



# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

## MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Wairarapa Racing Club @ Tauherenikau  
**Date:** Thursday, 6 February 2025  
**Weather:** Fine  
**Track:** Soft 5, upgraded to Good 4 following Race 2  
**Rail:** True  
**Stewards:** M Davidson (Chair), N Goodwin, K Jillings (Trainee)  
**Vet:** K McKinlay BVSc  
**Op Support:** S Shirriffs

## SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Nil  
**Fines:** Nil  
**Warnings:** Race 3 **K Hercock TREAT YOURSELF**  
Shifting ground 300 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]  
**Protests:** Nil  
**Request for Ruling:** Nil  
**Horse Actions:** Race 8 **QACENTINA**  
Required to barrier trial  
**Follow Up:** Race 3 **VICKEZZMARGAUX**  
**Rider Changes:** Nil  
**Late Scratchings:** Race 8 **SLICE O'PARADISE**  
@ 4.38pm - by order of Stewards  
8 **QACENTINA**  
@ 4.40pm - veterinary advice  
**Medical Certificates:**  
**Swabbing:** WAINUI BAY, WAR PRINCESS, DON PEDRO, BOLD CHOICE, FINEST HOUR, DANJURO,  
REPUTATION, NIGELLA LANE, TIZZNOT.

## GENERAL

**Race 3** - The explanation for the late declaration of rider for WHOSAID was accepted on this occasion.

## SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

## RACE COMMENTS

**Race 1** | **ENTAIN/NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES 1600m**

**KNICKERLESS** (C Dell) - Slow into stride. Lay inwards throughout the run home, having to be straightened on a number of occasions.

**Race 2** | **POPE & GRAY CONTRACTORS MAIDEN 2YO 1000m**

**PURE AZ** (H Grace) - Slow to begin.

**OUR SNIPER** (L Sutherland) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout. Briefly steadied near the 800 metres to avoid the heels of **WAR PRINCESS** (J Doyle), which shifted inwards at this point to lead. J Doyle was advised to exercise greater care and ensure he is fully clear when shifting ground.

**WAR PRINCESS** (J Doyle) - Shied at the winning post, shifting outwards abruptly.

**SHAMELESS STAR** (M McNab) - Raced greenly in the run home.

**BRUTIFUL LASS** (K Chowdhury) - Held up when denied a marginal run near the 250 metres, having to shift outwards to obtain clear racing room near the 200 metres.

Track upgraded to Good 4 following Race 2.

**Race 3** | **KURIPUNI SPORTS BAR AND TAB MAIDEN 2050m**

**LAZY** (B Rogerson) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection. Rider B Rogerson advised in her opinion the gelding was feeling the firm nature of today's track and would be better suited to tracks with more moisture. Gave ground in the run home after leading. A post-race veterinary inspection revealed no abnormalities.

**TOUCH O'PARADISE** (T Newman) - Raced three-wide without cover

**THRILLING** (M McNab) - Began awkwardly, losing ground. Held up rounding the final bend having difficulty obtaining clear racing room early in the run home and had to be steadied away from the heels of **TREAT YOURSELF** (K HercocK), which shifted outwards approaching the 300 metres.

**GOLDEN LINING** (C Grylls) - Began awkwardly, losing ground.

**ALMALANE** (C Dell) - Slow to begin. Improved onto the heels of the tiring **LAZY** passing the 400 metres, having to be steadied and was then held up until near the 250 metres.

**BEE HAVEN** (J Doyle) - Raced in restricted room near the 300 metres when runners either side shifted ground.

**VICKEZZMARGAUX** (H Grace) - Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the mare to be 1:5 lame in both front legs, with connections advising they would have the mare further examined on return to the home stable. Stewards will follow up with connections in coming days.

**K HercocK** (**TREAT YOURSELF**) - Issued with a warning when allowing her mount to shift outwards near the 300 metres crowding **THRILLING**, which had to be steadied away from heels.

**Race 4** | **CHATHAM ISLANDS JOCKEY CLUB MAIDEN 1000m**

**TWIST OF FAIT** (H Grace) - Slow to begin. Lost contact with the body of the field despite the efforts of the rider through the early stages.

