



## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Wellington Racing Club  
**Date:** Saturday, 29 January 2022  
**Weather:** Fine  
**Track:** Dead 4  
**Rail:** True  
**Stewards:** J Oatham (Chair), N Goodwin, K Coppins, B Bateup  
**Vet:** E Simpson BVSc; K Grant BVSc  
**Typist:** S Shirriffs

### SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Race 4 **L Douglas FIFITA**  
Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] Suspended 30/1-9/2, 5 days  
**L Douglas FIFITA**  
Careless riding 400 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 10-19/2, 6 days

**Fines:** Nil

**Warnings:** Race 5 **K Asano CURRENT SURGE**  
Shifting ground 100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]

**Protests:** Nil

**Request for Ruling:** Nil

**Horse Actions:** Race 1 **AMAZING TEAM**  
Veterinary clearance required

**Follow Up:** Race 5 **CAGE PHYTA**

**Rider Changes:** Race 1 **SEA MONARCH** – V Colgan replaced J Parkes (unwell)  
2 **ANSU** – R Hannam replaced J Parkes  
3 **STEPTOE** – C Grylls replaced J Parkes  
5 **UNUSUAL SAINT** – C Grylls replaced J Parkes  
8 **TORQUE TIME** – L Innes replaced J Parkes  
10 **MOGADOR** – S Weatherley replaced J Parkes

**Late Scratchings:** Race 9 **WANNABE 'N' PARIS** – @ 5.03pm on veterinary advice

**Medical Certificates:** Required from J Parkes

**Swabbing:** Pre-race blood testing was carried out at today's meeting.  
IVY DAZZLER, I WISH I WIN, VISHAKHA, BE FLEXI, CAVALLO VELOCE, MI CAROL, CURRENT SURGE, LA CRIQUE, SASSY MERLOT, THE CHOSEN ONE, COVENTINA BAY, MALI STON, RANGITATA, LINCOLN KING, STARRYBEEL, LANGKAWI.

### GENERAL

J Parkes advised on race morning that he was unwell and would not be attending today's meeting, with a medical clearance being required prior to riding next.

The lack of any side on camera coverage being available at this venue for races conducted down the chute continues to be of concern.

### RACE COMMENTS

**Race 1** | **SSC HOSPITALITY EXPERIENCES PREMIER 1400**

**MAROTIRI MARSTA** (R Hannam) - Slow away.

**AMAZING TEAM** (C O'Beirne) - Slow away. Finished a distant last. When questioned rider advised the mare had an abnormal breathing pattern. A post-race veterinary inspection including an endoscopic examination confirmed the mare to have a wind issue with trainer J Shaw indicating AMAZING TEAM would now be retired. A veterinary certificate of fitness would be required if AMAZING TEAM were to race again.

**THELONGERULOOK** (J Riddell) – Raced three wide without cover.

**KING OF HEARTS** (L Hemi) - Held up throughout the final straight.

**IVY DAZZLER** (A Mudhoo) - Held up early in the straight, shifting outwards across heels to obtain clear running near the 300 metres.

**JUST BEN** (C Dell) - Briefly held up entering the final straight.

**WINNIE ROSE** (S Macnab) - Unable to obtain clear running for the majority of the final straight, having to be steadied over the concluding stages when improving onto the heels of the weakening OH NO NO NO.

**OH NO NO NO** (K Asano) - Inclined to lay out under pressure in the straight.

<b>Race 2</b>	<b>LITTLE AVONDALE BIG ON WINNING PREMIER 1200</b>
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**ANSU** (R Hannam) - Jumped away awkwardly making contact with BELARDO BOY.

**BELARDO BOY** (J Riddell) - Contacted at the start.

**MYRTLE CREEK** (K Asano) - Jumped away awkwardly.

**NOT GUILTY** (L Innes) - Lay in near the 250 metres having to be straightened. Improved on to the heels of I WISH I WIN just short of the finish.

<b>Race 3</b>	<b>GAZLEY MERCEDES BENZ PREMIER 1200</b>
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**GAME NIGHT** (W Pinn) - Slow away.

