STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Canterbury Jockey Club Date: Saturday 4 August 2012

Weather: Overcast

Track: Heavy 10, after R2 Heavy 11

Rail: 8 Metres

Stewards: J Oatham (Chairman), N McIntyre, M Davidson, J McLaughlin, N Ydgren

Typist: C McMullan

GENERAL:

C Spittles did not attend the meeting due to an injury suffered the previous Thursday and is required to provide a medical clearance prior to riding next.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: WOTABUZZ, PLATINUM LINCOLN, PRINCESS LINCOLN, AYATOLLAH, ROODYVOO, TICK TOCK

TURBO, WANABEFAMOUS, ART BEAT, INNOVATION, KHEMOSABI, NEGOTIATE, PYCOK FLYER.

All runners in Races 5 and 8 were pre-race blood tested.

Suspensions: Race 8 R Hutchings I AM SAM

Careless Riding 1100m [Rule 638(1)(d)] suspended 12 to 17 August inclusive

Protests: Nil

Fines: Nil

Warnings: Race 1 J Rathbone SEA KING

Shifting ground 600m first occasion [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Race 5 I Lupton ROODYVOO

Shifting ground 1100m [Rule 638(1)(d)]

Race 10 R Black HEZA KOOL KAT

Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(b)] excessive use of the whip

Bleeders: Nil

Horse Actions: Race 3 COMPENSATE – veterinary certificate of fitness required.

Race 4 GOLDEN CROWNS – veterinary certificate of fitness required.

Medical Certificates: C Spittles – medical clearance required.

Rider Changes: Race 3 D Bradley replaced C Spittles (injured) on PREMIER LADY.

Race 6 K Williams replaced C Spittles on MERRYMAKER.

Late Scratchings: Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 RACECOURSE HOTEL & MOTOR LODGE SYDENHAM HURDLES HANDICAP (3200m)

RIVIERA STAR (S Houston) had to be steadied to avoid the heels of **SEA KING** (J Rathbone) which shifted in near the 600 metres on the first occasion. J Rathbone was issued with a warning.

MORPHEUS (R Cully) jumped the first fence awkwardly inconveniencing BANNA STRAND (I Lupton).

SEA KING made a faulty leap at the fence near the 500 metres losing ground.

SEA KING lay out under pressure over the concluding stages.

MORPHEUS lost the off fore plate during the running.

Race 2 NEXT FRIDAY'S SOUTH ISLAND SALE PREMIER THREE=YEAR-OLD (1200m)

WING IT WILLIAM (M Du Plessis) shifted out at the start making firm contact with **CHEEKY TART** (R Doherty) which inconvenienced **PLATINUM LINCOLN** (K Myers).

Near the 900 metres **PLATINUM LINCOLN** which was racing keenly shifted out when being steadied off the heels of **CHEEKY TART** forcing **ASK ME** (B Moore) across the heels of **DRAGON'S GLORY** (C Johnson) which shifted in slightly.

PLATINUM LINCOLN was inclined to shift ground under pressure when racing greenly in the final straight, ducked in abruptly near the 150 metres and had to be straightened.

M Du Plessis (WING IT WILLIAM) advised that the gelding had failed to handle today's testing track conditions.

Following the running of this race the track was downgraded to Heavy 11.

Race 3 JASON SUTTIE 40TH BIRTHDAY PREMIER (1200m)

Trainer G Trusttum was granted permission to remove the pacifiers from **SATISFACTION** due to the existing track conditions.

SNOW EXCUSE (L Innes) and **EXCUSEABLE** (D Walker) were slow to begin.

SMART HALO (L Allpress) and **TRISTAN'S CHOICE** (R Doherty) were tightened for room shortly after the start when **MISS EL BEE DEE** (A McKay) shifted inwards and **PREMIER LADY** (D Bradley) shifted outwards.

NOBLE REASON (K Williams) was hampered at the start when THE DEBT COLLECTOR (D Walsh) shifted in.

Near the 900 metres **MISS EL BEE DEE** which was over racing had to be steadied off the heels of **PREMIER LADY** with **EXCUSEABLE** (D Walker) and **OUR JACKPOT** (M Du Plessis) also then being steadied.

A post-race veterinary examination of **COMPENSATE** found the gelding to have suffered a tendon injury to the left foreleg. Trainer A Freeman was advised that a veterinary certificate of fitness would be required prior to **COMPENSATE** racing again.

When questioned regarding the performance of **SNOW EXCUSE**, rider L Innes was unable to offer any tangible excuse. M Du Plessis (**OUR JACKPOT**) was of the opinion that the gelding had found today's track conditions too testing under its big weight.

