



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Matamata Racing Club
Date: Wednesday, 22 January 2025
Weather: Cloudy
Track: Soft 6, upgraded to Soft 5 following Race 1
Rail: Out 7 metres
Stewards: B Jones (Chair), A Dooley, G Stewart
Vet: R McQuillan MVB
Op Support: K Verner

SUMMARY

Suspensions: Nil
Fines: Race 3 **C Cole LADYLOU**
Failed to scratch by the required time [Rule 534(1)] \$350
Warnings: Race 2 **W Pinn BORN TO BE ROYAL**
Shifting ground 350 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Protests: Nil
Request for Ruling: Nil
Horse Actions: Race 1 **HEART OF ALLADIN**
Warning, racing manners
3 **ASTUCIA**
Required to barrier trial
Follow Up: Nil
Rider Changes: Race 5 **VIVA GLAM**
M Cartwright replaced M Lerner (overweight)
Late Scratchings: Race 3 **LADYLOU**
At 7.42 am
Medical Certificates: Received from N Parmar
Swabbing: PHELAN THE POWER, IN HASTE, GOLD CURRENCY

GENERAL

Nothing to report

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1 PAPERPLUS MATAMATA 1400

ANTON (J Fawcett) – Reared as the start was effected losing ground. Raced keenly in the middle stages having to be steadied off heels.

HEART OF ALLADIN (G Rooke) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Lay out entering the final straight before improving onto the heels of the weakening IN HER PRESENCE shifting outwards to avoid the heels of that runner, hampering BO JACKSON near the 250 metres. Connections were advised a warning would be placed on the gelding's racing manners.

RUBELLITE (A Lawson-Carroll) - Raced keenly for a distance approaching the 800 metres.

BO JACKSON (J Nishizuka) – Crowded and hampered passing the 250 metres.

IN HER PRESENCE (K Stott) - When questioned regarding performance the rider could offer no excuse. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any abnormality.

Following this race the track was upgraded to Soft 5.

Race 2	ENTAIN/NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES MAIDEN 2YO 1200
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GLENYS MARY (K Myers) - Slow to begin. Raced three wide without cover from near the 800 metres. Contacted and forced wider entering the final straight.

BORN TO BE ROYAL (W Pinn) - Held up rounding the final bend.

W Pinn (BORN TO BE ROYAL) - Issued with a warning for permitting his mount to shift outwards passing the 350 metres making contact with GLENYS MARY which was forced wider.

Race 3	WAIKATO/BOP THOROUGHBRED OWNERS ASSOCIATION MAIDEN 2000
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JAKE (A Lawson-Carroll) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination at the barriers after being kicked and was cleared to start. Slow to begin.

ASTUCIA (K Stott) - Reared as the start was effected getting its head over into the next barrier stall taking no part in the race. Stewards withheld payment to interview rider K Stott and view Stewards footage being satisfied that the mare had not been denied a fair start and that it had been slow away by its own accord. Trainer J Collett was advised that the mare would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next.

GOLD CURRENCY (N Hailey) – Raced wide in the early stages.

ISLEBEFINE (J Fawcett) - Improved forward to sit outside the leader near the 1000 metres.

TEMPEST MOON (L Sutherland) - Slipped approaching the 300 metres becoming unbalanced.

C Cole (LADYLOU) - Admitted a charge in that he failed to scratch LADYLOU by the required time with the Adjudicative Committee imposing a fine of \$350.

Following the running of this race Stewards interviewed L Sutherland in relation to her mount slipping approaching the 300 metres. Stewards met with all riders then convened a track inspection committee involving Stewards, Riders and Club Officials, with two clearly visible significant slip marks being observed. Riders then met independently and advised Stewards that in their view the meeting could continue, subject to being closely monitored on a race by race basis. However, after considering all the evidence the Stewards could not be satisfied that the track was in a suitable condition that riders could ride in a safe and competitive manner, so the decision was made to abandon the meeting.

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