

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Canterbury Jockey Club	Date:	Friday, 14 th September 2012
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Good 3		
Rail:	Out 9 metres to the 1100 metres / Out 11 metres to the crossing		
Stewards:	J McLaughlin, M Zarb, P Kinsey		
Typist:	C McMullan		

GENERAL:

R5 - **BIG ENERGY** was a late scratching at 1.55 pm on veterinary advice.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Trainer M McCann advised that, following the disappointing performance of **HAPPY DAYS** at Ashburton on 7 September 2012, blood tests were taken from the mare which revealed no abnormalities. In his opinion **HAPPY DAYS** was in need of a spell and accordingly he had turned the mare out for a spell.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	SHAYLEE WILDE, KIRKIE, CHAMPAGNE KATIE, CREDIT CRUNCH, FLYING LEGEND, COMANCHE GOLD, A BOB SHORT, KING MONTROSE, URUNGA		
Suspensions:	Race		Nil
Protests:	Race		Nil
Fines:	Race	4	Trainer L Latta [Rule 616(3)];\$50 Presenting PLATINUM DANCER with incorrect gear.
Warnings:	Race	9	Apprentice rider S Wynne (PATRICE) [Rule 638(1)(d)]; Shifting ground on jumping.
Bleeders:	Race		Nil
Horse Actions:	Race	1	IRONWORKER – racing manners warning.
	Race		
Medical Certificates:	J Misbah – medical clearance received.		
Rider Changes:	Race		Nil

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	CUP WEEK TICKETS ON SALE NOW MAIDEN (1600m)
	<p>IRONWORKER and JAYAR were slow to begin.</p> <p>IRONWORKER over raced while being restrained in the early stages and continued to over race for some distance thereafter.</p> <p>EL CASTELLO was obliged to race three wide throughout.</p> <p>Passing the 900 metres IRONWORKER which was continuing to over race contacted a heel of the runner in front. The connections of IRONWORKER were advised that the gelding had a racing manners warning placed against its record.</p> <p>Passing the 400 metres JAYAR and IRONWORKER came together and jostled for a short distance.</p> <p>HOUNDSCRY and KEEPARUNNIN which were racing tight bumped on a number of occasions prior to the 200 metres.</p> <p>Passing the 200 metres COUP ROTORUA raced in restricted room for some distance.</p> <p>Passing the 100 metres KEEPARUNNIN shifted in abruptly and in doing so made firm contact with HOUNDSCRY which became unbalanced.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner MAJOR DECISION, rider C Johnson advised that the gelding had had an economical run throughout but failed to run on when improving wide from the 500 metres. He added that in his opinion the gelding felt flat throughout and may benefit from a spell. Trainer J Parsons advised it was his intention to send MAJOR DECISION for a spell.</p>

Race 2	WIN A FORD FOCUS WITH PIN & WIN HANDICAP (1600m)
<p>KIRKIE began awkwardly shifting out and inconveniencing CAPTAIN CRUISING. CAPTAIN CRUISING raced wide through the early stages. BURSTING STONE raced ungenerously through the early stages tending to sky its head and only settling passing the 1000 metres. LIGHT'S UP tended to lay out throughout the home straight. Rider S Muniandy reported that BURSTING STONE which had raced ungenerously throughout was in his opinion feeling the firmer nature of today's track conditions. A post race veterinary examination of BURSTING STONE did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Trainer M McCann advised it was his intention to send the gelding for a spell.</p>	
Race 3	SOUTH ISLAND RACING AWARDS SEPTEMBER 21ST MAIDEN (1200m)
<p>VOUSSOIR underwent a pre race veterinary examination after becoming fractious in the barriers and was cleared to race. PARTY BRAT bounded as the start was made. DENY DENY was hampered at the start when runners either side shifted ground. Shortly after the start BIG IDEA (D Johnson) shifted outwards hampering CAMO which got back. Rider D Johnson was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground. ATAAHUA DREAMIN raced wide throughout. Passing the 400 metres WHY WAIT was held up for clear racing before improving wider on the track to obtain clear running inside the 200 metres. Rider D Walsh reported to the Stewards that WHY WAIT had hung inwards for some distance passing the 400 metres proving difficult to ride but when in clear running had failed to quicken when placed under full pressure. Passing the 200 metres ASK ME was denied a marginal run to the inside of DHAULAGIRI, only obtaining clear running inside the final 50 metres. ATAAHUA DREAMIN lay in under pressure over the concluding stages.</p>	
Race 4	COATS CHOICE AT BERKLEY STUD HANDICAP (1200m)
<p>The start of this event was delayed when several runners proved difficult to load. CREDIT CRUNCH raced keenly while being restrained in the early stages. Passing the 1100 metres NOBLE REASON was inconvenienced when INFORMANT which was laying out shifted ground outwards. NOBLE REASON continued to over race for some distance. ORUTAN was obliged to race wide throughout. Passing the 400 metres PLATINUM DANCER was held up for a short distance shifting inwards to obtain clear running.</p>	
Race 5	SKELTON BROTHERS HANDICAP (1600m)
<p>BIG ENERGY was a late scratching at 1.55 pm on veterinary advice. TIDAL WAVE was hampered at the start when runners either side shifted ground. CATALEA jumped inwards on jumping dictating FLYING STORM onto FLYING LEGEND. BALLYRINA raced ungenerously in the early stages. Passing the 1400 metres CATALEA began to race ungenerously and continued to sky its head for some distance. BALLYRINA was obliged to race wide throughout. Passing the 350 metres SYLVIE'S DREAM and FLYING STORM were held up for a short distance. Passing the 300 metres AGENT ARCHIE had to steady when in restricted room when attempting to take a run to the inside of THE GORDONIAN. Passing the 75 metres SYLVIE'S DREAM shifted outwards to obtain clear running and in doing so made contact with FLYING STORM. When questioned regarding the performance of TIDAL WAVE, rider J Bullard advised that after getting back the gelding had made up ground well over the concluding stages and in his opinion may have been inconvenienced through the lack of pace over the early stages.</p>	
Race 6	EKRAAR AT LINWOOD PARK OPEN HANDICAP (1600m)
<p>The start of this event was officially delayed one minute on the request of raceday control. DADZADREAMER shifted away from TICK TOCK TURBO on jumping, hampering BUTCH JAMES which got back as a result. FLYING ALIBI and CROCODILE CANYON raced keenly through the early stages. COMANCHE GOLD began to over race passing the 1000 metres while being restrained for a short distance. Passing the 900 metres FLYING ALIBI which had raced up onto the heels of the runner in front shifted out making firm contact with CROCODILE CANYON. FLYING ALIBI continued to over race for a short distance.</p>	

