STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Ashburton Racing Club	Date:	Friday, 31 August 2012
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead 6, after Race 3 Dead 5		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	N Ydgren, A Coles, J McLaughlin, P Kinsey		
Typist:	C McMullan		

GENERAL:

HUNDRED PIPERS was a late scratching at 12.45 pm due to no suitable rider being available.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	VOODOO, MARIA PREDADI, KEEPA TRAMP, REWA, A BOB SHORT, LIGHT'S UP, SORLEY BOY, ACQUIT, SYLVIE'S DREAM		
Suspensions:	Race		Nil
Protests:	Race		Nil
Fines:	Race		Nil
Warnings:	Race		Nil
Bleeders:	Race		Nil
Horse Actions:	Race	7	ELEGANTE to barrier trial twice to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.
		7	DANERIO to trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again. Veterinary clearance to be provided prior to DANERIO racing again.
Medical Certificates:	C Spittles – medical clearance received.		
Rider/Driver Changes:	Race		Nil
Scratching Penalties:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	DR C G MURFITT & ASSOCIATES RATING 75 (2100m)			
FAITES VOS JEUX and ASTRONOMICAL began awkwardly.				
CONFUSED began awkwardly and lost ground. This gelding then over raced in the early stages.				
ASTRONOMICAL hung in under pressure approaching the 200m.				
Race 2	DRUMMOND & ETHERIDGE RATING 65 (1200m)			
STRADBROKE CITY blundered on leaving the barriers.				
NEVER DIE began awkwardly and then shifted outwards contacting EL CAPITANO.				
BEE JEAN also shifted outwards in the early stages crowding the racing room of CHAMPAGNE AGAIN and TATIANA.				
BLAST OUT raced fiercely in the early stages and became awkwardly placed on the heels of MARIA PREDADI. When being				
steadied BLAST OUT shifted ground and bumped with MY LATTE which was positioned to its inside with NEVER DIE having				
to be restrained as a result.				
BEE JEAN and TATIANA raced wide throughout.				
WANNABEAWALLABETOO was inclined to hang up the track under pressure in the final 200m.				

When questioned regarding the improved performance of **MARIA PREDADI**, trainer M McCann explained that he had been confident of a forward showing prior to the horses last start but encountered a heavy 11 track which she had failed to

handle and felt his mare had appreciated the considerably better track conditions today. Race 3 **QUIGLEY CONTRACTING MAIDEN (1200m)** The start of this event was delayed due to a power problem with the barriers. BESTIA was slow to begin. **IRONWORKER** began awkwardly losing ground and then raced keenly in the early and middle stages causing rider K Walters some difficulty. **REUBEN** and **DENY DENY** both began awkwardly and came together soon after jumping. **WAWCOT** was slow to begin and struggled to maintain contact with the field in the early stages. Racing towards the first bend **IRONWORKER** which had been racing ungenerously was placed in restricted room and had to be steadied when receiving some pressure from **PISTOLET** which was racing to its outside. Stewards after considering the explanations from riders K Walters (IRONWORKER), R Black (PISTOLET) and J Bullard (REUBEN) regarding this incident felt that the racing manners of IRONWORKER had been the main contributing factor behind this incident however reminded J Bullard that at all times when shifting ground he is to ensure he is sufficiently clear to do so. When questioned regarding the performance of LATIN SAINT, rider R Doherty explained that the gelding had travelled well in the early stages but had disappointed him with his efforts in the run home. R Doherty added that in his opinion the gelding may have experienced some difficulty breathing and he had recommended to trainer J Hay that the gelding race with a tongue tie at its next start. A post race veterinary examination of LATIN SAINT did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Following this event the track was upgraded to Dead 5. **COLLEEN MEARS MEMORIAL OPEN HANDICAP (1200m)** Race 4 BIG RED was slow to begin. **OUR GENES** raced wide throughout. **KEEP THE CONFLICT** (D Prastiyou) was inclined to hang out under pressure throughout the run home. D Prastiyou was shown the replay and advised that it was expected he make a greater effort to keep his mounts straight. Race 5 ISLINGTON TAVERN 3YO MAIDEN (1200m) SINGAPORE GIRL began awkwardly then shifted out and hampered the progress of OUR MEGAN. THE DIAMOND ONE shifted out and away from A BOB SHORT shortly after jumping away, and in doing so made contact with FULL OF FUEL. **DELIGHTFUL BELLE** which was racing keenly in the early stages shifted out abruptly when rider L Allpress attempted to settle the filly. Both SINGAPORE GIRL and OUR MEGAN received some interference as a result. DELIGHTFUL BELLE raced greenly for the remainder of the event causing L Allpress to straighten the filly on several occasions. Race 6 THANK YOU KIRWAN BERRY RATING 75 (1400m) **DIPLOMACY** and **KIRKIE** were slow to begin. SUMMER'S PRIDE shifted out on jumping away crowding CAPTAIN CRUISING. BURSTING STONE began awkwardly losing ground. LIGHT'S UP and GROOVER came together on jumping when both runners shifted ground. **GROOVER** skyed its head and raced keenly in the early stages. Racing into the first turn KIRKIE contacted the running rail and shifted outwards abruptly causing a slight check to MISS EL **BEE DEE**. **KIRKIE** raced keenly for some distance thereafter. **DIPLOMACY** hung outwards on the bend. Passing the 200m BURSTING STONE when being shifted wider on the track came together with CAPTAIN CRUISING. Race 7 **NEUMANN'S TYRE SERVICES MAIDEN (1400m)** ELEGANTE became fractious in the barriers and reared sideways on several occasions. This horse was removed from the barriers to undergo a veterinary examination which it failed and accordingly was declared a late scratching at 4.05 pm. Stewards advised trainer D Williamson that prior to ELEGANTE becoming eligible to resume racing it must trial to a satisfactory standard before them on two occasions. SHEISWHATSHEIS which drew the barrier inside ELEGANTE was also removed from the barriers and inspected by the Veterinarian and cleared fit to race. The barrier gate of **SHEISWHATSHEIS** was delayed in opening causing this horse to be slow to begin and settle some

