



# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

## MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Wellington Racing Club @ Trentham  
**Date:** Saturday, 9 March 2024  
**Weather:** Fine  
**Track:** Good 4, Upgraded to Good 3 following Race 4  
**Rail:** Out 6 metres  
**Stewards:** N Goodwin (Chair), V Algar, B Bateup  
**Vet:** R Lenaghan MVB NUI  
**Op Support:** S Shirriffs

## SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Nil  
**Fines:** Race 9 **Trainer S Gordon DUNEAGLE**  
Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$50 (Minor Infringement Schedule)  
**Warnings:** Race 8 **C Dell SIR MIKKI**  
Shifting ground 400 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]  
9 **A Lawson-Carroll BEE ENCHANTED**  
**Protests:** Nil  
Shifting ground 1000 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]  
**Request for Ruling:** Nil  
**Horse Actions:** Race 3 **GEE STRING**  
Warning – racing manners  
6 **THE CHOPPER**  
Veterinary clearance required  
**Follow Up:** Nil  
**Rider Changes:** Nil  
**Late Scratchings:**  
**Medical Certificates:**  
**Swabbing:** CELTIC ECHO, PLATINUM ATTACK, I CHOOSE YOU, ORLOV, TRAV, MAHOE, HE'S A DOOZY,  
HE'S A BATTLER, DUNEAGLE.

## GENERAL

Nothing to report

## SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

## RACE COMMENTS

### Race 1 | RAT TAT (HE'S 23) MAIDEN 2200m

**NO TEARS** (B Rogerson) - Underwent a pre-race and a post-race veterinary examination. Slow to begin.

**HAAST RULER** (J Chung) - Jumped away awkwardly losing ground.

**PARADIS** (L Hemi) - From its wide barrier draw restrained behind runners to obtain cover. On a slow tempo was allowed to improve forward to lead passing the 1400 metres.

**MOSSRAJ** (T Davies) - Improved on to heels having to steady when racing keenly near the 1800 metres.

**BELLA NOCHE** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Raced keenly through the early and middle stages of the final straight, briefly inconveniencing **CELTIC ECHO** near the 250 metres.

**CELTIC ECHO** (K Hercock) - Briefly inconvenienced 250 metres.

**Race 2** | **GRAHAM'S PAINTERS 1000m**

**JAMAICA BAY** (C Dell) - Slow to begin.

**TIGHTLY LACED** (A Goindasamy) - Began awkwardly.

**BODACIOUS KATE** (T Davies) - Over-raced in the early and middle stages.

**Race 3** | **TOP TIPS [DCOPPINS@EXTRA.CO.NZ](mailto:DCOPPINS@EXTRA.CO.NZ) 1100m**

**PRIORESS** (L Hemi) - Slow to begin.

**I CHOOSE YOU** (A Goindasamy) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**IDYLLIC** (C Dell) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**SINBIN** (C Butler) - Restrained at the start. Had to shift wide to obtain clear running near the 300 metres. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality. C Butler's decision to restrain her mount from an advantageous beginning was queried by the Stewards. C Butler was questioned in the presence of senior rider K Hercock.

**GEE STRING** (K Hercock) – Hung throughout.

**BEEBEEP** (T Comignaghi) - Placed in restricted room shortly after the start when **IDYLLIC** lay inwards and away from **GEE STRING**.

**PERFECTSISTER** (T Davies) - Held up through the early and middle stages of the final straight, having to shift outwards to obtain clear running near the 150 metres.

**POPSAGOOSEY** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Raced in restricted room for the majority of the final straight and was only able to obtain clear running passing the 100 metres.

**C Butler** (**SINBIN**) - Charged under Rule 636(1)(b) in that she failed to take all reasonable and permissible measures throughout the race to ensure that her mount was given full opportunity to win the race or to obtain the best possible finishing place. Stewards were mindful that Miss Butler did not have adequate representation, owing to the absence of the Central Districts Apprentice Riding Mentor as well as C Butler's employer Trainer R Patterson, so adjourned the matter to a later date.

**Race 4** | **SAM DURRANT'S STAG DO 2100m**

**TESTIFY ME** (C Dell) - Slow away.

**BOZO** (L Sutherland) - Slow away

**TICKFORD** (T Comignaghi) - Raced wide rounding the first bend. Came together and bumped with LINCOLN STAR over the final stages.

