



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club:	Hawke's Bay Racing Inc
Date:	Saturday, 26 September 2026
Weather:	Fine
Track:	Soft 5
Rail:	True
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chair), B Jones, L Selvakumaran, K Jillings, R Greig
Vet:	MH Yule BVSc, TA Walker BVSc

SUMMARY

Suspensions:	Race	3	J Nishizuka TIAGO Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] Suspended 10/10 - 23/10, 9 days
		9	E Leighton LIVE ON AIR Careless riding 300 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 12/10-23/10, 7 days
Fines:	Race	9	E Leighton LIVE ON AIR Arm above shoulder height [Rule 638(3)(f)(ii)] \$350
Warnings:	Race	3	L Kauri GO THEA Shifting ground 300 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
		8	M McNab FIRST FIVE Shifting ground 800 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Protests:	Race	9	LOS SANTOS 3 rd v LIVE ON AIR 2 nd Dismissed
Request for Ruling:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race	5	ADIRA'S WAY Warning – uncompetitive
Follow Up:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Nil		
Medical			
Certificates:	Nil		
Swabbing:	PACIFIC PRINCESS, WAR PRINCESS, THE SCUNNER, LEROY BROWN, FIRST UP, CHEERIO, GREENWICH, HAWEA, LIGURIA, OLD FASHIONED, ASTURIA, MONOLOGUE, WAITAK, TUXEDO, SHE'S A DEALER, CHICAGO JACK. Pre-race TC02 blood testing was conducted at today's race meeting.		

GENERAL

Nothing to report.

SUPPLEMENTARY

Hawke's Bay Racing Inc @ Hastings, Saturday 12 September 2026
Race 4 BETTA INSPECT IT NZ PUNTER OF THE YEAR 1400m

SUPER WRAITH (M McNab) – Trainer Mr. R Manning reported to Stewards, he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding, however, SUPER WRAITH has now been sent for a spell.

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1 COLLIERS HAWKE'S BAY STAYERS 2100m

JOAN'S JOKER (C Grylls) - Slow to begin.

MY ALIBI (L Kauri) - Slow to begin.

POETIC JUSTICE (E Nicholas) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from the outside barrier.

ABEECEE (F Moerman) - Raced keenly when being restrained through the early stages.

TUKITUKI (J Doyle) - Raced keenly through the early stages improving onto the heels of ABEECEE having to be steadied near the 1800 metres then continued to race ungenerously getting its head up on a number of occasions.

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

Race 2 HERETAUNGA HASTINGS PREMIER HANDICAP 1300m

THE SCUNNER (F Moerman) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

HASSTOBEAWINNER (A Simon) - Slow to begin.

LEROY BROWN (J Nishizuka) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Over-raced through the early and middle stages, getting its head up on a number of occasions. Improved onto heels near the 800 metres having to be steadied. Held up near the 250 metres being steadied to shift outwards across heels.

LITTLE BIT OF LOVE (M Hashizume) - Knuckled at the start. Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

BIG WAVE (C Barnes) - When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that after travelling well the gelding had been unable to finish the race off when placed under pressure and was unable to offer any excuse other than being second-up today.

Race 3 VET SERVICES EAST COAST CHALLENGE WILDCARD 1300m

CRIMSON SKY (J Doyle) - Slow to begin. Held up rounding the final turn and had difficulty obtaining clear running in the straight.

TIAGO (J Nishizuka) Over-raced approaching the 800 metres.

BLONDMOON (C Berge) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout.

MIESHA (T Davies) - Hampered when GO THEA (L Kauri) was looking to obtain clear running near the 300 metres.

GO THEA (L Kauri) - Held up early in the straight and did not obtain clear running until near the 100 metres.

TICK TOCK TESSA (G Rooke) - Rider dropped his whip near the 250 metres.

J Nishizuka (TIAGO) - Admitted a charge in that he struck his mount TIAGO on nine occasions prior to the 100-metre mark. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Friday, 9 October, until the conclusion of racing on Friday, 23 October, 9 national riding days.

L Kauri (GO THEA) - Issued with a warning after angling his mount outwards near the 300 metres when not sufficiently clear hampering MIESHA.

Race 4	REMEMBERING MARK LISSINGTON SPRINT 1200m
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CHEERIO (G Rooke) - Jumped away awkwardly making contact with SAY I DO.

AKSIL (M McNab) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier. Held up in the straight until near the 100 metres.

CHART THE STARS (K Chowdhoo) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

MAROTIRI MARSTA (S Macnab) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early and middle stages. Held up rounding the final turn.

SAY I DO (K Myers) - Contacted leaving the barriers. Raced wide without cover throughout.

GREENWICH (C Barnes) - Got its head up when making the bend passing the 800 metres awkwardly.

ERIN GO BRAGH (M Cartwright) - Briefly steadied to avoid the heels of CHEERIO (G Rooke) which shifted inwards when not fully clear passing the 800 metres. G Rooke was advised to exercise care.

ONE MORE DANCE (E Nicholas) - Raced three-wide without cover. Briefly steadied to avoid the heels of SUMOSAURUS near the 50 metres.

GIN AND BARE IT (M Hashizume) - Held up over the final 200 metres.

Race 5	HBPB THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS GOLD TRAIL STAKES (G3) 1200m
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LIGURIA (W Kennedy) - Slow to begin. Improved onto heels having to be steadied passing the 1000 metres. Held up until near the 200 metres.

