

STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club	Date:	Friday, 1 November 2013
Weather:	Fine / Rain		
Track:	Fast / Easy		
Stewards:	S Renault (Chairman), N McIntyre, N Ydgren, S Wallis		
Typist:	L O'Connell		

GENERAL:

Pre-race blood testing was carried out.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

<u>Ashburton Trotting Club – Monday 28 October 2013</u>	
<u>Race 1: MAINLAND WOOL HANDICAP TROT</u>	
Trainer G Smith advised Stewards that blood tests had been taken from ALL SHOOK UP following its 2 nd placing at Ashburton. These tests revealed that the mare's blood was showing irregularities and has been treated with antibiotics by his Veterinarian.	
<u>Race 9: MID CANTERBURY TROTGING OWNERS HANDICAP PACE</u>	
As the trainer of SMILING STAR , R Holmes advised Stewards that subsequent to its run at Ashburton he had had blood taken. Mr Holmes reported that the blood tests had shown up several anomalies that have required further tests to be taken. Mr Holmes said that SMILING STAR will now be freshened whilst being treated.	

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:		LICENSE TO KILL, SEAVIEW GOLD, MOB STAR, DYNAMIC PARTY, MAJOR SAM, PHIL'S GIFT, SAFEDRA, ANOTHER LOVE, UNCLE TREVOR, BIG IS GOOD
Suspensions:	Race	Nil
Protests:	Race 1	RISE AND SHINE (9 th placing) vs BETABCOOL (4 th placing) [Rule 869(8)] - Interference – Upheld. Relegated to 9 th placing.
Fines:	Race 4	N McGrath (THE FLYING SCOTSMAN) [Rule 869(3)(b) and the Easing Down Regulations] – admitted. Fined \$200.
	Race 5	T McMillan (CRIMSON GLORY) [Rule 869(2)(c)] – Stuck sulky disc with whip – admitted. Fined \$150.
Warnings:	Race 2	K Barron (SPRIGGS BROMAC) [Rule 869(4)] - Shifting ground when insufficient room.
	Race 8	N McGrath (EL FUEGO) [Rule 857(7)(d)] Came to start out of position.
	Race 10	T Quate (GRACEANDTEMIKA) [Rule 869(7A)(a)] - Striking pylons
Bleeders:	Race	Nil
Horse Actions:	Race 1	TUBBY JIM – Warned mobile barrier manners
	Race 1	BETABCOOL – Warned racing manners
	Race 1	A CHRISTIAN ACT – Warned mobile barrier manners
	Race 2	WONDER ANVIL – Warned racing manners
	Race 2	COVERACK – Warned racing performance
	Race 4	K C PEDRO – Warned mobile barrier manners
	Race 4	WOODLEA WAGER – Remove unruly mobiles
	Race 6	LADY GODIVA – Unruly future mobile starts
	Race 7	ESCAPEE – Veterinary certificate of clearance required
	Race 8	SUPREME GEM – Warned mobile barrier manners

	Race	11	LIBBY JACCKA – Warned standing start manners
	Race	11	GINO D’ACAMPO – Warned standing start manners
Late Scratchings:	Race	1	SAMBUCA JOE (G Smith) Rule 213(1)(j) Denied a fair start.
Medical Certificates:			Nil
Driver Changes:	Race		Nil
Scratching Penalties:			<u>2 – 5 November 2013 (4 Days Inclusive)</u> BACK PAY, STEAL A GRIN, PRETTY SUNDAY
			<u>2 – 11 November 2013 (10 Days Inclusive)</u> BOLD LUSTRE, UP WHEELS, BON ACCORD BABE

