



## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Manawatu Racing Club @ Trentham Racecourse  
**Date:** Saturday, 20 December 2025  
**Weather:** Overcast  
**Track:** Soft 5  
**Rail:** Out 6 metres  
**Stewards:** N Goodwin (Chair), L Selvakumaran, J Oatham, K Jillings  
**Vet:** E Simpson BVSc, R Lenaghan MVB NUI

### SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Nil

**Fines:**

Race	2	<b>C Cole</b> PADDY THE FARMER Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$100 (Minor Infringement Schedule)
	2	<b>B Newman</b> CASINO Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$50 (Minor Infringement Schedule)
	3	<b>G Lowry</b> MAGILL Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$50 (Minor Infringement Schedule)
	5	<b>L Hemi</b> PALMAROW Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] \$500
	7	<b>E Leighton</b> GHAZZAH Failing to make contracted weight [Rule 346(3)] \$100 (Minor Infringement Schedule)
	7	<b>L Latta</b> BENEFACOR Late declaration of rider [Rule 537(a)] \$100
	7	<b>L Kauri</b> FREDDIE TIME Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] \$550

**Warnings:**

Race	2	<b>K Hercocck</b> MAKKALDEE Whip use on runner out of contention [Rule 638(3)(f)(iii)]
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**Protests:** Nil

**Request for Ruling:** Nil

**Horse Actions:**

Race	5	<b>SEA THE DREAM</b> Veterinary clearance required
	7	<b>ATMOSPHERIC</b> Veterinary clearance required

**Follow Up:**

Race	5	<b>SEA THE DREAM</b>
	6	<b>OLD BILL BONE</b>

**Rider Changes:** Nil

**Late Scratchings:**

**Medical****Certificates:****Swabbing:**

PERFECT HABIT, ANDERSON BRIDGE, CASINO, LARA ANTIPOVA, BUTLER CABIN, WAR PRINCESS, ORIGIN OF LOVE, ISLAND LIFE, LUX LIBERTAS, MAROTIRI MOLLY, SAGUNTO, FREDDIE TIME, PARTY ROCKING.

**GENERAL**

Pre-race TCO2 blood testing was carried out at today's meeting.

**SUPPLEMENTARY**

Nothing to report

**RACE COMMENTS****Race 1** | **FLIPP TRANSPORT LTD 3YO SPRINT 1200m**

**PERFECT HABIT** (J Doyle) - Slow to begin. Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**TOO SWEET** (V Colgan) - Over-raced, getting its head up on a number of occasions in the early stages when being restrained.

**FAULTLESS** (S Collett) - Improved on to heels near the 150 metres, having to shift outwards.

**Race 2** | **STRINGFELLOWS 1400m**

**HOORAH HENRY** (S Collett) - Slow to begin. Had difficulty obtaining clear running until shifting outwards near the 200 metres.

**MAGIC CHARM** (L Hemi) - Crowded at the start, losing ground. Inconvenienced near the 400 metres when JAEGER shifted outwards, after being taken outwards by ORLEANS BELLE.

**JAEGER** (C Grylls) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

**RIPPANALL** (J Riddell) - Began awkwardly, losing ground.

**MIRAQUA** (T Davies) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout.

**ONLY THE LONELY** (J Chung) - Lay outwards rounding the final bend, continuing to do so when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**TIVACI'S AFFAIR** (J Doyle) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight.

**CASINO** (E Leighton) - Had difficulty obtaining clear running until shifting outwards near the 100 metres.

**K Hercock** (MAKKALDEE) – Issued with a warning for the use of her whip on a runner out of contention.

**C Cole** (PADDY THE FARMER) - Admitted a charge under Rule 537(a) (Minor Infringement Schedule) for the late declaration of rider for PADDY THE FARMER and was fined \$100.

**B Newman** (E Leighton) - Admitted a charge under Rule 537(a) (Minor Infringement Schedule) for the late declaration of rider for CASINO and was fined \$50.

**Race 3** | **WINDSOR PARK STUD WAKEFIELD CHALLENGE STAKES (G2) 1100m**

**BUTLER CABIN** (K Myers) - Began awkwardly.

**SAN BASILIO** (M Singh) - Began awkwardly. Over-raced through the early stages. Steadied near the 600 metres to avoid the heels of LASSIFIED. Made the junction awkwardly near the 500 metres, having to be steadied near the 450 metres when placed in restricted room.

**MAGILL** (S Collett) - Over-raced through the early stages, getting its head up when being restrained.

**VAHVAY** (V Colgan) - Inconvenienced near the 450 metres when SAN BASILIO shifted outwards, when placed in restricted room.

**I AM BELLE** (B Queiroz) - Shifted outwards near the 400 metres, making contact with MAGILL, becoming briefly unbalanced. When questioned, rider advised that the filly had travelled well but had been quickly beaten when placed under pressure, adding that the filly had still raced a little greenly. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

**Co-Trainer G Lowry** (MAGILL) - Admitted a charge under Rule 537(a) (Minor Infringement Schedule) for the late declaration of rider for MAGILL and was fined \$50.

**Race 4** | **LAWNMASTER EULOGY STAKES (G3) 1600m**

**ORIGIN OF LOVE** (V Colgan) - Began awkwardly making contact with LAURA'S LEGACY.

**LAURA'S LEGACY** (C Dell) - Contacted at the start, losing ground. Lay in and away from CAPACI over the concluding stages.

