



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club:	Hawkes Bay Racing Inc @ Hastings Racecourse
Date:	Saturday, 10 October 2026
Weather:	Overcast becoming fine
Track:	Soft 6, Downgraded to Soft 7 retrospective to Race 1
Rail:	Out 2 metres
Stewards:	J Oatham (Chair), B Jones, N Goodwin, K Jillings, K Coppins
Vet:	M Fitzgerald BVSc, J Atkins BVSc

SUMMARY

Suspensions:	Race	10	A Simon PROMETHEUS Careless riding 400 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 15/10-21/10, 4 days
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Race	9	G Rooke SHE'S A DEALER Shifting ground 150 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Protests:	Nil		
Request for Ruling:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race	5	PERFORMER Veterinary clearance required
Follow Up:	Race	5	PERFORMER
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Race	10	THE PROPHET @ 4.35pm - track downgrade
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Swabbing:	ZANARDI, POETIC JUSTICE, MONROE, MERCY, NAVY DREAMS, INDIAN FALLS, SO FEAR, ZORERO, HIDDEN ACHIEVEMENT, WAR PRINCESS, AFFIRMATIVE ACTION, WAITAK, TUXEDO, WHO KNOWS, COULTHARD. Pre-race TCO2 blood testing was carried out at today's meeting		

GENERAL

Nothing to report

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1	BUZZ ELECTRICS 2YO 800m
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BORDEAUX FIRE (M Hashizume) - Slow to begin. Steadied when placed in restricted room passing the 150 metres.

ZANARDI (M McNab) - Slow to begin.

RIVER LIFFEY (J Doyle) - Steadied away from the heels of CAPTIVE AUDIENCE near the 600 metres.

DON GIUSEPPE (C Grylls) - Contacted when CAPTIVE AUDIENCE shifted outwards near the 150 metres.

CAPTIVE AUDIENCE (G Rooke) - Made contact with DON GIUSEPPE near the 150 metres.

AQUILA VELOCE (S Collett) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout.

Track downgraded to Soft 7 retrospective to Race 1.

Race 2	DB BREWERIES 2200m
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ELIUD (S McNab) - Slow to begin.

POETIC JUSTICE (E Nicholas) - Slow to begin.

BASILTHEGREEK (M Hudson) - Slow to begin.

SEDUIRE (J Doyle) - Steadied away from heels rounding the first turn approaching the 1600 metres.

ABEECEE (F Moerman) - Held up approaching the 400 metres. Returned to the enclosure with blood present in its mouth. A post-race veterinary examination revealed a minor laceration to the lower lip.

Race 3	THE PAVILION SPORTS BAR STAYERS 2000m
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STELLA SUCCESS (L Sutherland) - Slow to begin.

DANCE FOR HER (S Collett) - Slow to begin.

BILLY BLINX (W Pinn) - Began awkwardly. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that the gelding had hung throughout. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

PACIFIC PRINCESS (K Chowdhooory) - Restrained to obtain cover in the early stages.

SUBIACO (J Doyle) - Lay outwards rounding the final turn and continued to do so under pressure in the straight.

TULSA KING (M Cartwright) - Made contact with IDENTIKIT when attempting to obtain clear running near the 250 metres. Shifted ground inwards across heels near the 100 metres.

IDENTIKIT (C Grylls) - Contacted near the 250 metres.

Race 4	HERETAUNGA HASTINGS MILE 1600m
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MERCY (L Sutherland) - Slow to begin.

SPEEDIE O'REILLY (C Dell) - Slow to begin. Had to be firmly restrained when improving onto heels near the 600 metres.

ERASE (S Collett) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground.

MARANELLO (K Wilson-Taylor) - Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the straight.

STARCLAN (S McNab) - Lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

JACOBITE RISING (J Riddell) - When questioned regarding performance, rider advised the gelding had not felt comfortable in today's track conditions.

OCEAN RULES (C Barnes) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout.

Race 5	VET SERVICES EAST COAST CHALLENGE FINAL 1400m
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SCRITTORE (G Rooke) - Slow to begin. Held up near the 250 metres and was unable to obtain clear running for the remainder of the race.

HIGH ROCK (K Myers) - Began awkwardly shifting inwards making contact with IFBYMAGIC. Held up until inside the final 100 metres.

IFBYMAGIC (J Doyle) - Contacted at the start. Raced three-wide without cover.

INDIAN FALLS (L Satherley) - Slow to begin. Unable to obtain clear running throughout the straight.

PERFORMER (C Grylls) - Raced four-wide without cover. Rider reported that the gelding had felt sore on pulling up. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have a suspected fracture to the left-fore cannon with PERFORMER being treated prior to being transported to a Cambridge veterinary clinic to undergo surgery. Stewards will follow up with connections and a veterinary clearance will be required prior to PERFORMER racing again.

TONI MARIE (K Wilson-Taylor) - Held up behind the weakening TIAGO near the 200 metres.

BUNKER HILL (S McNab) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running until near the 100 metres.

FIRST UP (C Barnes) – Required post-race veterinary treatment for a gastrointestinal issue.

Race 6	THOMSON'S SUITS 3YO 1400m
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VINTAGE ROSE (C Grylls) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Steadied just short of the finish when placed in restricted room to the inside of SHIRASE which lay inwards.