Passing the 500 metres **FLYING ALIBI** was held up for a short distance when attempting to shift wider on the track to obtain clear running.

When questioned regarding the performance of **CHASE THE SUN**, rider C Johnson advised that he elected to press forward in the early stages to obtain a handy position and when placed under full pressure the gelding had only battled and failed to quicken over the final stages. He added that **CHASE THE SUN** appeared to be feeling the firmer nature of today's track conditions. A post race veterinary examination of **CHASE THE SUN** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Trainer M Pitman undertook to keep the Stewards advised of any developments over subsequent days that may have led to the performance.

When questioned about the improved performance of the winner **COMANCHE GOLD**, the connections advised that the gelding had been working well recently and with maturity may appreciate better track conditions.

Race 7	NEW ZEALAND BLOODSTOCK INSURANCE SOUTHERN BONUS PRELUDE (1200m)
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ROYALE CRYSTAL raced keenly through the early stages.

Passing the 1000 metres **PLATINUM KINGDOM** which was being restrained got its head up and shifted inwards across the heels of **WAITIN AWHILE** and blundered. **PAMINA** was also inconvenienced in this movement.

Passing the 700 metres **WERRIBEE** when racing in restricted room raced ungenerously for some distance .

CANNY FRANCO and **PLATINUM KINGDOM** came together and made firm contact passing the 400 metres.

WERRIBEE appeared to change stride passing the 50 metres and knuckled as a result.

Race 8	CHRISTCHURCH CASINO OPEN HANDICAP (1000m)
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OUR GENES shifted out on jumping making contact with **KING MONTROSE**.

Passing the 800 metres **ROUGH ODDS** (L Innes) shifted inwards making contact with **CORA LYNN** which in turn was dictated onto **FINAL TOUCH**. At the same time **HAYLEY ROSE** (K Williams) shifted outwards contributing to the tightening of **CORA LYNN** and **FINAL TOUCH**. **FINAL TOUCH** contacted a heel of **HAYLEY ROSE** in this incident and blundered. Riders L Innes and K Williams were both reminded of their obligations in regard to shifting ground. L Innes advised that **ROUGH ODDS** had over reacted when contacting **CORA LYNN**. He added that he felt the blinkers had contributed to **ROUGH ODDS** over racing. **CORA LYNN** raced ungenerously for a short distance thereafter.

Passing the 400 metres **CORA LYNN** was inclined to lay outwards for a number of strides.

Passing the 300 metres **FINAL TOUCH** which was racing in restricted room shifted outwards to obtain clear running.

Race 9	SPEIGHT'S HANDICAP (1200m)
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PATRICE (S Wynne) shifted in abruptly leaving the barriers severely hampering **NEVER DIE** and **URUNGA**. Apprentice rider S Wynne was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d).

COURAGE began awkwardly and was slow over the early stages.

MARIA PREDADI bounded as the start was made and raced keenly in the early stages.

Passing the 550m **TRICATCHME** was held up for a short distance.

REPLACE was held up for some distance passing the 450 metres by the tiring **MARIA PREDADI**, only obtaining clear running passing the 200 metres.

Inside the 300m **NINE PIN** shifted ground outwards to obtain clear running.