**TOBIAS** (V Colgan) - Jumped away awkwardly.

**TAVATTACK** (H Schofer) - Placed in restricted room to the inside of FLICKERING SHADOW (C O'Beirne) near the 1100 metres. TAVATTACK was then further crowded shortly after when FLICKERING SHADOW was forced inwards by WICKET MAIDEN (L Hemi), which in turn had received pressure from MATT CAIN (M Hudson), which was dictated inwards by PURE INCANTO (C Dell). PURE INCANTO then had to be steadied away from the heels of MAGIC SHOW (M McNab), which shifted inwards when not fully clear. When assessing the overall incident, it was of concern to Stewards that no side-on films are available for this part of the track. In the circumstances Stewards determined that riders C O'Beirne, C Dell and M McNab had all contributed to the incident with all three riders being advised to exercise more care in future. Made contact with BE FLEXI when racing in restricted room near the 700 metres.

**FLICKERING SHADOW** (C O'Beirne) - Crowded passing the 1100 metres. Got its head up when being steadied passing the 700 metres.

**WICKET MAIDEN** (L Hemi) - Crowded passing the 1100 metres.

**MATT CAIN** (M Hudson) - Crowded passing the 1100 metres.

**PURE INCANTO** (C Dell) - Steadied off heels passing the 1100 metres. Lay in under pressure in the home straight. Lost both front plates and the left hind plate during the running showing signs of soreness in front as a result, receiving veterinary treatment. PURE INCANTO was also found to have a small superficial laceration below the knee on the left foreleg.

**BE FLEXI** (R Hannam) - Unbalanced when contacted near the 700 metres.

**HORLISTIC** (S Weatherley) - Lay inwards passing the 400 metres crowding SANIBEL.

**SANIBEL** (K Hercock) - Hampered when crowded passing the 400 metres.

**Race 4**

**LIFE DIRECT PREMIER 1000**

**GEE STRING** (K Hercock) - Fractious in its barrier prior to the start. Steadied when becoming awkwardly placed near heels crossing the junction onto the course proper near the 450 metres.

**CAVALLO VELOCE** (N Parmar) - Slow away.

**MARIA FARINA** (S Weatherley) - Slow away. Held up early in the straight then raced in restricted room when improving into a tight run between FIFITA and PLEASURE.

**FIFITA** (L Douglas) - Made contact with the running rail passing the 400 metres then shifting outwards into the line of MEHRTENS, which was severely checked. Raced in restricted room for a distance to the inside of MARIA FARINA near the 250 metres.

**MEHRTENS** (A Mudhoo) - Severely checked passing the 400 metres having to firmly restrained off heels for a distance.

**L Douglas** (FIFITA) - Admitted a charge in that he struck his mount FIFITA 6 times prior to the 100 metre mark. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing today, Saturday 29 January until the conclusion of racing on Wednesday, 9 February, 5 days.

**L Douglas** (FIFITA) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted FIFITA to shift inwards, making contact with the running rail near the 400 metres, then shifting outwards into the line of MEHRTENS, which was severely checked. After considering submissions the Adjudicator imposed a suspension of his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Wednesday, 9 February until the conclusion of racing on Saturday, 19 February, 6 days.

**Race 5**

**GRANT PLUMBING PREMIER 2200**

**OVERAGAIN** (D Turner) - Jumped away awkwardly before being further hampered when crowded.

**TEXAS TEA** (S Weatherley) - Slow away. Raced wide without cover throughout

**SMART ATTIRE** (D Bradley) - Slow away. Held up rounding the final turn and continued to have difficulty obtain clear running until near the 150 metres

**UNUSUAL SAINT** (C Grylls) - Restrained to avoid heels near the 1600 metres. Held up early in the straight.

**LILLY LAGUNA** (M Macnab) - Had to be steadied when improving onto the heels of CURRENT SURGE which shifted outwards under pressure passing the 100 metres.

**CAGE PHYTA** (L Innes) - Dipped near the 600 metres and was then not persevered with. Rider L Innes reported he had been concerned there may have been something amiss with the gelding. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

**K Asano** (CURRENT SURGE) - Issued with a warning after permitting his mount to shift outwards under pressure when not fully clear of LILLY LAGUNA passing the 100 metres.

