STIPENDIARY STEWARD'S REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Otago Racing Club Date: Sunday 3rd June 2012

Weather: Overcast
Track: Slow 9
Rail: Out 6 metres

Stewards: M Davidson(Chairman), A Ray and J McLaughlin

Stenographer: M O'Brien

GENERAL:

Canterbury Racing Club, 1 June 2012 – Stewards concluded an enquiry into the ride on MARY BURKE by rider Lance Robinson. Of concern to the Stewards was Mr Robinson's apparent lack of vigour over the concluding stages of the race. Mr Robinson explained he had fully tested MARY BURKE under hard riding in the run to the finish however the filly's run had ended inside the final 100m and felt indifferent in its action and as a result he stopped riding with the whip. He added that he was safely held by the winner REFRESHINGLY VIBRANT inside the final 50m. A post-race veterinary examination revealed MARY BURKE to be displaying a slow post-race recovery and further found that the filly had scalped its near hind fetlock during the run. After considering all the evidence the Stewards considered that no further action was necessary.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	TUG O' WAR, STORMPATROL, FLYING PETAL, ALL ABOUT ALF, THE HAMMER HEAD, MISS		
	MAXIMUSS, KNIGHTONTHETOWN, MR TRIMBOLE.		
Suspensions:	Race	2	A Tempelman – Rule 638(1)(d) Careless riding 850m– suspended from the end of racing on 10 June 2012 up to and including 21 June (2 days)
Fines:	Race	1&2	Salem Yusoff – Rule 330(3)(c) – failed to make riding weight – Fined \$100
Warnings:	Race	2	ROYAL EXCUSE – Barrier manners warning
	Race	4	ALL ABOUT ALF – Racing manners warning
Bleeders:	Race		
Horse Actions:	Race	1	COURT IN NEW YORK – Veterinary Clearance Required
	Race	6	COAT OF ARMS – Veterinary Clearance Required
	Race	5	NOT MY RUBY- Must barrier trial
Medical Certificates:			
Rider Changes:	Race	4	S Yusoff replaced J Bullard as the rider of ALL ABOUT ALF – due to there being no available senior riders
	Race	5	C Johnson replaced J Bullard as the rider of ELLEAYE
	Race	7	C Lunn replaced J Bullard as the rider of RICCIOLI – due to there being no available senior riders
Late Scratchings:	Race	6	COAT OF ARMS – Vet's Advice at 8.07 am

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 BROCKLEBANKS DRY CLEANERS MDN 1200m

COURT IN NEW YORK was obliged to race wide throughout and gave ground from the 600m and finished a distant last. When spoken to regarding the performance of COURT IN NEW YORK rider T Moseley advised he was disadvantaged by having to race three wide throughout and in his opinion was not suited by the prevailing track conditions. Trainer B Court agreed with Mr Moseley in that COURT IN NEW YORK was suited by the track conditions. Stewards ordered a veterinary examination of COURT IN NEW YORK which revealed that the gelding pulled up in a distressed state and was heard to make a respiratory noise by the vet. The connections were advised that the gelding will require a veterinary clearance before racing again.

STAR A ROOK and LOFTY HEIGHTS both began awkwardly. FOUR GEES was held up throughout the run home only gaining clear racing room inside the final 100m.

Race 2 myers marketing 1200m

ROYAL EXCUSE stood flat footed at the start losing considerable ground. A barrier manners warning was placed on the record of ROYAL EXCUSE. Passing the 850m WIN ROCK (A Tempelman) shifted in when not clear of DRUMHILL who clipped a heel and blundered momentarily losing momentum. Apprentice A Tempelman admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) careless riding. After hearing relevant evidence and viewing the films the JCA suspended Miss Tempelman from the end of racing on 10 June 2012 up to and including 21 June 2012 (2 days).

Passing the 600m ROYAL EXCUSE who had made contact with the body of the field began to over race and had to be steadied off the heels of LOGAN TOWN. ROYAL EXCUSE had to shift ground inwards passing the 200m to gain clear racing room.

Race 3 WHK BIRTHDAY HANDICAP 2100m

VITAL PRINCESS was slow to begin. DANZ A ROOK raced keenly through the early stages. FLYING PETAL shifted out passing the 100m and had to be straightened. On pulling up CHASE THE SUN blundered dislodging rider J Bullard. J Bullard was attended to by the St John paramedics and found to be suffering from a broken left collar bone and was stood down from his remaining engagements. Rider J Bullard was excused from weighing in under Rule 647(1). A veterinary examination of CHASE THE SUN revealed no injuries. J Bullard was advised he would need a medical clearance before riding next. When spoken to regarding the performance of ACQUIT rider C Johnson could offer no tangible excuses other than that the slow pace of the race during the middle stages had not been to the mare's liking.

