

# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



## MEETING DETAILS:

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| <b>Club:</b>     | Southland Racing Club                         | <b>Date:</b> | 15 February 2014 |
| <b>Weather:</b>  | Drizzling                                     |              |                  |
| <b>Track:</b>    | Dead 6  |              |                  |
| <b>Rail:</b>     | True  |              |                  |
| <b>Stewards:</b> | N McIntyre (Chairman), J McLaughlin, S Wallis |              |                  |
| <b>Typist:</b>   | B Gutsell                                     |              |                  |

## GENERAL:

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| Pre-race blood testing was carried out.             |
| The track was downgraded to Dead 6 prior to race 1. |

## SUPPLEMENTARY:

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## SUMMARY:

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| <b>Swabbing:</b>             |               | BELLE MIRAAJ, GINTY'S CHOICE, HERMIONE, SUCRE, TO THE MAX, INCLUDE, ADMIRAL ROUS, OUR BEE JAY, THE GROOMSMAN, ORTEM FIRE.                                    |
| <b>Suspensions:</b>          | <b>Race 4</b> | <b>A Morgan</b> (VENETIAN RAIDER).<br>[Rule 638(1)(d)] – Careless riding 900 metres. Suspended 18th February until 28th February inclusive. (3 riding days.) |
| <b>Protests:</b>             | <b>Race</b>   | Nil  |
| <b>Fines:</b>                | <b>Race</b>   | Nil  |
| <b>Warnings:</b>             | <b>Race</b>   | Nil  |
| <b>Bleeders:</b>             | <b>Race</b>   | Nil  |
| <b>Horse Actions:</b>        | <b>Race 1</b> | <b>I JUST ROCKED UP</b> – stood down for 1 satisfactory trial.   |
|                              | <b>Race 5</b> | <b>SNIP IN TIME</b> – veterinary clearance required prior to racing next start.  |
|                              | <b>Race 6</b> | <b>ZHANIM</b> – warned barrier manners.  |
|                              | <b>Race 8</b> | <b>THE GROOMSMAN</b> – warned racing manners.  |
| <b>Medical Certificates:</b> |               | Nil  |
| <b>Late Scratchings:</b>     | <b>Race 1</b> | <b>I JUST ROCKED UP</b> – refusing to load. (12.33pm.)   |
|                              | <b>Race 5</b> | <b>SNIP IN TIME</b> – veterinary advice. (2.47pm.)   |
| <b>Rider/Driver Changes:</b> | <b>Race</b>   | Nil  |

## RACE COMMENTS:

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| <b>Race 1</b>   | <b>COUPLAND'S BAKERIES 2 YR OLD HANDICAP (1100M).</b>        |
| <p>The start of this event was delayed 3 minutes and 20 seconds due to <b>I JUST ROCKED UP</b> refusing to load. As a consequence the colt was declared a late scratching at 12.32pm with the connections advised that <b>I JUST ROCKED UP</b> must barrier trial on one occasion to the Stewards satisfaction prior to racing next.</p> <p><b>BELLE MIRAAJ</b> and <b>THAT'S MY PUSSYCAT</b> bumped as the start was made with <b>THAT'S MY PUSSYCAT</b> getting back as a result.</p> <p>J Wong (<b>THAT'S MY PUSSYCAT</b>) accidentally dropped his whip passing the 250 metres.</p> |  |
| <b>Race 2</b>   | <b>PGG WRIGHTSON AON INSURANCE BROKERS HANDICAP (1200M).</b> |
| <p><b>MARECHAL</b> was crowded for room as the start was made when <b>NAVIGATOR</b> shifted outwards simultaneously as <b>RUBY'S ROSE</b> shifted inwards with <b>MARECHAL</b> getting back as a result.</p> <p><b>TUATAP</b> began awkwardly and shifted out crowding <b>SHES ALL CLASS</b>.</p> <p><b>TUATAP</b> raced fiercely in the early stages.</p> <p><b>NAVIGATOR</b> made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly resulting in <b>MARECHAL</b> having to steady.</p>   |  |

**SHES ALL CLASS** raced wide throughout.

**ZEINA** rolled in under pressure passing the 150 metres resulting in **THE BARMAID** having to steady momentarily.

**THE BARMAID** then had difficulty obtaining clear running over the concluding stages.

When questioned regarding the performance of **MT DIFFICULTY** rider K Williams advised the gelding had failed to handle the prevailing track conditions.

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| <b>Race 3</b> | <b>SPEIGHTS HANDICAP (1200M).</b> |
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**ALL SPICE** was slow to begin.

**CRACKER** shifted outwards on jumping and bumped with **REMIND ME** with rider J Morris (**REMIND ME**) becoming unbalanced momentarily. **CRACKER** was then tightened from the inside by **KILLA QUESTION** which had shifted ground outwards.

**THE GALLANT GIRL** (A Edmeads) hung inwards near the 200 metres crowding **REMIND ME** which had to be steadied as a result. **STRIKE UP THE BAND** also had to be steadied momentarily in this incident. Apprentice rider Miss Edmeads was shown a replay of this incident and spoken to advisedly to ensure she takes immediate action in future to straighten her runners when shifting ground.