Race 4 VICTOR HYDRAULICS MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE (3200m)

GOLDEN CROWNS jumped the second fence awkwardly and knuckled badly on landing dislodging rider G Walsh who was uninjured.

DAY CENTRE (S Moir) knuckled after jumping the second fence.

DEE'S ROCK put in a poor jump at the second fence and continued to jump indifferently at the rear throughout. The connections of **DEE'S ROCK** advised it was their intention to retire the gelding.

MALACHITE (I Lupton) was run off by the riderless **GOLDEN CROWNS** passing the 2000 metres and had to be pulled up. **D'ALAMO** (C Singer) misjudged the third last fence.

BALLY HEIGHTS (R Cully) and BENEDETTO (M Mitchell) both knuckled on landing after jumping the last fence.

The riderless **GOLDEN CROWNS** crashed through the running rail at the last fence and fell. **GOLDEN CROWNS** required veterinary attention for a laceration to the near hind pastern. Trainer C Eagle was advised that a veterinary certificate of clearance would be required prior to the gelding racing again.

Race 5 NZI KORAL STEEPLECHASE (4250m)

BRUSHMAN (C Singer) was slow to begin.

BETTER ON TOP (C Studd) put in a poor jump at the fence near the 800 metres on the first occasion.

HO DOWN (R Cully) was crowded near the 1100 metres when **ROODYVOO** (I Lupton) shifted in. I Lupton was issued with a warning.

NO RUSH'N (R Doherty) was retired from the race prior to the fence near the 1000 metres when tailed off.

ROODYVOO jumped inwards at the fence near the 1000 metres taking **BETTER ON TOP** inwards crowding **CAPE KINAVERAL** (M Mitchell) and **LAUTENSCHLAGER** (J Rathbone).

CAPE KINAVERAL (M Mitchell) jumped the last fence awkwardly, knuckled on landing and fell, hampering **LOGAN JAMES**. Rider M Mitchell was uninjured.

Post-race veterinary examinations of CAPE KINAVERAL and NO RUSH'N did not reveal any abnormalities.

Race 6 MILLENNIUM HOTELS & RESORTS PREMIER SPRINT (1200m)

NO CASH which dislodged rider R Myers on the way to the start area underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was passed fit to race.

BRACKENWOOD (D Bradley) was slow to begin.

CONSCIOUS MISTAKE (C Johnson) lay in after jumping away crowding OUR GENES (A Denby).

GUESSING (K Myers) over raced in the early stages and had to be steadied away from the heels of **OUTRAGEOUS FORTUNE** (A Forbes) near the 900 metres when that runner was taken out by **SUB PRIME** (B Moore).

Race 7 GOLD CLUB PREMIER (1800m)

WAITAHA TOA (R Hannam) was slow to begin.

FLYING PETAL (A Forbes) raced wide throughout.

When attempting to obtain clear running near the 400 metres **ALL ABOUT ALF** (R Doherty) was taken out slightly by **WILLY DUGGAN** (K Myers) crowding **AUTHENTIC DESIRE** (D Bradley).

A post-race veterinary examination of **FLYING PETAL** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.

Race 8 ESTARONLINE 115TH WINTER CUP (1600m)

ART BEAT (N Harris) knuckled on jumping away.

COSABELLA (M Du Plessis) over raced in the middle stages.

R Hutchings defended a charge of careless riding in that he allowed his mount I AM SAM to shift inwards near the 1100 metres when not sufficiently clear of KHEMOSABI (J Parkes) with KHEMOSABI having to be steadied and shifting out abruptly across the heels of I AM SAM, forcing PINZEE (R Myers) out onto the line of COMANCHE GOLD (L Robinson) which was checked. After hearing evidence the Judicial Committee upheld the charge and suspended R Hutchings' licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 11 August until the conclusion of racing on Friday 17 August, 4 riding days.

INNOVATION (L Innes) had to shift out across heels to obtain clear running passing the 400 metres.

RUMOUR HAS IT NOW (D Walsh) was unable to obtain clear running in the final straight.

Race 9 AVON CITY FORD PREMIER (1600m)

DIPLOMACY (T Moseley) was slow to begin.

SMUGGLY (J Morris) began awkwardly losing ground.

K Myers (ZA PAK) dropped her whip near the 100 metres.

Race 10 SPEIGHT'S PREMIER (1400m)

TROPICAL PUNCH (H Tinsley) was slow to begin.

R Black (HEZA KOOL KAT) was issued with a warning for her whip use prior to the 200 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **COAT OF ARMS**, rider C Johnson advised that the gelding had felt lethargic throughout and had only battled. A post-race veterinary examination of **COAT OF ARMS** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.