**Race 6** | **NEW ZEALAND BLOODSTOCK DESERT GOLD STAKES (G3) 1600**

**SHINING PEAK** (M McNab) - Jumped away awkwardly causing crowding to THIRD TIME ROUND, INVINCIBEEL and LA CRIQUE.

**INVINCIBEEL** (O Bosson) - Crowded leaving the barriers having to be checked losing ground. Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any abnormality.

**LA CRIQUE** (C Grylls) - Unbalanced when crowded leaving the barriers.

**THIRD TIME ROUND** (L Innes) - Crowded leaving the barriers losing ground.

**AVALENE** (V Colgan) - Hampered leaving the barriers when KORUBELA MISS jumped outwards.

**DIVINE SPIRIT** (R Hannam) - Hampered shortly after leaving the barriers having to be checked losing ground.

**POLLY PLUM** (J Kamaruddin) - Over-raced in the lead through the middle stages. When questioned regarding performance rider was of the opinion the filly may be feeling the effects of recent racing. A post-race veterinary inspection did not reveal any abnormality.

**PRINCESS LOWRY** (J Ridell) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**Race 7** | **HARCOURTS THORNDON MILE (G1) 1600**

**MASETTO** (J Kamaruddin) - Over-raced in the early stages.

**MALI STON** (S Weatherley) - Held up early in the straight and when attempting to obtain clear running made contact with COVENTINA BAY passing the 400 metres.

**COVENTINA BAY** (C Grylls) - Held up entering the straight then being contacted by MALI STON and shifting inwards across the heels of VIGOR WINNER to obtain clear running.

**VIGOR WINNER** (K Asano) - Held up early in the straight and was unable to gain clear running until passing the 200 metres.

**CONCERT HALL** (L Innes) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

**Race 8** | **STEPHANIE MURRAY MORTGAGES PREMIER 2100**

**EDDIE WOOD** (M Cameron) - Slow away.

**RANGITATA** (C Grylls) - Hampered shortly after the start when TORQUE TIME lay out.

**BENTAYGA** (K Asano) - Over-raced in the middle stages.

**AQUATTACK** (S Macnab) - Inconvenienced near the 400 metres when RANGITATA shifted outwards.

**Race 9** | **NZCIS WELLINGTON CUP (G3) 3200**

**WANNABE 'N' PARIS** (C Barnes) – Was declared a late scratching at 5.03pm on veterinary advice after rearing over backwards in the birdcage.

**ROSE OF DELGATIE** (A Mudhoo) - Very slow to begin.

**SULU SEA** (D Bradley) - Raced three wide without cover until improving forward outside the leader near the 1300 metres. Shifted outwards under pressure over the final 150 metres inconveniencing STARRYBEEL over the concluding stages.

**STARRYBEEL** (M McNab) - Placed in restricted room approaching the 200 metres, shifting ground inwards across the heels of UAREASTAR making contact with THAT'S INCRANIBULL resulting in FIRODEN being inconvenienced. Inconvenienced final stages.

**THAT'S INCRANIBULL** (R Hannam) - Contacted 200 metres.

**FIRODEN** (L Hemi) - Inconvenienced 200 metres.

**MARIETTA LANE** (W Pinn) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that after racing keenly the mare had failed to see out the two-mile distance, being a beaten runner prior to the final turn.

<b>Race 10</b>	<b>TURKINGTON FORESTRY DOURO CUP 1600</b>
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**MOGADOR** (S Weatherley) - Slow away.

**LANGKAWI** (N Parmar) - Slow away. Over-raced in the middle stages. Held up early in the straight and did not obtain clear running until approaching the 100 metres.

**HOROPITO** (J Kamaruddin) - Restrained to obtain cover after jumping from a wide barrier.

**HE'S A DOOZY** (J Riddell) - Over-raced in the middle stages.

**SHEZZACATCH** (O Bosson) - Steadied off the heels of SHEZABELTER passing the 800 metres then when shifting to the outside of that runner made contact with ORLOV near the 700 metres. Inconvenienced when dictated wider on the track over the final 150 metres.

**ORLOV** (C Grylls) - Contacted near the 700 metres.

**SERGIO** (M Cameron) - Lay out under pressure in the home straight.

**MAHOE** (D Bradley) - Rider had his whip knocked out of his hand approaching the finish.

**CHASE** (D Turner) - Raced three wide without cover.

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