



# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

## MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Waikato Thoroughbred Racing at Te Rapa  
**Date:** Friday, 27 September 2024  
**Weather:** Overcast  
**Track:** Soft 6, upgraded to Soft 5 following Race 5  
**Rail:** Out 9 metres  
**Stewards:** B Jones (Chair), A Dooley, C Lomey (Trainee)  
**Vet:** K Rooney BVSc, B O'Shea BVSc  
**Typist:** K Verner

## SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Nil  
**Fines:** Race 9 **L Kauri** JUST A TIPPLE  
Failed to obey the directive of the Starters [Rule 802(1)(a)] \$200  
**Warnings:** Race 3 **R Elliot** LEVAKIA  
Weighed in heavier than weighed out [Rule 648(5)]  
5 **S Spratt** MARTELL  
Shifting ground 950 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]  
7 **J Doyle** THE GREEN KEEPER  
Shifting ground 100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]  
**Protests:** Race 7 **HANAIEI STAR 4<sup>th</sup>** vs **THE GREEN KEEPER 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
Protest dismissed  
**Request for Ruling:** Nil  
**Horse Actions:** Nil  
**Follow Up:** Race 4 **EYEGEEGEE**  
5 **STREET GOSSIP**  
**Rider Changes:** Nil  
**Late Scratchings:** Race 9 **BELLES BEAU**  
At 7.42 am on veterinary advice  
**Medical Certificates:** Nil  
**Swabbing:** SUIT YOURSELF, LOVE POEM, MIDNIGHT EDITION, AWHINA, WEWILLROCK, SNAZZYTAVI, SAVACAT, RAYET, MY LIPS ARE SEALED

## GENERAL

Nothing to report

## SUPPLEMENTARY

### Waikato Thoroughbred Racing @ Te Rapa - Sunday 15 September 2024

#### Race 4 PETER KELLY – BAYLEYS GREAT NORTHERN HURDLE 4200m

**TAHUROA HEIGHTS** (K Wiles) – Trainer S Ralph reported to Stewards that on Thursday 19 September the gelding underwent a veterinary examination which revealed a strain to the right foreleg suspensory ligament and had been on anti-inflammatories. S Ralph further advised TAHUROA HEIGHTS has now been sent for a spell.

#### Race 7 - BEN & RYAN FOOTE RACING GREAT NORTHERN STEEPLECHASE 6500m

**IMA WONDER** (K Wiles) - Co-trainer J Brosnan reported to Stewards that on Tuesday 17 September IMA WONDER, underwent a veterinary examination, which confirmed a rupture to the left foreleg tendon. J Brosnan further advised the mare will be in a confined area for six weeks and then it is the stables intention to spell IMA WONDER.

**Racing Taupo @ Taupo - Friday 20 September 2024**

**Race 3 - INGLIS READY2RACE SALE 15th OCT 2024 1400m**

**MI AMIGO** (T Newman) – Trainer S Ralph reported to Stewards that on Monday 23 September the gelding underwent a veterinary examination including x-rays which revealed a fracture to the right foreleg. S Ralph further advised MI AMIGO has now been retired from racing.

**Race 3 - WAIPA EARTHWORKS MAIDEN 1300m**

**I'M OUT THE GATE** (C Grylls) – Stable representative R Mildon reported to Stewards that on Friday 20 September I'M OUT THE GATE underwent a veterinarian examination which revealed the filly showing signs of being shin sore. R Mildon further advised I'M OUT THE GATE will now be sent for a spell.

**RACE COMMENTS**

**Race 1** | **SJC FOUNDATION 3YO 1200**

**CHICAGO JACK** (S Spratt) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Raced keenly through the middle stages.

**KIWI SKYHAWK** (M Cartwright) – Restrained in the early stages to obtain cover from the outside barrier.

**GROVE STREET** (B Rogerson) – Raced keenly through the middle stages.

**BEAU LUCA** (A Lawson-Carroll) - When questioned regarding the performance the rider advised that in his opinion the gelding had held its breath throughout the running.

