

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Canterbury Racing	Date:	Saturday, 9 th August 2014
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Heavy (10)		
Rail:	Out 2 metres		
Stewards:	R Neal (Chairman), N McIntyre, J McLaughlin and M Zarb		
Typist:	C McMullan		

GENERAL:

Pre race blood testing was carried out at today's meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	NEEDASTAR, THE BOUNCER, NORTH AND SOUTH, PHEASANT, KUZANOV, ERIC THE VIKING, ATHENRY, RIC O'SHEA, NOBLE WARRIOR, ASTROTURF		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Fines	Race 6	C Singer (VOLKSWAGIN)	[Rule 638(3)(b)] – Use of the whip unnecessarily – Fined \$300
Protests:	Nil		
Warnings:	Nil		
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Race 9	GEISHA GIRL	– Must barrier trial prior to racing next
Medical Certificates:	R Doherty and M Cropp – medical clearances required		
Rider Changes:	Race 3	THE GORDONIAN	– R Bishop replaced R Doherty (injured)
	4	MR NOBODY	– L Callaway replaced R Doherty
	8	CONFUSED	– R Myers replaced R Doherty
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	SPEIGHT'S PREMIER HURDLE (3100m)
<p>NEEDASTAR which was suffering lameness following its race on the first day of the meeting and which was cleared to race prior to today underwent a further examination upon arrival at the track. This examination failed to detect any abnormality.</p> <p>STUERTZER and GAGARIN got back at the start.</p> <p>WAI NOT and HARRY HILL raced keenly in the middle stages.</p> <p>GAGARIN raced wide for the majority of the event.</p> <p>EVASIVE TRACY misjudged the fence near the 600 metres losing ground and was retired shortly after.</p> <p>HARRY HILL made a poor leap and fell at the last fence, severely hampering STUERTZER which lost its chance. R Doherty, the rider of HARRY HILL, after being dislodged from that runner was struck by STUERTZER. R Doherty was treated by St John Paramedics and transferred to hospital with a suspected shoulder injury.</p> <p>JACHIL misjudged the last fence and lost momentum.</p>	

