# **STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT**



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club:	Riverton Racing Club	Date:	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> May 2014
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Slow 9		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chairman) C Allison and S Wallis		
Typist:	B Gutsell		

#### GENERAL:

Nothing to report.

## SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nothing to report.

#### SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	BILLY ELLIOT, SUPERCHARGED, TOM DOOLEY, REEVES HALL, KEEP IT TIGHT, HOWLONGDOWEWAIT, OUR CASTLE, JOE BONANNO.			
Suspensions:	Race		Nil	
Protests:	Race		Nil	
Fines:	Race	4	<b>L Callaway</b> (PHIL WENNECK). [Rule 330(3)(c)] – Failed to make contract weight – Fined \$100.	
Warnings:	Race	8	<b>M Haruki</b> (MISS PERFECTO). [Rule 638(3)(b)] – Excessive use of the whip between the 400 metres & 200 metres.	
Bleeders:	Race	1	<b>LOOSE GOOSE</b> – stood down for mandatory three month period.	
Horse Actions:	Race	6	<b>SLAM DUNK</b> – must barrier trial to Stewards satisfaction prior to racing next.	
Medical Certificates:	Nil			
Rider Changes:	Race	4	J Morris replaced L Callaway (PHIL WENNECK) – Failed to make contract weight.	
Late Scratching:	Race	6	RUGBY STREET – veterinary advice - 2.23pm.	
	Race	6	SLAM DUNK – refusing to load – 2.29pm.	

#### **RACE COMMENTS:**

 Race 1
 CENTRAL SOUTHLAND FREIGHT MAIDEN HURDLE (2500M)

 MONTE CAIRO was slow to begin.
 MONTE CAIRO mixed its jumping throughout and was eventually retired from the event after jumping the fence at the 700 metres.

**JAY JAY** stumbled on landing after jumping the second to last fence and fell dislodging rider R Doherty and hampering **NANCHO LASS** in consequence.

Rider R Doherty was examined by the St John Ambulance Paramedics and cleared to fulfill his remaining riding engagements today. **JAY JAY** was examined by the on course veterinarian and found to be uninjured in this incident. Mathew Gillies (**BILLY ELLIOT**) accidentally dropped his whip passing the 200 metres.

Following the running of this event **LOOSE GOOSE** was reported to have bled during the running. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination which confirmed **LOOSE GOOSE** to be a bleeder with connections advised the gelding was subsequently stood down for the mandatory three month period.

## Race 2 J J LTD GREAT WESTERN HURDLE (2500M)

**THE SYDNEY EXPRESS** and **CECIL** collided midair after jumping the first fence with both runners landing awkwardly. **WHAT A FIND** made poor leaps at the second and third fences.

FAITES VOS JEUX made a poor leap at the fence near 1150 metres.

**WHAT A FIND** which mixed its jumping throughout was retired from the event after jumping the fence at the 300 metres. When spoken to regarding the performance of **CECIL** rider M Gillies stated the gelding had failed to handle today's stickier track conditions.

# Race 3 APARIMA GIRL GUIDES MAIDEN (2147M)

TOM DOOLEY and HOLD THE DREAM made brief contact passing the 100 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of **CASSANDRA'S DREAM** rider T Direen reported the mare was not comfortable with the sticky and testing nature of the track today.

#### Race 4 TELFER DRAINLAYING & RIVERTON ELECTRICAL HANDICAP (2147M)

L Callaway was replaced by J Morris as the rider for **PHIL WENNECK** due to rider Callaway being unable to make the contracted weight. L Callaway admitted a breach of Rule 330(3)(c) and was fined \$100 by the JCA. **AREUFORREEL** was slow to begin.

ARISTA began awkwardly and shifted out making contact with REEVES HALL.

**ARISTA** failed to maintain contact with the body of the field for the majority of the event finishing in a distant last placing with Stewards requesting a post-race veterinary examination of the mare which revealed no clinical abnormalities.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **ARISTA** apprentice rider M Haruki advised he had been instructed to ride the mare close to the running rail which in his opinion was the worst of the going today. Mr Haruki further added **ARISTA** had never handled the testing nature of the ground at any point of the race.

