# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



# **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Otago Racing Club Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2014

Weather: Fine Good 3

Rail: Out 6 metres entire course

Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman) C Allison and C Boyd

Typist: B Gutsell

### **GENERAL:**

Pre Race blood testing was carried out at this meeting.

# **SUPPLEMENTARY:**

#### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: VALIANT, LADY GRACE, SEEKING REDEMPTION, QUERER, IVANSKAVINSKYSVAR, PRINCESS

BROOK, MADAM BENTLEY, MOVIDA, DOMINIO, RUBY'S ROSE.

Suspensions: Race

Protests: Race

Fines: Race

Warnings: Race 4 C Johnson (SOFIA LOREN)

[Rule 638(1)(d)] Careless Riding – 150 metres.

Race 5 J Chong (HE AIN'T HEAVY)

[Rule 638(1)(d)] Careless Riding – 200 metres.

Race 8 A McKay (ARISTA)

[Rule 638(1)(d)] Careless Riding – 100 metres.

Bleeders: Race

Horse Actions: Race 7 ELLIES CHOICE – veterinary certificate complete with ECG required.

**Medical Certificates:** Miss T Direen – medical certificate required.

**Rider Changes:** Race 4 D Prastiyou replaced T Direen (ADDED).

Race 5 D Prastiyou replaced T Direen (MIDNIGHT MOCHA).

**Race 7** J Lowry replaced T Direen (ULTRASONIC).

Race 8 J Lowry replaced T Direen (EL DORADO SUN).

Race 9 K Williams replaced T Direen (GALLANT BOY).

Race 10 D Prastiyou replaced T Direen (BLUE 'N' GOLD).

Late Scratching: Race

# **RACE COMMENTS:**

Race 1 PETER LYON SHEARING RATING 65 1200M

KING PRAWN was slow to begin.

**FIVE KINGS** bounded at the start and lost ground then got its head up when racing keenly in the early and middle stages. Passing the 375 metres **FULLAVINO** shifted out when looking for clear racing room making contact with **MIKABELLA** which was taken wider on the track. The trailing **FIVE KINGS** was inconvenienced at this point.

Passing the 200 metres **VALIANT** shifted in under pressure crowding **KING PRAWN** who had to steady momentarily. Apprentice J Lowry was shown a replay of this incident and advised to exercise greater care in future when shifting ground.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **FIVE KINGS** rider T Moseley reported he had received every opportunity during the running and although he had been taken wide on the bend he could offer no tangible excuse.

## Race 2 FOX EQUESTRIAN SERVICES MAIDEN 2200M

Passing the winning post on the first occasion **D'ELLIS** had to be restrained when **PADDYBLACK** who was racing keenly lay out and **BELEN** shifted in marginally.

**PADDYBLACK** and **D'ELLIS** both raced keenly in the early stages due to the lack of pace with **PADDYBLACK** skying its head on several occasions.

**D'ELLIS** was held up passing the 350 metres and had to change ground inwards passing the 275 metres to find clear racing room. **D'ELLIS** then lay out over the concluding stages and could not be ridden to full advantage by rider S Wynne.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **PADDYBLACK** rider R Black reported the gelding had been working on heavy tracks recently and had lacked pace when striking a firm track for the first time in recent racing.

# Race 3 DALLIANCE, ARKLE & TRODMORE RACING PARTNERSHIPS 2200M

**ENCHANTER** and **PYTHIA** were both slow to begin.

**RICHARD TRIMBOLE** raced keenly through the early stages.

**BRAEHILL** raced wide through the early stages.

**SEEKING REDEMPTION** and **REVENGE** both raced keenly when contesting the lead through the middle stages.

Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **PYTHIA** which finished in a distant last placing. The subsequent examination detected no abnormalities.

Stewards questioned apprentice rider R Black regarding the tactics she adopted on favoured runner **REVENGE** when contesting the pace throughout the running and giving ground from the 400 metres eventually finishing well back in the field. Miss Black advised that the instructions she had been given today were to ride handier to the pace and after jumping well the gelding had gone forward but began to race very keenly. When she attempted to restrain **REVENGE** in the run down the back straight the gelding had got further on the bridle and at the same time **SEEKING REDEMPTION** who was racing to her inside also began to race keenly. Miss Black added she continued to attempt to take a hold of **REVENGE** however had been unable to restrain the gelding and was under pressure from the 400 metres and only battled over the concluding stages. Trainer K Tyler was also spoken to and confirmed his instructions to Miss Black were for her to ride handier today and agreed that the gelding had raced too keenly during the running.

