



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Auckland Thoroughbred Racing at Pukekohe Park
Date: Wednesday, 21 February 2024
Weather: Fine
Track: Soft 5, upgraded to Good 4 following Race 2
Rail: True
Stewards: L Selvakumaran (Chair), B Jones, G Stewart, V Algar (Remote)
Vet: B Vosloo BVSc
Op Support: K Verner

SUMMARY

Suspensions: Nil
Fines: Race 1 **L Saunders SANDOKU**
Late into the saddling enclosure [Rule 625(1)] \$50 (Minor Infringement)
Warnings: Nil
Protests: Nil
Request for Ruling: Nil
Horse Actions: Race 3 **DEEP PURPLE**
Bled, 2nd occasion, ineligible to race in New Zealand
8 **LA MEZQUITA**
Veterinary clearance required
Follow Up: Nil
Rider Changes: Race 2 **PILE DRIVER**
M Hashizume replaced M Cameron (unwell)
3 **RADRADRA**
C Grylls replaced M Cameron
5 **DISTINGUISHED**
B Jacobson replaced M Cameron
RAREFIED
M Hashizume replaced S Weatherley (unwell)
6 **PROCELLA**
S Spratt replaced M Cameron
7 **SAN SIMEON**
P Graberg replaced M Cameron
Late Scratchings: Nil
Medical Certificates: Required from M Cameron
Required from S Weatherley
Swabbing: DEALERS CHOICE, FIRST INNINGS, HE'S CLASSIC, OUTOVSTOCK, HAT TRICK, ROCHESTER,
LOOKSEASY, AFTERMATH

GENERAL

M Cameron advised Stewards he was unwell and would be unable to attend today's race meeting with replacement riders above. M Cameron is to provide a medical clearance prior to riding next.

Following Race 1, rider S Weatherley was stood down from his remaining ride by the oncourse Doctor. S Weatherley is to provide a medical clearance prior to riding next

SUPPLEMENTARY
Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1	ENTAIN – NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE MAIDEN 1400
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COSELLI (C Grylls) - Slow to begin.

SALUTO (J Fawcett) - Slow to begin. Improved onto heels passing the 800 metres having to be steadied.

GOLDEN (S Weatherley) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running until passing the 200 metres.

SANDOKU (W Kennedy) - Held up until near the 150 metres.

L Saunders (SANDOKU) - Issued with a minor infringement and fined \$50 after presenting SANDOKU late into the saddling enclosure.

Race 2	CAMBRIDGE STUD MAIDEN 2100
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TIMBA (C Dell) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early stages.

PILE DRIVER (M Hashizume) – Raced keenly through the early stages

NORTHERN RAIDER (U Holmquist) – Raced three wide without cover until improving to race outside the leader near the 900 metres.

PURE DELIGHT (L Satherley) - Held up until near the 250 metres.

ON THE RADAR (M McNab) – Lay outwards when placed under pressure in the final straight. Rider dropped the left rein near the 250 metres.

THE STORYTELLER (C Grylls) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running until approaching the 200 metres.

LITTLE MISS WONDER (S Spratt) - Briefly steadied when placed in restricted room to the outside of HOLY ORANGE and inside of SUAVETTA near the 200 metres.

HOLY ORANGE (P Graberg) – Shifted out and away from ON THE RADAR which was laying out near the 200 metres.

Following this race the track was upgraded to Good 4.

Race 3	BARFOOT & THOMPSON MAIDEN 1600
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POSITIVE POWER (C Dell) - Slow to begin.

CHARLISE (A Lawson-Carroll) - Slow to begin.

SHEEZE A BREEZE (S Fisher) – Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early stages. Steadied passing the 1400 metres when racing close to heels.

BETTER TIME (L Satherley) - Crowded at the start.

BE MINE TONIGHT (P Graberg) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

BUSTLE (C Barnes) - Raced four wide without cover throughout.

BAMBOOZLE (V Colgan) – Held up for the majority of the final straight.

RISING TIDE (M McNab) – Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight. When questioned regarding performance the rider could offer no explanation. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

DEEP PURPLE (N Hailey) - Returned to the enclosure with blood present in both nostrils. Following a veterinary examination DEEP PURPLE was confirmed to have bled. Trainer J Pender was advised that DEEP PURPLE is now ineligible to race in New Zealand as this was its second attack of nasal bleeding.

