

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: NZ Metropolitan Trotting Club Inc at Addington Raceway	Date: Friday, 26 September 2014
Weather: Fine	
Track: Fast	
Rail: Not applicable	
Stewards: N Ydgren (Chairman), S Wallis, R Neal	
Typist: L O'Connell	

General:

Pre race blood testing was conducted on selected runners.

Supplementary:

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	ALTA RONALDO, CODY SINGER, LOTHARIO, KINCASLOUGH, BIT OF A LEGEND, TERROR TO LOVE, PETITE ROYAL, RETURN TO SENDER
Protests:	Nil
Suspensions:	Nil
Fines:	Race 2 P Bagrie (MONUMENTAL) [Rule 452(2)] Incorrect colours. Fined \$25.00.
	Race 4 S Ottley (FLORIN) [Rule 869(6)(b)(c)] Pushing out prior to the 1000 metres. Fined \$200.00.
	Race 9 G Lamb (SHANTAHLIA KNIGHT) [Rule 864(2)(b)] Presented horse to race in poor condition shoes. Fined \$100.00.
Warnings:	Race 9 C DeFilippi (MCARDLE ROYALE) [Rule 857(7)(g)] Maintain mobile barrier position.
	Race 9 C McDowell (WEEDON'S EXPRESS) [Rule 857(7)(g)] Maintain mobile barrier position.
	Race 10 J Dunn (RETURN TO SENDER) [Rule 869(4)] Maintain straight course run home.
Bleeders:	Nil
Horse Actions:	Race 2 CODY SINGER - Warned Stands
	Race 2 NUI TOC TIEN - Warned Stands
	Race 3 NEVER FEAR - Warned Mobiles
	Race 8 NATURAL - Unruly Stands Trainers Request
	Race 9 RAPHOE - Cleared from Unruly Mobiles Trainers Request
Medical Certificates:	Nil
Driver Changes:	Nil
Late Scratchings:	Nil
Scratching Penalties:	<u>Exceptional Circumstances:</u> SPEEDY EARL, TROUBLE ADO, XMAS JOY BELLE

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	PINELEA FARM MOBILE PACE
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Racing into the first bend **EXPRESSO MARTINI** raced roughly and hung outwards when being restrained. Soon after this **EXPRESSO MARTINI** brushed pylons when racing in restricted room to the inside of **THE JAZZ MAN**. **EXPRESSO MARTINI** raced keenly between the 1500 metres and the 1200 metres. **ALTA RONALDO** raced greenly when being taken forwards to the lead near the 1200 metres. **THE JAZZ MAN** weakened passing the 500 metres which inconvenienced the trailing **EXPRESSO MARTINI**. When questioned with regards to the performance of **THE JAZZ MAN**, driver A Butt explained the colt had been unsuited to working hard through the early stages to take up a more prominent position close to the pylons. The nearside sliding blind failed to activate on **MIDNIGHT PROWLER**.

Race 2 | **CHRISTIAN CULLEN STANDING AT NEVELE R STUD PACE**

The connections of **MONUMENTAL** were issued with a \$25 colour fee. There was a delay to the start when **NUI TOC TIEN** and **CODY SINGER** had difficulty addressing the barriers. Stewards placed warnings on the standing start record of both runners. **STYX MONKEY** was fractious behind the tapes with the connections advising they would be adding removable deafeners to the horse's gear. **GIVE ME THE NIGHT** was a length out of position at the start. **MONUMENTAL**, **JIMMY HOFFA** and **KASHIN** began awkwardly. **CODY SINGER** and **FOUR STARZZZ SHIRAZ** broke in the early stages and lost ground. **SO YOU THINK** broke after 100 metres, however recovered quickly. **GIVE ME THE NIGHT** was retired from the race at the 700 metres when the tyre came free of the wheel rim. When questioned regarding this driver C Bourke explained the gelding had contacted the wheel himself and they would be making adjustments to the sulky set-up. **KASHIN** paced roughly rounding the final turn and broke about the 150 metres failing to settle. The gelding was sent to be examined by the vet which revealed no abnormalities. The connections advised that it was their intention to shorten the hopple length prior to its next start. **CODY SINGER** was inclined to hang throughout and made the final turn awkwardly and then paced roughly shifting wider on the track. **STYX MONKEY** hung inwards and raced roughly rounding the final bend. **RAINY RIVER** had some difficulty obtaining clear racing room early in the stages of the run home. The connections of **CODY SINGER** advised the gelding would now be sent for a spell.

Race 3 | **ALABAR MOBILE TROT**

A false start was declared when **NEVER FEAR** broke inconveniencing **THE SILVER FOX**. P O'Reilly as the driver of **NEVER FEAR** elected to start from the unruly position for the restart. A warning was placed on the mare's barrier record. Trainer/driver P O'Reilly advised Stewards he will restrict the mare's racing to standing start events. **MONTY PYTHON** broke at the start and was restrained by S Golding. **ZACHARY BINX** hung in and ran over several track markers before breaking near the 1700 metres. When questioned regarding this, driver A Tomlinson advised the gelding had hung despite making gear changes during the week. Stewards noted the comments of Ms Tomlinson however advised her that a better effort to avoid track markers was required in future. Ms Tomlinson reported the gelding would now be sent for a spell. Racing past the 1500 metres **LOTHARIO** hung inwards and became awkwardly positioned close to the sulky of **GIN RUMMY**. **HOT PANTS** which improved three wide from the 900 metres was held up on the final bend and had to shift very wide on the final bend to improve. **MONTY PYTHON** and **OTTAWA** had some difficulty obtaining clear racing room through the early stages of the run home. **DONSMEDAD** broke racing past the 350 metres. Racing past the 50 metres **OTTAWA** raced greenly and shifted inwards.

