STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: CANTERBURY JOCKEY CLUB Date: 5 May 2012

Weather: Showery

Track: Good 3, after Race 1 Dead 4

Rail: True

Stewards: A Ray (Chairman), M Davidson, J McLaughlin, N Ydgren, B Jones

Stenographer: C McMullan

GENERAL:

Due to light rain during the morning prior to the first race Stewards requested that the ground breaker be used rounding the turn from the 1000m to the 400m to eliminate the chance of horses losing their footing.

Selected horses were pre race blood tested.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: HOWBADDOUNEEDIT, DARCI COUP, COUP DARCI BE, MADAM LINCOLN, TOO MUCH TROUBLE,

PLATINUM KINGDOM, KEEN AFFAIR, SCAPOLO, THE GLITZY ONE, ARE YOU DEVIOUS, HILL OF

GOLD, SITARA, TROPICAL PUNCH, JAYLAH

Suspensions: Race

Fines: Race

Bleeders: Race 5 REAIS – stood down for mandatory 3 months.

Horse Actions: Race 3 BOWLING BOY – warning for barrier manners.

Race 8 PINZEE – to trial satisfactorily at an official trial.

Medical Certificates: L McGregor – medical clearance required.

Rider Changes: Race 8 D Walsh replaced L McGregor as the rider of WILLIAM OF ORANGE.

Late Scratchings: Race 8 PINZEE at 3.50 pm.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 AVON CITY FORD PREMIER (1600m)

DARCI COUP was slow to begin.

PETER PORTER raced keenly during the middle stages.

MERRYMAKER was held up for clear running in the early stages of the home straight.

PYCOK FLYER was held up and could not obtain clear running until near the 150m.

Trainer S Kirkland will be spoken to regarding the performance of COAT OF ARMS. When questioned regarding the performance of COAT OF ARMS rider J Misbah explained that the gelding hung throughout. A post race veterinary examination of COAT OF ARMS revealed a slow post race recovery. When questioned regarding the performance of ANGELOLOGY rider R Myers explained that the gelding travelled well in the early and middle stages however was disappointing when placed under full pressure inside the final 400m. Connections advised that it was the stable's intention to now apply blinkers to the gelding's approved racing gear. A post race veterinary examination of ANGELOLOGY revealed a slow recovery rate.

Following this event the track was downgraded to Dead 4.

Race 2 ANGUS MEATS PREMIER (1400m)

CYBELE and UGO BOSS began awkwardly and came together and bumped shortly after jumping.

CRUMB was slow to begin.

FRAGRANT and CRUMB raced wide throughout.

Near the 1000m ZA PAK commenced to race keenly when awkwardly placed on the heels of THE DEBT COLLECTOR resulting in ZA PAK hanging in and crowding the running of UGO BOSS.

ZA PAK hung in under pressure in the home straight having to be straightened on a number of occasions by the rider. When questioned regarding the performance of FASHION ROCKS, rider B Lammas explained that the mare was not overly comfortable in the track conditions. A post race veterinary examination of FASHION ROCKS did not reveal any obvious

abnormalities.

When questioned regarding the performance of EXCUSEABLE, rider L Whelan explained that the gelding was not comfortable in the track conditions.

Race 3 estaronline PREMIER (1200m)

The start of this race was delayed due to BOWLING BOY proving difficult to load. A warning was placed on the racing record of BOWLING BOY.

NAVIGATOR began awkwardly and lost ground.

OUR BELLA ROSE and HERNANDEZ came together and bumped on jumping.

NAVIGATOR which raced keenly in the early stages had to be steadied near the 1100m when crowded for room by RAPID KASH which was hanging in at that stage. NAVIGATOR continued to race keenly for some distance thereafter.

NAVIGATOR had to be steadied when held up for clear running near the 500m when awkwardly placed on the heels of TERELLE.

OUR PREMONITION (D Johnson) hung out under pressure over the concluding stages and near the 50m crowded the running of TERELLE which had to be steadied and lost ground. D Johnson was advised to make every effort to keep her mount straight in future.

Rider C Johnson advised that in his opinion HERNANDEZ was not suited by the dead track conditions.

Race 4 FARRIER & EQUINE SUPPLIES PREMIER (1200m)

BALAQ and OUTRAGEOUS FORTUNE were both slow to begin.

THE JESTER blundered on jumping.

Rider D Walsh advised that THE JESTER was inclined to hang throughout placing him at a disadvantage.

TRADEMARK was inconvenienced near the 200m when crowded by TOO MUCH TORQUE which hung in.

When questioned regarding the performance of CONSCIOUS MISTAKE, rider J Bullard explained that the gelding travelled well in the early and middle stages however blundered near the 250m and did not finish the race off as expected thereafter. A post race veterinary examination of CONSCIOUS MISTAKE did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.

Rider D Walker explained that BALAQ had felt indifferent in its action throughout the race. A post race veterinary examination of BALAQ did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.

Race 5 BERKLEY STUD CHAMPAGNE STAKES (1200m)

The start of this race was delayed due to several runners proving difficult to load.

NAPATAP and SINGLE ACT were slow to begin.

Near the 1000m and again near the 600m NO MEAN FEAT shifted in and bumped THE SINGLE ACT when racing keenly and had to be checked when improving onto the heels of SWIPER THE FOX. Rider D Lui advised that NO MEAN FEAT was disappointing in its efforts thereafter.

