STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Southland Racing Club Date: Saturday 28th March 2015

Weather: Overcast

Track: Dead 6 / Slow 8 retrospective to Race 1.

Rail: Out 4 metres 1600 to 1300, rest true

Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman), N McIntyre and C Allison

Typist: B Gutsell

GENERAL:

Riders were spoken to following Race 1 with the general opinion being that after having some showers preceding the meeting the official track conditions be retrospectively downgraded to a Slow 8.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil			

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: COME FLY WITH ME, YEAH SISTER, ALL THINGS NICE, ACHOO.

Suspensions: Race Nil
Protests: Race Nil
Fines: Race Nil
Warnings: Race Nil
Bleeders: Race Nil

Horse Actions: Race 2 LOYALLE ISSY – to barrier trial.

Medical Certificates: Received clearing D Walsh to resume riding

Rider Changes: Race Nil

Late Scratching: Race 2 KATIE'S SISTER – veterinary advice 1.48pm.

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 CENTREPOINT & SOUTHCITY LIQUORLAND MAIDEN (2100M)

ORIENTAL BRONZE which suffered a minor abrasion to its near side hip while being transported to the course underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was subsequently cleared to race.

ORIENTAL BRONZE who was racing keenly got its head up when being steadied passing the 1800 metres and then continued to race keenly over the early stages.

Race 2 WAXY O'SHEA'S IRISH PUB MAIDEN (1400M)

Prior to the start **KATIE'S SISTER** which became fractious in its gate underwent a pre-race veterinary examination and was subsequently declared a late scratching at 1.48pm.

LOYALLE ISSY failed to jump on terms losing approximately 15 lengths with the connections advised the mare must barrier trial to the Stewards satisfaction prior to racing next. The connections advised the Stewards they will be reassessing the racing future of **LOYALLE ISSY**.

GOLD NUGGET and **GUNNA BEGOOD** were both slow to begin with **MCGLUSKEYSDAUGHTER** and **IONA CASTLE** also being slow into stride.

RUB IT IN began to race fiercely shortly after the start and shifted in abruptly crowding **IONA CASTLE** for several strides. **RUB IT IN** then continued to race keenly through the early stages.

SATIN JITTERBUG raced wide over the early stages.

IONA CASTLE began to over race passing the 1100 metres and had to shift ground outwards to avoid the heels of **RISKY FLIGHT**.

IONA CASTLE knuckled and lost momentum near the 800 metres.

GUNNA BEGOOD knuckled and lost ground at the 400 metres.

SATIN JITTERBUG who lay in throughout the run home shifted in at the 125 metres and had to be straightened with the rider swapping the whip to the left hand.

When questioned regarding the performance of **IONA CASTLE** rider S Wynne reported the mare had raced greenly throughout.

YEAH SISTER lost its off fore racing plate during the running.

Following the running of this event a delegation of senior riders and Stewards inspected the track, in particular at the 800 metres and 400 metres where the racing surface was reported as shifting. Following the track inspection Stewards convened a meeting with all riders where it was unanimously agreed to continue racing and monitor the situation race by race.

Race 3 HOMESTEAD COBB & CO / HOMESTEAD VILLA MOTEL MAIDEN (1200M)

ROCK SOLID began awkwardly and got back as a result.

COURT JESTER began awkwardly and shifted out abruptly shortly after the start having to be steadied and losing considerable ground as a result. **COURT JESTER** continued to race erratically through the early stages and then made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly, shifting wider on the track.

Passing the 1000 metres **SALLY GETCHA GUN** had to be steadied resulting in the trailing **ROCK SOLID** (H Bennett) who was racing keenly having to be severely restrained and shifting ground inwards dictating **I DON'T KNOW** down onto **MY SWISSMISS** who also had to be severely restrained at this point with both these runners being crowded and losing ground. Apprentice rider H Bennet in the presence of her employer Miss S McKay was shown a replay of this incident and advised that she must make a greater effort to keep her mount clear of other runners when shifting ground.

With 300 metres to run **COURT JESTER** had to be steadied when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of **PERIA PRINCESS**.

MY SWISSMISS which appeared to be sore on return to the birdcage underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the filly to be showing some signs of tying up.

When questioned regarding the performance of **SMOKEN UP** rider K Williams advised in her opinion the gelding was not suited by the Slow 8 track today.

Race 4 NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE (1200M)

TINKA TINKA was very slow to begin and then commenced to race keenly through the early stages.

VELOCIOUS SATIN bounded at the start and began awkwardly losing ground.

ACHOO raced wide through the early stages.

READYWHENYOUARE raced wide throughout.

THE THEME slipped and lost momentum near the 800 metres.

NORTHERN TAP raced keenly and made the bend awkwardly passing the 750 metres shifting wider on the track and when being corrected shifted in and hampered **THE THEME** who when being restrained blundered again losing momentum.

Passing the 200 metres **INDIANA PEARL** shifted in resulting in **WESTERN TAP** being dictated inwards onto **THE THEME** which was crowded and had to steady as a result.

WESTERN TAP which returned to the birdcage with blood present on its off hind leg underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed the gelding to be suffering abrasions consistent with having been galloped on during the running.

Following the running of this event a delegation of senior riders, trainers, club officials, JCA members and Stewards conducted a further track inspection with the 800 metre point again being of particular concern. Following the track inspection Stewards convened a meeting with all parties concerned where it was unanimously agreed to abandon the remainder of the meeting due to the unsafe nature of the track.