



## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### MEETING DETAILS:

<b>Club:</b> Waikouaiti Racing Club	<b>Date:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2012	
<b>Weather:</b> Fine	<b>Track:</b> Good 2	<b>Rail:</b> True
<b>Stewards:</b> M Davidson (Chairman), A Ray, J McLaughlin and N McIntyre		
<b>Typist:</b> M O'Brien		

### GENERAL:

Trainer P Richards was spoken to with regard to the performance of HERNANDEZ in Race 10 at Wingatui on Boxing Day. Mr Richards advised that he believed HERNANDEZ who had been holding its breath and not breathing properly during the run. He advised that he would be making some gear changes and continuing on with HERNANDEZ current preparation.

South Canterbury 28-12-11 – Trainer M Brown subsequently advised the Stewards that blood tests taken from BULWER BAY revealed an underlining viral infection. Mrs Brown undertook to have further tests taken prior to BULWER BAY racing again.

Trainer R Dennis explained that THE PEARLER had pulled up well from its race and that preparation would continue. He said that THE PEARLER was disadvantaged when having to race further back than intended and having to race wide during the middle stages to continue to improve.

### SUMMARY:

<b>Swabbing:</b>	VENETIAN RAIDER, SHUTUP CAT, NEVER DIE, FRAGRANT, ZENAGEN, SO ELUSIVE, CALIBURN, WOODYEVA, SUN VALLEY, ALL ABOARD.
<b>Late Scratchings:</b>	
<b>Suspensions:</b>	
<b>Fines:</b>	B Court – Rule 537(a) – Late declaration of rider – fined \$50
<b>Warnings:</b>	R1 – C Johnson – Rule 610(2)(a) – reprimanded by the JCA R2 – B Moore – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground 75m R6 – A Denby – Rule 638(1) (d) – shifting ground 800m R6 – SO ELUSIVE – Barrier manners R7- EQUITY RULER- Racing Manners
<b>Embargos</b>	R7 – PRINCESS VITAL – Veterinary clearance including ECG required
<b>Horse Actions:</b>	
<b>Bleeders:</b>	
<b>Medical Certificates:</b>	
<b>Rider Changes:</b>	

**RACE COMMENTS:**

<b>Race 1</b>	<b>TAYLOR'S LINE/OTAGO TRANSPORT/GEOFF SCURR CONTRACTING 2&amp;3YO 1125m</b>
<p>The start of this event was delayed approximately 3½ minutes due to DARCI COUP requiring a veterinary clearance prior to starting. ORUTAN which was very fractious in its barrier began awkwardly with the connections being advised that ORUTAN was on a barrier warning. UPPLAND raced keenly through the early stages. NORAH lay out on the final bend. ORUTAN had some trouble finding clear racing room in the early part of the run home. When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of UPPLAND rider A Mundy advised that she believed the gelding did not handle the very firm track conditions. Passing the 150m SON HE WILL faltered badly and was immediately pulled up and dismounted. SON HE WILL was attended to by the Club's veterinary surgeon and found to have a broken off side shoulder and was therefore humanely destroyed.</p> <p>Rider C Johnson defended a breach of Rule 610(2)(a) and after hearing evidence from all parties the JCA found the breach proved. However, they elected to only reprimand Mr Johnson and did not impose any penalty.</p>	
<b>Race 2</b>	<b>WAIKOUAITI AUTO ENGINEERING/EAST OTAGO TRANSPORT SPEC MAIDEN 1250m</b>
<p>The start of this event was delayed 6½ minutes due to the horse being euthanased in the previous race having to be removed from the track.</p> <p>SHUTUP CAT was slow to begin. Both THE DEWDROP and MY LATTE raced fiercely over the early stages. PRENUPTIAL lay in throughout the concluding stages and passing the 300m placed SHUTUP CAT in restricted room. SHUTUP CAT was then held up and had to change ground outwards to find clear racing room. Passing the 125m SHUTUP CAT made contact with LEEBOY who was buffeted. Passing the 75m SHUTUP CAT shifted out when awkwardly placed on the heels of CHAPEL STAR which also shifted out marginally with SHUTUP CAT again making firm contact with LEEBOY who was buffeted and unbalanced. Rider B Moore (SHUTUP CAT) was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d) shifting ground 75m.</p> <p>When spoken to regarding her ride on THE DEWDROP apprentice A Tempelman advised the Stewards that the mare had raced too keenly in the early stages and she had been unable to hold THE DEWDROP. As a result the mare stopped over the concluding stages to finish well back in the field. Trainer T Dennis was also spoken to and advised the Stewards that he will be making some gear changes in an attempt to improve the racing manners of the mare and would also consider putting a stronger rider on. The rider of MY LATTE Taminder Kahlon was spoken to in regard to her ride over the early stages with employer Mr J Parsons also present. As a result this matter been referred back to the apprentice jockey mentor due to her inexperience. PERFECTLY COURT lay in over the concluding stages and had to be straightened.</p>	
<b>Race 3</b>	<b>OTAGO DAILY TIMES F&amp;M SPEC MAIDEN 1250m</b>
<p>FOUR ROSES shifted out at the start making contact with LA MUSIQUE resulting in FOUR ROSES losing ground. NEVER DIE shifted out shortly after the start dictating ELEGANT INSIGHTS and VOODOO BEACH wide on the track. QUANTUM DAF was held up for several strides passing the 200m and then again in the shadows of the post.</p>	
<b>Race 4</b>	<b>PGG WRIGHTSON F&amp;M R75 1250m</b>
<p>When passing the 800m DIAMOND JULES who was racing keenly shifted out off the heels of PATSY O'REILLY dictating TREAT wider on the track. PATSY O'REILLY and PEACE were both held up momentarily passing the 200m.</p>	
<b>Race 5</b>	<b>CARGILL CONTRACTING R75 1250m</b>
<p>BENABAR began awkwardly and then raced keenly through the early stages tending to sky its head.</p>	
<b>Race 6</b>	<b>SPEIGHT'S NEW YEAR'S DAY SPRINT OPEN HANDICAP 1250m</b>

The start of this event was delayed 2 minutes 12 seconds due to SO ELUSIVE proving very difficult to load. The connections of SO ELUSIVE were advised that the mare was on a barrier manners warning. Trainer M Pitman advised the Stewards that he will attempt to use a blindfold to improve her loading manners.