**SLICK CHABLIS** (L Hemi) - Slow to begin.

**WILD THYME** (J Doyle) - Raced three-wide through the early and middle stages.

**KANSAS STORM** (C Grylls) - Had some difficulty obtaining clear running in the run home, having to shift ground outwards near the 250 metres.

**Race 5** | **HERBERT MORTON ACCOUNTANTS 1000m**

**GUM BASHER** (L Sutherland) - Taken back from a wide draw to obtain cover shortly after the start.

**VAVOOM** (K Chowdhooory) - Slow to begin.

**PLATINUM DESIGNS** (J Riddell) - Held up early in the run home and when taking a run to the inside of SWAZI was taken inwards, crowding the tiring SHEZAHAPPYONE near the 150 metres. Shifted outwards under pressure over the concluding stages and approaching the winning post made contact with FINEST HOUR. Lost the near-side back racing plate.

**FINEST HOUR** (M McNab) - Contacted approaching the winning post.

**SHEZAHAPPYONE** (K Hercock) - Crowded and had to steady near the 150 metres.

**SWAZI** (A Riddell) - Lay inwards near the 150 metres dictating PLATINUM DESIGNS which had improved into a marginal run, inwards, resulting in the tiring SHEZAHAPPYONE being crowded. A Riddell was advised to exercise greater care and ensure she keeps her mounts straight at all times.

**GET FUNKY** (C Dell) - Raced three-wide without cover.

<b>Race 6</b>	<b>CENTRAL ITM WAIRARAPA CUP 2050m</b>
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**TITLED** (R Elliot) - Began awkwardly.

**RICOCHE** (C Grylls) - Shifted outwards at the start, making contact with FINAL CHAPTER.

**FINAL CHAPTER** (C Dell) - Contacted at the start.

**SAILOR JACK** (A Riddell) - Raced three-wide without cover through the early to middle stages.

**DANJURO** (K Chowdhooory) - Lay outwards over the concluding stages, having to be straightened near the winning post.

**MANZOR BLUE** (K Hercock) - When questioned, rider was of the opinion the mare had not backed up from its previous run and was also looking for tracks with more moisture.

<b>Race 7</b>	<b>CLUBS NZ WAIRARAPA THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS STAKES (Listed Race) 1600m</b>
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**SUGAH SWEET** (R Elliot) - Slow to begin. Held up rounding the final bend. Rider reported that after being slow away, briefly held up rounding the final bend, the mare had battled on fairly over the concluding stages.

**RISCHIO** (L Hemi) - Began awkwardly, losing ground. Attempted to improve three-wide from the 1000 metres

**NIGELLA LANE** (M McNab) - Lay inwards throughout the run home, with the rider swapping his whip to the left hand.

**MANIFIQUE** (K Chowdhooory) - Had to change ground outwards near the 200 metres to obtain clear racing room.

**REPUTATION** (L Sutherland) - Lost a rear plate during the running.

**KHANSHE** (C Grylls) - Last a rear plate during the running.

<b>Race 8</b>	<b>NZB MEGA MAIDEN SERIES MAIDEN 1600m</b>
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The start of this race was approximately 10 minutes late due to the incident with QACENTINA charging the barriers, causing the inside three gates to open prematurely.

**QACENTINA** (J Riddell) - Fractious in its barrier and charged the gates with the inside three barriers opening prematurely. Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection and was declared a late scratching at 4.40pm on veterinary advice. Connections were advised QACENTINA must barrier trial prior to racing next.

**SLICE O'PARADISE** (T Newman) - Could not be restrained after the gates opened prematurely and completed a full circuit of the track. Declared a late scratching by order of the Stewards at 4.38pm.

**QUEEN YVAINE** (C Grylls) - Quickly restrained after the barriers opened prematurely and underwent a veterinary inspection and cleared to start.

**SONATA** (M McNab) - Shifted inwards at the start, crowding CAN DO.

**CAN DO** (J Doyle) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection after being kicked in the start area and was cleared to start. Crowded start, losing ground.

**LETS ALL BOOGIE** (K Hercock) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout.

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