



## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS	
<b>Club:</b>	Auckland Thoroughbred Racing @ Ellerslie
<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, 22 January 2022
<b>Weather:</b>	Fine
<b>Track:</b>	Dead 4
<b>Rail:</b>	True
<b>Stewards:</b>	J Oatham (Chair), M Williamson, L Selvakumaran, W Robinson
<b>Vet:</b>	Dr I Bridge BVSC, Dr N Houston BVSc
<b>Typist:</b>	K Verner

SUMMARY	
<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race 1 <b>S McKay SAGUNTO</b> Excessive use of the whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] Suspended 23/1 - 2/2, 5 days & fined as below
<b>Fines:</b>	Race 1 <b>S McKay SAGUNTO</b> Excessive use of the whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] \$250 4 <b>L Innes WOLVERINE</b> Changed boots after weighing out [Rule 619] \$100 (minor infringement)
<b>Warnings:</b>	Race 1 <b>C Burdan TIPTRONIC</b> Failing to ride out to the finish [Rule 636(1)(d)] 6 <b>A Goindasamy DRUM MAJOR</b> Shifting ground 1300 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
<b>Protests:</b>	Nil
<b>Request for Ruling:</b>	Nil
<b>Horse Actions:</b>	Nil
<b>Follow Up:</b>	Race 2 <b>OUR ALLEY CAT</b> 3 <b>BONNY LASS</b>
<b>Rider Changes:</b>	Nil
<b>Late Scratchings:</b>	Nil
<b>Medical Certificates:</b>	Received from M McNab
<b>Swabbing:</b>	RAPID FALLS, NOTABADHARADA, DRAGON QUEEN, FAITHFUL FEAT, SWORD OF STATE, IMPERATRIZ, DYNASTIC, WOLVERINE, FELLINI, BABYLON BERLIN, FESTIVITY, PIN ME UP, TUTUKAKA, KARMAN LINE. Pre-race blood testing was carried out at today's meeting.

GENERAL
No issues to report.

RACE COMMENTS	
<b>Race 1</b>	<b>COLLINSON FOREX KARAKA CUP (2200 metres)</b>
<b>NOTABADHARADA</b> (D Danis) – Slow to begin.	
<b>SAGUNTO</b> (S McKay) – Over-raced when being restrained near the 1800 metres. Inconvenienced near the 400 metres.	
<b>EVEN CHANCE</b> (K Asano) - Lay out rounding the bend from near the 600 metres.	

**RAPID FALLS** (L Innes) - Made contact with SIR NATE when shifting outwards to obtain clear running near the 400 metres.

**SIR NATE** (A Goindasamy) - Contacted near the 400 metres.

**TIPTRONIC** (C Burdan) - When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that she had been instructed to lead and after doing some work in the early stages to do so, had then over-raced through the middle stages when taken on in front and as a consequence had been unable to finish the race off under its clear top weight.

**C Burdan** (TIPTRONIC) - Issued with a warning and reminded of her obligation to ride her mounts out fully to the finish with Stewards on this occasion being satisfied that her finishing position in the race had not been affected.

**S McKay** (SAGUNTO) - Admitted a charge in that he struck his mount SAGUNTO six times prior to the 100 metre mark. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee suspended S McKay's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 22 January up to and including racing on Wednesday 2 February, 5 national riding days and in addition imposed a fine of \$250.

<b>Race 2</b>	<b>WESTBURY CLASSIC (1400 metres) (G2)</b>
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**VERNAZZA** (L Innes) – Crowded at the start.

**TRAVELLING LIGHT** (M McNab) - Restrained from its wide barrier at the start. Raced keenly in the early stages when being restrained. When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that the mare had travelled well enough during the running but had failed to respond once placed under pressure and had been disappointing. Trainer B Foote indicated that TRAVELLING LIGHT was now likely to be retired from racing.

**ITS DESTINYS CHILD** (B Grylls) – Bumped at the start. Raced wide throughout and was eased down over the concluding stages when well beaten. Trainer R Vance advised that ITS DESTINYS CHILD was now likely to be retired from racing.

**MALT TIME** (K Asano) - Raced three wide without cover for the majority of the event with the rider reporting that the mare had hung outwards throughout.

**DRAGON QUEEN** (T Yanagida) - Lay in under pressure over the final 150 metres brushing with FAITHFUL FEAT near the 50 metres having to be straightened by its rider.

**FAITHFUL FEAT** (M Cameron) – Brushed near the 50 metres.

**OUR ALLEY CAT** (S Weatherley) - Rider reported that the mare had felt indifferent in its action. Underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any abnormality.

<b>Race 3</b>	<b>CAMBRIDGE STUD ALMANZOR TROPHY (1200 metres) (G3)</b>
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**MOHAWK BRAVE** (J Parkes) - Crowded at the start.

**COOL CHANGE** (A Goindasamy) – Began awkwardly.

**MIDNIGHT MASS** (L Innes) - Slow to begin.

**WEWILLROCK** (J Riddell) – Began awkwardly shifting outwards crowding DRAGON BISCUIT onto BONNY LASS. Over-raced when being restrained in the middle stages.

**DRAGON BISCUIT** (T Yanagida) – Crowded shortly after leaving the barriers.

**BELLA LUCE** (M Hashizume) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

**BONNY LASS** (C Grylls) - Contacted shortly after leaving the barriers. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that he had been instructed to ride the mare forward but had not expected to lead anticipating more pace in the race in the early stages which failed to eventuate. C Grylls further advised that the filly had then been headed easily early in the straight and had fought on fairly, but may have been feeling the track. Underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any abnormality.

