

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

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| Club: | Ashburton Racing Club | Date: | Monday, 10 th February 2014 |
| Weather: | Fine | | |
| Track: | Dead 4 | | |
| Rail: | True | | |
| Stewards: | J McLaughlin (Chairman), N Ydgren and N McIntyre. | | |
| Typist: | M Harris. | | |

GENERAL:

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| Following the running of Race 2, riders expressed some concern with the track near the 600 metres. Upon inspection, although noticeably cutting out no associated problems were found. Stewards and riders monitored the situation throughout the meeting. |
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SUPPLEMENTARY:

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SUMMARY:

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| Swabbing: | SIR DANIEL, REVOLUTIONARY, HOMELAND, GHOSTINTHEMACHINE, UNRELENTING LADY, HALO BUSTER, LAKOTA, BOGART. | | |
| Suspensions: | Nil | | |
| Protests: | Nil | | |
| Fines: | Nil | | |
| Warnings: | Race | 7 | R Black (LAKOTA) [Rule 638(1)(d)] – Allow runners more room when shifting ground. |
| | Race | 8 | S Muniandy (BOGART) [Rule 636(1)(c)] – Ride horse fully out to the finish. |
| Bleeders: | Nil | | |
| Horse Actions: | Nil | 3 | ZULEIKA – Racing manners warning. |
| Medical Certificates: | Nil | | |
| Rider Changes: | Nil | | |
| Late Scratchings: | Nil | | |

RACE COMMENTS:

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| Race 1 | ASHBURTON RACEWAY FUNCTION CENTRE RATING 65 (1600m) |
| <p>ONE FOR THE MONEY was slow to begin.</p> <p>BELT UP began awkwardly.</p> <p>COUP SECRECY raced wide without cover through the early stages.</p> <p>SABHRAJ changed strides passing the 600 metres and was unbalanced for a short distance.</p> <p>BELT UP lay outwards in the run home. Rider S Wynne reported that the mare had lay out throughout proving difficult to ride.</p> <p>Passing the 200 metres CHINA BO BO had to steady off the heels of LIGHTNING LUCY when denied a marginal run to the inside of that runner. The rider of CHINA BO BO (R Black) dropped her outside rein momentarily.</p> <p>When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner COUP SECRECY rider S Spratt reported that the gelding had been under pressure throughout and although not entirely comfortable with today's dead track conditions, in her opinion would be better suited over more distance. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.</p> <p>When spoken to about the improved performance of winner SIR DANIEL trainer R McKay reported that the gelding had been unlucky in recent racing and had been able to capitalize on an economical run today.</p> | |
| Race 2 | ASHBURTON RACING CLUB LIFE MEMBERS RATING 85 (1600m) |

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| <p>HOWBADDOUNEEDIT began awkwardly.</p> <p>HOWBADDOUNEEDIT improved wide from the 600 metres.</p> <p>TERELLE lay inwards passing the 400 metres.</p> <p>When questioned about the riding tactics on eventual winner REVOLUTIONARY rider K Williams advised the Stewards that after beginning well and having runners to her inside kick up she elected to take a hold rather than attempting to take a forward position and being caught wide.</p> | |
| Race 3 | SPEIGHTS MAIDEN (1200m) |
| <p>Passing the 1000 metres ZULEIKA commenced to over-race and lay outwards from that point proving a difficult ride.</p> <p>The connections of ZULEIKA which had raced greenly throughout were advised that a warning had been placed against the filly's racing manners.</p> <p>Passing the 900 metres BON CHERIE lay outwards and raced wide from that point on.</p> | |
| Race 4 | ASHBURTON TRUST RATING 85 (1200m) |
| <p>ORAKA PRINCE underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection after coming into contact with the rail leaving the birdcage and was passed fit to race.</p> <p>STORMPATROL was slow to begin.</p> <p>VENETIAN RAIDER was restrained shortly after the start.</p> <p>Passing the 900 metres VENETIAN RAIDER commenced to over-race shifting out and making contact with GHOSTINTHEMACHINE which was forced wider on the track for a short distance.</p> <p>CREDIT CRUNCH over-raced the middle stages.</p> <p>OUR GENES raced in restricted room passing the 200 metres when VENETIAN RAIDER lay inwards and CREDIT CRUNCH commenced to shift outwards under pressure.</p> <p>Trainer M Pitman advised Stewards that when circumstances permit it will be his intention for VENETIAN RAIDER to be ridden with cover off the pace in subsequent races.</p> <p>Apprentice rider R Doherty (GHOSTINTHEMACHINE) was reminded of his obligations regarding use of the whip prior to the 200 metres.</p> | |
| Race 5 | HORORATA TC @ METHVEN ON 21 FEBRUARY RATING 85 (2100m) |
| <p>CARNIVA BOY was awkwardly away.</p> <p>STORMY RAIN raced wide in the early stages.</p> <p>GEORGE ALMIGHTY raced keenly for some distance passing the 1700 metres.</p> <p>CARNIVA BOY lost contact with the main body of the field passing the 1600 metres until regaining contact passing the 1000 metres.</p> <p>CARNIVA BOY improved wide from the 800 metres.</p> <p>Passing the 250 metres UNRELENTING LADY shifted ground outwards to obtain clear running.</p> <p>Passing the 200 metres NEEDASTAR had to be steadied when laying out under pressure.</p> <p>When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of GEORGE ALMIGHTY rider C Johnson advised the gelding travelled keenly in the early stages but failed to respond to his urgings passing the 600 metres and had disappointed with its efforts. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.</p> | |
| Race 6 | COMCAT RATING 75 (1400m) |
| <p>VANILLA began awkwardly with the rider being unbalanced briefly.</p> <p>VANILLA raced wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>Passing the 500 metres SAMPHIRE was held up for some distance when WINCHESTER began to give ground.</p> <p>A post-race veterinary examination of WINCHESTER revealed no abnormalities.</p> <p>Passing the 125 metres HIT THE BIT had to steady and change ground outwards off heels to obtain clear running.</p> | |
| Race 7 | RACING HERE AGAIN 14 MARCH RATING 65 (1400m) |
| <p>CELTIC BOY was slow to begin.</p> <p>Shortly after the start DELZZUP was placed in restricted room when runners either side shifted ground.</p> <p>REDLINE raced wide without cover throughout.</p> <p>Passing the 1000 metres LE COUGUAR commenced to over-race for a short distance.</p> <p>GALLANT BABE improved wide from the 600 metres.</p> <p>Near the 400 metres LAKOTA was awkwardly placed close to the heels of SANDI'OR when improving, shortly thereafter LAKOTA made contact with REDLINE.</p> <p>Apprentice rider R Black (LAKOTA) was issued a warning under Rule 638(1)(d) and reminded of her obligations to afford all runners sufficient room when shifting ground.</p> | |
| Race 8 | SUPER LIQUOR ASHBURTON MAIDEN (1600m) |

ROYALTY began awkwardly.

OTAUTAHI BOY blundered shortly after jumping.

OUT WEST raced wide over the early stages.

I CLAUDIAS lost contact with the field passing the 1200 metres eventually finishing a distance last.

RUFFLE raced wide from the 1000 metres.

S Muniandy (**BOGART**) was warned under Rule 636(1)(c) and reminded of his obligations to ride his mount out fully to the end of the race.

Apprentice rider K Wong (**ARKWRIGHT'S TILL**) was reminded of his obligations regarding his use of the whip on a runner out of contention.