



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Central Otago Racing Club	Date: Tuesday the 3 rd of January 2012	
Weather: Fine	Track: Good 3	Rail: True
Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman), C Allison and N McIntyre		
Typist: M O'Brien		

GENERAL:

Senior Riders approached the stewards with a concern over the starting limits for Omakau. Riders were advised as a collective to write to the Club with their concerns about the limits.

Timaru 28-12-2011 – Trainer K Hughes advised that BROWNE SUGAR which was disappointing had now been sent for a spell.

Trainer M Stokes advised that in his opinion AVID RULER is best suited from a more favourable draw. He added that AVID RULER had pulled up well and the preparation would continue.

Kurow 30-12-2011 – Trainer T Rae advised that ROYAL GOVERNESS had pulled up well and the preparation would also continue.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	DIAMOND JULES, YA SEA, REMEMBRANCE, IRISH WIT, PRINCE FLIGHT, OUR GENES, FONEELEVEN, JAGGARD, LUCY O'REILLY, FELLINI, KASBAH KEEPER.
Late Scratchings:	
Suspensions:	
Fines:	
Warnings:	
Embargos	
Horse Actions:	R8- IMA BARBIE DOLL- Racing manners warning
Bleeders:	R9 – BABUSHKA – three month stand down
Medical Certificates:	J Bates – Medical clearance required
Rider Changes:	R9 – DELA KAYLA – J Morris replaced J Bates

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	DUNCAN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES/SPEIGHT'S R75 BENCHMARK 1100m
ANITA PEA raced keenly through the middle stages and had to be steadied off the heels of BENABAR passing the 800m. THE HAMMER HEAD was held up momentarily passing the 250m when awkwardly placed on the heels of OLIVINE. When spoken to regarding the performance of favourite BENABAR both rider T Newton and trainer M Pitman were of the opinion the gelding had not backed up from its run at Waikouaiti two days ago.	
Race 2	BECKERS TRANSPORT SPEC MAIDEN 1100m
PROXIMITY dislodged rider D Walsh in the preliminary with the gelding galloping a short distance until it was recaptured. PROXIMITY was passed fit to start by the Club's veterinary with rider D Walsh cleared by the ambulance staff. MCDUNDEE jumped awkwardly settling back in the early stages. VOODOO BEACH bounded as the start was made shifting in	

<p>crowding INSPIRATION and PROXIMITY. INSPIRATION raced keenly through the early stages and passing the 900m shifted out abruptly forcing LORD YARBOROUGH, MR KIRK and MCDUNDEE wider on the track. MCDUNDEE raced wide throughout. Passing the 500m SHUTUP CAT was held up and had to change ground outwards to find clear running and then was forced wide on the home turn when being asked to improve forward. Passing the 200m TUG O' WAR shifted out abruptly momentarily hampering LORD YARBOROUGH. When spoken to regarding the performance of MR KIRK rider J Bates advised the Stewards that in his opinion the 1100m distance of today's race was too short for the gelding. Stewards ordered a veterinary inspection of MR KIRK which revealed no abnormalities.</p>	
Race 3	DUNSTAN HOTEL R65 1100m
<p>UNCLE MICK and HIGH OLD TIME were slow to begin. FULLAVINO shifted in shortly after the start hampering NATUZZI which lost ground. BACIO FRANCESE had to steady passing the 900m when crowded between SPOILT PRINCESS and REMBERANCE whom both shifted ground marginally. FULLAVINO had to be steadied passing the 800m when crowded between REMBERANCE and NATUZZI who had begun to race keenly. Passing the 700m NATUZZI who was continuing to race keenly had to be steadied off the heels of REMEMBRANCE. JEAN GENIE raced wide throughout. Passing the 150m FULLAVINO shifted in under pressure placing JEAN GENIE in restricted room momentarily. JEAN GENIE was then shifted out to find clear racing room. Stewards opened and adjourned an enquiry into the gear worn by UNCLE MICK when presented to race. Trainer J McKay is to be spoken to at a later date.</p>	
Race 4	BREEN CONSTRUCTION/BRIAN LUFF AUTOMOTIVE/WALKERS BUILDERS SPEC MAIDEN 1400m
<p>ROCTAGONAL, IRISH WIT and BEN'S GIRL were all slow to begin. The tongue tie on MCKMURPH came adrift just prior to the start with the rider reporting that the gelding had choked down during the running which led to its poor performance. Shortly after the start MCKMURPH shifted out abruptly checking ROCTAGONAL. ROCTAGONAL raced keenly when being steadied passing the 1000m. Passing the 250m BEN'S GIRL had to steady when awkwardly placed on the heels of PRENUPTIAL. BEN'S GIRL was again held up passing the 75m having to shift outwards to find clear running. When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner ROCTAGONAL rider J Bullard advised the Stewards that he had received a check shortly after jumping away and had got further back than anticipated with the horse battling on well over the concluding stages. He also further added that the gelding would be better suited to extra distance.</p>	
Race 5	ALEXANDRA NEW WORLD SPEC MAIDEN 1400m
<p>PRINCE FLIGHT, ZOE BROOK and INOUNO were all slow to begin. THE GORDONIAN who was racing keenly made the first bend awkwardly shifting wide on the track and was then obliged to race wide throughout. Passing the 200m QUOIN shifted in abruptly under pressure placing the rider in difficulty and as a result could not be ridden out to full advantage. Following the running of this event rider J Bates advised the Stewards that he was feeling the effects of a leg injury and would not continue riding today. He was stood down for his one remaining ride. Jockey J Bates was advised that he would need a medical clearance before resuming race riding. Jockey J Bates advised the Stewards that it was his intention to now retire from race riding.</p>	
Race 6	PETER LYON SHEARING OPEN HANDICAP 1400m
<p>When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner STRAITOTHEPOOLROOM rider K Williams advised the Stewards that the gelding had battled on fairly but in her opinion had failed to back up from his race two days ago.</p>	
Race 7	BLACKS HOTEL OPHIR R75 1400m
<p>FONEELEVEN was slow to begin. LIGHT'S UP was held up for some distance passing the</p>	

