

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Tapanui Racing Club at Gore	Date:	Sunday the 23 rd December 2012
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead 5 / Dead 4 after Race 1		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chairman), C Allison and N McIntyre		
Typist:	B Gutsell		

GENERAL:

SUPPLEMENTARY:

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	POROTENE SKY, NEWS FLASH, YEAHMAN, TILLY, ABSOLUT EXCELENCIA, INFALLIBLE, UNCLE JIM, PAZEJAN, GEORGIES GIRL.
Suspensions:	Race 7 R Black (SHATARKA) Rule 638(1)(d) – careless riding 150 metres. Suspended 27 th December to 1 st January inclusive. (3 days)
Protests:	Race
Fines:	Race
Warnings:	Race
Bleeders:	Race
Horse Actions:	Race 2 JUST FRANK – warned racing manners. WALTER MAC – warned racing competitiveness. Race 5 SPIC N SPAN – warned barrier manners.
Medical Certificates:	A Mundy – Medical Clearance received
Rider/Driver Changes:	Race

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	WEST OTAGO TRANSPORT & HERIOT HOTEL HANDICAP (2000M)
<p>I'M VITAL which was over racing through the early stages shifted ground outwards forcing KNIGHTONTHETOWN wider on the track passing the 1700 metres with KNIGHTONTHETOWN then obliged to race wide throughout. Due to the lack of early pace ASHLEY and ROBBIE ROOSTER also over raced and passing the winning post on the first occasion ROBBIE ROOSTER had to shift out off heels making contact with KASBAH KEEPER. Passing the 275 metres POROTENE SKY (D Skerrett) shifted out to find clear racing room and in doing so made contact with I'M VITAL which was dictated outwards making contact with ROBBIE ROOSTER. D Skerrett was advised to exercise care. MAITLAND GREY was obliged to race wide when improving rounding the final bend.</p> <p>Following the running of this event the track conditions were officially upgraded to Dead 4.</p>	
Race 2	RANFURLY HOTEL / THORNLEA PAEONIES & AB LIME HANDICAP (2000M)
<p>ROWDY was slow to begin. WALTER MAC raced wide through the early stages. JUST FRANK also raced wide through the early stages before improving forward to sit outside the leader. SHE'Z A PRIMA DONNA raced fiercely when being steadied off heels passing the Winning Post on the first occasion. NEWS FLASH lay in throughout the run home and had to be straightened. Passing the 150 metres KINA WIN had to shift ground inwards to find clear racing room. Passing the 100 metres SHE'Z A PRIMA DONNA had to be steadied momentarily when crowded for room between JUST FRANK and NEWS FLASH when both these runners shifted ground marginally. JUST FRANK lay out throughout the running proving difficult for its rider to control. The connections of JUST FRANK were advised a warning had been placed on the racing manners of the</p>	

gelding.

WALTER MAC gave ground from the 500 metres eventually finishing in a distant last placing with the connections advised the gelding was on a warning for its racing competitiveness.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **ROWDY** rider R Doherty reported to the Stewards the gelding had disappointed and he could offer no tangible excuses. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **ROWDY** which revealed no abnormalities.

Race 3 | **COUPLAND BAKERIES & SGT DAN STOCKFOODS MAIDEN (2000M)**

KUNG FU PANDA and **RUGBY STREET** were both slow to begin. **DRUMREIMS** which was racing very keenly made the first bend awkwardly shifting out off the heels of **BIG BOY SOCKS**. **VOODOO BEACH** who was racing keenly had to be steadied off heels passing the 1300 metres. **KUNG FU PANDA** raced wide rounding the final bend. **THE GROOMSMAN** was held up passing the 300 metres and again passing the 200 metres when attempting a marginal gap between **DRUMREIMS** and **ALL ABOUT AUD** eventually gaining clear racing room inside the final 75 metres.

Race 4 | **EWAN ALLAN HONDA & SOUTHERN SOIL SOLUTIONS MAIDEN (1200M)**

VOODOO STAR was slow to begin. **ROTAR** began awkwardly losing ground. **PARTY BRAT** raced wide over the early and middle stages. **DOUBLE TAP** and **JUST THE TRUTH** were obliged to race wide throughout. **ROTAR** was held up for clear running until inside the final 100 metres when attempting a marginal gap in the early part of the run home. Passing the 75 metres **VOODOO STAR** shifted out to find clear racing room momentarily inconveniencing **FIATT**. **RUSTACE** was held up in the initial part of the run home. When spoken to regarding the performance of favourite **FIATT** rider D Skerrett reported to the Stewards that the gelding had raced in tight quarters through the early and middle stages however when asked for an effort over the concluding stages had only battled and was disappointing. Mr Skerrett further advised he believed it was the intention to race **FIATT** over more distance in upcoming starts which would be of benefit to the gelding.

