

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Ashburton Racing Club	Date:	Friday, 9 th May 2014
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Slow (7), following race 2 Slow (8), following race 3 Slow (9)		
Rail:	Out 3 metres from the 800 metres to the winning post		
Stewards:	J McLaughlin (Chairman), N Ydgren and M Zarb		
Typist:	C McMullan		

GENERAL:

<p>A selection of runners were pre race blood tested.</p> <p>In race 4 Stewards had concerns with barrier 9 which appeared to not affix on opening. The barriers were fully tested prior to race 5 and found to be functioning correctly. The barriers were retested following race 5 when gate 9 again failed to affix on opening, and thereafter functioned correctly for the rest of the day. Stewards were of the opinion that neither TANA GEESH(Race 4) nor HYDRAULIC (Race 5) had their chances materially affected so no action was deemed necessary.</p>

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	SOUTHERN PRIDE, MY CHINO, VAPORETTO, HAIDEE DAWN, CHAIROS, TOETWOTOE, GUNNADOO, MARKS		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Nil		
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race	6	CONCEAL - Veterinary clearance required prior to racing next
		6	WINNIE MCGOOGAN - must barrier trial prior to racing next
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Race	6	CLEO LAYNE at 3.12 pm on veterinary advice
		6	WINNIE MCGOOGAN at 3.13 pm failure to load.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	CENTRAL SI OWNERS ASSN RATING 65 1400 (1400m)
<p>SORLEY BOY was slow to begin.</p> <p>LA MUSIQUE began awkwardly and got back as a result.</p> <p>WISEGUY raced wide throughout.</p> <p>Passing the 350 metres EVIDENCE was held up for a short distance, having to shift ground inwards to obtain clear running. When questioned regarding the performance of PATRICIO, rider S Muniandy reported that the gelding travelled indifferently throughout and in his opinion failed to handle today's prevailing track conditions.</p>	
Race 2	PGG WRIGHTSON MAIDEN 1400 (1400m)
<p>FORFEITURE was slow to begin.</p> <p>GEISHA GIRL dwelt as the start was effected and lost ground.</p> <p>WILD BILL raced ungenerously through the early and middle stages.</p>	

AMARETTA raced keenly through the early stages.
 Passing the 1200 metres **ALFIE RIVER** raced fiercely for a short distance.
SATANYA raced wide throughout.
 Passing the 200 metres **WILD BILL** lay inwards, **GEISHA GIRL** which was laying outwards shifted away and inwards making contact with **ALFIE RIVER** which became awkwardly placed on the heels of the tiring **REJOICE**. **SKY AIR** which had raced up onto the heels of **REJOICE** was held up, having to be steadied for some distance. **CHAPARRAL'S JET** was also hampered in this incident.
SKY AIR raced in restricted room for a short distance passing the 150 metres.
 When questioned regarding the performance of **REJOICE**, rider S Muniandy explained that the gelding travelled well throughout but failed to run on when placed under full pressure, further adding that in his opinion **REJOICE** had failed to handle the prevailing track conditions.
 When questioned regarding the performance of **THE STOCKMAN**, rider J Bates explained that the gelding was unsuited to the prevailing track conditions.
 When spoken to in regards the performance of **WILD BILL** apprentice D Prastiyou reported the gelding had raced very greenly throughout ,adding in his opinion the gelding would take improvement from todays race.
 Following Race 2 the track was downgraded to Slow (8).

Race 3 | **JJ LTD RATING 75 1600 (1600m)**

ISHIGOLD was slow to begin.
 Due to the lack of tempo in the race **CAPO** and **NORAH** raced keenly in the early to middle stages.
 Passing the 1200 metres **CAPO** got its head up on a number of occasions when being restrained.
EL BEE DEE raced keenly throughout.
 Rider T Direen reported to the Stewards that in her opinion **NORAH** was not suited to today's track conditions.
 Following Race 3 the track was downgraded to Slow (9).

Race 4 | **STELLA ARTOIS MAIDEN 2100 (2100m)**

RED BULLET was slow to begin.
CURTAIN CALL became awkwardly placed on the heels of **HAIDEE DAWN** passing the 1700 metres and shifted wider on the track.
 Passing the 600 metres **HAPPY HANK** began to give ground quickly, finishing in a distant last position.

