



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Manawatu Racing Club @ Trentham
Date: Saturday, 21 December 2024
Weather: Fine
Track: Soft 5, Upgraded to Good 4 following Race 2
Rail: Out 6 metres
Stewards: J Oatham (Chair), N Goodwin, K Jillings (Trainee)
Vet: E Simpson BVSc
Op Support: S Shirriffs

SUMMARY

Suspensions: Race 7 **T Comignaghi CROUCH**
Careless riding 800 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 31/12-6/1, 6 days

Fines: Race 1 **S Weatherley**
Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] \$750

Warnings: Race 1 **S Weatherley**
Shifting ground 100 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Protests: Nil
Request for Ruling: Nil
Horse Actions: Nil

Follow Up: Race 7 **THE UNDERBELLY**

Rider Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Race 1 **METAVVERSE**
@ 7.47am - transport difficulties
3 **WAR PRINCESS**
@ 12.40pm - veterinary advice
5 **LIBRERO**
@ 3.26pm - veterinary advice at the start

Medical Certificates: Nil
Swabbing: SCOTCH BONNET, KOMOCEAN, INTENTION, LANDLOCK, IVY DAZZLER, LEICA LUCY, CONNELLO, MAROTIRI MOLLY, FARAGLIONI, ISLINGTON LASS, WOLFGANG, LOCH IN ORA.

GENERAL

Nothing to report

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1 | **MARSH INSURANCE 1400m**

FIVE BELLS (M Hudson) - Crowded shortly after leaving the barriers losing ground.

RIBKRAKA (K Stott) - Raced three-wide without cover. When questioned rider was unable to offer any excuse for the poor performance other than racing wide.

STRANGE LOVE (L Hemi) - Checked near the 100 metres. Dislodged its rider returning to the enclosure after the race with L Hemi being uninjured.

S Weatherley (SCOTCH BONNET) - Issued with a warning after permitting SCOTCH BONNET to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear dictating ARMINO and BEAN A PLEASURE inwards resulting in STRANGE LOVE, which was giving ground, being checked near the 100 metres with Stewards taking into account S Weatherley's excellent recent riding record.

S Weatherley (SCOTCH BONNET) - Admitted a charge in that he struck his mount SCOTCH BONNET six times prior to the 100-metre mark, with a further five strikes inside the 100 metres. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a fine of \$750.

Race 2 | **THE BREEZE WELLINGTON 3YO 1200m**

KOMOCEAN (C Grylls) - Slow away.

VELTON (K Chowdhury) - Raced keenly in the lead in the early stages.

Track was upgraded to Good 4 following Race 2.

Race 3 | **HAPPY HIRE WAKEFIELD CHALLENGE STAKES (G2) 1100m**

INTENTION (T Comignaghi) - Jumped away awkwardly losing ground. Blundered near the 350 metres.

MISS ZIGGY (J Doyle) - Shifted outwards abruptly after jumping from the outside barrier then racing ungenerously in the early stages getting its head up. Lay outwards under pressure in the straight.

COOL AZA RENE (W Pinn) - Jumped away awkwardly. When questioned regarding performance rider was of the opinion the filly had felt shin-sore on pulling up. A post-race veterinary examination found the filly to have a slow recovery rate.

MAROKOPA FALLS (C Grylls) - Inclined to shift ground and race greenly under pressure in the straight.

Race 4 | **ROYDON BERGERSON RACING 1200m**

FAME STAR (A Riddell) - Jumped away awkwardly losing ground.

IVY DAZZLER (M Singh) - Hampered leaving the barriers. Lost the left front plate during the running.

PRIORESS (M Lerner) - Slow to begin.

KINGFISHER (K Stott) - Restrained to obtain cover after jumping from an outside barrier then being inclined to over-race in the early stages getting its head up. Had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the straight.

SINDEE (C Grylls) - Raced wide without cover throughout. Lost the left front plate during the running.

CANDLE (L Sutherland) - Held up behind the weakening POLLY PLUM rounding the bend near the 450 metres.

POLLY PLUM (W Pinn) - After racing prominently gave ground quickly once placed under pressure early in the straight with the rider being unable to offer any excuse. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

MR JAY EIGHT (J Riddell) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running until passing the 200 metres.

BEEBEEP (T Comignaghi) - Lost the left front plate during the running.