Race 4 PRIVATE LABEL 2200m

S Yusoff replaced J Bullard as the rider of ALL ABOUT ALF.

The start of this event was delayed approximately 3 minutes due to runners arriving late at the barrier. ALL ABOUT ALF was slow to begin and then attempted to buck for a short distance before being restrained. A warning was placed on the racing manners of ALL ABOUT ALF. VOODOO VIXEN raced wide through the middle stages. BRAEMAR raced in restricted room in the early part of the run home. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of WELSHTOWN who finished a distant last rider C Johnson explained that the gelding travelled well in the early and middle stages, however failed to respond when placed under full pressure inside the final 600m. A post-race veterinary examination of WELSHTOWN revealed no abnormalities. When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner IRISH WIT rider S Muniandy advised that the gelding did not handle today's testing track conditions.

Race 5 HAIR CO 1400m

C Johnson replaced J Bullard as the rider of ELLEAYE.

NOT MY RUBY which was fractious in its barrier reared as the start was made and stayed in the gates losing all chance. Stewards delayed payment before viewing replays of the incident which showed that the mare had been fractious prior to dispatch. The connections were advised that the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to its next start. GOLDEN SPOT and THE HAMMER HEAD were slow to begin. PAUANUI raced wide without cover in the early stages. When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of ELLEAYE rider C Johnson explained the gelding travelled well in the lead however was disappointing when placed under full pressure inside the final 600m. A post-race veterinary examination of ELLEAYE revealed no abnormalities.

When questioned regarding the performance of LORD CAVENDISH rider J Morris advised the gelding did not travel as expected at any stage of the race. Trainer B Court advised the gelding raced fiercely at its most recent start so he removed the blinkers from LORD CAVENDISH in an attempt to get the gelding to race more tractably. He said that the gelding relaxed too much without the blinkers and he would now reapply them prior to next start.

Race 6 MORE FM 1400m

COAT OF ARMS was a late scratching on vet's advice at 8.07 am when found to be lame in its paddock. The Trainer of COAT OF ARMS Mr S Kirkland was advised that the gelding would require a veterinary clearance before racing next. INFALLIBLE was slow to begin. OUR GENES raced wide throughout. MISS MAXIMUSS was held up in the initial part of the run home and had to change ground outwards passing the 200m to find clear racing room. MISS MAXIMUSS was inclined to lay in throughout the run home.

Race 7 DOWNES SHOWCASE JEWELLERS 1600m

C Lunn replaced J Bullard as the rider of RICCIOLI.

BLOSSOM FESTIVAL shifted in abruptly at the start making firm contact with MOLLY MAREE with both runners losing ground. HOWLONGDOWEWAIT and RICCIOLO were both slow over the early stages. ADDITUP and MAITLAND GREY both raced keenly due to the lack of early pace. KNIGHTONTHETOWN was held up in the initial part of the run home. RICCIOLI raced in restricted over the last 200m. When spoken to regarding the performance of RICCIOLI rider C Lunn advised that she had got back from a wide draw and had been held up over the concluding stages when attempting to improve along the fence and due to this had been unable to make any ground over the final stages. When questioned regarding the performance of THANKYOUBRIAN rider C Johnson advised that he was instructed to ride the horse in a rearward position however the gelding raced fiercely during the early and middle stages due to the slow pace of the race. He said when placed under full pressure rounding the turn THANKYOUBRIAN was not suited by the track conditions.

Race 8 SPEIGHT'S 1600m

HEZA KOOL KAT was slow to begin. KILPATRICK blundered at the start losing ground. BETHUNE BILLY raced keenly and had to be continually steadied off the heels of WITHOUT DOUBT through the early stages. HEZA A KOOL KAT also

raced keenly due to the lack of early pace. IT'S ESSENTIAL and EKSTRA SPECIAL both raced wide without cover. HEZA KOOL KAT had to be steadied passing the 375m when held up by the tiring WITHOUT DOUBT. IT'S ESSENTIAL shifted in over the concluding stages making contact with and inconveniencing KILPATRICK momentarily. Rider C Barnes (IT'S ESSENTIAL) was shown replays of this incident and advised to take greater care when riding in similar circumstances. When spoken to regarding the performance of BALLYRINA rider C Johnson advised the Stewards he could offer no tangible excuses for today's poor performance.