FORTUNATO (K Myers) - Slow to begin.

TIP TOP (M Cartwright) - Began awkwardly.

CONISTON (J Doyle) - Inclined to lay inwards early in the straight, simultaneously as STROMLINIEN was dictated outwards by FORTUNATO, resulting in CONISTON having to be steadied. CONISTON was then inclined to lay inwards for the remainder of the race and was unable to be fully ridden out. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that after jumping from a wide barrier he had got further back than intended after having to restrain to obtain cover, adding that the colt had then over-raced, which had been detrimental to its chances.

STROMLINIEN (W Pinn) - Inconvenienced and dictated outwards early in the straight. Prior to the authorisation of dividends, rider W Pinn viewed Stewards' film footage regarding possible interference to his mount in the straight before electing not to proceed.	
Race 7	DAN D'ESPOSITO MEMORIAL 1200m
HIDDEN ACHIEVEMENT (M Cartwright) - Jumped away awkwardly losing ground. CARLOW (L Sutherland) - Slow to begin. GRINZINGER MOON (G Rooke) - Rider reported that the mare had not felt entirely comfortable in today's track conditions, but nevertheless he had been disappointed in the manner in which it had finished the race off over the concluding stages. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any obvious abnormality.	
Race 8	TIMBERSPAN SPRING SPRINT OPEN HANDICAP (G3) 1400m
TAJANA (M McNab) - Slow to begin. Held up rounding the final turn then being hampered when CHECKMATE shifted inwards early in the straight. TAJANA was then further held up until near the 250 metres. WAR PRINCESS (C Grylls) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout. KHANSHE (M Cameron) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground. Pplaced in restricted room near the 350 metres before steadying and shifting outwards across heels near the 300 metres. CHECKMATE (W Kennedy) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground. OLD BILL BONE (S Collett) - Raced wide throughout. AMAZING SON (W Pinn) - Had to be steadied away from the heels of the weakening LEROY BROWN near the 400 metres going back onto CHECKMATE. Dislodged rider when returning to the birdcage escaping riderless before being recaptured. W Pinn was uninjured. AMAZING SON underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a small laceration in the left nostril but otherwise no significant abnormality. CHECKMATE (W Kennedy) - Shifted inwards when being steadied to avoid the heels of AMAZING SON near the 400 metres hampering TAJANA and KHANSHE which was placed in restricted room near the 350 metres, with CHECKMATE then being held up for a distance. TARDELLI (K Wilson-Taylor) - Lay inwards under pressure in the straight. THE SCUNNER (K Myers) - Lay inwards early in the straight.	
Race 9	LIVAMOL CLASSIC (G1) 2040m
THE ODYSSEY (J Riddell) - Jumped away awkwardly. Hampered near the 700 metres having to avoid the heels of PSYCLONE. TUXEDO (O Bosson) - Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. ATMOSPHERIC (W Pinn) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout. SHE'S A DEALER (G Rooke) - Checked when crowded near the 700 metres. After interviewing riders involved and viewing all available film footage Stewards concluded that HE'S A DOOZY, which was racing tight to the	

outside of SHE'S A DEALER, had shifted away from that runner slightly making contact with the hind quarters of ATMOSPHERIC resulting in ATMOSPHERIC (W Pinn) laying inwards crowding HE'S A DOOZY onto SHE'S A DEALER. Stewards were satisfied the incident was beyond the control of W Pinn. Hampered as a result was PSYCLONE which had to be firmly restrained to avoid the heels of SHE'S A DEALER.

PSYCLONE (K Chowdhoo) - Hampered having to be firmly restrained to avoid heels near the 700 metres. Had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the straight.

HE'S A DOOZY (K Myers) - Crowded near the 700 metres.

LUPO SOLITARIO (M McNab) - Had to be steadied to avoid the heels of SHE'S A DEALER which shifted outwards near the 150 metres.

SHAKING STEVENS (M Cameron) - Required post-race veterinary attention and was found to be suffering from a mild bout of colic being treated accordingly.

G Rooke (SHE'S A DEALER) - Issued with a warning after angling his mount outwards near the 150 metres when not fully clear of LUPO SOLITARIO which had to be steadied.

Race 10	COLLIERS HAWKE'S BAY PREMIER MILE 1600m
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GUZZLER (K Myers) - Slow to begin then crowded shortly after losing ground.

ATAVUS (F Moerman) - Restrained in the early stages to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

SURROUND SOUND (M Hashizume) - Raced ungenerously for a distance when being steadied passing the 1200 metres. Checked to avoid the heels of PROMETHEUS near the 400 metres.

GETAWAY (G Rooke) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout. Underwent a post-race endoscopic examination with no findings of significance.

A Simon (PROMETHEUS) – Spoken to in the presence of his employer R Wellwood regarding aspects of his ride, firstly when allowing his mount to dispute the pace through the early and middle stages, and secondly in allowing his mount to shift wider on the track rounding the bend from the 800 metres and covering extra ground before angling back inwards approaching the 400 metres. A Simon was advised that he would be expected to show better judgement in his riding in future.

A Simon (PROMETHEUS) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted PROMETHEUS to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of SURROUND SOUND which was checked near the 400 metres. After hearing submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Wednesday, 14 October, until the conclusion of racing on Wednesday, 21 October, 4 national riding days.

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