**CAPACI** (J Doyle) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from the outside barrier. Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**CHEEKY DEVIL** (K Myers) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover from a wide barrier.

**ABBAKISS** (E Leighton) - Over-raced through the early and middle stages. Lost the off-rear plate during the running.

**Race 5** | **BARRY ILLSLEY BUILDING AND JOINERY 1600m**

**SEA THE DREAM** (J Riddell) - Began awkwardly, losing ground. Steadied near the 1200 metres when the pace eased slightly. Eased down over the final 200 metres, finishing a distant last. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that the gelding had spread itself leaving the barriers but could otherwise offer no excuse. A post-race veterinary examination which found the gelding to have a very poor rate of recovery, with connections being advised a veterinary clearance is required prior to SEA THE DREAM racing next.

**TINY DIAMOND** (C Dell) - Improved on to heels having to be steadied near the 1400 metres. Steadied near the 1200 metres when the pace eased slightly. Held up rounding the final turn, continuing to have difficulty obtaining clear running until passing the 150 metres.

**GIRL TALK** (K Hercock) - Raced three-wide without cover for the majority of the event. Steadied near the 1200 metres when the pace eased slightly. Lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

**UNCLE ARCH** (E Leighton) - Steadied near the 1200 metres when the pace eased slightly. Held up rounding the final turn and early in the straight.

**COULTHARD** (K Myers) - Held up entering the final straight. When questioned regarding performance, rider was unable to offer any excuse, advising that the gelding had been disappointing.

**PALMAROW** (L Hemi) - Held up early in the straight.

**L Hemi** (PALMAROW) - Admitted a charge under Rule 638(3)(g)(i) in that she used her whip excessively in the home straight and was fined \$500.

**Race 6** | **BRAMCO GRANITE/MARBLE MANAWATU CHALLENGE STAKES (G2) 1400m**

**FIELD OF GOLD** (C Dell) - Slow to begin.

**BELARDO BOY** (J Riddell) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover.

**OLD BILL BONE** (V Colgan) - Restrained at the start to obtain cover. Disappointed, finishing well back. V Colgan had no excuse. A post-race veterinary examination did not reveal any abnormalities. Trainer C Cole undertook to have the gelding undergo a further veterinary examination at his stable and report any findings to the Stewards. On returning to the Trentham stable area, OLD BILL BONE showed signs of distress which required further veterinary attention.

**IFNDOUBTGETOUT** (E Leighton) - Raced three-wide without cover throughout. Lay outwards rounding the final bend.

**DOCTOR ASKAR** (J Doyle) - Improved into restricted room becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of LUX LIBERTAS near the 50 metres.

**Race 7** | **HUMPHRIES CONSTRUCTION MANAWATU CUP (G3) 2300m**

**TRAV** (S O'Malley) - Slow to begin.

**IDENTIKIT** (L Hemi) - Restrained to obtain cover from the outside barrier.

**TITICACA** (K Myers) - Crowded at the start.

**ENRICO** (M Singh) - Raced keenly in the early stages when being restrained. Improved on to heels, having to be steadied near the 1200 metres.

**WHAT YOU WISH FOR** (B Queiroz) - Commenced to race three-wide without cover from the 1200 metres. When questioned regarding performance, rider advised the gelding had failed to see out the distance of today's race.

**ATMOSPHERIC** (C Grylls) - When questioned regarding performance, rider was of the opinion there was something amiss with the gelding. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have suffered cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer C Cole was advised that ATMOSPHERIC will not be permitted to start in any race of

trial until a veterinary certificate declaring the horse free of any cardiac arrhythmia following a gallop of 1000 metres.

**NEREUS** (V Colgan) - When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that after getting back and the strong tempo of the race, the gelding had struggled to make ground under its top weight.

**E Leighton** (GHAZZAH) - Admitted a charge under Rule 346(3) (Minor Infringement Schedule) for failing to make the contracted weight and was fined \$100.

**L Kauri** (FREDDIE TIME) - Admitted a charge under Rule 638(3)(g)(i) in that he used his whip excessively in the home straight and was fined \$550.

**L Latta** (BENEFACITOR) - Admitted a charge under Rule 537(a) for the late declaration of rider for BENEFACITOR and was fined \$100.

<b>Race 8</b>	<b>MCDONALDS MANAWATU SPRINT 1200m</b>
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**DOMAIN ACE** (K Hercock) - Knuckled at the start.

**KOSTA** (S Collett) - Began awkwardly, losing ground. Had difficulty obtaining clear running throughout the final straight.

**COMPLEX** (M Hudson) - Over-raced through the early stages having to be heavily restrained off heels near the 800 metres, shifting outwards.

**GOHUGO** (J Doyle) - Over-raced through the early stages when being restrained.

**MEGLIO DI FALCREST** (V Colgan) - Forced wider near the 700 metres when COMPLEX shifted outwards.

**POPPY'S GIRL** (C Dell) - Lay outwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**ONEIRA** (L Hemi) - Inconvenienced near the 250 metres when POPPY'S GIRL lay outwards under pressure.

**PARTY ROCKING** (J Chung) - Trainer J Bary attributed the gelding's improved performance to it being able to dictate its own terms, being in or near the lead.

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