Race 5 | **GORE SEPTIC TANK CLEANERS & ADVANCE AGRICULTURE MAIDEN (1335M)**

An Information was lodged alleging a breach of Rule 616(3) in that K & L Rae presented **ABSOLUT EXCELENCIA** to race in this event in gear which was not notified namely Blinkers. The Information was adjourned sine die to allow further enquires to be carried out.

The start of this event was delayed approximately 2 minutes and 43 seconds due to **SPIC N SPAN** proving reluctant to load with the connections advised the mare was on a barrier manners warning. **SPIC N SPAN**, **QUEST FOR LUCK** and **HIDDEN IDENTITY** were all slow to begin. **FAST 'N' FLIGHT** raced wide throughout. **QUEST FOR LUCK** raced wide when improving rounding the final bend. **HIDDEN IDENTITY** was held up for several strides passing the 100 metres. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **FOUR GEES** which finished in second last placing after rider T Moseley advised the Stewards that the mare had felt indifferent in its action throughout the running. The subsequent examination revealed no abnormalities with trainer K Thompson advised to keep the Stewards informed of any findings which come to light in the upcoming days which may have contributed to the poor performance of **FOUR GEES** today.

Race 6 | **MATAURA LICENSING TRUST SPRINT HANDICAP (1335M)**

REDFERN raced keenly through the early stages when being restrained. **ALL SPICE** raced wide rounding the final bend. **REDFERN** raced in restricted room over the concluding stages.

Race 7 | **AON INSURANCE BROKERS & TAPANUI FOUR SQUARE HANDICAP (1335M)**

MY D'OR US raced wide over the early stages. **GANNICUS** raced wide throughout. **IMA GEEGEE** and **POWDER CREEK** were both held up in the initial stages of the run home. **USTIBECASUAL** was held up throughout the final straight and went to the line untested by its rider. Passing the 150 metres **SHATARKA** (R Black) shifted out under hard riding crowding **HALO FLIGHT** which had to check. Apprentice rider R Black in the presence of her employer Mr K Tyler admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) careless riding. After viewing replays of the final stages and hearing evidence and submissions from R Black and the Stewards the JCA imposed a suspension of Miss Blacks licence to ride from the 27th of December until the 1st of January inclusive (3 Days). In the shadows of the post **POWDER CREEK** shifted out and brushed with **I'M INQUISITIVE**. P Taylor (**UNCLE JIM**) accidentally dropped his whip passing the 200 metres.

Race 8 | **DYNES TRANSPORT (TAPANUI) LTD TAPANUI CUP (2000M)**

LADY BURLESQUE and **THE BOYS** were both slow to begin. **SPLIT DECISION** shifted in abruptly at the start hampering **ESPRIT D'OR** and **IMA DUDE** with **IMA DUDE** losing ground. **TOUGH NUT** raced wide in the early stages before being allowed to stride forward to sit outside the leader. **PAZEJAN** and **SPLIT DECISION** raced wide over the early stages. Passing the 275 metres **THE BOYS** contacted a heel of **PAZEJAN** blundering, almost dislodging the rider and losing considerable momentum. The trailing **GALLIVANT** was obliged to steady and take evasive action. Stewards conducted an inquiry into this incident and after interviewing the riders involved and viewing available replays which proved inconclusive an inquiry was opened and adjourned into this incident. **THE BISHOP** raced wide rounding the final bend. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **THE BOYS** which returned to the birdcage with blood on its off hind leg following this event. The subsequent examination revealed small laceration to the right hind cannon. **THE BOYS** was also found to have lost the off fore racing plate in this incident.

Race 9 | **KELSO KONTRACTING / BB SPRAYING & MORE FM HANDICAP (1200M)**

REMEMBRANCE raced wide throughout. Passing the 100 metres **MISS EL BEE DEE** was denied a marginal run to the inside

of **GEORGIES GIRL** (R Bishop) which shifted in slightly. **MISS EL BEE DEE** then had to change ground outwards to find clear racing room and in doing so made contact with **STAND UP** passing the 50 metres. R Bishop was advised to exercise care. The connections of the third placed **MISS EL BEE DEE** viewed replays of the final stages before deciding not to lodge a Protest into first placing being awarded to **GEORGIES GIRL**.
When spoken to regarding the performance of **REMEMBERANCE** rider C Johnson advised he had been trapped wide throughout and the effort had told on the mare having its fresh up run for 8 months.