ADIRA'S WAY (J Chung) - Jumped away awkwardly then being restrained to obtain cover from the outside barrier. Lost both front plates during the running. Became tailed off prior to the final turn finishing a distant last. Trainer C Johnson was advised a warning would be placed against the filly for its lack of competitiveness.

PERFECT CHAOS (G Rooke) - Blundered at the start.

STARTLES (K Myers) - Blundered at the start.

DASHING DIXIE (J Doyle) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

PINAFORE (M Hashizume) - Held up early in the straight before shifting outwards into a tight run near the 300 metres making contact with ACTIONBELLE, which in turn made contact with DASHING DIXIE.

ACTIONBELLE (M Cartwright) - Contacted near the 300 metres.

DASHING DIXIE (J Doyle) - Contacted near the 300 metres.

POUNCE (C Grylls) - Held up until near the 150 metres.

HAWEA (W Pinn) - Raced three-wide without cover.

Race 6	THE FOXES @ NOVARA PARK HAWKE'S BAY GUINEAS (G2) 1400m
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EXCITE (G Rooke) - Began awkwardly then being further hampered when crowded losing ground.

RAYMOND (M Cartwright) - Severely hampered leaving the barriers.

FORTUNATO (C Grylls) - Slow to begin. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised the gelding had raced greenly.

ASTURIA (M McNab) - Jumped away awkwardly then being unbalanced when contacted shortly after the start.

GENIE (W Kennedy) - Began awkwardly shifting inwards abruptly severely hampering SINGLETARY, RAYMOND and EXCITE, with ASTURIA also being hampered.

SINGLETARY (L Allpress) - Severely hampered leaving the barriers.

HONORABLE (J Doyle) - Blundered leaving the barriers. When weakening was steadied away from heels passing the 200 metres.

OLD FASHIONED (K Myers) - Held up early in the straight before obtaining clear running passing the 250 metres.

ANGELS HALO (M Hashizume) - Raced in restricted room between TEXAS COWBOY and PLATINUM LA DANSE near the 100 metres.

Race 7	THE PAVILION SPORTS BAR OPEN HANDICAP 2000m
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NOTABADSPILLANE (E Nicholas) - Slow to begin. Raced three-wide without cover from the 1200 metres.

DUBAI'S POTIKI (C Dell) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

HE'S A DOOZY (S McNab) - Blundered at the start.

MCKHAN (L Kauri) - Over-raced through the early stages when being restrained.

EXIT LEFT (G Rooke) - Raced three-wide without cover until improving to race outside the leader near the 1300 metres.

JUST CHARLIE (S Macnab) - Raced keenly through the early stages.

E Nicholas (NOTABADSPILLANE) - Spoken to regarding her whip action in the final straight.

Race 8	HOWDEN INSURANCE MILE (G1) 1600m
CROCETTI (W Kennedy) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from the outside barrier. STERLING EXPRESS (M Hashizume) - Began awkwardly losing ground. ATMOSPHERIC (W Pinn) - Slow to begin then raced in restricted room for a distance. Held up rounding the final turn until shifting outwards to obtain clear running near the 200 metres. SPECIAL SAKURA (C Dell) - Slow to begin. Steadied to avoid the heels of FIRST FIVE near the 800 metres and shifted inwards crowding MEDIA WORLD, which then shifted outwards away from the running rail resulting in SPECIAL SAKURA being forced outwards across the heels of FIRST FIVE. EL VENCEDOR (M Cartwright) - Raced wide when improving to lead rounding the first turn. FIRST FIVE (M McNab) - Raced three-wide without cover until near the 900 metres. TUXEDO (O Bosson) - Over-raced in the early and middle stages. MEDIA WORLD (J Doyle) - Crowded near the 800 metres. M McNab (FIRST FIVE) - Issued with a warning after permitting his mount to shift inwards near the 800 metres when not fully clear of SPECIAL SAKURA.	
Race 9	NZB READY TO RUN TRAINERS SERIES 1400m
MERCY (F Moerman) - After jumping from the outside barrier was restrained to obtain cover shortly after the start. YOUNG JACKSON (A Simon) - Raced four-wide without cover. LOS SANTOS (C Grylls) - Raced three-wide without cover. Hampered when contacted for a distance near the 300 metres, inconvenienced over the final stages. LIVE ON AIR (E Leighton) - Shifted outwards under pressure early in the straight making contact with LOS SANTOS for a distance near the 300 metres becoming unbalanced. Shifted outwards under pressure over the final stages. BRADLEY (M Cameron) - Held up passing the 300 metres. Following the running of the race the trainer of the third placed horse LOS SANTOS, Mr P McKay, lodged a protest with the Adjudicative Committee alleging interference in the final straight by the second placed horse LIVE ON AIR. After viewing all available films and considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee dismissed the protest with the placings standing: 1st CHICAGO JACK, 2nd LIVE ON AIR, 3rd LOS SANTOS, 4th STARCLAN. E Leighton (LIVE ON AIR) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that she permitted her mount to shift outwards making firm contact and interfering with LOS SANTOS for a distance near the 300 metres. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of her licence to ride in races from	

the conclusion of racing on Sunday, 11 October, until the conclusion of racing on Friday, 23 October, 7 national riding days.

E Leighton (LIVE ON AIR) - Admitted a charge in that she used her whip with an action which raised the rider's arm above shoulder height. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a fine of \$350.

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