



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS	
Club:	Taranaki RI at New Plymouth
Date:	Saturday, 18 July 2026
Weather:	Fine
Track:	Heavy 10
Rail:	True
Stewards:	N Goodwin (Chair), L Selvakumaran, K Coppins, J Laking
Vet:	J Hamilton DVM CVA CF, J Hart BVM&S

SUMMARY			
Suspensions:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race	1	K Chowdhoory MISSISSIPI GAMBLER Shifting ground 200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		2	A Strawbridge UNIQUE VALOR Shifting ground 800 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		4	A Strawbridge MEISAI Slowing the pace 800 metres [Rule 638(4)]
Protests:	Nil		
Request for Ruling:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Follow Up:	Race	8	ASTORIA BROOKE
Rider Changes:	Race	6	JACK IN THE BOX H Oh replaced S Brown (Unwell)
Late Scratchings:	Race	3	STEWART 11:59am Veterinary advice
		8	URENUI 11:45am Veterinary advice
Medical	Required from S Brown		
Certificates:			
Swabbing:	TIMEMAKESTHEWINE, BOKUSHI, SICARIUS, BELLA TIMING, CAME TRUE, HERDING CATS, DUBAI'S POTIKI, JUNGLE LOVE, PRIORESS, TURN THE ACE, AYTEEM		

GENERAL
NZTR Strangles documentation was sighted for all horses on arrival.
Rider S Brown advised Stewards on race morning she was unwell and would not be attending today's meeting, being replaced as per above Summary.

SUPPLEMENTARY
Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS	
Race 1	SEATON PARK 1800m

MISSISSIPI GAMBLER (S McNab) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Had difficulty obtaining clear running until shifting outwards near the 250 metres. Inconvenienced passing the 200 metres when TIMEMAKESTHEWINE shifted in abruptly.

DIVA KINGDOM (C Barnes) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from the outside barrier.

OUR DARCY (S Macnab) - Jumped outwards at the start making contact with HI YO FOX ROX. Held up rounding the final bend and in the early part of the home straight.

HI YO FOX ROX (H Hassman) - Contacted at the start becoming briefly unbalanced.

NO MORE PENNIES (C Dell) - Lay outwards rounding the final bend. Rider reported the gelding had hung throughout.

TIMEMAKESTHEWINE (K Chowdhooory) - Shifted inwards abruptly near the 200 metres. Lay outwards over the concluding stages.

LOCAL MISCHIEF (E Nicholas) - Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

K Chowdhooory (TIMEMAKESTHEWINE) - Issued with a warning for allowing his mount TIMEMAKESTHEWINE to shift inwards when not fully clear of MISSISSIPI GAMBLER which was inconvenienced near the 200 metres.

Race 2	KTEC ENGINEERING MDN 1100m
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CHILL FACTOR (L Satherley) - Crowded at the start losing ground.

BOKUSHI (C Grylls) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from the outside barrier. Improved onto heels near the 800 metres having to be steadied.

LACEY LUCK (F Moerman) - Raced keenly through the early stages. Steadied near the 800 metres when UNIQUE VALOR shifted inwards when not fully clear.

REDNECK ROMEO (J Riddell) - Raced keenly in the early stages. Raced wide without cover throughout.

BLONDMOON (L Allpress) - Lugged inwards throughout the home straight and was not able to be fully ridden out.

A Strawbridge (UNIQUE VALOR) - Issued with a warning for permitting her mount UNIQUE VALOR to shift inwards when not fully clear of LACEY LUCK which had to steady near the 800 metres

Race 3	SANDFORDS RURAL CARRIERS 1200m
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BRIGIT (T Davies) - Slow to begin (5L) becoming detached from the body of the field until near the 400 metres. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that the mare had been reluctant to hit out through the early stages and she had no excuse. T Davies reported that the mare pulled up in a satisfactory condition.

CREMANT (A Riddell) - Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

Race 4	COASTAL AGRISERVICES 1400m
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FLAGSHIP (A Riddell) - Began awkwardly losing ground and then ridden forward to recover. Steadied passing the 1000 metres and again near the 800 metres when the pace ahead eased. Held up rounding the final bend and in the early part of the home straight. AZIZAM (C Dell) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Steadied passing the 1000 metres when the pace ahead eased. DROMMY (S McNab) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Steadied passing the 1000 metres when the pace ahead eased. Crowded at the start losing ground. KIT ZAKAT (K Chowdhoory) - Crowded at the start losing ground. Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. MRS FLINTSTONE (E Nicholas) - Crowded shortly after the start becoming briefly unbalanced. HERDING CATS (H Hassman) - Raced wide without cover throughout. GO TRIGGER (J Riddell) - Raced three wide for the majority of the event. A Strawbridge (MEISAI) - Shown footage of her ride in the presence of the Riding Mentor and issued with a warning for slowing the pace nearing the 800 metres to a degree where FLAGSHIP (A Riddell) and AZIZAM (C Dell) had to steady. Stewards took into account the racing manners of FLAGSHIP when assessing the incident.	
Race 5	UNIVERSAL BEEF PACKERS 1600m
INDIAN GOLD (A Strawbridge) - Slow to begin. Made the bend near the 1200 metres awkwardly shifting wider on the track. DUBAI'S POTIKI (L Kauri) - Slow to begin. MALACHY (S McNab) - Slow to begin. PALMAROW (L Hemi) - Raced wide without cover throughout. MARRIAGE VOWS (K Myers) - Raced three wide without cover throughout. DON'S LEGACY (H Hassman) - Improved onto heels having to be steadied near the 800 metres.	
Race 6	TARANAKI BUILDING LTD 1600m
SCARLET TEMPLE (A Strawbridge) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early stages making the bend near the 1200 metres awkwardly. BALLROOM BLITZ (J Chung) - Slow to begin. JACK IN THE BOX (H Oh) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.	
Race 7	AGFIRST ENGINEERING OPUNAKE CUP (L) 1400m
KAIMAI QUEEN (E Nicholas) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection at the barriers and was cleared to race.	

JOSHUA BROWN (L Satherley) - Slow to begin and then reluctant to hit out through the early stages. When questioned regarding performance, rider confirmed that the gelding was reluctant to hit out through the early and middle stages and only started to come into the race inside the final 100 metres. L Satherley was of the opinion the gelding is better suited to more rain affected footing and would appreciate a longer distance. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

BENEFACITOR (K Chowdhooory) - Slow to begin.

BELARDO BOY (J Riddell) - Slow to begin.

PLATINUM DIAMOND (J Doyle) - Slow to begin.

TAVIS COURT (J Chung) - Raced keenly through the early stages with the saddle shifting forward near the 1000 metres placing the rider at a disadvantage. Became awkwardly placed near the heels of MR MOJO RISIN' having to be steadied near the 800 metres.

CHAJABA (C Dell) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

Race 8	SINCLAIR ELECTRICAL & REFRIGERATION HCP 1800m
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IDENTIKIT (L Hemi) - Slow to begin.

ROSETOWN PRINCESS (A Strawbridge) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

WHEELITIN (J Chung) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

ASTORIA BROOKE (C Grylls) - Finished some distance last and was not persevered with in the home straight, with the rider of the opinion there may be something amiss with the mare. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormality. Stewards will follow up with connections in coming days.

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