Race 4 | **ELLERSLIE EVENTS MAIDEN 1600**

LEBASSO (M Hashizume) - Began awkwardly then crowded shortly after losing ground. Inconvenienced approaching the 800 metres.

MR ACABELLO (A Lawson-Carroll) - Slow to begin.

LAGISQUET (K Myers) - Slow to begin. Made the bend approaching the 800 metres awkwardly forcing LEBASSO wider on the track.

SI EXQUIS (C Grylls) - Raced keenly through the early stages when leading.

VEGAS LIGHTS (J Fawcett) – Lay outwards rounding the final bend.

MY ALIBI (T Newman) - Came together with INVESTIGATE making contact with its hindquarters forcing it outwards near the 250 metres.

INVESTIGATE (M McNab) – Hampered near the 250 metres.

PEACHY KEEN (P Graberg) - Lay outwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

LET IT RIDE (S Spratt) - When questioned regarding performance the rider could offer no explanation. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

SADHBH (V Colgan) - When questioned regarding performance the rider could offer no explanation. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

Race 5 | **AUCKLAND CO-OP TAXIS MAIDEN 1200**

VILA BELMIRO (S Spratt) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

FASHION DELIGHT (V Colgan) - Raced ungenerously for a distance passing the 600 metres.

ZAZON (W Kennedy) - Steadied when placed in restricted room to the outside of BELLAFRANCA which had shifted out and away from CHUCKLE’S DAUGHTER and to the inside of VILA BELMIRO which was laying inwards near the 300 metres. Riders P Graberg (CHUCKLE’S DAUGHTER) and S Spratt (VILA BELMIRO) were advised to exercise greater care in similar circumstances.

BELLAFRANCA (K Asano) - Shifted out and away from CHUCKLE'S DAUGHTER becoming placed in restricted room to the inside of ZAZON having to briefly steady near the 300 metres.

CHUCKLE'S DAUGHTER (P Graberg) - Improved into restricted room to the inside of BELLAFRANCA and outside of GRAND CRU which had shifted out slightly near the 300 metres. Inconvenienced having to shift outwards passing the 200 metres when GRAND CRU shifted outwards to obtain clear running.

GRAND CRU (K Myers) - Raced in restricted room just prior to the winning post.

DISTINGUISHED (B Jacobson) - When questioned regarding performance the rider advised that the gelding felt indifferent in its action. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

Race 6 | **DUNSTAN HORSEFEEDS MAIDEN 1400**

TEMPEST (W Kennedy) - Began awkwardly then crowded shortly after losing ground. Stewards enquired into the ride of W Kennedy in the final straight. W Kennedy advised that his riding instructions were to ride the mare where she lands at the start and present her as late as possible. W Kennedy further added that he had tracked the winner into the race and once the mare was presented, she failed to respond as expected. Trainer A Scott confirmed these instructions and advised that the mare has a very short sprint. Stewards noted W Kennedy's explanation.

NOBLE BOY (C Grylls) - Began awkwardly making contact with NO MORE PENNIES.

NO MORE PENNIES (C Barnes) – Contacted at the start.

PROCELLA (S Spratt) – Crowded at the start. Held up until near the 200 metres.

WITHALLMYFAITH (M McNab) – Had some difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 200 metres.

BROTHER JAMES (R Elliot) - Had some difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 200 metres.

Race 7 | **STELLA ARTOIS 1400**

SORELLA (W Kennedy) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Held up until near the 200 metres.

POZZI VIBE (H McNeill) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

BEVANDA (B Rogerson) - Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

SAN SIMEON (P Graberg) - Had to shift outwards to obtain clear running passing the 350 metres. Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

Race 8 | **SKYCITY 2100**

ROCHMIE RAY (S Spratt) - Crowded shortly after the start.

TEXT REGRETS (K Myers) - Slow to begin. Improved onto heels passing the 200 metres having to shift outwards.

LA MEZQUITA (O Bosson) - When questioned regarding performance the rider advised that the mare felt indifferent in its action. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the mare to be lame in the right foreleg. Connections were advised that a veterinary clearance would be required prior to racing next.

WANDA LU (J Fawcett) - When questioned regarding performance the rider advised that the mare was unsuited by today's track conditions. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.

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