KANA (M McNab) - When questioned regarding performance rider advised that after racing prominently in a race run with good tempo the mare had finished the race off only fairly and in his opinion may be better suited to being ridden further back with cover.

Race 5 | **LAWNMASTER EULOGY STAKES (G3) 1600m**

LIBRERO (L Sutherland) - Declared a late scratching at 3.27pm on veterinary advice behind the barriers after it was found to have a significant laceration to the roof of its mouth involving an upper incisor tooth which was bleeding.

ISLAND LIFE (S Weatherley) - Began awkwardly. When questioned regarding performance rider advised that although his instructions had been to ride the filly quietly early, after a poor beginning he had got further back than intended, adding that after having the opportunity to follow the winner into the race the filly had failed to quicken as well as expected finding the line only fairly.

SICILLIAN (K Stott) - Slow away.

LEICA LUCY (C Grylls) - Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the straight inconveniencing **MACALUSO** near the 350 metres.

MACALUSO (M McNab) - Inconvenienced near the 350 metres.

Race 6 | **BRAMCO GRANITE & MARBLE MANAWATU STAKES (G2) 1400m**

LIFFEY (S Weatherley) - Slow away.

CONOR O'CEIRIN (J Doyle) - Jumped away awkwardly making contact with **LIGHTNING JACK**. Over-raced when being restrained near the 1200 metres getting its head up. Raced ungenerously when being steadied off heels near the 800 metres.

LIGHTNING JACK (H Grace) - Contacted leaving the barriers.

MAROTIRI MOLLY (K Hercock) - Steadied when becoming awkwardly placed on heels near the 1100 metres.

LUX LIBERTAS (K Stott) - Raced three-wide without cover from the 1000 metres.

PUNTURA (C Grylls) - Held up early rounding the final turn and continued to have difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the straight.

BELARDO BOY (T Comignaghi) - Held up near the 350 metres and did not obtain clear running until inside the final 100 metres.

PERFECT SCENARIO (O Bosson) - When questioned regarding performance rider was unable to offer any excuse other than the gelding may be feeling the effects of recent racing. Co-Trainer S Bergerson indicated they would be giving consideration to freshening the gelding.

R Elliot (SHARP 'N' SMART) - Spoken to regarding his whip action over the concluding stages.

Race 7 | **HUMPHRIES CONSTRUCTION MANAWATU CUP (G3) 2300m**

ISLINGTON LASS (M McNab) - Slow away.

CHEVAL DE FOUDRE (U Holmquist) - Slow away before being further hampered by THE UNDERBELLY which was forced outwards by COGNITO. Made contact with WHANGAEHU near the 400 metres when improving between that runner and ENRICO, which both shifted ground.

COGNITO (W Pinn) - Raced three-wide without cover from the 1200 metres. Contacted and unbalanced near the 800 metres losing ground. Failed to respond when placed under pressure shortly after and was not persevered with over the final 200 metres when well beaten. When questioned regarding performance W Pinn advised that after racing wide the gelding had failed to see out the distance of today's race. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

THE UNDERBELLY (C Grylls) - Hampered when COGNITO jumped outwards. Raced in restricted room rounding the final turn. When questioned regarding performance C Grylls was unable to offer any excuse, but offered the opinion the gelding would be improved by today's race. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a slow rate of recovery.

SACRED PEARL (H Grace) - Began awkwardly then being restrained to obtain cover.

ENRICO (M Hudson) - Raced three-wide without cover until improving forward near the 1200 metres.

CROUCH (T Comignaghi) - Made contact and jostled with COGNITO when shifting outwards to obtain clear running near the 800 metres.

NO COMPROMISE (R Elliot) - Rider advised the gelding was better suited to more rain-affected footing.

T Comignaghi (CROUCH) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that she directed CROUCH outwards near the 800 metres making contact and jostling with COGNITO for a distance with that runner becoming unbalanced. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of her licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Monday, 30 December, until the conclusion of racing on Monday, 6 January 2025, 6 national riding days.

Race 8

JAPAC HOMES 1600m

PLATINUM SIXTY SIX (W Pinn) - Blundered leaving the barriers unbalancing its rider and inconveniencing KICK ON.

KICK ON (A Riddell) - Inconvenienced leaving the barriers.

BOW HILL (M McNab) - Slow away.

SEA THE DREAM (L Hemi) - Raced keenly in the lead in the middle stages.

SHEAF (M Hudson) - Held up when disappointed for a run near the 100 metres.

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