<b>Race 4</b>	<b>DOUBLETREE BY HILTON KARAKA MILLION 2YO (1200 metres) (Listed Race)</b>
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**DISS IS DRAMATIC** (R Elliot) – Bumped at the start. Hampered passing the 1100 metres having to steady. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the filly had never travelled well in the running. Underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any abnormality.

**PACIFIC DRAGON** (M McNab) - Slow to begin. Hampered near the 1100 metres and again shortly after, then racing keenly when being restrained. Lay out under pressure in the straight.

**GIBRALTAR RISING** (S McKay) – Began awkwardly. Raced ungenerously for a distance in the early stages shifting outwards hampering PACIFIC DRAGON near the 1100 metres. When being corrected by its rider GIBRALTAR RISING shifted back inwards further hampering PACIFIC DRAGON which was attempting to improve to its inside. As a result, DISS IS DRAMATIC was also hampered having to steady. Continued to race very ungenerously for a distance proving a difficult ride.

**TIME RULER** (C Grylls) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

**LORD COSMOS** (J Parkes) – Raced wide throughout and made the final turn awkwardly. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had felt a little indifferent in its action. Underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which did not reveal any abnormality.

**ALABAMA GOLD** (J Riddell) - Raced keenly in the middle stages and lay in making contact with FELLINI near the 800 metres. Steadied to avoid heels rounding the final turn.

**FELLINI** (S Weatherley) – Contacted 800 metres. Made the final bend awkwardly when awkwardly placed near heels.

**SACRED SATONO** (V Colgan) - Had to be steadied when improving onto heels passing the 600 metres.

**GWEN STEPHANI** (A Goindasamy) - Lay out rounding the final bend making contact with WOLVERINE.

**TIMELESS** (T Thornton) - Steadied when awkwardly placed near heels near the 400 metres.

**WOLVERINE** (L Innes) – Contacted near the 400 metres.

**L Innes** (WOLVERINE) - Fined \$100 under the minor infringement schedule after changing his riding boots after weighing out.

<b>Race 5</b>	<b>BRIGHTHILL FARM EMINENT FIRST YEARLINGS CONCORDE HANDICAP (1200 metres) (G3)</b>
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**MONACO** (J Fawcett) - Restrained at the start from its wide barrier.

**DRAGON LEAP** (C Grylls) – Began awkwardly.

**RIDING THE WAVE** (T Thornton) - Slow to begin.

**MARKUS AURELIUS** (O Bosson) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that the gelding had been outpaced today and would be better suited over more ground.

**Race 6** | **KARAKA MILLION 3YO CLASSIC (1600 metres) (Listed Race)**

**SOPHISTICARDO** (J Parkes) - Restrained from its wide barrier. Held up for a distance near the 300 metres.

**VERONA** (T Yanagida) - Slow to begin. Steadied when improving onto the heels of **KARMAN LINE** near the 1050 metres.

**TUTUKAKA** (L Innes) - Hampered at the start. Held up rounding the final turn and continued to have some difficulty obtaining clear running in the straight having to shift ground near the 150 metres.

**WHISKEY** (T Thornton) - Began awkwardly shifting in hampering **TUTUKAKA**. Contacted near the 300 metres.

**PIN ME UP** (S Weatherley) – Began awkwardly.

**THE LANDING** (K Asano) – Began awkwardly.

**ON THE BUBBLES** (O Bosson) - Raced three wide without cover then improving forward to dispute the pace approaching the 800 metres and continued to be caught three wide without cover. When questioned regarding his ride O Bosson stated that after being caught wide he had elected to try and improve forward from the 1000 metres then when travelling up outside the leaders near the 800 metres the two runners to his inside being **DRUM MAJOR** and **RIVERPLATE** both kicked up to maintain their positions resulting in **ON THE BUBBLES** receiving a tough run adding that in the circumstances the gelding had maintained its run well until the effort told over the concluding stages.

**THE STONEY ONE** (J Riddell) – Raced in restricted room passing the 1400 metres when **WHISKEY** was dictated inwards by **DRUM MAJOR**. A Goindasamy was advised to exercise greater care.

**TURN THE ACE** (D Turner) - Got its head up when being restrained near the 1300 metres and shifted inwards abruptly away from **WHISKEY** which had received some pressure from **DRUM MAJOR** which was racing to its outside and shifted inwards when not fully clear. In this incident **TURN THE ACE** struck a heel of **MISS ELLA** and blundered. Went off stride when shying at the running rail near the 1100 metres. When assessing this incident Stewards determined that the racing manners of **TURN THE ACE** had been a major contributing factor.

**DRUM MAJOR** (A Goindasamy) – Raced in restricted room to the inside of **RIVERPLATE** passing the 800 metres.

**REIGN IT IN** (S McKay) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages then raced ungenerously through the early to middle stages.

**KARMAN LINE** (C Grylls) – Held up entering the final straight and continued to have difficulty obtaining clear running until shifting outwards across heels passing the 200 metres.

**ACHIEVE** (R Elliot) - Crowded to the inside of **PIN ME UP** near the 300 metres then shifting away from that runner making contact with **WHISKEY**.

**A Goindasamy** (**DRUM MAJOR**) - Issued with a warning after allowing his mount to shift inwards when not fully clear of **WHISKEY** near the 1300 metres.

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