After speaking with both parties and reviewing the available replays Stewards were satisfied with the explanations given and no further action was deemed necessary.

# Race 4 TURBOWEB MAIDEN 1100M

The start of this event was delayed approximately 7 minutes and 30 seconds after rider T Direen (ADDED) was dislodged in the birdcage. Miss Direen who was injured in this incident was examined by the St John Ambulance Paramedics and stood down from her remaining riding engagements today. Miss Direen was subsequently transported to hospital with suspected bruising to her lower back. Miss Direen returned to the course later in the day and advised the Stewards that although there was nothing broken she was sore in the lower back area and would forego her rides at Riccarton on Saturday. D Prastiyou replaced Miss Direen on ADDED.

FABRIZIO was slow to begin.

Passing the 850 metres **ADDED** dipped losing some momentum.

At this point **COULEE** was placed in restricted room momentarily when **MADAM ROXY** which was improving forwards shifted ground inwards.

Also at this point MISS MACK had to be restrained when becoming awkwardly placed on heels.

Passing the 150 metres **SOFIA LOREN** (C Johnson) was angled out to find clear racing room resulting in **MADAM ROXY** which had shifted inwards having to steady at this point. Rider C Johnson was issued with a warning pursuant to Rule 638(1)(d) Careless Riding.

#### Race 5 CRAIG'S CANDO! MAIDEN 1100M

The start of this event was approximately 2 minutes late due to the delay in the previous event and the horses arriving late around to the start.

AFRICAN STAR began awkwardly.

TANTELLA was slow to begin.

**HE AIN'T HEAVY** was crowded shortly after the start and lost ground however was then allowed to stride forward to sit outside the leader.

IVANSKAVINSKYSKVAR raced fiercely through the early stages and had to be restrained passing the 900 metres.

**HE AIN'T HEAVY** raced greenly through the middle stages.

**MIDNIGHT MOCHA** and **AFRICAN STAR** both lay outwards on the home turn.

Passing the 200 metres THEWAYIAM was placed in restricted room when HE AIN'T HEAVY (J Chong) shifted in and away

from **IVANSKAVINSKYSVAR**. This also resulted in **TANTELLA** having to check off heels and shift out to find clear racing room. J Chong was issued with a warning pursuant to Rule 638(1)(d) Careless Riding.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **ON THE RISE** rider T Moseley advised that after being taken on in the lead during the running the effort had told on the gelding over the concluding stages.

## Race 6 FIREWATCH OTAGO LTD MAIDEN 1400M

**EDELWEISS** was slow to begin.

BEEGEEYT began awkwardly and was further hampered when BELLALEAH shifted in at the start.

**OWE THE RANSOM** shied away from the rail shortly after the start and had to be straightened then raced keenly through the early and middle stages.

TYCOON CLASS raced keenly and got its head up when racing in tight quarters through the early stages.

LYDIA GO raced wide through the early stages.

**PRINCESS BROOK** made the bend by the 350 metres awkwardly shifting out taking **DONNA FLAMINGO** wider on the track.

# Race 7 VITAPOWER/PALAMOUNTAINS MAIDEN 1400M

The start of this event was delayed approximately 2 minutes due to several runners proving difficult to load.

**ULTRASONIC** had to be steadied shortly after the start when **CLEO LAYNE** shifted in. **ULTRASONIC** was then slow to find its feet and despite the effort of its rider was slow through the early stages.

Passing the 1100 metres **BROTHER BOWMAN** began to over race due to the lack of tempo and had to be shifted out off heels and when doing so forced **CLEO LAYNE** wider on the track.

BRANDY raced keenly through the early stages and then had to be restrained off heels passing the 900 metres.

**ELLIES CHOICE** raced wide throughout.

**ELLIES CHOICE** commenced to give ground from the 500 metres finishing a distant last. Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **ELLIES CHOICE** which revealed the mare to be suffering an atrial fibrillation with a veterinary clearance including an ECG examination required prior to racing next.

**BRANDY** was obliged to improve wide from the 400 metres.

WINNIE MCGOOGAN was held up by the tiring ELLIES CHOICE and had to change ground inwards at the 375 metres.

Passing the 350 metres **CLEO LAYNE** which had become awkwardly placed on the heels of **PETERBILT** stepped out on the point of the turn momentarily inconveniencing **DALWHINNIE**.