distance from the field.

SAINT RYAN shifted inwards after the start contacting TORONTO.

DANERIO hung outwards in the early stages making contact with **RATE MYSELF**. **DANERIO** then commenced to race keenly causing rider L Allpress some difficulty.

Approaching the 900m **DANERIO** ran outwards despite the efforts of rider L Allpress. As a result of this **RATE MYSELF** was briefly shifted wider on the track.**DANERIO** then raced wide for the remainder of the race costing it considerable ground. A post race veterinary examination of **DANERIO** revealed a swollen left knee. The connections of **DANERIO** were advised that a veterinary clearance is required prior to the gelding racing again. Co-trainer T Stokes undertook to advise the Stewards if anything becomes apparent with the gelding in subsequent days which may have led to the performance. Mrs Stokes was advised that **DANERIO** must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

Passing the 1100m rider P Shaikh (SHEISWHATSHEIS) lost the use of his off side stirrup iron and was in difficulty until passing the 200m when he became unbalanced and was dislodged from his mount. P Shaikh was examined by St John paramedics and cleared of any inujury. In the presence of his employer M Pitman and jockey mentor W Harnett, P Shaikh was shown the race footage and spoken to advisedly in regard to his ride on SHEISWHATSHEIS. This matter will be followed up at the upcoming apprentice school.

SORLEY BOY lost the off hind plate during the running.

Stewards filed a request for a ruling under Rule 632 stating the chances of **SHEISWHATSHEIS** had been materially prejudiced through the failure of the gates to open correctly. The JCA after viewing footage of the start declared **SHEISWHATSHEIS** a non runner.

Race 8 RD PETROLEUM OPEN HANDICAP (1600m)

FIDDLER'S GREEN and LISA LOVE both began awkwardly.

HEZA KOOL KAT raced wide throughout.

Passing the 200m **ACQUIT** (L Allpress) when being taken wider in search of clear running bumped **TROPICAL PUNCH** costing this runner some momentum. L Allpress was shown the film and reminded to exercise caution when shifting ground.

Race 9 DEVON TAVERN RATING 65 (1600m)

HUNDRED PIPERS was a late scratching at 12.45 pm due to no suitable rider being available.

BALLYRINA was slow to begin.

LIL MISS TAIT raced keenly in the early stages.

SLAM DUNK raced wide in the early and middle stages.

SYLVIE'S DREAM had difficulty obtaining clear running in the run home.

SCAREAWAY was unable to gain clear running throughout the home straight.

When questioned regarding the seemingly disappointing performance of **KUNTE KINTE**, rider L Callaway explained that the gelding had raced too keenly when positioned in the open.