STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



Friday, 14th March 2014

Date:

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Ashburton Racing Club
Weather:	Fine
Track:	Good 3
Rail:	2 metres out from 800 metres to winning post
Stewards:	M Zarb (Chairman), N McIntyre, P Kinsey
Typist:	C McMullan

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

Amanda Morgan underwent a medical examination after having a motor vehicle accident en route to the course and was passed fit to race by St John Ambulance paramedics.

A selection of riders were work place drug tested.

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

<u>Otago Racing Club – Saturday, 8th March 2014</u>

Race 6 - NEW ZEALAND BLOODSTOCK AIRFREIGHTS STAKES (LISTED) 1400m

Subsequent post race day blood tests on **SOUBRETTES**, which pulled up in a very distressed state and required urgent veterinary treatment, revealed no abnormalities. Connections advised that the filly took a few days to recover, however she appears to be back to normal. They have also advised that it is still their intention to give the filly a long spell prior to racing again.

Otago Racing Club @ Cromwell – Sunday, 2nd March 2014

Race 7 - CLAAS OTAGO HARVEST CENTER HANDICAP 2030m

A subsequent post race day scope of **KING PRAWN**, which proved disappointing, revealed no abnormalities.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	LAMAZE, MY RULES, MCMAY, RORIPPA, HOMELAND, ISHIPAL, EMERALD QUEEN, FLORENCE HILTON, LIGHTNING LUCY					
Suspensions:	Nil					
Protests:	Nil					
Fines:	Race	2	S Wynne (PENNY KATE) Rule 647(1) – Failing to weigh in – Fined \$200			
Warnings:	Race	3 5 9	K Williams (COMMANDER CODY) Rule 638(1)(d) – Shifting ground 1800m J Schluter (GOD SEND) Rule 616(3) – Presenting horse with incorrect gear M Stokes (LIGHTNING LUCY) Rule 616(3) – Presenting horse with incorrect gear			
Bleeders:	Nil					
Horse Actions:	Race	3	BELT UP – Warned racing manners			
		4	INDIAN BURT – Warned racing manners			
		7	GHOSTINTHEMACHINE – Vet clearance required prior to racing next			
		7	GO GO DINGO - Warned barrier manners			
Medical Certificates:	Nil					
Rider Changes:	Race	5	SHAYLEE WILDE – C Barnes replaced A Frye (injured)			
		8	COSMIC THING – S Wynne replaced M Cropp (permission of Stewards)			
		9	WESTERN WARRIOR – C Barnes replaced M Cropp			

Late Scratchings: Race 4 VANQUISHED at 12.45 pm on veterinary advice 7 GHOSTINTHEMACHINE at 3.32 pm on veterinary advice			9	ZHANIM – S Wynne replaced A Frye
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RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 VETENT RIVERSIDE RATING 85 2100 (2100m)					
GEORGE ALMIGHTY which bumped the gate leaving the birdcage enclosure underwent a pre race veterinary examination					
at the start and was cleared fit to race.					
CHINA BO BO jumped awkwardly.					
Rounding the turn near the 600 metres LAMAZE steadied when momentarily placed in restricted room to the inside of					
CHINA BO BO.					
From the 400 metres to approaching the 200 metres CONFEDERATE and YA DREAMIN JONESY were held up when unable					
to obtain clear running.					
Passing the 200 metres CHINA BO BO faltered on several occasions, quickly losing ground. CONFEDERATE which was					
following was hampered in consequence. A subsequent veterinary examination of CHINA BO BO found the gelding to have					
fractured the front left cannon bone and was subsequently humanely euthanased.					
When questioned in regard to the performance of favoured runner CONFEDERATE , rider V Johnston explained that					
although she had an interrupted run in the home straight, in her opinion the gelding proved disappointing and she was					
unable to offer any tangible excuse other than the gelding may be better suited with give in the track.					
Rider David Walsh reported that THE HAND OF FAITH hung in throughout.					
Race 2 CMP CANTERBURY MAIDEN 2100 (2100m)					
PENNY KATE raced keenly in the early stages.					
Passing the 200 metres MY RULES and PENNY KATE shifted outwards under pressure carrying ROSHEEN wider on the track.					
PENNY KATE (S Wynne) was disqualified from 6 th placing under Rule 647(1) after the rider failed to weigh in. S Wynne					
admitted a charge under Rule 647(1) and was fined \$200.					
Race 3 RAY MAYNE HOSE & FITTINGS RATING 65 2100 (2100m)					
ONE FOR THE MONEY was slow to begin.					
MISTER SPIDERMAN jumped awkwardly and lost ground.					
Near the 1800 metres UMSHINI WAMI was steadied when crowded to the inside of COMMANDER CODY (K Williams)					
which shifted inwards. Rider K Williams was issued with a warning.					
Shortly after UMSHINI WAMI was again crowded to the inside of LORD YARBOROUGH which shifted in abruptly despite					
the efforts of its rider. TOUGH NUT which was racing to the inside of these runners was also hampered in consequence.					
KINGS PAL raced keenly in the early stages and passing the 1400 shifted out to avoid the heels of runners in front and					
continued to race keenly for some distance. BELT UP which was following was hampered in consequence.					
MISTER SPIDERMAN over raced in the middle stages.					
KERRYTOWN LADY raced wide without cover for the majority of the race.					
R Hutchings, the rider of BELT UP , reported that his mount hung out throughout and proved difficult to ride. Trainer D					
Crozier was advised that a warning would be placed against the BELT UP' s racing manners.					
Race 4 WIN A TRIP TO MELBOURNE CUP WITH RD1 & ECOLAB MAIDEN (1200m)					
VANQUISHED was a late scratching at 12.45 pm on veterinary advice after suffering a laceration to the left hind leg en					
route to the course.					
ZULEIKA began awkwardly and was reluctant to stride out and near the 1000 metres fell dislodging rider A Frye. A Frye was					
transported to hospital for observation. ZULEIKA was humanely euthanased, with Stewards ordering that an autopsy be					
undertaken. Stewards will interview trainer S Woodsford at a later date.					
Approaching the 1000 metres DECANTER shifted inwards abruptly and bumped BENS LASS , with both horses becoming					
unbalanced.					
Approaching the 500 metres DECANTER was steadied when held up for clear racing room. YOUNG JIM which was following					
was hampered in consequence.					
R Doherty, the rider of INDIAN BURT , reported that his mount hung out throughout and proved difficult to ride. The					
connections were advised that a warning would be placed against the gelding's racing manners.					
Race 5 RURAL LIVESTOCK RATING 65 1200 (1200m)					
The start of this race was delayed and rescheduled to start at 2.50 pm due to the ambulance having to leave the course.					
C Barnes replaced A Frye as the rider of SHAYLEE WILDE .					

