



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Waikato Thoroughbred Racing at Cambridge Synthetic
Date: Friday, 7 August 2026
Weather: Fine
Track: Synthetic
Rail: True
Stewards: A Dooley (Chair), B Jones, J Laking, C Lomey
Vet: K Huxford BVSc, A Hawker BVSc

SUMMARY

Suspensions:	Race	3	E Jones LEVELS UP Careless riding 125 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 16/8 - 23/8, 5 days
Fines:	Race	7	G & D Rogerson & C Isdale NOVAK Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$50
Warnings:	Race	7	F Moerman VICTORTHEINFLICTOR Whip use, out of contention [Rule 638(3)(f)(iii)]
		7	T Wigram ALTIPLANO Whip use, out of contention [Rule 638(3)(f)(iii)]
Protests:	Nil		
Request for Ruling:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race	4	SEAMSEW Veterinary clearance required
		7	JUST A KARIN Warning, racing performance (uncompetitive) Veterinary clearance required
Follow Up:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Race	4	SEAMSEW At 2.38 pm on veterinary advice (at the start)
Medical	Received from B Queiroz		
Certificates:			
Swabbing:	ALEZANDO, SUBIACO, LEVELS UP, BARNUM, PINK GIN, DID THE TRICK, ARKADUS, EL SPEEDY MAN, SUBTLE IMAGE		

GENERAL

Nothing to report

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1	TCL EARTHWORKS MAIDEN 1550
SUPERSTAR PATCH (R Goyaram) – Began awkwardly losing ground. FRENCH FOX (T Wigram) – Slow to begin. Had to be steadied off heels when racing keenly near the 700 metres. COMPULSION (L Satherley) - Raced keenly in the lead through the early and middle stages. When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that the gelding was unsuited to the synthetic surface and may appreciate racing on a right-handed track.	
Race 2	EQUINE MUSCLE THERAPY (PETE NEAL) 1550
SUBIACO (S Collett) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Raced wide throughout. CLASSIC GRACE (K Wilson-Taylor) - Slow to begin. MADAME KLEPTOMANE (H Hassman) - Raced three wide without cover throughout. BERRY BROWN (J Doyle) - Commenced to give ground from the 400 metres then had to be steadied off the heels of CLASSIC GRACE when racing in restricted room rounding the final bend. Not persevered with in the final straight when well beaten. When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that the mare had failed to respond once placed under pressure. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities. Trainer A Forsman indicated the mare would not be persevered with as a racing proposition from his stable.	
Race 3	PHELAN RACING MAIDEN 1300
SHEBEBON (M Cartwright) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier. HEBRIDEAN WAY (M McNab) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Dictated inwards near the 125 metres. MIVIRGO (A Strawbridge) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Attempted to improve into a marginal run entering the final straight before having to be steadied when runners either side shifted ground. FREYA (J Nishizuka) - Raced three wide without cover throughout. When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that the mare felt indifferent in its action. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities. LEVELS UP (E Jones) – Raced keenly through the middle stages. IN THE VINEYARD (J Doyle) – Held up rounding the final bend. Checked near the 125 metres. BARNUM (K Wilson-Taylor) - Dictated inwards near the 125 metres. HEAVY IS THE CROWN (L Satherley) - Hampered near the 125 metres. E Jones (LEVELS UP) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted his mount to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of HEBRIDEAN WAY and BARNUM which was dictated into the line of IN THE VINEYARD which was checked near the 125 metres. Also hampered as a result was HEAVY IS THE CROWN. After considering submissions the Adjudicator imposed a suspension of E Jones' licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 15 August up to and including racing on Sunday 23 August, 5 national riding days.	

Race 4	NZB FOAL INSURANCE 970
SEAMSEW (S Collett) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary examination being late scratched at 2.38 pm after being lame in the right front leg. Connections were advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to racing next. PINK GIN (M Hashizume) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages. FAT ALBERT (J Taplin) - Shifted outwards shortly after the start brushing with VITTORIO VENETO. Shifted outwards again making contact with VITTORIO VENETO near the 500 metres. VITTORIO VENETO (T Wigram) - Brushed shortly after the start by FAT ALBERT. Contacted near the 500 metres when racing between FAT ALBERT (J Taplin) which shifted outwards, and PERFECT DIVIDENDS (A Strawbridge) which was laying inwards. J Taplin & A Strawbridge were advised to exercise greater care in similar circumstances. PERFECT DIVIDENDS (A Strawbridge) – Raced wide without cover throughout. Lay inwards near the 500 metres. When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that the gelding was unsuited by the drop back in distance today and was unable to muster sufficient speed to lead.	
Race 5	SADDLERY WAREHOUSE 2000
ARKADUS (A Strawbridge) - Slow to begin. DID THE TRICK (B Queiroz) - Raced wide in the early stages before improving forward to settle outside the leader near the 1100 metres. ERASE (H Hassman) - Raced keenly through the early and middle stages. When questioned regarding the performance rider confirmed that the gelding raced keenly through the early and middle stages which proved detrimental to its chances of finishing the race off. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed no abnormalities.	
Race 6	CAPTAIN COMPOST LANDSCAPE SUPPLIES 2000
DANCIN IN THE DARK (M McNab) – Knuckled on jumping away. ALLTHEKINGSHORSES (J Taplin) – Raced keenly in the early stages with the saddle shifting forward when being restrained near the 1700 metres, placing its rider at a disadvantage for the remainder of the race. JACK IN THE BOX (T Wigram) – Raced keenly through the early and middle stages on a slow tempo. PINE LEAF (J Doyle) - Raced keenly through the early and middle stages on a slow tempo. Shifted outwards when placed under pressure approaching the 100 metres inconveniencing EL SPEEDY MAN. EL SPEEDY MAN (S Collett) - Raced keenly through the early and middle stages on a slow tempo. Inconvenienced approaching the 100 metres.	
Race 7	TAB POLYTRACK CHAMPIONSHIP 2000
JUST A KARIN (C Barnes) - Crowded shortly after the start having to be steadied. Lost contact with the body of the field from near the 600 metres. Not persevered with in the final straight when well beaten. When questioned regarding the performance rider could offer no explanation. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination	

which revealed no abnormalities with a dynamic scope being recommended prior to racing next. Connections were advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to racing next. In addition, connections were advised a warning would be placed against the mare's racing performance after being uncompetitive. Trainer advised the mare will now be spelled.

SUBTLE IMAGE (T Davies) - Slow to begin.

PEGASUS (K Wilson-Taylor) – Began awkwardly.

VICTORTHEINFLICTOR (F Moerman) – Raced wide throughout.

ALTIPLANO (T Wigram) - Raced three wide without cover throughout.

MULAN ARDECHE (B Queiroz) – Held up rounding the final bend and early in the straight.

LOVE JANIE (J Riddell) – Had difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 100 metres.

PRISCA (H Hassman) - When questioned regarding the performance rider advised that she was satisfied with the mare's effort when considering the run she had received in transit.

SPANISH LAD (M Hashizume) - Underwent a post-race veterinary and endoscopic examination which found the gelding to have minor lacerations inside both nostrils.

F Moerman (VICTORTHEINFLICTOR) - Assisted by N Harris, issued with a warning for using her whip on a runner when out of contention of finishing in the first five placings.

T Wigram (ALTIPLANO) - Assisted by N Harris, issued with a warning for using his whip on a runner when out of contention of finishing in the first five placings.

G & D Rogerson & C Isdale (NOVAK) - Defended a charge in that a rider for NOVAK was not declared by the required time. After considering submissions the Adjudicator found the charge proven and imposed a fine of \$50.

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