

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Auckland Thoroughbred Racing at Ellerslie

Date: Saturday, 9 March 2024

Weather: Fine
Track: Good 4
Rail: Out 5 metres

Stewards: J Oatham (Chair), A Dooley, L Selvakumaran, G Stewart

Vet: N Houston BVSc, L Tomley

Op Support: K Verner

SUMMARY

Suspensions: Nil

Fines: Race 8 C Grylls PROVENCE

Weighed in heavier than weighed out [Rule 648(5)] \$200 (Minor Infringement)

Warnings: Nil Protests: Nil

Request for Ruling: Race 10 ANNETARZ & GOD OF EROS

Denied a fair start – declared non-starters [Rule 632(1)]

Horse Actions: Race 1 BURGUNDY IFF

Required to barrier trial

3 INFER

Veterinary clearance required

4 SMOKESHOW

Required to barrier trial

Follow Up: Race 3 INFER

Rider Changes: Race 3 AFTERMATH

L Allpress replaced V Colgan (transport delays)

Late Scratchings: Race 10 ANNETARZ

Denied a fair start GOD OF EROS Denied a fair start

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Medical Certificates: Nil

Swabbing: PEARL OF ALSACE, ADAM I AM, WOLFGANG, HAT TRICK, VELOCIOUS, ARCHAIC SMILE,

CAPTURED BY LOVE, BUTTERFIELD, EL VENCEDOR, LEGARTO, LADIES MAN, PROVENCE,

MAHRAJAAN, GOOD OIL, MARK TWAIN, MAJOR MAJOR Pre-race blood testing was carried out at today's meeting

GENERAL

Due to a traffic accident on the Auckland motorway the programme was moved back by one race.

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1 WESTBURY STUD ROYAL DESCENT STAKES 1600

MRS BIG (N Hailey) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

BURGUNDY IFF (K Myers) - Commenced to buck shortly after the start and was retired from the race. Connections were advised the mare would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next.

ROSETOWN PRINCESS (D Danis) – Unbalanced when received contact to its hind quarters from CHEVEL D'OR rounding the final bend. P Graberg was advised to exercise care.

KLAIRELLE (S Weatherley) - Lay out rounding the final turn and continued to lay out when placed under pressure in the straight inconveniencing CHEVAL D'OR passing the 100 metres.

CHEVAL D'OR (P Graberg) - Made contact with ROSETOWN PRINCESS approaching the 400 metres. Raced in restricted room approaching the 100 metres when both PEARL OF ALSACE and KLAIRELLE shifted ground before being briefly steadied near the 100 metres when KLAIRELLE continued to lay outwards. S Weatherley was advised to exercise care.

Race 2 GO RACING 1400

SUPER SID (D Danis) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from the outside barrier. Raced keenly having to be steadied off heels passing the 800 metres.

RUDYARD (S Weatherley) - Jumped away awkwardly losing ground. Held up for clear running until approaching the 200 metres.

IS THAT SO (W Kennedy) – Was unable to obtain clear running throughout the final straight.

Race 3 BARFOOT & THOMPSON 2100

PROMISED LAND (P Graberg) - Began awkwardly then restrained to obtain cover in the early stages. Made contact with INFER when looking to improve forward passing the 800 metres. When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that the gelding had failed to respond once placed under pressure and was unable to offer any excuse. Underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which found the gelding to have a slow rate of recovery.

MYLA (K Asano) - Raced keenly entering the first turn and continued to get its head up when being restrained.

AFTERMATH (L Allpress) - Over-raced through the middle stages.

INFER (R Elliot) - Contacted passing the 800 metres then attempted to improve forward but quickly came under pressure and failed to respond being eased down over the concluding stages. Was dismounted and led back to the enclosure being noticeably lame. Underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which revealed the gelding to be 2/5 lame in the left foreleg with a suspected tendon injury. Stewards will follow up with co-trainer G Rogerson who advised that he would have further veterinary tests conducted in the coming days. A veterinary clearance will be required prior to racing next.

EL BANDOLERO (L Satherley) - Held up early in the final straight before shifting across heels to obtain clear running near the 300 metres.

OUR TURN (W Kennedy) – Lost the left hind plate shortly after the start.

Race 4 THANK YOU TO THE NZB KIWI SLOT HOLDERS 1400

SALUTO (J Fawcett) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

SMOKESHOW (M Hashizume) - Jumped outwards at the start hampering SON OF SUN. Hung outwards throughout the race and continued to do so in the straight despite the efforts of its rider. Shifted outwards abruptly near the 50 metres badly hampering THINK I GOT CHA. Co-trainer A Scott was advised the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next. Mr Scott indicated that SMOKESHOW would now be sent for a spell.

SON OF SUN (N Hailey) - Began awkwardly then hampered leaving the barriers.

THINK I GOT CHA (R Elliot) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Badly hampered near the 50 metres.

PROCELLA (K Myers) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

HE'S PLATINUM (S Spratt) - Over-raced in the middle stages.

DEALERS CHOICE (M Cameron) - Contacted by SMOKESHOW near the 250 metres.

Race 5 SISTEMA STAKES 1200 (G1)

SAVAGLEE (C Grylls) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from an outside barrier. Raced keenly when being restrained near the 1000 metres.

CAPTURED BY LOVE (W Kennedy) - Began awkwardly. Rider briefly lost the use of his right stirrup iron near the 300 metres.