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	Blair Orange Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Pace, 3yo & Older C0, 1950m
<p>BETABCOOL hung inwards through the early and middle stages of the score up and had some difficulty taking up its rightful position.</p> <p>TUBBY JIM and A CHRISTIAN ACT broke in the early stages with these runners losing ground.</p> <p>SAMBUCA JOE was checked just prior to dispatch by the breaking TUBBY JIM causing it to also gallop. Stewards placed warnings on the racing records of TUBBY JIM and A CHRISTIAN ACT.</p> <p>Racing around the first turn about the 1650 metres RISE AND SHINE broke when positioned to the inside of BETABCOOL which was hanging down the track, checking the trailing DARK SIDE. Stewards spoke with drivers S Ottley (RISE AND SHINE) and T Chmiel (BETABCOOL) regarding this incident. After hearing from these drivers a protest was lodged against the 4th placing of BETABCOOL alleging this horse had affected the chances and progress of RISE AND SHINE on the first turn. After considering all evidence the JCA upheld the protest and relegated BETABCOOL to 9th placing. Stewards placed a warning on the racing record of this horse.</p> <p>DARK SIDE hung inwards in the run home.</p> <p>After speaking with driver G Smith regarding the start, Stewards established that SAMBUCA JOE had been checked prior to dispatch with Stewards declaring this horse a non-runner under Rule 213(1)(j).</p>	
Race 2	Dexter Dunn Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Pace, 4yo & Older C0, 1950m
<p>Despite the efforts of driver K Cameron, COVERACK was out of position at the start by about one length.</p> <p>WONDER ANVIL paced roughly in the early stages.</p> <p>Racing past the 1300 metres WONDER ANVIL broke causing checks to the trailing KAREN DANA, SEAVIEW GOLD, GETINBEHIND, KYNSLEY STAR, WASHINGTON STAR and FULHAM FLYER. As a result of this interference KYNSLEY STAR lost its position in the two wide racing line and became placed three wide with driver R Houghton improving the gelding’s position forwards. Stewards placed a warning on the racing record of WONDER ANVIL.</p> <p>COVERACK weakened inside the final 600 metres. Stewards placed a warning on the racing performance of the mare.</p> <p>WASHINGTON STAR hung inwards on the final bend.</p> <p>Racing towards the 150 metres REMISS hung up the track when under pressure which took the tiring KYNSLEY STAR wider on the track resulting in a check to CLASSIC VOGUE with this mare galloping for a brief period.</p> <p>SPRIGGS BROMAC became awkwardly placed to the inside of REMISS shortly after when attempting to improve its position. Driver K Barron (SPRIGGS BROMAC) was shown the film and issued with a warning for anticipating a run when insufficient room existed.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of REMISS, trainer/driver M Jones explained that his mare had to work hard during the middle stages in an attempt to hold the lead and then made to sprint from the 600 metres when again under pressure from outside runners which he said had not suited her racing style.</p> <p>Mr Jones further said that REMISS would race at Kaikoura on Monday and dependent on her performance there may then consider sending the horse for a freshen-up.</p> <p>LAURA’S LEGEND was examined by the Vet following the race and found to be suffering from muscle tie-up. Trainer B Hutton advised that bloods tests had been taken from the mare and would notify Stewards of the results.</p>	
Race 3	Mark McNamara Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Trot, 3yo & Older C0, 1950m
<p>DIGGERBOY, despite the efforts of J Markham, was a length out of position at dispatch.</p> <p>OTTAWA was also out of position after trotting roughly.</p>	

MOB STAR and **NOT ABOUT THE MONEY** were both back from the unruly position at the start.
SIXTY PLUS broke in the early stages.
OTTAWA broke racing into the first bend inconveniencing **MOB STAR** which trotted roughly.
DIGGERBOY broke after about 200 metres.
NOT ABOUT THE MONEY broke after 400 metres and lost its chance.
DIGGERBOY again broke passing the 600 metres.
MOB STAR, CASINO KERRIE and **MANTORP** hung in on the final turn and struck track markers.
MOB STAR was inclined to hang outwards under pressure through the final straight.

Race 4 | **Nigel McGrath Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Pace, 3yo & Older C1, 2600m**

K C PEDRO broke late in the score up and lost some ground before settling at the rear. A final warning was placed on the mobile barrier manners of the gelding.
On the first turn near the 1700 metres **THE FLYING SCOTSMAN** broke when positioned to the inside of **CALL ME DANNY** after the two runners had contested the position in the one off running line.
QUICK AS I CAN hung outwards through the back straight on the final occasion.
FIERY LUSTRE hung in on the final bend near the 400 metres.
QUICK AS I CAN was unable to gain clear racing room through the early and middle stages on the run home.
P Davis as the driver of **QUICK AS I CAN** advised he did not activate the removable deafeners.
BEAUDIENE BRILLIANCE paced roughly throughout the run home.
WOODLEA WAGER was removed from the unruly for future mobile starts.
Stewards issued driver N McGrath (**THE FLYING SCOTSMAN**) with a charge under Rule 869(3)(b) and the Easing Down Regulations alleging that he had failed to concede his position near the 2300 metres when **CALL ME DANNY** was entitled to ease him down to the running line which caused his runner to gallop. Mr McGrath admitted the breach with the JCA imposing a fine of \$200.

Race 5 | **Phil Burrows Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Pace, 3yo & Older C0, 1950m**

Passing the 100 metres **STARRY DELIGHT** hung inwards and became awkwardly placed close to the wheel of **SWAROVSKI**.
Driver T McMillan admitted a breach of Rule 869(2)(c) in that he struck his sulky disc in the run home when driving **CRIMSON GLORY**. After hearing submissions on penalty the JCA imposed a fine of \$150.
When questioned with regards to the run of **CRIMSON GLORY**, trainer/driver T McMillan explained that he had been slightly disappointed with the manner in which his filly finished off the race last week after he had showed gate speed to lead. Subsequent to that run Mr McMillan felt the horse was better driven when not having to do work through the running enabling it to utilise its fast finishing speed. Mr McMillan further said that it was his intention to continue to drive this horse as he had done so this evening where possible in all upcoming starts.