**LINCOLN STAR** (A Lawson-Carroll) – Came together and bumped with TICKFORD over the final stages.

**LLANACORD** (S O'Malley) - Finished well back. When questioned rider was of the opinion the mare was better suited to more rain-affected footing.

Track Upgraded to Good 3 following Race 4.

**Race 5** | **VISION ENHANCEMENT 2100m**

**TUESDAY** (S O'Malley) - Jumped away awkwardly.

**TRAV** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early and middle stages. Lay outwards under pressure throughout the final straight.

**MAKKALDEE** (K Hercock) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**BELLESGIRL** (L Hemi) - Blundered at the start losing ground.

**LE GRAZIE** (T Davies) - Blundered at the start.

**SHEAF** (T Comignaghi) - Over-raced through the early and middle stages. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that the filly had over-raced throughout which had been detrimental to the performance. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality.

**Race 6** | **HAPPY BIRTHDAY NOELINE BERKETT 1600m**

**CHEVAL DE FOUDRE** (A Goindasamy) - Slow to begin.

**TAVI ANN** (K Hercock) - Slow to begin.

**I'M RONALDO** (J Chung) - Steadied off heels near the 350 metres when CHAMPAGNE SUNDAY (C Dell) shifted outwards. C Dell was advised to exercise greater care. Placed in restricted room, having to steady when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of TAVI ANN (K Hercock), which shifted inwards under pressure passing the 100 metres. K Hercock was advised to exercise greater care.

**THE CHOPPER** (C Butler) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout. Commenced to hang entering the home straight placing the rider at a disadvantage. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the gelding to be lame in the left foreleg. Connections were advised a veterinary clearance is required prior to THE CHOPPER racing next.

**CHAMPAGNE SUNDAY** (C Dell) - Had a tendency to hang outwards throughout the final straight having to be corrected by its rider.

**Race 7** | **THE HITS AUTUMN CUP 1600m**

**SOLDIER BOY** (J Chung) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination behind the barrier and cleared to start.

**HE'S A DOOZY** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**CHASE** (L Sutherland) - From its wide barrier draw restrained behind runners to obtain cover shortly after the start.

**SUMI** (A Goindasamy) - Over-raced through the early and middle stages, getting its head up on several occasions.

**Race 8**

**PLATINUM HOMES TARANAKI 1400m**

**BRAZINCO** (S O'Malley) - Shifted outwards at the start crowding KICK START. Raced greenly in the early part of the home straight and then became unbalanced when SIR MIKKI (C Dell) shifted inwards dictating BRAZINCO inwards across the heels of REGAL REWARD near the 400 metres. C Dell was issued with a warning.

**KICK START** (K Hercock) - Crowded at the start losing ground.

**BAHIA EMERALD** (L Hemi) - Restrained behind runners to obtain cover shortly after the start.

**BEAN A PLEASURE** (A Goindasamy) - From its wide barrier draw was restrained behind runners to obtain cover.

**MADAME MOET** (T Comignaghi) - Held up early stages of the final straight. Lost the near-side hind plate during the running.

**C Dell** (SIR MIKKI) - Issued with warning after permitting SIR MIKKI to shift inwards near the 400 metres dictating BRAZINCO inwards near the 400 metres.

**Race 9**

**ADOPT A GREYHOUND @ GREYMATES.CO.NZ 1400m**

**BOW HILL** (C Butler) - Slow to begin.

**FREE BEE** (B Rogerson) - Slow to begin.

**INCA BELLE** (A Goindasamy) - From its wide barrier draw was restrained behind runners to obtain cover.

**SHARE POWER** (T Davies) - Raced keenly through the early and middle stages. Raced wide through the early stages before being allowed to improve forward to lead near the 900 metres.

**ROCABABY** (L Sutherland) - Raced three-wide without cover from the 900 metres.

**BELLUCCI** (J Chung) - Hampered towards the end of the back straight when BEE ENCHANTED (A Lawson-Carroll) shifted inwards. A Lawson-Carroll was issued with a warning. Stewards took into account the tendency of BELLUCCI to over-race when assessing the incident.

**A Lawson-Carroll** (BELLUCCI) - Issued with a warning after permitting his mount to shift inwards near the 1000 metres hampering BELLUCCI.

**A Lawson-Carroll** (BELLUCCI) - Relaxed his rider over the final stages, however stewards were satisfied his finishing position was not compromised. A Lawson-Carroll was advised he is expected to ride his mount out fully to the finish when able to do so.

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