POETIC CHAMPION (P Graberg) – Shifted outwards leaving the barriers hampering TORUK MAKTO and ARCHAIC SMILE. Lay outwards rounding the final turn forcing VELOCIOUS wider on the track. Continued to lay out in the final straight despite the efforts of its rider making contact with FOREVERINTIME near the 75 metres.

TORUK MAKTO (K Asano) - Hampered leaving the barriers.

ARCHAIC SMILE (M McNab) - Hampered leaving the barriers.

FOREVERINTIME (V Colgan) - Began awkwardly then restrained to obtain cover in the early stages. Contacted passing the 75 metres when POETIC CHAMPION lay outwards.

LAVENDER HAZE (J Doyle) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

VELOCIOUS (S Spratt) – Forced wider on the track rounding the final turn.

Race 6 TEMPUR CLASSIC 1200

WILD WEST (M Hashizume) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from the outside barrier.

SWERVE (L Allpress) - Knuckled on jumping away contacting OH NO NO.

OH NO NO (N Hailey) - Contacted leaving the barriers losing ground.

BRAVE SPIRIT (M McNab) - Began awkwardly.

COVERMEINSUNSHINE (U Holmquist) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

MARENGO (W Kennedy) - Raced keenly through the middle stages.

Race 7 BONECRUSHER NEW ZEALAND STAKES 2000 (G1)

RIODINI (M Hashizume) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from an outside barrier. Steadied off heels near the 850 metres.

ONE BOLD CAT (C Grylls) – Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from the outside barrier.

LEGARTO (R Elliot) - Clipped a heel of EL VENCEDOR and blundered going into the bend near the 1800 metres when EL VENCEDOR was laying inwards away from AQUACADE which was improving to its outside. After questioning the riders involved and viewing all available film angles, Stewards were satisfied that this incident was beyond the control of jockey J Doyle.

AQUACADE (W Kennedy) – Lay outwards early in the straight inconveniencing SKYMAN passing the 300 metres.

SKYMAN (S Spratt) - Inconvenienced passing the 300 metres having to shift ground.

SHARP 'N' SMART (V Colgan) – Team Rogerson indicated that the gelding was now likely to be sent for a spell.

Race 8 SNG MEDIA 1400

PROVENCE (C Grylls) – Crowded leaving the barriers losing ground. Held up early in the straight shifting ground outwards across heels passing the 300 metres to obtain clear running.

ROEDERER (M McNab) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages.

GIACOMO (S Spratt) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

LOOKSEASY (D Danis) – Held up early in the straight continuing to have difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 200 metres.

MASSIVE PRINCE (M Cameron) - When questioned regarding the performance the rider was unable to offer any excuse advising that the gelding had been quickly beaten once placed under pressure in the straight and had raced greenly when weakening.

C Grylls (GIACOMO) - Issued with a minor infringement and fined \$200 after weighing in 0.5 kgs over the weight at which he weighed out at.

Race 9 BARFOOT & THOMPSON AUCKLAND CUP 3200 (G2)

MY MAEBELLINE GIRL (T Newman) - Permission was granted for T Newman to ride 1 kg overweight.

TERRA MITICA (W Kennedy) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from the outside barrier.

UAREASTAR (C Barnes) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages after jumping from an outside barrier.

ROGER THAT (U Holmquist) – Began awkwardly.

ASTERIX (L Satherley) - Slow to begin. Had some difficulty obtaining clear running for a distance passing the 250 metres.

DIONYSUS (M Hashizume) - Slow to begin. Had to be steadied off heels near the 2500 metres.

WAISAKE (K Williams) – Had to be steadied off heels near the 2500 metres.

KHAN HUNTER (D Danis) – Raced keenly in the early stages.

WHANGAEHU (L Allpress) – Raced keenly in the early stages.

MARK TWAIN (M Cameron) - Had a tendency to over-race in the early and middle stages. Held up rounding the final turn and early in the straight having to steady and angle outwards across heels to obtain clear running near the 250 metres.

GOOD OIL (S Spratt) - Raced wide in the early stages before being allowed to stride forward to sit outside the leader near the 2800 metres.

CANHEROC (K Myers) – Raced three wide without cover until near the 2200 metres.

OCEAN BILLY (J Fawcett) - Raced three wide without cover from the 1400 metres.

NEST EGG (K Asano) – Raced in restricted room passing the 1000 metres between MARK TWAIN and UAREASTAR which was improving to the outside of NEST EGG with NEST EGG then being crowded for room near the 900 metres when both those runners shifted ground marginally.

Race 10 SKYCITY HORIZON 2100

ANNETARZ (T Newman) and **GOD OF EROS** (K Asano) – Both began very awkwardly making firm contact with the front gate of their respective starting stalls. Immediately following the race, the Starter reported that there had been a delay in the barriers opening after he had depressed the start button. The siren was sounded, and all dividends withheld with Stewards questioning all riders from the race as to the start. A request for a ruling was then filed as to whether ANNETARZ and GOD OF EROS had been denied a fair start with the Adjudicative Committee determining that both those runners be declared non-starters. Club representatives were shown film footage and undertook to fully investigate this issue and test the operation of the starting gates prior to the next meeting.

HAMMER TIME (J Riddell) - Slow away.

WITHALLMYHEART (W Kennedy) - Slow away.

AMBERITE (M Cameron) – Raced keenly through the middle stages.

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