOLFGANG (S McKay) – Had to be steadied away from the heels of ATULLIBIGEAL when that runner was taken out by MANA NUI which got its head up and shifted outwards when being restrained approaching the 1000 metres.</p> <p>ATULLIBIGEAL (L Satherley) – Hampered when forced outwards approaching the 1000 metres.</p>	
Race 5	RICH HILL STUD 1400

SODA (S Weatherley) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

KATIE PERRIE (T Newman) – Began awkwardly.

LONG JACK (T Harris) – Began awkwardly. Raced keenly in the middle stages and shifted out passing the 900 metres to avoid heels. When questioned regarding performance, rider was unable to offer any excuse advising that the gelding had travelled comfortably enough but failed to respond once placed under pressure. A post-race veterinary inspection including an endoscopic examination revealed some blood in the trachea with the gelding to undergo appropriate veterinary treatment on return to its stable.

HARBOURSIDE (W Pinn) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Improved onto heels passing the 350 metres having to be firmly restrained.

AILEEN GRACE (S McKay) – Unable to obtain clear running for the majority of the final straight.

SALT BAY (E McCall) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

BRAHMA SUNSET (K Asano) – When questioned regarding performance, rider was of the opinion that the mare may be better suited being ridden more quietly in the early stages. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

Following the race **T Harris** advised that he was feeling unwell and after being attended to by the course doctor was stood down from his remaining rides suffering from dehydration.

Race 6	LISA CHITTICK PLATE (1400 metres)
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LADY RUDOLPH (S McKay) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

MELARITA (T Thornton) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

SIRACUSA (D Johnson) – Slow to begin.

YEARN (S Weatherley) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

CONCERT HALL (V Colgan) – Crowded shortly after the start having to be steadied.

LOIRE (R Elliot) – Crowded shortly after the start having to be steadied.

KIWI IDA (K Asano) – Rider dropped his whip inside the final 50 metres.

PINMEDOWN (E McCall) – Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which found the mare to have suffered from a cardiac arrhythmia. Co- trainer P Gerard was advised that a full veterinary clearance would be required along with PINMEDOWN then having to trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward prior to racing again.

Race 7	J SWAP CONTRACTORS LTD MATAMATA BREEDERS STAKES (1200 metres)
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PEARLS A SINGER (J Fillmore) – Began awkwardly then crowded shortly after. Raced three wide without cover throughout.

FONSALETTE (D Johnson) – Crowded shortly after the start losing ground.

MADAM SASS (J Parkes) – Began awkwardly then shifted outwards abruptly having to be corrected by its rider who also became unbalanced with MADAM SASS losing ground.

BONNY LASS (C Grylls) – Blundered on jumping away.

CRAVING (S McKay) – Had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.

MOZZRELLA (S Collett) – When questioned regarding performance, rider was of the opinion that the filly may have been feeling the effects of recent racing. A post-race veterinary inspection revealed the filly to be mildly shin sore.

Race 8	MATAMATA VETERINARY SERVICES KAIMAI STAKES (2000 metres)
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SHERRIF (L Innes) – Slow to begin. Raced three wide without cover in the early stages.

GRAND BOUQUET (S McKay) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

CHARLES ROAD (J Parkes) – Knuckled on jumping away, losing ground as a result.

VERNANME (V Colgan) – Hampered near the 250 metres when PAISLEY PARK lay in under pressure. When questioned regarding performance, rider was of the opinion that the gelding's 60kg top weight was a factor with the placed runners all carrying considerably lesser weights.

YATIMA (D Johnson) – Briefly steadied to avoid the heels of VOLER POUR MOI which shifted outwards to obtain clear running near the 225 metres. K Asano was advised to exercise care.

VOLER POUR MOI (K Asano) – Inconvenienced near the 250 metres when VERNANME was taken in by PAISLEY PARK then having to shift outwards to obtain clear running near the 225 metres.

SHERRIF (L Innes) – When questioned regarding performance, rider was unable to offer any excuse.

Race 9	NEW WORLD MATAMATA 2000
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MIGHTY CONNOR (S McKay) – Crowded shortly after the start having to be steadied.

VITTACHI (T Thornton) – Raced wide without cover rounding the first bend before improving forward to lead near the 1100 metres.

DANCE CARD (L Innes) – Was unable to obtain clear running throughout the final straight.

WHEAO (L Satherley) – Badly held up rounding the final turn and in the straight until near the 100 metres.

D Montes de Oca (HEISTHEONE) – Issued with a warning for his whip action being above shoulder height.

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