STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Otago Racing Club Date: Tuesday 5th November 2013

Weather: Fine
Track: Good 3
Rail: True

Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin, N McIntyre and C Boyd

Typist: M O'Brien

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.

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

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: NEWS FLASH, VICTORY GOLD, WINCHESTER, PARAKETO, MADAM VICTORIA, FINAL TOUCH,

HEROIC GURU, WEDGIE, VALIANT

Suspensions: Race

Protests: Race

Fines: Race 3 A Morgan (RICHARD TRIMBOLE)

Rule 330(3)(c) - Failed to make contracted weight - fined \$100

Warnings: Race 5 M Cropp (ALFIE RIVER)

Rule 638(1)(d) - Careless riding 1200m

Bleeders: Race

Horse Actions: Race 9 MAGIC EPIC – racing manners warning

Medical Certificates: Clearance received from D Prastiyou

Rider Changes: Race 3 RICHARD TRIMBOLE – T Direct replaced A Morgan

Late Scratching: Race 5 IRISH EXCUSE – on veterinary advice (1.17pm)

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 MORNINGTON TAVERN STAYERS RATING 75 2200m

ENCHANTER was slow to begin.

CHINA BO BO raced wide in the early to middle stages.

TUFFINUP raced keenly through the early stages tending to throw its head in the air.

SHEEZARULER had difficulty obtaining clear racing room in the initial stages of the run home.

Passing the 300 metres **BELLE D'OR** made firm contact with **ENCHANTER**.

NEWS FLASH was held up rounding the final bend only gaining clear racing room passing the 275 metres.

When questioned regarding the disappointing performance of **SHEEZARULER** rider R Bishop advised the Stewards the mare had been held up in the initial part of the run home, however after finding clear racing room had been very disappointing and could offer no tangible excuses.

Race 2 IDEAL ELECTRICAL DUNEDIN SOUTH MAIDEN 1600m

INDIANA JONES blundered at the start.

BONNY SPRING raced wide throughout.

DOWN HERE UP THERE, BIG MEADSY and **KATIE'S DIAMOND** over raced in the early and middle stages.

KATIE'S DIAMOND was held up for several strides rounding the home turn.

QUEST FOR LUCK was denied a marginal run to the inside of LADY GUINEVERE and was held up for clear racing room until

passing the 100 metres.

KINGS ROAD was held up in the early part of the run home and had to shift outwards to find clear racing room.

BIG MEADSY was inclined to lay out throughout the run home and raced in restricted room in the shadows of the post. Apprentice rider S Wynne (**MY ROSE MAREE**) was reminded of her obligations in relation to the use of the whip on a horse out of contention.

Race 3 VINCENT GEORGE TRAVEL MANAGERS RATING 75 1600m

T Direen replaced A Morgan (overweight) as the rider of **RICHARD TRIMBOLE.** A Morgan admitted a breach of Rule 330(3)(c) and was fined \$100.

UNRELENTING LADY began very awkwardly and lost several lengths at the start.

The entire field raced keenly over the first 400 metres due to the lack of pace.

GOLD LEAF was denied clear racing room for the majority of the run home.

UNRELENTING LADY raced in restricted room over the concluding stages and could not be fully tested by its rider.

Race 4 DUNEDIN CASINO TROPHY RATING 85 1200m

The saddle shifted on **STREET LIGHT** passing the 1000 metres placing the rider in difficulty for the remainder of the event. **SEMPER PLUS** lay in throughout the run home and had to be straightened passing the 200 metres.

PARAKETO lay inwards in the run home.

Race 5 ARTHUR BARNETT/BRENT WEATHERALL JEWELLER MAIDEN 1200m

IRISH EXCUSE was a late scratching at 1.17pm on veterinary advice after becoming fractious in its tie up stall.

HELL RAISER was reluctant to load delaying the start.

OWE THE RANSOM was slow into stride.

ALFIE'S BELLE and BARTER raced wide throughout.

VOUSSOIR had to steady shortly after the start when crowded for room between **KEEP THE QUEST** and **ALFIE RIVER** (M Cropp) who shifted in. Apprentice rider M Cropp was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d) careless riding.

Passing the 800 metres **OWE THE RANSOM** had to be steadied for some distance when racing keenly and being awkwardly placed on heels.

Passing the 600 metres **DOM BENEDICTINE** began to race fiercely shifting out and taking **ALFIE'S BELLE** wider on the track. **BARTER** was reported to have hung out throughout the event.

SWEET BUT NEAT had to steady and change ground outwards passing the 200 metres when looking for clear racing room. When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **BREATHE EASY** rider C Barnes advised that the filly had travelled okay in the early stages, however when placed under pressure in the home straight it tended to lay out and only battled over the concluding stages.

Race 6 MAINLAND AIR MELBOURNE CUP TROPHY OPEN HANDICAP 1400m

OUR BEE JAY began awkwardly losing ground.

EL CHICO got its head up when being restrained through the early stages.

Race 7 REDPATHS TROPHY RATING 65 1400m

DUBAI BEAR shifted out abruptly as the start was made hampering **NO ROSETTES.**

EMILY TRIMBOLE was slow to begin.

HEROIC GURU and **DUBAI BEAR** both raced keenly through the early stages.

DRUMREIMS raced wide throughout.

Passing then 900 metres GOLDEN CASTLE who was shifting ground outwards made contact with DRUMREIMS.

HEROIC GURU lay inwards, shifted inwards and had to be straightened passing the 200 metres.

Race 8 MICO PLUMBING RATING 65 1200m

THE GOVERNATOR blundered at the start losing ground and was further hampered when making contact with **WEDGIE** shortly after the start.

O'FABERGE raced wide throughout.

ASK ME raced in restricted room and had to steady passing the 800 metres.

RED LAMAR and **SECRET GURU** came together and made contact passing the 275 metres when **SECRET GURU** was attempting to shift ground outwards.

ASK ME was held up in the early part of the run home.

SECRET GURU and **THE GOVERNATOR** made contact in the shadows of the post.

Stewards spoke to C Johnson regarding the performance of favoured runner **HERNANDEZ** with Mr Johnson advising the gelding had battled well over the concluding stages and although only finishing eighth was less than four lengths from the

winner. He also added that he believed HERNANDEZ would benefit from today's outing.

Race 9 TRANSPACIFIC WASTE RATING 75 1200m

WISEGUY was hampered at the start losing ground when PARTY CAT began awkwardly and shifted in.

SUMMER'S BOY was slow to begin.

MAGIC EPIC raced fiercely passing the 1100 metres getting its head up on a number of occasions and when passing the 1000 metres shifted out hampering **WISEGUY** who had to steady. **MAGIC EPIC** continued to race fiercely and proved difficult to control over the early to middle stages. The connections of **MAGIC EPIC** were advised that the gelding was on a racing manners warning.

STRIKE UP THE BAND made the bend by the 800 metres awkwardly when racing keenly.

GINTY'S CHOICE made contact with **ANNABEL ROSE** passing the 150 metres when attempting to shift ground outwards and was then unable to gain clear running over the concluding stages and went to the line not fully tested by its rider.