Race 2	GLADSOME LODGE PREMIER (1400m)
<p>RED RIPPER shifted in on jumping, simultaneously to the THE BOUNCER laying out, resulting in MION JAY being crowded for room and losing ground.</p> <p>RALPH'S GIFT was slow to begin.</p> <p>RED RIPPER over raced for a short distance near the 1000 metres.</p> <p>IRISH EXCUSE got its head up when being restrained near the 1000 metres and shifted in contacting the hind quarters of SANDY'S STAR.</p> <p>RED RIPPER which was in behind was compelled to take evasive action, having to be steadied for a short distance.</p> <p>RALPH'S GIFT was placed in restricted room to the inside of BARBERRY ROZE (A Morgan) near the 700 metres when BARBERRY ROZE shifted in to improve. Apprentice A Morgan was advised that when in similar circumstances she must ensure that full clearance exists before shifting ground.</p> <p>BARBERRY ROZE had some difficulty obtaining clear running near the 250 metres.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of IRISH EXCUSE, rider K Williams advised that the gelding had over raced in the early stages which had proved detrimental to its chances.</p> <p>RED RIPPER which returned to the birdcage with blood present in a nostril underwent a post-race veterinary inspection including an endoscopic examination which revealed the horse not to be a bleeder.</p>	
Race 3	DYER DECORATING PREMIER (1600m)
<p>NORTH AND SOUTH was slow to begin then hampered when IMA DUDE lay out shortly after the start.</p> <p>KING PRAWN began awkwardly.</p> <p>WERIO raced keenly in the early stages.</p> <p>WERIO and IMA DUDE raced keenly in the early and middle stages.</p> <p>IMA DUDE was held up near the 500 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of GOOGLE ME.</p> <p>Apprentice S Wynne, the rider of OUR ALCHEMIST, dropped her reins momentarily near the 400 metres.</p>	
Race 4	ZILCO PREMIER (2000m)
<p>RED MAGIC raced keenly in the early stages.</p> <p>ADDITUP raced keenly in the early and middle stages.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the run of ADDITUP, rider M Du Plessis reported that after travelling comfortably in the running the gelding had showed nothing when pressured. He added that in his opinion the gelding may be better suited to a more rain affected track.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the tactics adopted on PENCURI, rider R Myers explained that after disappointing when leading on the first day of the meeting her instructions had been to settle back as the gelding had previously performed well when ridden in such a manner. Miss Myers added that PENCURI had travelled well in the running and had tracked a favoured runner into the race from the 800 metres however despite being well tried PENCURI had run on only fairly and in her opinion was best suited to tracks where there was rain on the day.</p>	
Race 5	BRACKENFIELD HUNT PREMIER (1200m)
<p>SNOW LINE was fractious in the barriers.</p> <p>KUZANOV and FULLAVINO were slow to begin.</p> <p>SHE'S SLINKY was held up from the 450 metres to the 300 metres and when in clear running was inconvenienced for a short distance when KUZANOV lay out under hard riding.</p> <p>Rider D Walsh was dislodged from SHE'S SLINKY when pulling up. D Walsh was examined by St John Paramedics and cleared fit to continue with his riding engagements.</p> <p>When questioned regarding the performance of WEDGIE, apprentice rider S Wynne stated that in her opinion the gelding was feeling the effects of recent racing. Trainer J O'Flanagan advised that WEDGIE would now be spelled.</p> <p>SNOW LINE which returned to the birdcage with blood present in a nostril underwent a post-race veterinary inspection including an endoscopic examination, which found the blood present to be the result of head trauma and therefore not a bleeder.</p>	
Race 6	RACECOURSE HOTEL & MOTOR LODGE 140TH GRAND NATIONAL STEEPLECHASE (5600m)
<p>TIM misjudged the fence near the 4600 metres and fell, dislodging rider M Cropp who was attended to by St John Paramedics and transferred to hospital with a suspected shoulder injury. The riderless TIM continued on in the event causing some disruption to the remaining runners.</p> <p>HIGH FORTY landed awkwardly after jumping the fence near the 3000 metres.</p> <p>ATHENRY jumped inwards over the last jump hampering ROODYVOO.</p> <p>PALEMO returned to the enclosure showing signs of soreness, Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection of PALEMO which did not reveal any obvious abnormalities.</p> <p>C Singer, the rider of VOLKSWAGIN, admitted a breach of Rule 638(3)(b) in that he used his whip unnecessarily over the final 100 metres when beaten. After hearing submissions the JCA fined C Singer \$300.</p>	
Race 7	HeatStore PREMIER OPEN (1400m)
<p>UNBELIEVEABELLE bounded at the start and lost ground.</p> <p>GOSSIPING was inclined to over race in the early and middle stages.</p>	

UNBELIEVEABELLE and RIC O'SHEA both shifted ground under pressure in the home straight.	
Race 8	CHRISTCHURCH CASINO WINTER CLASSIC (1800m)
<p>WILLY DUGGAN was slow to begin.</p> <p>COAT OF ARMS, NOBLE WARRIOR and WILLY DUGGAN all raced keenly in the early stages.</p> <p>WILLY DUGGAN was held up passing the 600 metres until near the 400 metres and when in clear running lay out.</p> <p>NOBLE WARRIOR hung in over the final 400 metres.</p> <p>COAT OF ARMS was momentarily hampered near the 150 metres when forced wider by I AM SAM which shifted out under pressure.</p>	
Race 9	VERNON & VAZEY PREMIER (1800m)
<p>GEISHA GIRL stood flat footed as the barriers were released and lost considerable ground (10 lengths). The connections were advised that GEISHA GIRL must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing next.</p> <p>INDY RULER raced keenly in the middle stages.</p> <p>LUSTRE was briefly crowded near the 400 metres when ASTROTURF (K Williams) shifted out. K Williams was advised to exercise greater care when racing in similar circumstances.</p>	