Passing the 275 metres **WHISKEY BOLERO** had to steady and change ground when **MADAM BENTLEY** shifted in momentarily under pressure.

Passing the 250 metres **DOCTOR BOLT** shifted in abruptly when struck with the whip and had to be straightened.

**CLEO LAYNE** raced in restricted room between **PETERBILT** and **DALWHINNIE** in the home straight only gaining clear racing room inside the final 50 metres.

When spoken to regarding the performance of well supported runner **CLEO LAYNE** rider R Doherty reported that the mare had been performing better on tracks which were not as hard as prevailed today.

When questioned regarding the apparent improved performance of **MADAM BENTLEY** which had run tenth of ten at its previous start co-trainer Mr J Parsons advised that he had been confident with the filly for its first up run however after jumping well at Timaru when ridden by a comparatively inexperienced rider several runners had gone round which left **MADAM BENTLEY** further back in the field than hoped. Mr Parsons added that although he had been disappointed with the effort on that occasion he had been more confident of an improved showing today and with a senior rider on the filly had been able to obtain lead which was much more to her liking.

## Race 8 CLIFF ANDERSON PHOTOGRAPHY RATING 65 1400M

**SWISS ALPS** began awkwardly.

Passing the 1200 metres **EL DORADO SUN** (J Lowry) which was racing keenly made contact with the rail when the gelding had pulled itself into a narrow run to the inside of **RAVELLO**. **EL DORADO SUN** continued to race keenly for some distance thereafter. **RAVELLO** was then obliged to shift out to sit outside the leader. **EL DORADO SUN** which was continuing to race keenly had to be restrained off heels passing the 600 metres. Apprentice J Lowry was shown a replay for educational purposes.

**SNIP IN TIME** raced wide throughout.

Passing the 100 metres **ARISTA** (A McKay) became awkwardly placed on the heels of **EL DORADO SUN** and had to steady and shift ground outwards and when doing so hampered **SWISS ALPS** which had to steady and also inconvenienced **HOLY AFFAIR**. Miss A McKay was warned pursuant to rule 638(1)(d) Careless Riding.

When questioned regarding the performance of **DRUMGOLD** rider C Johnson had been slow through the early stages when the tempo had been quick however the gelding had battled on and ran home fairly over the concluding stages.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favourite **SWISS ALPS** rider C Barnes advised the gelding was flat throughout due to the steady tempo of the race and may appreciate a softer track after being successful on a Heavy 11 on debut.

When spoken to regarding the improved performance of MOVIDA trainer S Anderton advised the mare had found the track

at Winton to her disliking and had appreciated the Good track conditions today which she had shown her best form on previously.

# Race 9 SIMPLY FLOWERS & DESIGNA WEDDINGS RATING 65 1200M

Shortly after the start **JACKSANFIVES** (J Bates) shifted in abruptly crowding **AMAROK** and **TWIST OF FATE** who were both buffeted and unbalanced momentarily. J Bates was advised to exercise care.

**AMAROK** raced keenly over the early to middle stages and wide throughout.

**THE RIGHT ANSWER** raced keenly through the early stages and when being restrained made contact with the running rail. Passing the 800 metres **CONQUERING KENNY** had to be steadied when **FORCE MAJEURE** which was improving forward shifted in momentarily.

**CRAFTY LOVE** and **JAKOB GAMBINO** raced wide from the 800 metres.

**JAKOB GAMBINO** raced in restricted room in the early part of the run home and was then crowded for room when **DOMINIO** shifted inwards.

Passing the 100 metres **JAKOB GAMBINO** and **CRAFTY LOVE** made contact with **JAKOB GAMBINO** shifting out and crowding **TWIST OF FATE** who lost ground as a result.

**GALLANT BOY** was placed in restricted room when the gelding lugged out onto the heels of **THE RIGHT ANSWER** passing the 100 metres.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **AMAROK** rider C Johnson advised that he had been trapped extremely wide when racing keenly and had little left to offer over the concluding stages.

When questioned regarding the improved performance of **DOMINIO** who finished tenth of fourteen at its previous start rider R Bishop advised the gelding had hung badly at Timaru and had not had much luck in the running and although drawn wide today he was able to ease the gelding and get a trouble free run around the field.

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**KEYNOTE** was slow to begin.

**GOLDEN CASTLE** began awkwardly and lost ground.

**POINT PROVEN** was slow through the early stages.

**SIR AMRON** raced keenly when leading through the early stages and was eventually restrained to take a trailing position.