

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Southland Racing Club	Date:	Saturday 14 th February 2015
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Dead 4		
Rail:	Out 4 metres 1600 to 1300m rest true		
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin and C Allison		
Typist:	B Gutsell		

GENERAL:

Pre Race blood testing was carried out at this meeting.

Following Race 3 rider S Muniandy reported he was feeling unwell and was subsequently stood down from his remaining riding engagements today. Mr Muniandy was advised a medical clearance was required prior to his riding next and was subsequently replaced for his remaining rides as listed in the Summary below.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	THE FASCINATOR, THE BARMAID, ARN'T I CHOICE, BELLE MIRAAJ, RIDING SHOTGUN, GALLANT BOY, THE BISHOP, GUNNA FLY, KING PRAWN, SAPERAVIOUS.		
Suspensions:	Race	Nil	
Protests:	Race	Nil	
Fines:	Race	10	G Robinson (RIKHO) [Rule 614(2)] – neglectful in saddling – Fined \$50.
Warnings:	Race	8	T Moseley (GUNNA FLY) [Rule 638(1)(d)] – Careless riding 150 metres.
Bleeders:	Race	Nil	
Horse Actions:	Race	5	IT AIN'T OVER – veterinary clearance received.
	Race	8	SHE'Z A PRIMA DONNA – veterinary clearance required
Medical Certificates:	Race	10	G Jogoo – Medical clearance required.
Rider Changes:	Race	6	C Barnes replaced S Muniandy (SPARKS FLY).
	Race	10	G Jogoo replaced S Muniandy (TOM DOOLEY).
Late Scratching:	Race	2	JOE BONANNO - Veterinary advice (1.00 p.m.)
	Race	7	THEGREATPICKPOCKET – Veterinary advice (10.54 am.)
	Race	7	FIORANO – No suitable replacement rider available. (3.15pm.)
	Race	8	SHE'Z A PRIMA DONNA – Veterinary advice (4.37pm.)
	Race	10	TOM DOOLEY - No suitable replacement rider available. (5.48pm.)

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	WHITE ROBE LODGE MAIDEN (1600M)
<p>TAI HO, JAMIE LEE and SATIN GURU were all slow to begin. TANIHWA had to steady shortly after the start when crowded. As the pace steadied passing the 1300 metres KOTOTAMA and TAKE FIRE both had to be steadied for some distance when awkwardly placed on heels. THE FASCINATOR raced keenly in the early stages. SATIN GURU raced wide over the early stages.</p>	

TANIWHA raced keenly over the middle stages.

TAKE FIRE improved wide from the 700 metres.

TANIWHA was held up in the early stages of the run home and had to be angled wider on the track to find clear racing room.

When questioned regarding the performance of **TAI HO** which finished well back in the field apprentice rider C O'Beirne advised that in her opinion the entire is better suited to tracks with more moisture.

Race 2 | **WORLD SOLAR HANDICAP (1200M)**

JOE BONANNO was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 1.00pm after being found to be lame in the off hind leg when arriving around at the start area.

DANCE began awkwardly and shifted out making contact with **KOXINGA** with **DANCE** losing momentum as a result.

GO DANSKE was slow over the early stages.

TAP OUT, **STRIKE UP THE BAND** and **WESTERN TAP** all raced keenly over the early stages with **STRIKE UP THE BAND** making the bend near the 800 metres very awkwardly placing its rider in some difficulty.

DANCE raced keenly over the early and middle stages.

BACK IN THE DAY and **KOXINGA** both raced wide throughout.

STRIKE UP THE BAND continued to race erratically for some distance passing the 600 metres.

THE THEME lay outwards rounding the final bend.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **GO DANSKE** apprentice rider S Wynne advised the Stewards that the gelding had got back early but had run on fairly over the concluding stages in its first run for ten months.

Miss Wynne further added **GO DANSKE** would take natural improvement from today's outing.

When questioned regarding the improved performance of **THE BARMAID** which had finished well back at its previous start co-trainer J Dennis advised that the mare had not been able to gain the lead on that occasion and this combined with running wide on the final bend had taken its toll and lead to a disappointing performance. Mr Dennis further added that **THE BARMAID** had been able to gain the lead today and this had contributed to a much better showing.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **TAP OUT** rider C Johnson advised the gelding had over raced and hung during the running which had contributed to the disappointing performance.

Race 3 | **SPEIGHT'S HANDICAP (1200M)**

BIG KAHUNA underwent a pre-race veterinary examination after being kicked in the birdcage and was cleared to start.

A BEAUTIFUL KNIGHT began awkwardly and got back as a result.

ELUSIVE CATCH was crowded and had to steady shortly after the start losing ground.

MASTER CHIEF raced wide throughout.

THE GALLANT GIRL lay in across the heels of **ARN'T I CHOICE** passing the 100 metres and then raced in restricted room over the concluding stages.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **ELUSIVE CATCH** rider C Johnson advised that after getting back from its wide barrier draw the filly had improved prior to the home straight however had only battled over the concluding stages. Mr Johnson further added he anticipated **ELUSIVE CATCH** would take natural improvement from its first up run since October.

Race 4 | **G.J. GARDINER HOMES SOUTHLAND STAKES (1200M)**

HERMIONE shifted out on jumping and made firm contact with **ALL SPICE** which lost ground as a result.

MAGIC EPIC raced keenly through the early stages.

HERMIONE made the bend by the 800 metres awkwardly taking **SUCRE** wider on the track with Apprentice rider J Lowry reporting **HERMIONE** had hung throughout the running.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **SUCRE** apprentice rider C O'Beirne advised she had got back early and had attempted to improve round the final bend but had only battled when placed under full pressure and had disappointed.