Rider J Morris reported **REMIND ME** hung inwards badly rounding the final bend and the initial stages of the home straight. When questioned regarding the performance of **TOMMY TUCKER** apprentice rider D Prastiyoun reported the gelding may not have been suited by today's track conditions and in his opinion would be suited to racing over greater distance.

**THE GALLANT GIRL** was reported to have lost its off hind racing plate during the running.

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| <b>Race 4</b> | <b>G.J. GARDINER HOMES SOUTHLAND STAKES (1200M).</b> |
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**VENETIAN RAIDER** began awkwardly and made contact with **VALIANT**.

**BIG RED** over raced at the rear of the field through the early stages.

**CAPTAIN KIRK** was checked and became unbalanced passing the 900 metres when **VENETIAN RAIDER** (A Morgan) which was over racing shifted ground inwards.

Apprentice rider Miss A Morgan in the presence of her employer Mr M Pitman admitted a breach of Rule 638(1) (d) Careless Riding. After viewing replays and hearing evidence from apprentice A Morgan, Mr M Pitman and Stewards the JCA imposed a suspension of Miss Morgan's riding licence from the 18th February until 28<sup>th</sup> February inclusive (3 riding days).

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| <b>Race 5</b> | <b>MARDI GRAS RESORT HANDICAP (1600M).</b> |
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**SNIP IN TIME** was a late scratching on veterinary advice at 2.47pm after the gelding had injured itself upon leaving the birdcage. The connections were advised a veterinary certificate would be required prior to **SNIP IN TIME** racing next.

**YAZOOM** and **BUFFYS BOY** were both slow to begin.

**BUFFYS BOY** raced wide throughout.

When questioned regarding the performance of **STRUCTURE** rider S Muniandy reported the mare was not entirely suited by the prevailing track conditions and in his opinion would benefit from racing over greater distance.

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| <b>Race 6</b> | <b>ILT ASCOT PARK HOTEL SOUTHLAND GUINEAS (1600M).</b> |
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The start of this event was delayed due to **ZHANIM** proving difficult to load with the connections advised the filly was on a warning for its barrier manners.

**CHARLESTOWN** was slow to begin.

**LUKANDER** was very slow over the early stages despite the urgings of rider D Walsh resulting in **LUKANDER** losing considerable ground.

**TIMY TYLER** raced wide in the early stages.

**CHARLESTOWN** which was over racing passing the 900 metres became awkwardly placed on the heels of **SOUTHERN POWER** and shifted out bumping with **ZHANIM**.

Near the 600 metres **CHARLESTOWN** when racing to the inside of **ZHANIM** had to be steadied when becoming awkwardly positioned to the hind quarters of **PERFECT PROSPECT**.

When questioned regarding the performance of **CHARLESTOWN** rider K Williams advised that after missing the jump the gelding had got back further than intended and had then over raced during the middle stages.

Trainer M Pitman advised that **LUKANDER** would race over more distance in its future starts.

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| <b>Race 7</b> | <b>THE SOUTHLAND TIMES INVERCARGILL GOLD CUP (2600M).</b> |
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**MIGHTY RULER** and **GOLD LEAF** had to steady racing into the first bend when the leader **ST BERNARD** (S Wynne) was being eased.

Apprentice rider Miss Wynne was spoken to advisedly regarding the manner in which she had eased the pace at this point of the race.

**ESPRIT D'OR** raced wide from the 1500 metres before receiving cover from the 1100 metres.

**THE BISHOP** raced wide from near the 1200 metres.

Rider T Moseley (**GARGAMEL**) was shown replays of the concluding stages and reminded of his obligations regarding his use of the whip.

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| Race 8  | MITAVITE HANDICAP (2100M).                |
| <p><b>THE GROOMSMAN</b> was slow to begin.</p> <p><b>NO ROSETTES</b> raced wide in the early stages.</p> <p><b>SHOWBRERA</b> raced wide from the 1000 metres.</p> <p><b>THE GROOMSMAN</b> raced wide in the middle stages and blundered near the 1000 metres.</p> <p><b>THE GROOMSMAN</b> when leading veered outwards in the run to the line inconveniencing <b>OOR WULLIE</b> in the shadows of the post with the connections warned to improve the racing manners of their gelding.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of <b>COMMANDING OAK</b> rider H Tinsley advised the gelding had got further back than intended during the running. Trainer M Pitman advised he believed the gelding may not have handled today's track conditions.</p> |   |
| Race 9  | CASTLEDALE @ TE RUNGA SUMMER CUP (1600M). |
| <p><b>SHE'S INSATIABLE</b> began awkwardly.</p> <p><b>MIKABELLA</b> was slow to begin and then raced wide throughout.</p> <p><b>CHAPEL STAR</b> had to be steadied when attempting a marginal run between <b>ORTEM FIRE</b> and <b>PETTY LANE</b> near the 250 metres.</p> <p>Rider M Cropp reported <b>MAGIC EPIC</b> to be showing signs of distress on pulling up. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of <b>MAGIC EPIC</b> which revealed the gelding to have a slow recovery rate.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performances of <b>ASAINTE SHEAINT</b> and <b>SIR SINGO</b> riders C Barnes and D Walsh reported in their opinions their respective runners had failed to handle the prevailing track conditions.</p>            |   |