

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Wyndham Harness Racing Club Inc at Young Quinn Raceway **Date:** Sunday, 9 November 2014
Weather: Fine
Track: Fast
Rail: Not applicable
Stewards: N Ydgren (Chairman), S Renault, C Boyd
Typist: B Gutsell

General:

Pre-race blood testing was conducted on selected runners.

Supplementary:

Forbury Park TC - Friday 7th November 2014

Race 1 - G J GARDNER TROT

N Williamson as the driver of **STRATHMORES CHARM** was spoken to for failing to notify Stewards that he had not activated the removeable deafeners on his horse and advised that he must do so at the earliest available opportunity.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: STARLIGHT STARBRIGHT, SUPRIYA, HERE'S SHIFTY, DOUBLE RAINBOW, FRANCO CALIPH, LUMINESCE, TWILIGHT FRANCO

Protests: **Race 1 STARLIGHT STARBRIGHT** (1st Placing)
[Rule 870(5)] - In incorrect gait when crossing finish line and Lapped On by **TACHMA**. - Dismissed.

Suspensions: Nil

Fines: Nil

Warnings: **Race 8 J Markham** (MARGARITA)
[Rule 869(2)(a)] Manner used whip in run home.

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: **Race 1 PAT'S SUCCESS** - Warned Stands
Race 3 ELUSIVE FLIGHT - Veterinary Clearance Required
Race 5 ALEXANDRA LEAVING - Unruly Stands Trainer's Request
Race 5 SPRINGBANK RUBY - Unruly Stands Trainer's Request
Race 7 SHARK ALI - Warned Mobiles
Race 9 BRINDY - Ineligible Racing Manners - Stood Down 1 Trial
Race 11 LITE PLATINUM - Veterinary Clearance Required

Medical Certificates: Nil

Driver Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Nil

Scratching Penalties: Ineligible from 10/11/2014 until 13/11/2014 inclusive (4 days):
MAJESTIC STRIDE, ELUSIVE FLIGHT, LIGHTNING MACH

Ineligible from 10/11/2014 until 19/11/2014 inclusive (10 days):
KOWHAI KING, SUNCRUSHER, YOUNG COLIN