Race 5 | **ILT ASCOT PARK HOTEL SOUTHLAND GUINEAS (1600M)**

RIDING SHOTGUN raced keenly over the early stages.

IT AINT OVER raced wide throughout.

GOLD ALLURE lay in throughout the final straight with the rider changing the whip to the left hand.

Race 6 | **AON INSURANCE BROKERS HANDICAP (1600M)**

HEZA BACHELOR and **GALLANT BOY** were both slow to begin.

GREYRAY shifted out abruptly at the start hampering **TINKA TINKA** who lost ground.

GALLANT BOY raced wide through the early stages.

TINKA TINKA began to race fiercely from the 1400 metres placing the rider in some difficulty before shifting ground outwards at the 1200 metres and racing wide thereafter.

Race 7 SHEET METALCRAFT INVERCARGILL GOLD CUP (2600M)

THEGREATPICKPOCKET was a late scratching at 10.54am. after being found lame in its paddock.

FIORANO was declared a late scratching at 3.15pm due to no suitable replacement rider being available.

YAZOOM was very slow to begin.

SUREASYOUWEREBORN made the first bend awkwardly running wide on the track and forcing **TILLY** and **SKY JAZZ** over extra ground.

SUREASYOUWEREBORN continued to race keenly through the early stages.

TILLY and **SKY JAZZ** raced wide over the early stages.

Passing the 1800 metres **SUREASYOUWEREBORN** which was continuing to fight the rider shifted out onto **TILLY** and **SKY JAZZ** who were both again forced wider on the track.

Passing the 1100 metres **SUREASYOUWEREBORN** shifted out making contact with **NO ROSETTES** taking that runner wider on the track. **NO ROSETTES** then lay in crowding **SUREASYOUWEREBORN** in onto **TILLY** with both these runners becoming unbalanced momentarily.

TILLY then gave ground from the 800 metres.

ESPRIT D'OR improved wide from the 900 metres.

OUR BEE JAY had to steady momentarily passing the 500 metres when held up by the tiring **HONOR AND CHERISH**.

OOR WULLIE was held up rounding the final bend and had to steady off heels passing the 300 metres.

THE BISHOP lay in over the concluding stages with rider D Walsh changing the whip to his left hand.

Race 8 DUNEDIN CASINO HANDICAP (2100M)

SHE'Z A PRIMA DONNA was declared a late scratching on veterinary advice at 4.37pm. with connections advised a veterinary clearance was required prior to **SHE'Z A PRIMA DONNA** racing next. Stewards opened and adjourned an enquiry into the condition in which the mare was presented to race.

UNRELENTING LADY began awkwardly and got back as a result.

MATOAKA had to steady momentarily passing the 1700 metres as **AVOW** shifted inwards when improving forward.

KEEP HER SECRET raced keenly through the early stages.

UNRELENTING LADY improved wide from the 1500 metres to lead at the 1000 metres.

PUDDLE ALLEY raced wide from the 1000 metres and was reported by its rider to have hung throughout.

Passing the 150 metres **GUNNA FLY** (T Moseley) shifted out off the heels of **AVOW** (J Lowry) when looking for clear racing room placing **INDY RULER** in restricted room with this runner having to steady momentarily. T Moseley was warned for the manner he shifted ground at this point. J Lowry was advised to exercise greater care.

When questioned regarding the performance of favourite **AVOW** apprentice rider J Lowry advised that in his opinion the mare would appreciate more sting out of the ground.

Race 9 CASTLEDALE @ TE RUNGA SUMMER CUP (1600M)

TIMY TYLER and **HIGH RISE** were both slow to begin.

MISS THREE STARS raced wide over the early stages.

HURIKIN raced wide over the early and middle stages before improving forward to the lead at the 800 metres.

MIKABELLA improved wide from the 800 metres.

FIATT and **THYME ZONE** jostled for several strides passing the 600 metres.

TO THE MAX was held up rounding the final bend.

BRAGGING RIGHTS and **HURIKIN** brushed passing the 200 metres.

When questioned regarding the performance of favourite **MIKABELLA** rider C Johnson advised he had to improve wide round the final bend and battled on fairly over the concluding stages finishing less than four lengths from the winner.

HURIKIN underwent a post-race veterinary examination after being reported by its rider to have been galloped on during the running. The subsequent examination revealed a minor laceration on his left hind leg.

Race 10 NIGEL ROBERTSON BUILDING HANDICAP (1600M)

Trainer G Robinson was issued with a Minor Infringement Notice pursuant to Rule 614(2) in that she was neglectful in saddling when presenting **RIKHO** to run in this event with the incorrect saddle cloth number and was fined \$50 by the JCA.

TOM DOOLEY commenced to buck after leaving the birdcage enclosure dislodging rider G Jogoo who struck the outside fence. G Jogoo was attended by the St John Ambulance Paramedics and found to have suffered some bruising and abrasions. Mr Jogoo was advised that a medical clearance would be required prior to his riding next.

TOM DOOLEY was declared a late scratching at 5.48pm due to there being no other rider available. There was a subsequent delay of about 3 minutes and 30 seconds to the start of this event.

FOUR GEES was slow to begin.

FOREVER VITAL shifted out on jumping hampering **GOLDEN CASTLE** who lost ground.

FOREVER VITAL then raced wide through the early stages.

When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **FOUR GEES** rider T Moseley advised the Stewards that he felt the mare was looking for further distance and today's firmer track conditions may not have suited.