



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Otaki-Maori Racing Club @ Otaki
Date: Saturday, 22 February 2025
Weather: Fine
Track: Soft 5
Rail: True
Stewards: M Davidson (Chair), N Goodwin, K Jillings (Trainee), R Greig (Trainee)
Vet: Ray Lenaghan MVB NUI
Op Support: S Shirriffs

SUMMARY

Suspensions: Nil
Fines: Race 1& 6 **M Lerner** LETS ALL BOOGIE & BELLADONNA LILY Failed to make weight [Rule 346(3)] \$200 (Minor Infringement Schedule)
Warnings: Nil
Protests: Nil
Request for Ruling: Nil
Horse Actions: Nil
Follow Up: Nil
Rider Changes: Race 6 **BELLADONNA LILY**
B Grylls replaced M Lerner (overweight)
Late Scratchings:
Medical Certificates:
Swabbing: FASHION SAVVY,

GENERAL

Due to a lack of available riders today, discretion was given to rider declarations for today.

The inside camera for the photo-finish was not working for today's meeting.

M Lerner admitted a breach of Rule 346(3) in that he failed to make the contracted weight for LETS ALL BOOGIE in Race 1 and BELLADONNA LILY in Race 6 and was fined \$200 under the Minor Infringement Schedule.

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1 | HARCOURTS OTAKI MAIDEN 1600m

LETS ALL BOOGIE (M Lerner) - Rider M Lerner was granted permission to ride the mare 1kg over the carded weight due to there being no other suitable rider available. Began awkwardly, contacting WHOOSHKA.

WHOOSHKA (K Chowdhooory) - Contacted at the start, losing ground. Held up early in the run home, only gaining clear racing room inside the final 250 metres. Shifted inwards contacting TOLSTOY near the 200 metres.

LADY JAY JAY (E Sole) - Contacted at the start, when an inside runner shifted out, losing some ground as a result.

KALINYA (B Grylls) - Taken back from a wide draw to obtain cover. Shifted inwards making contact with the running rail when racing greenly near the 200 metres.

UNDERLINE (B Rogerson) - Taken back from a wide draw to obtain cover. Unable to avoid the fallen runner, badly unbalancing rider B Rogerson who was dislodged. B Rogerson was examined by St John ambulance personnel and found to be uninjured.

JOAN'S JOKER (A Mudhoo) - Raced four-wide without cover.

WIND TALKER (C Dell) - Slipped and fell near the 800 metres when racing free of interference, falling to the track, with UNDERLINE being unable to avoid the fallen runner. C Dell was examined by St John ambulance personnel and found to be suffering from general soreness and bruising. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a minor laceration to the left nostril.

TOLSTOY (M Hudson) - Contacted when tiring near the 200 metres when WHOOSKA lay inwards.

Following the running of this event, Riders' representatives, Stewards and the Track Manager examined the area of the track where WIND TALKER had fallen. This revealed significant slip marks. A meeting was convened with all riders and after deliberating, the decision was made by the Stewards to abandon the meeting due to safety concerns.

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