Race 4 | **HIGHVIEW TOMMY AT WOODLANDS STUD HANDICAP PACE**

SUPREME GEM began awkwardly. When improving forwards near the 1050 metres **CLASSIESISTAR** was shifted to a three wide position when **FLORIN** improved outwards, as a result the momentum and progress of **CLASSIESISTAR** were impeded. Stewards questioned N McGrath (**CLASSIESISTAR**) and S Ottley (**FLORIN**) regarding this incident. After considering their explanations and reviewing the films, Stewards issued Ms Ottley a charge under Rule 869(6)(b)(c) alleging that prior to the 1000 metres she had caused the improving **CLASSIESISTAR** to be taken wider on the track. Ms Ottley admitted the breach

and the JCA imposed a fine of \$200.

Race 5 CANTERBURY STANDARD BRED BREEDERS FILLIES & MARES MOBILE PACE

IREBY BETTY raced keenly through the middle stages.

Race 6 CANTERBURY TROTTING OWNERS ASSOCIATION HANDICAP TROT

WATERLOO SUNSET paced at the start and was returned to a trot in the early stages.

WATERLOO SUNSET again paced entering the first bend and had to be broken up by driver B Butt causing the horse to lose considerable ground.

Racing towards the 2100 metres **WATERLOO SUNSET** paced again for several strides.

WATERLOO SUNSET hung inwards on the final turn and continued to do so in the final straight.

BARRY and **FREE DREAMS** broke rounding the final bend.

J Dunn (**KINCASLOUGH**) advised he did not activate the removable deafeners.

Prior to giving the all clear Stewards reviewed the films and confirmed that **WATERLOO SUNSET** had not been in breach of the Breaking Horse Regulations.

Race 7 AVON CITY FORD (NEW BRIGHTON) CUP (STAND)

FRANCO NELSON and **PEMBERTON SHARD** broke at the start and lost ground.

BIT OF A LEGEND began awkwardly and had to be steadied by driver D Dunn.

When questioned with regards to the run of **SMOLDA**, driver and co-trainer M Purdon explained the gelding had peaked on his run nearing the 200 metres which he had attributed to it being the horse's first run for some time. Mr Purdon added that he expected **SMOLDA** to derive benefit from tonight's race.

PEMBERTON SHARD underwent a post-race veterinary examination and was treated after being diagnosed with dehydration.

Race 8 WAI-EYRE FARM HANDICAP TROT

NEED SUCCESS and **NATURAL** broke at the start.

GUNSIGHT PASS reared at the start.

LITTLE MISS paced over the early stages and then broke.

JUSTAKIWILASS broke after 100 metres.

LITTLE MISS paced again approaching the 2000 metres, and again had to be restrained to its proper gait losing its chance.

GREAT THINGS HAPPEN broke near the 1600 metres losing considerable ground.

JUSTAKIWILASS broke about the 900 metres.

At about the 850 metres **GREAT THINGS HAPPEN** broke and again lost ground.

Passing the 400 metres **SALTWATER GOLD** broke.

DONNY WOOD hung inwards on the final bend causing driver J Harrington considerable difficulty with the gelding racing inside the marker line for about 50 metres.

ALEXANDRA LEAVING weakened passing the 400 metres. When questioned regarding the performance of this mare, trainer P Williamson advised he had been disappointed with the mare's performance over the final stages but attributed this to the mare racing wide and keenly through the middle stages. Mr Williamson advised it was his intention to re-evaluate the horse's programme following its next start.

The nearside number on **LITTLE MISS** hung loose during the running.

At the request of co-trainer D Butt **NATURAL** will now be drawn unruly for standing starts.

Prior to giving the all clear Stewards reviewed the films and confirmed that **GREAT THINGS HAPPEN** had not been in breach of the Breaking Horse Regulations.

A post-race veterinary examination was requested on **DONNY WOOD** after the gelding hung throughout over the final stages with this revealing the gelding to be sore in the hind quarters and was to be treated in the upcoming week.

Race 9 NEVELE R STUD MOBILE PACE

There was a delay to the start of the race when the front shoes on **SHANTALIA KNIGHT** had to be removed. Stewards assessed the condition of the shoes and deemed them to be of poor condition and issued Mr Lamb with a \$100 minor infringement notice.

RAPHOE had a nose flap added at the start to its gear.

BORN IN THE USA over-raced for the majority of the event.

BORN IN THE USA was held up for some distance in the run home only obtaining clear racing room passing the 100 metres. **WEEDON'S EXPRESS** and **MCARDLE ROYALE** were restrained late in the score up with driver C McDowell (**WEEDON'S EXPRESS**) and C DeFilippi (**MCARDLE ROYALE**) advised to make a greater effort to remain in position until starting point. **RAPHOE** was cleared from the unruly for future mobile starts.

Race 10 | **STALLIONS AUSTRALASIA LTD HANDICAP PACE**

BILLIES A STAR broke at the start.

J C SKIPPER broke in the early stages and lost ground.

NIC MAC WILLY raced greenly through the back straight on the final occasion, with driver A Butt advising Stewards this had been the reason for him sustaining a punctured sulky tyre.

ARDEN'S ATTACK weakened on the final bend.

NICKY'S DYNAMIC broke in the early stages of the run home.

NICKY'S DYNAMIC was held up over the concluding stages.

J Dunn as the driver of **RETURN TO SENDER** was cautioned for allowing his gelding to shift up the track leaving the final turn.