Several horses were fractious prior to the start being made with both NATKINGCOLE and ONE NITE STAND making a lunge at the gates. ONE NITE STAND was then slow to begin with THE JESTER being slow over the early stages. STRAITOTHEPOOLROOM and SO ELUSIVE were crowded for room by ALL SPICE who was taken in by OUR GENES near the 800m. A Denby was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1) (d) shifting ground.

ANAHERA raced wide throughout. SO ELUSIVE was held up early in the run home. ONE NITE STAND was crowded and had to steady momentarily passing the 200m when SO ELUSIVE shifted out marginally simultaneously with ANAHERA shifting in. ALL SPICE was observed to have a cut to the off hind which was consistent with being galloped on during the running and was treated by the clubs veterinarian for a superficial injury. ONE NITE STAND was observed to have a small amount of blood in a nostril and was attended to by the Club's veterinarian which revealed an injury consistent with banging its head on the starting gate. NATKINGCOLE was also inspected by the Club's veterinarian due to superficial injuries received when the gelding made contact with the starting gates. The starter Mr P Kennedy was spoken to in regards to starting procedures and vetting of horses at the start. Mr Kennedy advised that in his opinion he did not think the incident warranted the removal of horses for veterinary inspection. However after viewing Steward's replays he agreed that in future in similar circumstances he will err on the side of caution.

<b>Race 7</b>	<b>CRT DUNEDIN FARM CENTRE SPEC MAIDEN 1975m</b>
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CARITA was slow to begin with JAMES TEE CEE beginning awkwardly losing ground. ALPINE PEARL raced wide into the first bend. LITTLE AKALOA who was laying in shifted in making contact with CARITA passing the 1500m who in turn crowded PRINCESS VITAL who made contact with the running rail. ALPINE PEARL continued to race erratically shifting wider on the track. LITTLE AKALOA raced wide throughout. PRINCESS VITAL gave ground from the 800m and was not persevered over the concluding stages. ALPINE PEARL who was continuing to race greenly had to steady when giving ground passing the 500m. Stewards ordered a veterinary inspection of PRINCESS VITAL which revealed the mare was suffering from atrial fibrillation with the connections advised the mare will need a veterinary clearance including an ECG before returning to the races. EQUITY RULER lay in severely throughout the final straight placing the rider in difficulty with the gelding being placed on a racing manners warning.

Stewards also ordered a veterinary inspection of ALPINE PEARL who raced greenly and wide throughout which revealed no abnormalities. Trainer J Parsons advised the Stewards that it was his intention to retire EQUITY RULER from his stable.

ALPINE PEARL was steadied near the 350m when awkwardly placed between AQUALINE and QUANTUM KATE.

<b>Race 8</b>	<b>DUNEDIN CASINO WAIKOUAITI CUP OPEN HANDICAP 1975m</b>
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ZABENE got its head up and raced fiercely during the early and middle stages. Passing the 1800m ELEANOR COUP was crowded for room momentarily by WOODYEVA who was taken in by ZABENE who was racing keenly at the time. Riders A Mundy (YA DREAMIN JONESY) and J Morris (ZABENE) were both spoken to advisedly in regard to their use of the whip over the concluding stages. When spoken to regarding the performance of BORNINTHESTATES rider J Bullard advised the Stewards that the gelding had not been suited by the slow early tempo and the sprint home nature of the race but had battled on fairly to finish fifth.

<b>Race 9</b>	<b>HOPE AND SONS FUNERAL DIRECTORS R75 1975m</b>
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SCHMECKENBECHER who was fractious in its barrier was slow to begin. OUR MONA LISA was slow to begin. THE GLITZY ONE, ALPINE HEIGHTS and CEE GEE JAY all raced keenly during the early stages. ALPINE HEIGHTS lay in under pressure passing the 200m and had to be straightened.

**Race 10: THE PLOUGHMANS LICENSED CAFÉ & RESTAURANT R65 1975m**

CONFUSED and THE BISHOP were slow to begin. Passing the 1500m LIVANA who was laying in shifted in momentarily despite the efforts of its rider resulting in THE BISHOP being crowded down into the line of LAUDERCREEK who was buffeted and had to check outwards across the heels of THE BISHOP. The trailing MUFFIN COUP, CONFUSED and VITAL PRINCESS were all hampered as a result. VITAL PRINCESS raced wide throughout. ALL ABOARD raced keenly through the middle stages and passing the 800m had to be steadied off the heels of THE GODDAUGHTER and in doing so momentarily inconvenienced PHIL WENNECK. MUFFIN COUP was held up for several strides when awkwardly placed on the heels of HIGH JINKS passing the 400m. When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner HIGH JINKS rider K Williams advised the Stewards that she believed the mare failed to handle today's firm track conditions. A post-race veterinary inspection of HIGH JINKS revealed no abnormalities. A Mundy the rider of LIVANA reported to the Stewards that her mount had lay in throughout the running. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of MUFFIN COUP after rider L Robinson advised that the mare had felt awkward in its action over the concluding stages. However, no abnormalities were detected.