

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Otago Racing Club	Date:	Tuesday 9 th April 2013
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Dead 5		
Rail:	Out 6 metres 1400 to 400 and 3 metres rest		
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin and C Allison		
Typist:	M O'Brien		

GENERAL: (All comments pertaining to this meeting – e.g. drivers/riders not attending, delays and all other issues)

Pre Race blood testing was carried out at this meeting.
P Taylor was unwell and did not attend today's meeting and was replaced on his 4 mounts. Mr Taylor was advised he would require a medical clearance before riding next.

SUPPLEMENTARY: (All adjourned inquiries and follow up information relating to previous meetings)

Riverton Racing Club at Wingatui – 3 April 2013
Trainer K King admitted a breach of Rule 614(2) in that she presented NORTHERN TAP with the incorrect saddle cloth number with the JCA imposing a fine of \$100.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	GOSSIP GIRL, MY REASON, LADY BELLEVUE, GANADOR, OUR JACKMAN, STORMY RAIN, SQUASH.		
Suspensions:	Race		
Protests:	Race		
Fines:	Race	2	Riverton Racing Club at Wingatui – 3 April 2013 – K King, Rule 614(2), fined \$100
	Race	6	M Pitman – Rule 616(3) – Incorrect gear – fined \$50
Warnings:	Race		
Bleeders:	Race		
Horse Actions:	Race		
Medical Certificates:			
Rider Changes:	Race	3	SAZOOM – R Doherty replaced P Taylor (Unwell)
	Race	4	NO EXCUSE MIKE – KC Walters replaced P Taylor (Unwell)
	Race	5	WHISKY REIGN – T Moseley replaced P Taylor (Unwell)
	Race	7	PUDDLE ALLEY – B Lammas replaced P Taylor (Unwell)
Late Scratching:	Race	3	CASSANDRA'S DREAM – On vets advice

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	THE RACECOURSE FUNCTION CENTRE MAIDEN 2200m
VOODOO BEACH began awkwardly losing ground then commenced to race keenly due to the lack of pace before being allowed to improve forward to lead. WILLIE ROYDON and FORGOTTEN HERO both tended to get their heads up during the early stages due to the lack of pace. STRUCTURE had to change ground passing the 200m to obtain clear running.	
Race 2	QUEEN ROSE RETIREMENT HOME MAIDEN 1600m
OWE THE RANSOM and TWOINTHEBUSH were slow to begin after both losing their footing at the start. GURUS RESPONSE was held up rounding the home turn by the tiring HEY CHARDONNAY gaining clear racing room inside the final 300m. When spoken to regarding the performance of favourite OWE THE RANSOM rider B Lammas advised the gelding had lost its footing at the start and got further back than anticipated but had run on fairly in the home straight. When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner TWOINTHEBUSH rider R Doherty advised the Stewards he had also lost his footing at the start and had got further back than anticipated and also added that he believed the mare needed a slow to heavy track to show her best form.	
Race 3	MOSGIEL TAXIS 2YO & 3YO HANDICAP 1200m
CASSANDRA'S DREAM was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 7.41 a.m. when found in its stall to have a mouth injury	

which required stitching.

SAZOOM began awkwardly losing ground as a result. **SAPERAVIOUS** raced wide throughout. **LADY BELLEVUE** made the turn by the 800m awkwardly. **YAMEZI** shifted ground abruptly with 75m to run when racing greenly. When spoken to regarding the improved performance of **LADY BELLEVUE** trainer P Rudkin advised the filly had had two starts previously in the North Island, had joined his stable after being freshened and had trialed well 10 days ago. Mr Rudkin added that he had been expecting a bold effort, however was surprised to have beaten the hot favourite.

Race 4 | **RADIUS FULTON CARE MAIDEN 1200m**

HOME MADE HALO and **DOWN HERE UP THERE** were both slow to begin with **SWEET BUT NEAT** being slow through the early stages. **GANADOR** raced wide through the early and middle stages. **HOME MADE HALO** was held up rounding the final bend and had to change ground outwards passing the 300m to find clear racing room. **HOME MADE HALO** was inclined to lay in over the concluding stages and had to be straightened passing the 150m. The Stewards questioned rider J Chong in the presence of his employer M Hamilton regarding his ride on **DOWN HERE UP THERE** in particular his ride between the 800m and 500m. Stewards were particularly concerned with the fact that he had let the mare lose contact with the body of the field through this part of the race and when the mare had been placed under pressure passing the 500m had responded well and run on. Mr Chong advised that his instructions were to get back from the wide draw and hope the mare would run on over the concluding stages. Mr Chong stated that the mare had lost its footing on jumping away and had got back and it had been his intention to ride his mount quietly and make his run from the turn. After reviewing the films and speaking with Mr Hamilton and Mr Chong it was agreed that Mr Chong had made an error in judgment in not urging his mount from the 800m to maintain contact with the body of the field. Mr Chong was advised that he would be expected to show far better judgment in the future and the matter would now be referred back to the apprentice jockey mentor.

Race 5 | **ALEX FREEMAN MASTER FARRIER/FREEMAN RACING R65 1400m**

TUNZA VITALITY and **POWDER CREEK** made contact on jumping away. **WHISKY REIGN** began awkwardly. **GANNICUS** and **OUR JACKMAN** were obliged to race wide through the early and middle stages. **MISS KATE** raced keenly through the early stages and had to be steadied off heels passing the 800m. Passing the 500m **RICHARD TRIMBOLE** was held up for a considerable distance by the tiring **GANNICUS** only gaining clear racing room inside the final 300m. When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **TUNZA VITALITY** rider T Direen advised the Stewards that she had been trapped nearer the rail where she believed the track to be wetter and when placed under pressure had failed to respond and in her opinion she believed the mare had failed to handle today's track conditions.

Race 6 | **BB CATERING RATING 75 & JUMPERS 2200 2200m**

Trainer representative M Pitman admitted a breach of Rule 616(3) and was fined \$50 by the JCA when **OUR MONA LISA** was presented to race in blinkers when it should have been wearing side winkers.

STORMY RAIN raced keenly through the middle stages. **DECEPTIVE** was inclined to lay in throughout the run home and passing the 150m had to be shifted out when laying across heels to obtain clear running.

Race 7 | **MCCRAW FARRIER LTD RATING 65 2200m**

The start of this event was delayed 3 minutes 53 seconds due to the saddle on **UBETCHA** requiring attention. **BALLYRINA** who was fractious in its stall began awkwardly. **WAGONWHEEL** lay in throughout the run home with the rider swapping whip hands. When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of **SHOWCASE** rider K Williams advised the Stewards that the mare had been under pressure at the 800m had failed to respond to her urgings and had disappointed.