**Race 2** | **NZB MEGA MAIDEN BONUS SERIES 1200**

**PERMISSIVE** (J Fawcett) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

**JUST LIKE THIS** (D Danis) - Slow to begin.

**OSTERIA** (V Colgan) – Raced keenly through the early stages.

**LINKIN PARK** (M Sanson) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**SUPER SCHEME** (V Jalalkuncha) - Made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly shifting outwards forcing LOVE POEM wider, then lay out rounding the final bend. When questioned the rider advised that the mare had made the bend awkwardly and hung outwards rounding the final bend proving difficult to ride.

**LOVE POEM** (M Cartwright) – Forced wider passing the 800 metres.

**LEBASSO** (M Hashizume) – Steadied off heels when racing keenly approaching the 600 metres.

**Race 3** | **BLUE & GOLD 3YO 1400**

**NOTABADBERGS** (R Goyaram) – Raced keenly when being restrained for a distance passing the 1200 metres then continued to race keenly improving onto the heels of MIDNIGHT EDITION which shifted in slightly having to be firmly restrained near the 850 metres. S Spratt was advised to exercise care in similar circumstances.

**LEVAKIA** (R Elliot) – Raced keenly through the early and middle stages. Shifted in simultaneously as MIDNIGHT EDITION shifted outwards having to be steadied off heels over the concluding stages.

**GAMBLE** (M Cartwright) - Improved onto heels having to be steadied near the 1100 metres.

**ACES IN LACES** (W Kennedy) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

**SKYMAX** (C Grylls) – Had some difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight.

**MIDNIGHT EDITION** (S Spratt) – Lay outwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**R Elliot** (LEVAKIA) - Issued with a warning after weighing in 0.5 kgs over the weight at which he weighed out at.

Following the running of this race connections of the third placed runner LEVAKIA viewed the Stewards video footage of the concluding stages before electing not to proceed with a protest against MIDNIGHT EDITION.

**Race 4** | **CRAIGS INVESTMENT PARTNERS 2100**

**AMARILLO SLIM** (M Sanson) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**RAAJOICES** (D Danis) - Slow to begin.

**STEP IN TIME** (J Nishizuka) – Raced wide in the early and middle stages.

**AGERA** (M Cartwright) - Rider advised Stewards that the gelding had been reluctant to improve between runners when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**EYEGEEGEE** (K Myers) - When questioned regarding performance the rider could offer no excuse. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality.

**Race 5** | **RISK MANAGEMENT GROUP 1200**

**CHAJABA** (E Sole) - Slow to begin.

**WEWILLROCK** (L Kauri) – Knuckled on jumping away.

**STREET GOSSIP** (R Goyaram) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Raced in restricted room between NO SECRET and WOLVERINE before improving onto the heels of MARTELL passing the 950 metres having to be firmly restrained. Inconvenienced as a result was JAARFFI. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which found the mare to be coughing.

**JAARFFI** (W Kennedy) - Raced keenly in the early stages. Inconvenienced passing the 950 metres when being restrained. Made the bend near the 850 metres awkwardly shifting wider on the track. Improved into restricted room over the concluding stages having to be steadied by its rider.

**ROCABABY** (J Fawcett) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**S Spratt** (MARTELL) - Issued with a warning after permitting her mount to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of STREET GOSSIP which had to be firmly restrained after improving onto heels near the 950 metres. When assessing the incident Stewards took into account the manner in which STREET GOSSIP had improved between runners and then continued to improve onto heels when being restrained, also noting that MARTELL had initially been clear of STREET GOSSIP when commencing to shift in.

Following this race the track was upgraded to Soft 5.

**Race 6** | **BCD GROUP MILE 1600**

**ESS VEE ARE** (A Lawson-Carroll) - Slow to begin.

**NO COMPROMISE** (N Hailey) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**ISLINGTON LASS** (R Elliot) - When questioned regarding performance the rider advised that the mare had been unsuited by today's track conditions.