400m only gaining clear racing room inside the final 250m. XCELME was held up in the final straight only gaining clear running inside the final 100m.	
Race 8	PGG WRIGHTSON AON R65 1400m
<p>SURRAAR was slow to begin with ELIGIBLY slow over the early stages. HERNANDEZ raced wide throughout. IMA BARBIE DOLL shifted in as the start was made making contact with FLORIN. Passing the 150m ELIGIBLY shifted out to avoid the heels of the tiring PETER PERFECT forcing HERNANDEZ wider on the track. IMA BARBIE DOLL lay out from barrier rise and passing the 800m ran wider on the track placing the rider in difficulty. IMA BARBIE DOLL could not be persevered with from this point and eventually finished a long last. Rider A Mundy advised the Stewards that the mare had lay out throughout and became uncontrollable. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary check of the mare which revealed no obvious abnormalities. The connections were advised the mare was on a racing manners warning. Trainer S McKay advised the stewards that she would report the mare's progress in coming days and intends to have her examined by a horse chiropractor.</p>	
Race 9	BODKINS SPEC MAIDEN 2000m
<p>J Morris replaced J Bates as the rider of DELA KAYLA. WAR PAINT began awkwardly. DELA KAYLA raced wide throughout. BABUSHKA gave ground from the 600m eventually being retired from the event. An examination by the Club's veterinary surgeon revealed BABUSHKA to be a bleeder. The connections were advised that the mare would be required to have the three month compulsory stand down with trainer J Parsons advising that it was now his intention to retire the mare as a racing proposition. Rider J Misbah advised the Stewards that TAPDANO lay in over the concluding stages and had to be straightened in the shadows of the post.</p>	
Race 10:	COPPER CAFÉ & BAR/WHITE ROBE LODGE CLARE MEMORIAL GOLD CUP OPEN HANDICAP 2000m
<p>ST BERNARD raced keenly in the lead through the early to middle stages. WOODYEVA was held up rounding the final bend and had to shift ground outwards passing the 200m to find clear racing room. Passing the 175m WOODYEVA was again held up and had to be steadied off the heels of FELLINI and shifted ground outwards once again to gain clear racing room.</p>	
Race 11:	AWS LEGAL R65 2000m
<p>APACHE was slow to begin. POSTMASTER bounded as the start was made losing ground. Passing the 1900m GARGAMEL shifted out abruptly when awkwardly placed on the heels of RIVER BEAR forcing POSTMASTER wider on the track. PINZACOURT raced wide throughout. Passing the 150m PINZACOURT shifted in under pressure momentarily inconveniencing RIVER BEAR. When spoken to regarding the performance of GARGAMEL rider K Williams advised the Stewards that after getting further back than anticipated at the start she had been forced to improve wide rounding the home turn with the gelding only battling over the concluding stages finishing in mid field. She also added GARGAMEL may not have been suited to the turning track.</p> <p>LAST VINTAGE who raced well below expectations finishing in a distant last place was examined by the Club's veterinary surgeon and found to be suffering from a slow recovery rate and also the effects of dehydration. Trainer J Phillips will be spoken to in the coming days about the mare's performance.</p>	