



# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

## MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Auckland Thoroughbred Racing at Ellerslie  
**Date:** Saturday, 20 April 2024  
**Weather:** Raining  
**Track:** Soft 5  
**Rail:** True  
**Stewards:** J Oatham (Chair), B Jones, G Stewart, C Lomey (Trainee)  
**Vet:** B Vosloo BVSc, L Hill  
**Op Support:** K Verner

## SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Nil  
**Fines:** Race 4 **G Opie** OPAEA JOE  
Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$50  
**L O'Sullivan & A Scott** CANNY MAN  
Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$50  
**Warnings:** Nil  
**Protests:** Nil  
**Request for Ruling:** Nil  
**Horse Actions:** Race 2 **MALFY ROSA**  
Veterinary clearance required  
**Follow Up:** Nil  
**Rider Changes:** Nil  
**Late Scratchings:** Race 2 **MALFY ROSA**  
At 11.44 am on veterinary advice  
**Medical Certificates:** Nil  
**Swabbing:** SACRED SATONO, RUSSIAN SATIRE, DOMAIN ACE, LOVE POEM, ESPADAS, JOLTED,  
MOONLIGHT MAGIC, SOLIDIFY  
Pre-race blood and hair testing was carried out at today's meeting.

## GENERAL

Nothing to report.

## SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report.

## RACE COMMENTS

**Race 1** | **BARFOOT & THOMPSON 1200**

**ONE MORE TIME** (J Doyle) - Began awkwardly.

**POUR THE WINE** (W Kennedy) - Slow away.

**DEAR OH DEAR** (V Colgan) - Blundered leaving the barriers. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that after its poor beginning the mare had been outpaced throughout and is better suited to the synthetic surfaces.

**ZAILA** (S Spratt) - Began awkwardly. Over-raced in the early stages.

**SACRED SATONO** (T Moodley) – Lay out over the concluding stages.

**Race 2** | **AUCKLAND CO-OP TAXIS 1500**

**RUSSIAN SATIRE** (C Grylls) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**DIMAGGIO** (W Pinn) - Slow away.

**BOSCH** (S Weatherley) - Briefly steadied when placed in restricted room near the 1100 metres.

**URBAN MYTH** (M Hashizume) – Raced three wide without cover.

**ETHEREAL STAR** (J Doyle) - Lost all four plates during the running.

**Race 3** | **TAB STAR WAY STAKES 2YO 1200 (Listed Race)**

**DOMAIN ACE** (C Grylls) - Began awkwardly then being further hampered by **BOSS 'N' HIGHHEELS** losing ground. Had to be steadied off heels approaching the 800 metres.

**BOSS 'N' HIGHHEELS** (W Pinn) – Began awkwardly hampering **DOMAIN ACE**. Made contact with **FILLYGIZALOOK** near the 200 metres.

**BRAZEN PROPOSAL** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Began awkwardly.

**CHICAGO JACK** (R Elliot) – Over-raced through the early and middle stages. Made the final bend awkwardly.

**FILLYGIZALOOK** (S Weatherley) - Raced three wide without cover. Contacted by **BOSS 'N' HIGHHEELS** and bumped across the heels of **LOVE POEM** near the 200 metres.

**LOVE POEM** (S Spratt) - Lay out under pressure in the straight shifting into the line of **FILLYGIZALOOK** when only marginally clear near the 200 metres.

**Race 4** | **ELLERSLIE EVENTS 1200**

**NO AGENDA NIGEL** (B Jacobson) - Slow to begin.

**GRAEME JOHN** (J Doyle) – Jumped away awkwardly. Placed in restricted room near the 1000 metres. Hampered by the fallen rider near the 500 metres. Rider dropped his whip near the 150 metres.

**SUZUKA** (V Colgan) – Raced three wide without cover.

**ESPADAS** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Steadied when awkwardly placed near the heels of **SUZUKA** which shifted inwards near the 1100 metres. V Colgan was advised to exercise greater care. V Colgan then attempted to correct his mount which then lay in for a distance placing **ESPADAS**, **OPAEA JOE**, **GRAEME JOHN** and **ME LIBEREZ** in restricted room with **ME LIBEREZ** having to be steadied near the 1000 metres. Raced wide without cover throughout.

**OPAEA JOE** (E Woller) - Placed in restricted room near the 1000 metres. Blundered approaching the 500 metres after striking a heel of **SUZUKA** dislodging its rider who was uninjured. After viewing available film footage and questioning riders involved this incident was found to be accidental.

**ME LIBEREZ** (T Moodley) - Placed in restricted room near the 1000 metres.

**CANNY MAN** (W Pinn) - Hampered by the fallen rider near the 500 metres.

**HUZZAH** (M Sanson) – Steadied off heels approaching the 500 metres then having to take evasive action to avoid the fallen rider.

**G Opie** (OPAEA JOE) - Issued with a minor infringement and fined \$50 after failing to declare a rider by the required time.

**L O’Sullivan & A Scott** (CANNY MAN) - Issued with a minor infringement and fined \$50 after failing to declare a rider by the required time.

**Race 5**

**VALE BOB FULTON 2100**

**HEART OF GOLD** (T Moodley) - Slow away.

**BLISSFULL LADY** (B Jacobson) - Slow away. Over-raced through the early stages.

**AMBERITE** (A Lawson-Carroll) – Jumped the crossing the leaving the straight on the first occasion.

**ROEDERER** (W Pinn) – Over-raced through the early and middle stages having to be firmly restrained off heels for a distance approaching the 800 metres.

**WITHALLMYHEART** (K Myers) – Raced three wide without cover from the 1400 metres.

**CIMARRON** (L Satherley) - Had to be steadied off heels approaching the 800 metres.

**ARMINO** (J Doyle) - When questioned regarding performance the rider was unable to offer any excuse advising that the gelding had been disappointing. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

**Race 6**

**TRELAWNEY STUD CHAMPIONSHIP STAKES 3YO 2100 (G3)**

**SOLIDIFY** (R Elliot) - Slow to begin.

**PROMETHEUS** (L Satherley) - Had to be steadied leaving the straight on the first occasion.

**INVESTIGATE** (W Pinn) - Over-raced through the early and middle stages. Held up early in the straight until near the 250 metres. W Pinn was questioned regarding his lack of vigour from the 250 metres when a gap did present between THE PATRON SAINT and JUST ONE. W Pinn explained that he was initially concerned that THE PATRON SAINT, which had been shifting ground under pressure, was going to continue to lay out further advising that INVESTIGATE had then failed to quicken when asked to do so and in his opinion had not been entirely comfortable in today’s track conditions. The explanation of W Pinn was noted and he was reminded of his obligation to ride his mounts in a manner that is not left open to query. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

**LANIKAI** (M Cameron) – Over-raced through the early and middle stages. Lost its footing when racing free of interference rounding the final turn approaching the 400 metres.

**FIRST INNINGS** (M Hashizume) - Held up rounding the final turn and early in the straight continuing to have difficulty obtaining clear running until passing the 150 metres.

As a result of LANIKAI losing its footing near the 400 metres a meeting was convened with all riders, Stipendiary Stewards and Club Representatives. A track inspection was then undertaken which found a number of slip marks in

the area near the 400 metres. A further meeting was then held between Stipendiary Stewards, Jockey Representatives and Club Officials following which the remaining two races were abandoned by the Stipendiary Stewards due to safety concerns.

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