**Race 7** | **FLEET IMAGE MILE 1600**

**NOTABADSPILLANE** (C Barnes) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**VERISMO** (M Hashizume) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**HANALEI STAR** (W Pinn) – Began awkwardly. Held up rounding the final bend. Contacted and forced wider on the track approaching the 100 metres.

**MONKHANA** (B Rogerson) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**MOOD CHANGER** (S Weatherley) – Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**A MANDARIN** (S Spratt) – Lay in when placed under pressure over the concluding stages.

**OUTER FOCUS** (R Elliot) - When questioned regarding performance the rider advised that in his opinion the gelding would benefit from the addition of blinkers.

**THE GREEN KEEPER** (J Doyle) - Shifted outwards when placed under pressure approaching the 100 metres contacting HANALEI STAR which was forced wider on the track.

**M Hashizume** (VERISMO) – Reminded of his obligations in that he must ride his mounts out fully to the end of the race when circumstances permit him to do so.

**J Doyle** (THE GREEN KEEPER) – Issued with a warning for permitting his mount to shift out when not sufficiently clear of HANALEI STAR which was contacted and forced wider approaching the 100 metres.

Following the running of this race connections of the 4<sup>th</sup> placed horse HANALEI STAR lodged a protest with the Adjudicator alleging interference in the final straight by the 3<sup>rd</sup> placed horse THE GREEN KEEPER. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee dismissed the protest with the placings standing 1<sup>st</sup> SAVACAT, 2<sup>nd</sup> OCEANS OF STANIMA, 3<sup>rd</sup> THE GREEN KEEPER, 4<sup>th</sup> HANALEI STAR.

**Race 8** | **TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT WAIKATO 1200**

**FROSTFAIR** (W Kennedy) - Blundered on jumping away losing ground. Raced three wide without cover throughout.

**TOA HAKA** (L Satherley) - Slow to begin.

**NAKAMOTO** (S Spratt) - Restrained in the early stages to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

**HIGHLY ANTICIPATED** (V Colgan) - Raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

**IMPERIAL EMPRESS** (W Pinn) – Raced keenly when being restrained passing the 950 metres. Held up rounding the final bend.

**REPTAK** (M Hashizume) – Held up until near the 350 metres.

**Race 9**

**CRAIGS INVESTMENT PARTNERS 1400**

**JUST A TIPPLE** (L Kauri) - Slow to begin (3L).

**ASGARD** (M Cartwright) - Slow to begin. Steadied when placed in restricted room passing the 200 metres to the inside of CALEDONIE which shifted inwards and ROEDERER which had improved into a marginal run outside of THIS LITTLE LIGHT which had shifted out slightly. Then raced in restricted room over the concluding stages. R Goyaram and R Elliot were both advised to exercise care in similar circumstances.

**THIS LITTLE LIGHT** (S Spratt) – Raced keenly through the early and middle stages.

**NEPHETI** (S Weatherley) – Raced wide without cover throughout.

**ABOUT TIME** (W Kennedy) - Lay outwards entering the final straight despite the efforts of its rider hampering LUX LIBERTAS. Continued to lay out early in the final straight making contact with LUX LIBERTAS near the 350 metres.

**LUX LIBERTAS** (N Hailey) - Crowded passing the 400 metres to the outside of ABOUT TIME which lay out entering the final straight. Also hampered as a result was THIS LITTLE LIGHT. Contacted becoming unbalanced passing the 350 metres by ABOUT TIME which continued to lay out.

**ROEDERER** (R Elliot) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the final straight before shifting outwards passing the 200 metres to obtain clear running.

**KHAFRE** (K Myers) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 100 metres.

**L Kauri** (JUST A TIPPLE) - Admitted a charge in that he failed to comply with a directive of the Starters prior to the start. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a fine of \$200.

Assistant Starter S Barlow was spoken to and reprimanded for the manner in which he addressed L Kauri prior to the start.

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