STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Southland Racing Club Date: Monday 18th February 2013

Weather: Fine
Track: Dead 4
Rail: True

Stewards: M Zarb (Chairman) M Davidson and C Allison

Typist: B Gutsell

GENERAL: (All comments pertaining to this meeting – e.g. drivers/riders not attending, delays and all other issues)

Pre-Race blood testing was carried out at this meeting.

P Taylor was unwell and did not attend this meeting. He was advised he would require a medical certificate prior to riding next.

SUPPLEMENTARY: (All adjourned inquiries and follow up information relating to previous meetings)

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: IRISH WIT, THE GROOMSMAN, VENETIAN RAIDER, MARLIN MONROE, RIKHO, QUEENS HABIT,

I'M VITAL, KING PRAWN.

Suspensions: Race
Protests: Race
Fines: Race

Warnings: Race 1: A Frye (DINO) [Rule 638(1)(d)] – warned shifting ground 800 metres.

Race 3: T Kahlon (SANDFLY) [Rule 638(1)(d)] – warned shifting ground early stages.

Bleeders: Race
Horse Actions: Race

Medical Certificates: P Taylor – medical certificate required.

Veterinary Certificates: GEOFF'S BACK – veterinary certificate required.

Rider Changes: Race 4: D Skerrett replaced P Taylor (PRODIGE)

Race 5: T Moseley replaced P Taylor (YAMISSION)
Race 6: C Johnson replaced P Taylor (TURNITON)
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Late Scratchings: Race 2: TULLIBARDINE (12.23pm) – no suitable rider available.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 INVERCARGILL LICENSING TRUST HANDICAP (2450M)

IRISH WIT was slow to begin. Due to the lack of pace over the early and middle stages of the event the majority of the field raced keenly with **TICKLE MY FANCY** getting its head up on a number of occasions. For some distance approaching the 1800 metres **TICKLE MY FANCY** raced in restricted room and had to be steadied to the inside of **DINO** which shifted in. **TICKLE MY FANCY** was again crowded for room near the 800 metres when **DINO** (apprentice A Frye) which raced wide for the majority of the event attempted to shift inwards. A Frye was issued with a warning and advised that a repetition would lead to a charge. When questioned regarding the performance of **LEZANI** rider C Johnson advised the Stewards the mare had pulled hard throughout the running and in his opinion was not suited to the extra distance of today's race.

Race 2 STASHH FASHION UNCOVERED MAIDEN (SPECIAL CONDITIONS) (2100M)

TULLIBARDINE was a late scratching at 12.23pm due to there being no suitable rider available.

BE MA raced ungenerously over the early and middle stages and was inclined to hang out. Approaching the 1800 metres

OOR WULLIE steadied to avoid the heels of **KUNG FU PANDA** (S Muniandy) which shifted ground inwards. S Muniandy was advised to exercise greater care. Approaching the 800 metres **GEOFF'S BACK** faltered and was immediately restrained from the race. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the left fore leg. Connections were advised a veterinary clearance would be required prior to **GEOFF'S BACK** racing next. **PRINCESS VITAL** raced wide for a short distance near the 600 metres. **RUGBY STREET** raced wide from the 500 metres. **THE GROOMSMAN** hung inwards in the home straight when placed under pressure and momentarily hampered **OOR WULLIE** near the 250 metres.

Race 3 SEAN BELLEW @ PROFESSIONALS REAL ESTATE HANDICAP (1100M)

SANDFLY and **PARTY CAT** jumped awkwardly. Shortly after the start **ANITA PEA** was crowded for room and had to be steadied to the inside of **SANDFLY** (apprentice T Kahlon) which shifted in. Considering Miss Kahlon's inexperience no direct action was taken however she was issued with a warning and advised that a repetition would lead to a charge. **CONSCIOUS MISTAKE** was also hampered in this incident. Passing the 900 metres **ALL SPICE** was bumped by **ANITA PEA** and became unbalanced.

Race 4 MCKNIGHT & BROWN MAIDEN (SPECIAL CONDITIONS) (1200M)

WHARE CREEK jumped awkwardly and shifted ground outwards at the start hampering EMMA SAVANNA which in turn carried DARK GURU out onto THE BUBBLY ONE. As a result DARK GURU and EMMA SAVANNA lost ground with THE BUBBLY ONE losing considerable ground. WRITTENINTHESTARS raced wide for the majority of the event. MARLIN MONROE and WHARE CREEK raced wide throughout. Shortly after the 800 metres EMMA SAVANNA lost ground after becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of AVECHII which was hanging out and shifted ground outwards slightly. FIATT raced wide from the 700 metres. THE BUBBLY ONE raced wide from the 400 metres. WRITTENINTHESTARS was inclined to lay in down the home straight. In the straight JOSEPHINE BAKER which was racing in blinkers for the first time raced greenly, obliging its rider to stop riding and straighten his mount on several occasions.

Race 5 MCCALLUMS DRYCLEANING MAIDEN (SPECIAL CONDITIONS) (1600M)

YAMISSION was slow to begin. ROBERT BROOK was caught wide over the early stages. SPECIAL PORT raced greenly over the early and middle stages. THE O'DAZZLE commenced to hang out badly rounding the first turn proving difficult to ride and rounding the home turn faltered and gave ground quickly. A post-race veterinary examination of THE O'DAZZLE revealed an injury to the filly's left hind pastern resulting in the filly being humanely euthanased. SISTER LUCY raced wide from the 800 metres. STORM URU was momentarily held up near the 350 metres.

Race 6 LUSTY'S SHOWCASE JEWELLERS MAIDEN (SPECIAL CONDITIONS) (1400M)

TURNITON, STAR A ROOK, THEGREATPICKPOCKET, GUNNA FLY and **DANA PASCALLE** all raced keenly in the early stages. **HEART OF HEARTS** which was fractious prior to the start raced greenly through the early stages and wide throughout. **GUNNA FLY** and **BECHTOLSHEIMER** raced wide for the majority of the event.

Race 7 WHITE ROBE LODGE HANDICAP (1400M)

MARECHAL jumped awkwardly bumping the side of its barrier and losing ground. Approaching the 800 metres OUR JACKMAN raced awkwardly with its head up. WAGON WHEEL raced wide from the 800 metres until improving to the lead near the 350 metres. I'M VITAL which was racing ungenerously shifted wide from the 600 metres. When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of favorite MARECHAL rider C Johnson explained that after jumping awkwardly the filly then failed to travel throughout. A post-race veterinary examination of MARECHAL revealed the filly may have been showing signs of tying up with blood tests to be taken later this week. Trainer S Bellew undertook to keep the Stewards informed should anything come to light with MARECHAL in the coming days which may have contributed to the poor performance today. When questioned regarding the poor performance of JUST FRANK rider S Muniandy explained that the gelding is better suited over more ground. Trainer Miss S McKay concurred with rider Muniandy's comment. When questioned regarding the improved performance of I'M VITAL trainer K Thompson advised the Stewards that I'M VITAL had been freshened since its last start at Omakau earlier in the year and the drop back in distance today had better suited the gelding which had not been finishing off in staying races.

Race 8 CASTLEDALE @ TE RUNGA HANDICAP (1600M)

LADY BURLESQUE and KING PRAWN both raced wide throughout. SARAGARHI raced wide from the 800 metres.