DELIRIUM which made contact with the fence in the birdcage enclosure underwent a pre race veterinary examination at the start and was cleared fit to race.

J Schluter, the trainer of **GOD SEND**, failed to present her horse with its correct notified gear. In all the circumstances no direct action was taken apart from issuing J Schluter with a warning under Rule 616(3).

Prior to correct weight, the connections of 4th placed **LATIN SAINT** viewed the videos before electing not to lodge an objection against 1st placed **HOMELAND**.

SHAYLEE WILDE and GOD SEND both jumped awkwardly and lost ground.

DOWRA raced wide without cover throughout.

Passing the 300 metres **HOMELAND** which was held up and unable to obtain clear running shifted outwards and in doing so made contact with **LATIN SAINT** for several strides, resulting in both horses momentarily becoming unbalanced.

J Bates, the rider of **GOD SEND**, reported that the gelding choked down badly during the race. The connections advised it is their intention to retire the gelding.

Race 6 RD PETROLEUM RATING 75 1400 (1400m)

The start of this race was delayed and rescheduled to start at 3.20 pm due to the delay in the previous race. **ISHIPAL** jumped awkwardly.

Shortly after the start **HAPPY DAYS** was crowded between runners and lost ground.

SOMETHING ZED, **HAPPY DAYS** and **BELLA VI** raced keenly in the early and middle stages, with **BELLA VI** improving into a marginal run near the 900 metres and having to be checked. Shortly after **SOMETHING ZED** which continued to race keenly was also checked away from heels in front.

LIGHTS UP raced wide without cover throughout.

Race 7 SMALLBONE MOTORS OPEN HANDICAP 1400 (1400m)

The start of this race was delayed and rescheduled to start at 3.50 pm due to the delay in the previous race. After the running of Race 5, the connections of **GHOSTINTHEMACHINE** approached Stewards requesting that

GHOSTINTHEMACHINE be withdrawn as they had concerns that **GHOSTINTHEMACHINE** may have early symptoms of a virus. Following a subsequent veterinary examination which confirmed the connections' concerns, the gelding was declared a late scratching at 3.32 pm. The connections were advised that a veterinary clearance will be required prior to racing again.

As the start was effected **GO GO DINGO** reared losing considerable ground. Trainer T Rae was advised that a warning would be placed against **GO GO DINGO's** barrier manners.

ASAINT SHEAINT jumped awkwardly.

TOMA VALEA was a little slow to begin and was then slow into stride in the early stages.

GO GO DINGO improved three wide without cover from the 700 metres.

WOODYEVA had difficulty obtaining clear running from the 400 metres until passing the 100 metres.

Race 8

ECOLAB/RD1 BEST PARTNERSHIP IN RURAL RTAIL MAIDEN (1400m)

S Wynne replaced M Cropp as the rider of **COSMIC THING.**

A pre race veterinary examination of **OLE GINGE** which had not started for some time passed the mare fit to race.

The start of this race was delayed as a result of **FLORENCE HILTON** dislodging rider R Bishop during the preliminary and escaping. **FLORENCE HILTON** underwent a veterinary examination and was cleared fit to race. R Bishop was examined by St John Ambulance Paramedics and cleared to ride.

The start was further delayed when several runners proved difficult to load.

KAIPIPI jumped awkwardly and lost ground

MY CHINO was a little slow to begin.

KAIPIPI, FLORENCE HILTON, HI YO KO and MISS CLEVEDON raced keenly in the early stages.

OLE GINGE raced wide without cover throughout.

HI YO KO shifted ground in the straight when placed under pressure, momentarily hampering **MY CHINO** in the concluding stages.

C Barnes replaced M Cropp as the rider of **WESTERN WARRIOR**.

S Wynne replaced A Frye as the rider of **ZHANIM**.

On jumping **PHEASANT** was crowded between runners and lost considerable ground.

Shortly after the start CRYSTAL FOX was crowded to the inside of ZHANIM which jumped awkwardly and shifted in.

FALZANO and CELTIC BOY were hampered in consequence.

ZHANIM improved from the 700 metres without cover.

From the 400 metres to the 200 metres **PHEASANT** and **EVANCHO** were held up and unable to obtain clear running. Trainer M Stokes was issued with a warning under Rule 616(3) for presenting **LIGHTNING LUCY** with side winkers instead of