When questioned regarding the performance of **AREUFORREEL** apprentice rider R Black advised the mare had felt lethargic throughout and was disappointing. Trainer K Tyler advised he would have blood tests conducted in the coming days and undertook to keep the Stewards informed of any findings which may have contributed to the effort today.

## Race 5 COLAC BAY TAVERN & HOLIDAY PARK 108<sup>TH</sup> GREAT WESTERN STEEPLECHASE (3900M)

**MCCULLLEY** landed awkwardly at the first fence in the middle.

**MCCULLEY** dipped on landing after jumping the last fence and became awkwardly placed on the heels of **POWER PACK** resulting in **MCCULLEY** having to shift ground inwards to find clear racing room.

## Race 6 RIVERTON HARDWARE & SPG RIVERTON HANDICAP (2147M)

**RUGBY STREET** was found to be lame in the near fore leg after arriving around at the start area and was subsequently declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 2.23pm.

The start of this event was delayed 2 minutes and 13 seconds due to **SLAM DUNK** refusing to enter its starting gate. **SLAM DUNK** was subsequently declared a late scratching at 2.29pm with connections advised the gelding must barrier trial to the Stewards satisfaction prior to racing next. Trainer S Blair-Edie advised the Stewards it was his intention to now retire **SLAM DUNK** as a racing proposition from his stable.

Shortly after the start **MUZZA** had to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **GUNNA FLY** which had shifted out.

**GUNNA FLY** raced keenly through the early stages.

Racing into the bend at the 1700 metres **FLIRTATION** momentarily shifted out and away from **RIKHO** which was racing greenly resulting in **SUREASYOUWEREBORN** and **DELLEUD** who were racing to the outside of these runners having to race wider on the track for several strides.

When spoken to regarding the improved performance of **HOWLONGDOWEWAIT** which had finished some 13.5 lengths from the winner at its previous start trainer E Winsloe stated the gelding failed to handle the loose and very wet nature of the Invercargill track on that occasion however had run a creditable fourth on the Riverton track at the start prior to that on a similar track as today's racing surface.

Race 7 NIND ELECTRICAL & FISHER ALUMINIUM MAIDEN (1400M)

**COME FLY WITH ME** began awkwardly and was then further hampered when **CARMODY** shifted out abruptly at the start. **CATALAN KING** and **TRIPLE TAP** made heavy contact on jumping resulting in **CAIRNSVILLE** having to steady shortly after the start.

**ORIENTAL BRONZE** raced greenly through the early stages and shifted out abruptly at the 1250 metres having to be straightened.

Passing the 1200 metres **CATALAN KING** had to steady when **RISKY FLIGHT** shifted in momentarily and **CARMODY** which was laying out shifted out. **CATALAN KING** then continued to sky its head for some distance when being restrained to take a position.

**CAIRNSVILLE** lay in throughout the run home with the rider swapping the whip to the left hand.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **CAIRNSVILLE** rider D Walsh advised the gelding had raced greenly throughout.

## Race 8 DIRECT FISH & OYSTER HANDICAP (1400M)

HEZA KOOL KAT was slow to begin.

**GOLDEN CASTLE** raced keenly when leading through the early stages.

Passing the 100 metres THE GORDONIAN which was laying in shifted in and had to be straightened.

Apprentice rider M Haruki (MISS PERFECTO) was issued with a warning pursuant to Rule 638(3)(b) for excessive use of the

whip between the 400 metres and the 200 metres.

## Race 9 NA & MA EVANS & BAY ROAD SERVICE CENTRE HANDICAP (1400M)

**IMA GEEGEE** began awkwardly and lost ground.

**GOOGLE ME** had to steady passing the 900 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of **LUCKY NEMO** which had shifted in on the point of the turn.

Passing the 150 metres **THYME ZONE** (T Moseley) shifted out under pressure placing **FOUR GEES** in restricted room. T Moseley was advised to exercise care.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **THE ROOK** rider D Bothamley reported the mare had failed to handle the prevailing track conditions.