Race 6 | **Davey Butt Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Pace, C1, 2600m**

Track conditions were downgraded to easy due to heavy rain.
LADY GODIVA broke as the start was effected losing considerable ground. Trainer B Hill was advised the mare would now be placed on the unruly for future mobile starts.
MASSIMO paced roughly over the early stages when awkwardly placed to the outside of **IDEAL ARDEN**. When questioned driver M Purvis (**MASSIMO**) advised that the gelding had hung inwards despite his efforts.
BRUTE UTE ANVIL over-raced in the middle stages.

Race 7 | **Greg O'Connor Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Handicap Trot, C3 & Faster + Claimer Disc, 2600m**

ESCAPEE raced keenly in the middle stages.
DONALDSON was unable to gain clear racing room at any stage of the run home.
ESCAPEE was unable to gain clear racing room until nearing the 100 metres with this mare racing roughly once in clear running.
ESCAPEE cast a shoe during the running.
Driver R Close advised he did not activate the removable deafeners on **DONALDSON**.
Driver M Purdon was questioned regarding the tactics he adopted on **ESCAPEE** near the 1200 metres when electing not to shift ground outwards prior to being covered by the improving **RAYDON**. Driver Purdon stated that he had attempted to flush **DONALDSON** out to receive cover into the race however was unable to. Mr Purdon further added back on the 18th of October he had elected to place the mare in the open and this resulted in the mare racing fiercely and not finishing the race off, and believed tonight that he would be in a position where he could finish over the top

of them due to the small field. Mr Purdon expressed concern with the mare's action on return to the birdcage and after being inspected by the Club's Veterinarian was found to be suffering from a tendon injury to an off-hind leg. He advised the mare would have a full scan in the coming days and report back to Stewards anything further that comes to light. The mare is stood down pending a veterinary certificate prior to racing.
No claims were lodged for **RAYDON**.

Race 8 | **Support Chevron Cars Direct We Support Harness Racing Mobile Pace, C3 To C4, 2600m**

SUPREME GEM broke in the score up and took no part in the event with Stewards placing a warning on the mare's barrier record.

J C SKIPPER raced roughly in the early stages.

VIC N ART and **EL FUEGO** raced fiercely in the middle stages.

Driver N McGrath (**EL FUEGO**) was shown the films of the pre start with regards to the manner in which he addressed the mobile out of position and warned to ensure he makes a better effort in future.

Race 9 | **John Dunn Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Trot, C2 To C4, 1950m**

WALLY'S GIRL broke shortly after the start and lost ground.

RELEVEN DREAM raced keenly during the middle stages.

RELEVEN DREAM broke leaving the back straight on the final occasion.

SUNDONS COMET broke passing the 100 metres.

On the final turn **DRAGON LADY** struck several pylons when attempting to improve its position to the inside of the tiring **VACANZA** which resulted in **DRAGON LADY** and **VACANZA** locking wheels.

Stewards questioned B Hutton (**VACANZA**) and R Holmes (**DRAGON LADY**) regarding this incident. After hearing from both drivers and viewing the films Stewards were satisfied that no one driver was at fault and deemed no further action necessary.

Race 10 | **Cran Dalgety Buys From Chevron Cars Direct Mobile Pace, 4yo & Older C2 Junior Drivers, 1950m**

THORN IN MY SIDE raced keenly in the early stages.

DREAM GAL paced roughly rounding the first bend.

About the 1100 metres **UPANATOM** raced roughly and shifted wide on the track which enabled **VICE CHAIRMAN** to shift away from the marker line causing **UPANATOM** to remain wider for the remainder of the event.

THORN IN MY SIDE was held up on the final bend.

GRACEANDTEMIKA struck several pylons passing the 300 metres.

UPANATOM hung inwards early in the run home.

VICE CHAIRMAN was unable to gain clear racing room until the final eighty metres.

Driver T Quate (**GRACEANDTEMIKA**) was shown the replay and warned to make a greater effort to ensure he does not make contact with any track markers.

Race 11 | **Terry & Glenys Chmiel Buy From Chevron Cars Direct Pace, 4yo & Older C1, 2000m**

BONA VENTURA, **EYRETON SENNA**, **LIBBY JACCKA** and **GINO D'ACAMPO** all broke at the start with **SHADOW RIDER** being inconvenienced by galloping runners. Warnings were placed on the barrier records of **LIBBY JACCKA** and **GINO D'ACAMPO**.

BIG IS GOOD raced keenly in the early and middle stages. This gelding then hung outwards through the back straight on the final occasion and raced fiercely on the final turn causing driver D Dunn some difficulty.

JASPERS BLUE JEAN was denied clear racing room early in the run home.

BONA VENTURA was unable to gain clear racing room over the concluding stages.