

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Canterbury Jockey Club	Date:	Saturday, 3 rd May 2014
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Heavy (11)		
Rail:	Out 11 metres		
Stewards:	M Zarb (Chairman), M Davidson, J McLaughlin and S Renault		
Typist:	C McMullan		

GENERAL:

All riders were breath tested prior to racing and returned clear results.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	KEEP THE COURAGE, PAMINA, WEDGIE, UPPLAND, ELUSIVE CATCH, SECOND TIME LUCKY, MAHANADI, BARBERRY ROZE, SCAPOLO, ELUSIVE TRACY, ABSOLUTION		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Protests:	Nil		
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Nil		
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race	2	AREUFORREEL – vet clearance required prior to racing next
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Nil		
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	RACECOURSE HOTEL MOTOR LODGE PREMIER (1600m)
Passing the 1000 metres KARAKA JACK steadied momentarily when racing in restricted room. WINDWHISTLE had some difficulty obtaining clear running approaching the 400 metres and brushed ADDITUP on a couple of occasions. C Barnes reported that her mount SPLIT DECISION lost its right front plate during the running.	
Race 2	FAHEY FENCE HIRE PREMIER (2000m)
PAMINA and AREUFORREEL were slow to begin. When questioned in regard to her ride on AREUFORREEL and in particular why she elected to stay towards the inside of the track in the run home after winning the previous race closer to the outside fence, apprentice rider R Black explained that prior to today's meeting she walked the circuit of the track and in her opinion the three deep line and close to the outside fence were the best parts of the track. She stated that in the first race she was unable to obtain the three wide position therefore she elected to go wide, however in this race when she was able to obtain the three line position she elected to do so. R Black added it was obvious her mount was struggling in the conditions and near the 200 metres she then elected to shift outwards but the mare was unable to make any impact on the rest of the field. R Black further stated that whilst AREUFORREEL handled the Slow (8) track at its previous win against a moderate field, in her opinion the heavier track and step up in grade attributed to the mare's disappointing performance. A post-race veterinary inspection of AREUFORREEL revealed a lame right foreleg. Connections were advised a veterinary clearance is required prior to the mare racing again.	

Race 3	NORWOOD FARM MACHINERY PREMIER (1200m)
<p>REDESDALE jumped awkwardly, and over the concluding stages had an interrupted passage and had to change ground on several occasions.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of KILLA QUESTION, rider A Morgan advised that in her opinion the gelding failed to back up from its win two days prior and the travel from Riverton to Riccarton, which together with the heavy weight carried today attributed to the disappointing performance. Trainer M Pitman stated in his opinion KILLA QUESTION failed to handle today's track and that the barrier draw of 1 did not suit.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of SHASPIC, rider C Johnson stated he was under pressure a long way from home and in his opinion the gelding was not suited to today's track conditions.</p>	
Race 4	DAVID EMERSON ACCOUNTANT & BUSINESS CONSULTANT PREMIER (1200m)
<p>FIDDLER'S GREEN, which suffered a minor laceration en route to the racecourse, underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection and was cleared to race.</p> <p>The start of this event was delayed due to several runners proving difficult to load.</p> <p>ASHBURN LANE jumped awkwardly and lost ground.</p> <p>COUP DARCI BE was held up in the early part of the run home.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the apparent disappointing performance of BIG KAHUNA, rider J Morris advised that the gelding was making respiratory noises post-race and in her opinion may have choked down. A subsequent veterinary examination of BIG KAHUNA did not reveal any obvious abnormalities. Trainer L Didham advised the Stewards he would give the gelding a week off, take some blood tests and pending the results will send the gelding for a spell.</p>	
Race 5	BERKLEY STUD CHAMPAGNE STAKES (1200m)
<p>WAIT AND SEE and TWO OVER ONE jumped awkwardly and lost ground.</p> <p>Approaching the winning post ELUSIVE CATCH jumped a marking on the track.</p> <p>K Walters, rider of I JUST ROCKED UP, reported that his mount felt indifferent in its action. A post-race veterinary examination revealed the colt to be tied up.</p>	
Race 6	NZI GREAT AUTUMN HANDICAP (2500m)
<p>MAHANADI and REGALO REAAL which were both racing keenly had to be restrained approaching the 1700 metres, when the pace eased in front.</p>	
Race 7	ANGUS MEATS PREMIER (1400m)
<p>ARE YOU MINE and MISS PERFECTO bumped on jumping.</p> <p>Passing the 1000 metres CHAMPAGNE KATIE was checked when crowded to the inside of PERCY POSSUM which was racing keenly and lay in despite its rider's efforts. SWIPER THE FOX which was following was hampered in consequence. PERCY POSSUM continued to lay in for some distance thereafter.</p> <p>Passing the 400 metres CHAMPAGNE KATIE was steadied and shifted inwards away from the heels of the weakening ARE YOU MINE.</p> <p>SWIPER THE FOX had difficulty obtaining complete clear running from the 600 metres until approaching the 300 metres. Near the 150 metres MEURSAULT steadied when momentarily crowded by SWIPER THE FOX which shifted outwards slightly under pressure.</p>	
Race 8	D REYNOLDS ELECTRICAL GREAT EASTER STAKES (1400m)
<p>Passing the 500 metres ELECTRONIC MOTION shifted inwards across heels to obtain clear running.</p> <p>J Bates, the rider of SUCRE, reported that his mount failed to handle today's track conditions.</p> <p>R Hannam, the rider of CANGOWEST, advised that in his opinion whilst the mare has won over this distance in the past, with today's track conditions it may have been pushing her to the limits.</p> <p>C Barnes, the rider of IRISH BAY, advised that the mare struggled under today's conditions.</p>	
Race 9	NRM PREMIER (1600m)
<p>SOMETHING ZED and GO DANSKE both jumped awkwardly and lost ground.</p> <p>Passing the 500 metres SUREASYOUWEREBORN steadied and shifted inwards when awkwardly placed close to the heels of the weakening UMSHINI WAMI which raced keenly in the early and middle stages.</p>	