Race 5 | **MT ALFORD LIME RATING 65 2100 (2100m)**

DANISH RULER was fractious in the barriers.
HYDRAULIC was slow to begin.
SQUASH bounded as the start was effected and lost ground.
DELACROIX and **ONE FOR THE MONEY** came together on jumping, with **ONE FOR THE MONEY** getting back as a result.
DANISH RULER raced in restricted room passing the winning post on the first occasion.
 Passing the 1700 metres **BLU MACH** made the first turn awkwardly, having to be restrained off the heels of **SEEKING REDEMPTION**.
GREY TOM raced ungenerously early, tending to get its head up on a number of occasions when negotiating the first turn.
 Passing the 1600 metres **GREY TOM** commenced to over race, with the rider electing to improve forward. **SEEKING REDEMPTION** was forced over extra ground as a result. S Wynne was reminded of her obligations.
DANISH RULER pulled hard through the middle stages.
ZENNO ROLLS ROYCE raced wide from the 1200 metres.
 When questioned regarding the performance of **STINGRAY**, rider R Black reported that after getting further back than anticipated, from an inside draw she had to work wide to improve from the 800 metres, with the gelding making solid ground over the final stages, however in her opinion **STINGRAY** was not entirely comfortable in the prevailing track conditions.
 Passing the 300 metres **ISHIDANZIN** shifted inwards to obtain clear running.

Race 6 | **MCINTOSH CATERING MAIDEN F&M 1200 (1200m)**

AGNUS BROWN dislodged rider C Barnes after arriving at the barriers however was quickly recaptured. Both horse and rider were checked and cleared fit to fulfil their engagement.
CLEO LAYNE which was fractious in the barriers, kicking out on several occasions, was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 3.12 pm.
WINNIE MCGOOGAN was a late scratching at 3.13 pm after refusing to load. The connections were advised that the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next.
 The start of this event was delayed 6 minutes as a result.
YANINA COURTNEY and **MOONLIGHT DANCER** made firm contact on jumping, with **MOONLIGHT DANCER** getting back as a result.
DOUBLE BLUE slipped behind on jumping and got back as a result.

RAPT N RED began awkwardly.
NOIDEA began awkwardly and shifted in abruptly, losing ground.
FASCINATE raced keenly through the early stages, getting its head up on a number of occasions and commenced to lay outwards rounding the first bend.
RAPT N RED was held up for a short distance passing the 400 metres .
 Passing the 200 metres **DOUBLE BLUE** was held up for a short distance, having to shift inside the heels of **FASCINATE**, which had shifted wider on the track when laying outwards, to obtain clear running.
 Rider T Direen reported that **FASCINATE** had lay outwards throughout.
 Following the race rider R Bishop reported he had concerns with the actions of **CONCEAL**. A post race veterinary inspection of **CONCEAL** revealed the mare to be lame in the right hind leg. The connections were advised that a veterinary clearance is required prior to racing next.
 Stewards spoke with starter K Ogden following this event in respect to the time taken to load the field

Race 7	CONGRATULATIONS DAVID WALSH RATING 75 1200 (1200m)
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KETCHME and **SNOW LINE** were both fractious in the barriers.
CHEEKY TART was slow to begin.
MT DIFFICULTY shifted out on jumping and hampered **SNOW LINE** and **LADY BELLEVUE**.
GUNNADOO raced fiercely through the early stages.
 When questioned regarding the performance of **SNOW LINE**, rider R Hannam reported that the mare had been less than genuine in its efforts today and he could offer no other tangible excuse.
 Following this race **LADY BELLEVUE** haemorrhaged and died. Rider T Moseley was excused from weighing in under Rule 647(1)(a).

Race 8	COMCAT/JOHN MCCORMICK SPRAYING MAIDEN 1200 (1200m)
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CHAPELLE D'OR began awkwardly.
VALLEY DANCER was slow to begin.
PLAZA was placed in restricted room shortly after the start when runners to the inside shifted out. Also hampered in this incident was **NIGHT OWL** and **CORBYN** which were shifted wider.
DEVITO raced wide throughout.
 M Cameron reported to the Stewards that he had concerns with the actions of **DEVITO** over the concluding stages. A post race veterinary inspection of **DEVITO** did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. The connections undertook to keep Stewards advised of any subsequent developments in coming days. Trainer Ms Lee felt that in her opinion **DEVITO** failed to handle today's track conditions.