Exceptional Circumstances:
POP GOES THE WEASEL

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	WYNDHAM WORKOUTS COMMITTEE TROT
<p>The start of this event was delayed when PAT'S SUCCESS burst through the front line barrier strand. PAT'S SUCCESS was subsequently sent to the Unruly for the restart with Stewards placing a warning on the barrier record of the gelding. SUNDON INVASION was unable to address the barriers with the remainder of the field and when the tapes were released was awkwardly positioned close to the outside rail. This gelding then broke shortly after the start and lost its chance. EYRE'S A RAG DOLL bounded inwards at the start.</p> <p>In the early stages SUN'S INVASION, EYRE'S A RAG DOLL and DIPENDRA broke with all these runners losing considerable ground.</p> <p>HOPE AND PRAY was slow to begin and raced roughly through the early stages.</p> <p>MISS COCO weakened passing the 600 metres which inconvenienced the trailing CONARINA which subsequently broke when being restrained.</p> <p>Entering the final straight DIPENDRA broke again.</p> <p>STARLIGHT STARBRIGHT trotted roughly over the final stages and when being restrained by driver A Beck switched to a pace. After reviewing the films Stewards lodged a Protest against first placing being awarded to STARLIGHT STARBRIGHT pursuant to Rule 870(5) alleging STARLIGHT STARBRIGHT was in an incorrect gait when crossing the finishing line and was Lapped On by TACHMA. After viewing available replays and hearing evidence and submissions from Horseman A Beck representing the connections and Stewards the JCA dismissed the Protest and the All Clear was given.</p> <p>Stewards questioned M Williamson in regards to his apparent lack of vigour in the early stages of the run home upon TACHMA. Mr Williamson advised that the mare had broken in all but one of its career starts and for this reason he was somewhat reserved in his urgings. He further submitted that TACHMA had not responded to his urgings when sparingly tried with the whip and he had waited until the final 50 metres to put the mare under full pressure so as not to be in breach of the Breaking Horse Regulations should TACHMA break at this stage of the race. Stewards after considering the matter accepted his explanation.</p>	
Race 2	NET TEN EOM AT MACCA LODGE FILLIES & MARES MOBILE PACE
<p>SWEET AS raced roughly in the early and middle stages when being taken forwards and had to be steadied on several occasions by driver C Ferguson.</p> <p>LEIGH MAJOR had some difficulty obtaining clear racing room in the early stages of the run home with driver B McLellan advising he did not activate the removable deafeners.</p> <p>NEAT N PETITE was held up for clear racing room throughout the run home.</p> <p>MISS MATTJESTY hung inwards under pressure over the final stages.</p>	
Race 3	HOKONUI HONDA CLAIMERS MOBILE PACE
<p>Racing past the 600 metres S Walkinshaw briefly dropped his foot from the sulky footrest when activating the removable deafeners on ARDEN CAVIAR.</p> <p>HERE'S SHIFTY weakened passing the 400 metres inconveniencing the trailing XMAS IN NEW YORK and TAIERI WINGS. When questioned regarding the performance of HERE'S SHIFTY trainer J Kennett explained that the horse had been unsuited to working during the race or being positioned in the open and that when reflecting on recent racing submitted the horse had performed best when driven with cover. A post-race veterinary examination of this runner revealed a slow recovery rate. HERE'S SHIFTY was claimed from this event.</p>	
Race 4	MATAI FARM MOBILE PACE
<p>JOE DIMAGGIO was about a length out of position at the start despite the efforts of driver R Swain.</p> <p>Racing into the first turn VAN D'GO broke and lost its chance. Stewards spoke with C Barron (VAN D'GO) and K Barclay (PAULA'S ON FIRE) regarding this and after considering their explanations advised K Barclay to exercise greater care when shifting ground in future she had done on this occasion.</p> <p>Racing towards the 900 metres JOE DIMAGGIO which was being taken forwards hung inwards and broke. This gelding lost ground and settled toward the tail of the field in consequence.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the improved performance of DOUBLE RAINBOW trainer/driver S Walkinshaw advised he had driven the horse in a more conservative manner than the previous two starts and felt DOUBLE RAINBOW had responded better when not being asked to work through the middle stages.</p> <p>Driver C Ferguson advised he was unable to activate the removable deafeners on PARNELL due to the cord becoming</p>	

entangled.

Race 5 CLEARWATER CONTRACTING LTD HANDICAP TROT

ALEXANDRA LEAVING and **SPRINGBANK RUBY** both broke at the start. **ALEXANDRA LEAVING** and **SPRINGBANK RUBY** were both placed on the Unruly at the request of the connections.

COULDITBE broke racing into the first bend.

MOMENT OF SUN and **DWINDLE MIST** raced wide in the early stages.

DESERT BLUE hung inwards in the middle stages.

SWEPT AWAY broke passing the 400 metres.

ANOTHER CRUSHER had some difficulty maintaining a position in the field between the 1900 metres and the 1200 metres.

KAIZEN trotted roughly passing the 1500 metres and gave ground from the 500 metres after leading then broke with 400 metres to run checking **SNOW BOY** and **ANOTHER CRUSHER** which also broke.

DESERT BLUE trotted roughly in the run home.

CONTINENTAL BOY raced greenly in the final straight.

Race 6 AUCKLAND REACTOR AT ALABAR MOBILE PACE

MY GUY MAC raced without an over-check after the gear broke when parading in the birdcage.

ROSIE LINDENNY broke near the 1100 metres due to an easing of the pace inconveniencing the trailing **MY GUY MAC**.

When questioned regarding the performance of **PIT BOSS** driver N Williamson advised that despite working in the middle stages he was disappointed with the efforts of his gelding. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **PIT BOSS** which revealed no abnormalities.

GABBY'S KNIGHT and **MY GUY MAC** had some difficulty obtaining clear racing room over the final stages.