KEEN AFFAIR raced keenly during the early stages.

GOLD TERROR raced keenly for some distance near the 800m.

LUCKY COUNTRY hung in under pressure in the home straight.

GOLD TERROR raced in restricted room for a short distance near the 350m.

KEEN AFFAIR hung in under pressure inside the final 300m.

A post race veterinary examination of REAIS revealed the filly to have bled. Trainer R Frost was advised that REAIS would now undergo the mandatory three month stand down.

A post race veterinary examination of NO MEAN FEAT revealed the filly to have sustained an injury to the pelvic region. Trainer S McKay will be advised a veterinary certificate of fitness would be required prior to racing again. A post race veterinary examination of SWIPER THE FOX revealed the gelding to have lost a tooth during the running of the race. Trainer representative J Orange explained that other than slipping behind on jumping she could offer no other excuse for the performance. J Orange undertook to advise the Stewards if anything becomes apparent with the gelding in subsequent days which may have led to the performance. Rider J Collett could offer no excuse for the disappointing performance of SWIPER THE FOX.

Race 6 NZI GREAT AUTUMN HANDICAP (2500m)

YA DREAMIN JONESY blundered on jumping and lost ground.

WOODYEVA was slow to begin.

CHASE THE SUN raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

THE GLITZY ONE was held up for clear running until passing the 250m.

Rider R Myers explained that SANTOS travelled well in the early and middle stages however did not run on in the home straight as expected. She added that the gelding may not have seen out the 2500m.

Rider J Morris advised that YA DREAMIN JONESY was not suited by the track conditions.

When questioned regarding the performance of PHANTOM STORM, rider K Myers could offer no excuse for the disappointing performance. A post race veterinary examination of PHANTOM STORM did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Trainer L Latta advised that PHANTOM STORM would now be sent for a spell.

Race 7 DAVID EMERSON ACCOUNTANT & BUSINESS CONSULTANT PREMIER (1600m)

GIUSEPPE and CAMEO LASS came together on jumping.

GOOD EXCUSE got its head up and raced keenly in the early stages.

RECORDING got its head up, raced fiercely and had to be checked when awkwardly placed on heels as the pace of the race slackened near the 1000m.

Near the 400m PEACE had to be steadied when crowded for room by FAREWELL FLIGHT which was forced wider on the track by LIVANA (R Myers) which shifted wider on the track in search of clear running. R Myers was advised to show greater care when shifting ground in future.

PEACE, RECORDING and CAMEO LASS were all obliged to race wide throughout.

Rider L Allpress explained that EKSTRA SPECIAL did not finish the race off as expected in the home straight. Trainer M Pitman advised that in the past EKSTRA SPECIAL has not performed as hoped in the past when racing on the inside of other runners, and attributed that to the performance today.

RACE RACECOURSE HOTEL MOTOR LODGE GREAT EASTER STAKES HANDICAP (1400m)

PINZEE was a late scratching on veterinary advice after rearing over backwards in the barriers. Trainer representative Andrew Carston was advised that PINZEE must perform satisfactorily in an official trial prior to racing again.

DIPLOMACY which was in the adjacent stall was removed from the barriers, underwent a veterinary examination and was cleared fit to race.

BIG RED, WILLIAM OF ORANGE and CHAPARELLA were slow to begin.

WILLIAM OF ORANGE blundered and lost ground shortly after jumping.

BIG RED got its head up and raced fiercely for some distance passing the 900m.

COMANCHE GOLD, FINAL TOUCH and INFALLIBLE all raced wide throughout.

WILLIAM OF ORANGE and BIG RED both raced in restricted room over the concluding stages of the race.

When questioned regarding the tactics adopted on SO ELUSIVE, rider L Allpress explained that her instructions were to ride the mare, which has been slow away in its last two runs, with cover if possible. She advised that after beginning well the mare was unchallenged for the lead in the early stages so she elected to maintain her position. She added that SO ELUSIVE travelled well throughout but in her opinion was not suited by today's Dead track conditions, resulting in mare not finishing the race of as expected.

Rider L Robinson explained that in his opinion COMANCHE GOLD, which did not finish the race off as expected was not suited by the Dead track conditions and would appreciate racing over more ground.

When questioned regarding the performance of BIG RED, rider M Hills explained that it was his intention to race in a more forward position but because of the delay with the start BIG RED had been slow to begin resulting in him racing further back than intended which is in contrast to the gelding's normal racing pattern.

Race 9 SPEIGHT'S PREMIER (2000m)

TECHNIQUE was slow to begin.

CONTROL and MONACHEE were slow into stride.

TECHNIQUE raced keenly in the early and middle stages.

When questioned regarding the performance of AU NATUREL, rider H Tinsley explained that in his opinion the gelding is one paced and could not quicken with the field when placed under full pressure inside the final 500m.

CONTROL was held up for clear running in the early stages of the home straight and had to be eased wider near the 300m to continue to improve.

ESPRIT D'OR slipped and blundered rounding the turn near the 700m.

Rider C Johnson explained that ALUMINIUM BIKERACK is better suited racing on firmer track conditions.

When questioned regarding the performance of MONACHEE, rider C Van Der Werf explained that the mare is best suited when ridden handy however after being slow to begin she raced further back than intended. She advised that the mare failed to quicken with the body of the field inside the final 800m and in her opinion was not suited by the Dead track conditions today. The connections will be spoken to regarding the performance of MONACHEE.