# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Otago Racing Club at Wingatui Date: Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2014

Weather: Fine Track: Heavy (1

Track: Heavy (10)
Rail: 6 metres

Stewards: J McLaughlin (Chairman), N McIntyre, C Boyd

Typist: M O'Brien

#### **GENERAL:**

Prior to the first race rider L Callaway requested a ruling from the JCA under Rule 330(2) in that he believed he had a riding engagement for **BLACK BERRY PUNCH** in Race 7. After hearing all relevant submissions the JCA determined that this was not the case and as such D Walsh would take the mount.

Selected runners at this meeting underwent pre-race blood testing.

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY**

Nil

# **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: ROSHEEN, GALLANT BOY, CONQUERING KENNY, SPIDER LILY, SUREASYOUWEREBORN,

COMANCHE GOLD, HEXIE HAO, TUDOR LILY.

Suspensions: Nil

Protests: Nil

Fines: Race 5 M & M Pitman – Rule 537(a) – late declaration of rider for COUP ROTORUA – fined

\$50

Warnings: Race 7 D Prastiyou (ANZAC STAR) – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground.

Bleeders: Nil

**Horse Actions:** Race 2 **HEY DELILAH** – must barrier test to the satisfaction of the Stewards.

Race 4 MAL D'MOUR – must barrier trail to the satisfaction of Stewards

Medical Certificates: Nil

Late Scratchings Race 2 HEY DELILAH

Race 3 CRAFTY LOVE (denied a fair start)

Race 4 MAL D'MOUR

#### RACE COMMENTS:

# Race 1 STAN JARVIS MEMORIAL MAIDEN 1600m

D'RUPEE raced keenly through the early stages.

Passing the 1200 metres **CATALAN KING** raced ungenerously when being steadied off heels. **CATALAN KING** raced keenly for some distance thereafter.

**SAIGON PRINCE** raced greenly over the concluding stages having to be straightened on a number of occasions.

### Race 2 FARMLANDS DUNEDIN MAIDEN 1200m

The start of this event was delayed when several runners proved difficult to load with **HEY DELILAH** being late scratched at 1.14 pm. The connections of **HEY DELILAH** were informed that the filly must barrier test to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing next.

**RUB IT IN** was slow to begin.

SPECIAL DUKE tended to get its head up and race ungenerously through the early stages.

Passing the 700 metres RUB IT IN raced greenly shifting wider on the track when improving.

Approaching the 400 metres CLEO LAYNE was held up for a short distance.

Near the 150 metres **CLEO LAYNE** lay in under pressure having to be straightened.

# Race 3 OTAGO RACING CLUB LIFE MEMBERS RATING 65 1200m

**CRAFTY LOVE** and **LUCILLE** were both slow to begin.

**POLLY'S SISTER** raced keenly in the early stages.

MISS PERFECTO raced wide throughout.

**THEM OR US** raced keenly for a short distance passing the 800 metres. When questioned about the performance of **THEM OR US** rider C Johnson was of the opinion that the gelding had handled the prevailing track conditions however was unable to make up ground when placed under full pressure.

Passing the 100 metres CRAFTY LOVE was held up momentarily when awkwardly placed on heels.

Following the running of this event S Wynne (**CRAFTY LOVE**) lodged a request for a ruling under Rule 632 in regards to being denied a fair start. After reviewing the video footage the JCA declared **CRAFTY LOVE** to be a non-starter when being held after the start was effected.

Rider S Wynne was kicked in the Birdcage on unsaddling and after being checked by the St John paramedics was cleared to continue her riding engagements.

# Race 4 ALAN COLLIER MAIDEN 1400m

**MAL D'MOUR** was declared a late scratching at 2.21pm due to refusing to load. The connections of **MAL D'MOUR** were informed that the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing next.

WHATWASTHAT tended to get its head up near the 1300 metres when being restrained off heels.

Passing the 1000 metres **WHATWASTHAT** was steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **LEGAL TENDER** which shifted in. Apprentice J Lowry was reminded of his obligations when shifting ground.

Passing the 900 metres **WHATWASTHAT** was checked when **LEGAL TENDER** shifted inwards despite its rider's urgings.

**COME FLY WITH ME** improved wide from the 800 metres.

**SPIDER LILY** was held up for some distance rounding the home bend. Near the 200 metres **SPIDER LILY** which was denied clear racing room shifted ground outwards to attempt a marginal run which closed. **SPIDER LILY** then shifted ground inwards to obtain clear running near the 100 metres.

# Race 5 KB CONTRACTORS RATING 65 1600m

UNIVERSAL was slow to begin.

RICHARD TRIMBOLE got its head up when being restrained shortly after the start.

**EL DORADO SUN** raced keenly in the early and middle stages when in the lead.

**EL DORADO SUN** gave ground quickly from the 450 metres eventually finishing a distant last. Rider S Wynne reported that the gelding had failed to see out the distance of today's race in the prevailing track conditions.

When questioned over the apparent disappointing performance of **OUR SANTANA** rider D Bothamley reported that the gelding had received a favourable run but over the concluding stages failed to respond to his urgings and had been disappointing.

M Pitman co trainer of **COUP ROTORUA** admitted a breach of Rule 537(a) for late declaration of rider and was fined \$50:00. Post race veterinary inspections of both **EL DORADO SUN** and **OUR SANTANA** revealed no obvious abnormalities.

### Race 6 PGG WRIGHTSONS REAL ESTATE BALCLUTHA CUP 1600m

**JACK'S RUN** raced keenly for a distance passing the 1300 metres.

**HANDSOME DAX** lay in under pressure over the concluding stages.

When questioned about the performance of **HANDSOME DAX** rider C Johnson reported that in his opinion the gelding had only battled over the concluding stages due to the holding nature of today's track.

#### Race 7 PRYDES EASIFEED OPEN HANDICAP 1100m

**RIDLEY** was slow to begin.

**THE SOLITAIRE** was hampered shortly after the start and got back.

**HEXIE HAO** raced keenly in the early stages.

**BLACK BERRY PUNCH** lay outwards in the early stages of the home straight having to be straightened.

Passing the 200 metres **ANZAC STAR** (D Prastiyou) lay inwards resulting in **DRUMREGAL** having to steady. Rider D Prastiyou was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d) and told to exercise greater care when shifting ground. **ANZAC STAR** continued to lay inwards over the concluding stages.

Passing the 100 metres **BLACK BERRY PUNCH** again lay outwards and proved a difficult ride over the concluding stages.

### Race 8 WILLIAMS SIGNS AND GRAPHIX RATING 75 1400m

**RESPLENDENT** was slow to begin.

**TO THE MAX** raced keenly in the early stages.

**DAVONE CODE** raced wide in the early stages.

INDY RULER raced wide from the 1000 metres.

**RESPLENDENT** raced in restricted room momentarily passing the 100 metres. When questioned about the performance of favoured runner **RESPLENDENT** rider C Johnson reported that after getting well back in the running and despite being in restricted room late in the race the mare had only battled when placed under full pressure.