STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Oamaru Jockey Club Date: Friday 16th August 2013

Weather: Fine Track: Heavy 10

Rail: Out 3 metres from 950 to 350 and true the rest Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin and M Zarb

Typist: K Jones

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

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

The start of the 1400 metre events was brought forward 15 metres due to the extremely wet nature of the 1400 metre chute.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: FLY ME TO DA MOON, DRUMREGAL, MISS EL BEE DEE, SHEEZARULER, KARAKA JACK, BEST

FELLA.

Suspensions: Race 5 C Johnson (KARAKA JACK) – Rule 638(1)(d) careless riding 350 metres – admitted.

Suspended from 24th August to 28th inclusive (3 Days)

Protests: Race

Fines: Race

Warnings: Race 4 L Callaway (SAINT RYAN) - Rule 638(1)(d) careless riding after start.

Bleeders: Race
Horse Actions: Race

Medical Certificates: L Callaway, clearance received.

Rider Changes: Race 3 DELITEFUL HALO - T Moseley replaced C Johnson (Misunderstanding)

Late Scratching: Race

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 GORDON HANDY MACHINERY LTD MAIDEN

MADAM raced wide throughout. NANCHO LASS was buffeted for a short distance just after the start when runners either side shifted ground marginally. LADY GUINEVERE was slow over the early stages. THE FINAL STRAW raced keenly when leading. Passing the 800 metres FIGOLAN had to be restrained for several strides when racing keenly. COS I CAN was obliged to race wide from the 600 metres when improving forward. Passing the 250 metres THE FINAL STRAW who was giving ground had to steady when awkwardly placed on the heels of FIGOLAN. COS I CAN was inclined to lay in through the run home and had to be straightened on several occasions. FAIR SPOKEN was inclined to lay out in the run home and could not be ridden to full advantage.

When spoken to regarding the seemingly disappointing performance of **DOWN HERE UP THERE** rider C Johnson explained that the mare was struggling in today's testing track conditions and when placed under pressure in the straight failed to respond.

When spoken to regarding the improved performance of **FLY ME TO DA MOON** trainer S Blair-Edie advised that he was surprised with the win but with the mare recently returning to his stable he believed a change of environment, improved barrier manners and also a three kilo claim had all been contributing factors to today's win.

Race 2 EASY MADE MARMALADE MAIDEN

SAZOOM began awkwardly losing ground. Passing the 250 metres **SAZOOM** who was laying out and **ASHBURY JACK** who was laying in made contact with both runners becoming momentarily unbalanced. **ASHBURY JACK** continued to lay in and

had to be straightened again passing the 100 metres. **FOREVER VITAL** lay in throughout the run home and could not be ridden to full advantage.

Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of **ROADARUM** who gave ground in the final 500 metres eventually finishing in last place, with the examination revealing no obvious abnormalities.

Race 3 MSUGAR LTD R75

T Moseley replaced C Johnston as the rider of **DELITEFUL HALO** due to a misunderstanding. **REDFERN** was slow to begin. **KEEPARUNNIN** (L McKay) made contact with the running rail passing the 950 metres where the rail has been moved from its true position, losing momentum. This incident occurred when **KEEPARUNNUN** was racing tight to the inside of **DELITEFUL HALO** (T Moseley) and **MISS EL BEE DEE** (A McKay). As a result the trailing **REDFERN** was also inconvenienced. Stewards conducted an enquiry into this incident and after taking evidence from the three riders, and viewing the replays available, no further action was deemed necessary. **ON THE TAKE** had to change ground inwards passing the 200 metres to find clear racing room.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **REDFERN** rider A Morgan advised the gelding had been flat throughout and she had been disappointed with today's effort. Trainer M Pitman advised the Stewards it would be now his intention to spell **REDFERN**.

Race 4 CROMBIE & PRICE LTD R65

BRAEHILL began awkwardly and jumped outwards abruptly. **ZOLATOI** shifted outwards at the start making contact with **TICKLE MY FANCY**. Shortly after the start **NO ROSETTES** who was racing keenly had to steady when **SAINT RYAN** (L Callaway) shifted inwards. L Callaway was issued with a warning.

ZOLATOI weakened quickly from the 500 metres and was retired from the race. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of **ZOLATOI** which revealed no abnormalities. Trainer M Hamilton confirmed with the Stewards that he would now be retiring the mare from racing.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **SAINT RYAN** rider L Callaway advised he had had a nice trip throughout but when placed under pressure had failed to respond and had been disappointing. Trainer D Champion advised the Stewards it was his intention to retire the gelding as a racing proposition from his stable.

Stewards questioned trainer C Harris regarding the improved performance of **SHEEZARULER** who was beaten 34 ½ lengths at its last start. Mr Harris advised prior to the mares last run her form had been consistent. He added that from a wide barrier **SHEEZARULER** had raced wide throughout in her previous start. In his opinion today the mare had been held up for one run and that had found todays Heavy 10 conditions different to those of last week and the improved performance was not unexpected.

Race 5 GLENMOA FARMS LTD MAIDEN

QUEST FOR LUCK was slow over the early stages. LUVLYBUBBLY raced keenly through the early stages. POACH THE CASH raced wide throughout. Passing the 550 metres BONNY SPRING was crowded for room and had to steady momentarily when racing between KING KONG and QUEST FOR LUCK. CONCEAL was held up and had to be steadied passing the 500 metres for several strides. Passing the 400 metres SOMETHING GOOD had to steady when shifting in and away from QUEST FOR LUCK and becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of POACH FOR CASH.

Passing the 350 metres **KARAKA JACK** (C Johnson) shifted out and forcing **LUVLYBUBBLY** outwards onto **JUST BOLTING** and **LEEBOY** with all these runners being crowded, buffeted and shifted wider on the track. Rider C Johnson admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) careless riding with the JCA imposing a suspension from 24th of August to 28th August inclusive (3 Days)

Race 6 SPORTS CENTRAL BREWHOUSE R65

The start of this event was delayed approximately 3 minutes due to the horses arriving late at the starting area and also due to **BEST FELLA** requiring an adjustment to its gear.

TERELLE and **PRINCESS ANA** both raced keenly through the early stages with **MAGIC EPIC** racing fiercely through the early stages. **ZERPOURGURU** raced wide throughout. **HAILES ABBEY** improved very wide from the 600 metres.

Stewards spoke to K Williams rider of **VAPORETTO** in relation to the seemingly disappointing effort of the mare with Miss Williams saying she could offer no tangible excuses and was also very disappointed with today's effort.

Stewards opened and adjourned an enquiry in relation to the ride by jockey C Spittles (HAILES ABBEY) particularly over the early stages.