FLORETA hung inwards and raced roughly passing the 150 metres when improving wider on the track with driver K Barclay not activating the removable deafeners on the mare.

Race 7 FRANKS MOTORCYCLES & 4 SPARES MOBILE PACE

SHARK ALI broke as the start was effected and hung outwards hampering the progress of **QUICK INCOME** with a warning being placed on the barrier record of **SHARK ALI**.

REVELRY weakened passing the 500 metres inconveniencing **QUICK INCOME** which had to shift ground outwards. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **REVELRY** which revealed the mare to have an elevated heart rate and be exhibiting possible signs of muscle tie up. Blood tests will be conducted in the coming days and trainer R Swain undertook to advise the Stewards of any findings.

SHARK ALI again broke near the 400 metres checking **QUICK INCOME**.

Race 8 SOUTHLAND STANDARD BRED BREEDERS ASSN FILLIES & MARES MOBILE

VAN EVA raced roughly shortly after the start.

VAN EVA hung outwards rounding the final bend.

J Markham (**MARGARITA**) was spoken to advisedly for the manner in which he used his whip in the final straight.

Race 9 KINA CRAIG MOBILE PACE

SONOVA GUN was a length out of position at the start. Stewards spoke with driver B Williamson regarding this and advised him to make a greater effort in to be on the barrier in the future.

BRINDY was eased out of the race with 1000 metres remaining. When questioned regarding this driver C Ferguson could only advise that the horse was under pressure with 1500 metres remaining. A subsequent Veterinary examination could find nothing amiss with **BRINDY**. Trainer W Adams undertook to notify Stewards if anything comes to light in the coming days that may help to explain its performance. Stewards advised Mr Adams that this horse must now trial to their satisfaction prior to resuming.

Race 10 MLT/PIONEER TAVERN MOBILE PACE

One spreader was removed from **RIVER PATROL** prior to the start.

P Hunter as the driver of **GALWAY ABBEY** was advised to make a greater effort in future to take up his correct barrier position after allowing this horse to start a length back.

HIGHWAY SIX paced roughly in the early stages.

ANOTHER WINDERMERE hung inwards approaching the first bend.

BALAGIO broke racing into the first bend.

LIGHTNING FLIGHT also broke on the first bend and had to be restrained by driver G Lee.

ABSOLUTELY FLYIN raced keenly during the middle stages.

Racing towards the 700 metres **JABALI** hung inwards.

SHIPSHEWANA FLIGHT was taken wide racing towards the 600 metres and eased out of the race by M Williamson. When questioned regarding the performance of this horse Mr Williamson advised the filly had hung outwards throughout. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Stewards will follow up the recovery of this horse with trainer A Stratford in the coming days.

RED ELECTRIC hung inwards early in the run home.

Race 11

BIG JIM AT ALABAR MOBILE PACE

Racing past the 1600 metres there was an easing in the pace of the two wide line. As a result of this **MILLIGAN** (C Ferguson), **VERA'S DELIGHT** (B McLellan) and **THE LUTTS** (B Barclay) all had to be steadied when awkwardly placed close to the sulky in front. In this incident **THE LUTTS** contacted and punctured the sulky wheel of **VERA'S DELIGHT**.

Leaving the final bend **HOKURI RAILRIDA** broke after being eased wider on the track by the improving **FERNCO BOBBY G**. The trailing **MILLIGAN** had to be steadied as a result which cost the horse some ground. Stewards reviewed the films of this incident and spoke with A Armour and after doing so were satisfied that N Williamson (**FERNCO BOBBY G**) had a distinct advantage over **HOKURI RAILRIDA** when he improved his runner outwards and that the shift was completed in a gradual manner. Accordingly no further action was required.

MILLIGAN was held up for clear racing room in the final straight.

A post race veterinary examination of **LITE PLATINUM** was undertaken when trainer/driver K Barclay advised the horse had felt indifferent in its gait. This revealed the horse to be lame in its near fore and a clearance is now required prior to resuming.