

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Otago Racing Club	Date:	Wednesday 10 th December 2014
Weather:	Overcast		
Track:	Dead 5		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	J McLaughlin (Chairman), C Allison, C Boyd		
Typist:	B Gutsell		

GENERAL:

Miss K Williams advised the Stewards at 8.10am she would not be attending the meeting today and was replaced for her riding engagements as listed in the Summary below.

SUPPLEMENTARY:

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	BRANDY, DRUMREGAL, FASCINATE, SHIRLEY BROOK, DALWHINNIE, GALLANT RUBY, READY TO RULE.		
Suspensions:	Nil		
Protests	Race	5	QUEENOFTHESTONEAGE (4 th vs 2 nd) [Rule 642(1)] – alleged interference 200 metres. – dismissed by JCA.
Fines:	Nil		
Warnings:	Nil		
Bleeders:	Nil		
Horse Actions:	Nil		
Medical Certificates:	Nil		
Rider Changes:	Race	1	BRANDY - J Morris replaced K Williams.
	Race	2	HELL RAISER - S Muniandy replaced K Williams.
	Race	3	LOYALLE ISSY – C Barnes replaced K Williams.
	Race	4	ELY VALLEY – J Morris replaced K Williams.
	Race	5	LAST DANSKE - L Callaway replaced K Williams.
	Race	6	TILLY - J Chong replaced K Williams.
	Race	7	READY TO RULE – R Bishop replaced K Williams.
Late Scratchings:	Nil		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	WILD RANGE PHOTOGRAPHY MAIDEN 2200M
<p>The start of this event was delayed due to the St John Ambulance arriving late to the course.</p> <p>BRANDY began awkwardly shifting outwards abruptly at the start.</p> <p>COME FLY WITH ME was hampered between runners at the start and got back as a result.</p> <p>MASTERZED got its head up when racing keenly in the early stages and tended to over race through the early and middle stages due to the lack of tempo in the race.</p> <p>BRANDY raced keenly through the early and middle stages before improving wide from the 800 metres.</p>	
Race 2	RICOH RATING 75 1200M
<p>KELTIC KITTY was very slow to begin.</p> <p>DRUMREGAL raced keenly in the early and middle stages.</p>	

<p>Passing the 800 metres KELTIC KITTY improved wide for a short distance.</p> <p>Stewards questioned apprentice rider P Shaikh in the presence of his employer Mr M Pitman regarding the tactics he adopted on favoured runner KELTIC KITTY. P Shaikh advised after missing the jump he elected to improve to the outside of runners near the 800 metres however once in the open the mare had begun to race keenly. Mr Shaikh then elected to take cover behind LA GIRL instead of being forced four wide from this point in the race. He further added KELTIC KITTY had failed to run on over the concluding stages and in his opinion was not entirely comfortable with today's prevailing track conditions. After hearing his explanation Stewards reminded apprentice Shaikh that he should not leave his rides open to query in future.</p>	
Race 3	THE MAD BUTCHER DUNEDIN MAIDEN 1200M
<p>Due to no senior rider being available Stewards granted permission for apprentice C Barnes to replace K Williams as the rider for LOYALLE ISSY.</p> <p>Shortly after the start LOYALLE ISSY made firm contact with HE AIN'T HEAVY and got back as a result.</p> <p>HE AIN'T HEAVY raced keenly through the early stages.</p> <p>Passing the 250 metres MADETHECUT was placed in restricted room and had to steady and shift ground outwards when HEAR ME ROAR (D Prastiyou) and VOUSSOIR (R Bishop) shifted in under pressure. D Prastiyou and R Bishop were both reminded of their obligation to ensure runners to their inside sufficient room when shifting ground.</p> <p>VOUSSOIR then continued to lay inwards for the remainder of the home straight.</p>	
Race 4	HEADFIRST TRAVEL NZ MAIDEN 1600M
<p>PROPITIOUS began awkwardly and lost ground.</p> <p>Passing the 1400 metres ELY VALLEY got its head up when being restrained.</p> <p>At the 1300 metres SHIRLEY BROOK blundered for a stride.</p> <p>Nearing the 1200 metres KEEP HER SECRET which was being restrained off heels shifted ground outwards and made contact with SHIRLEY BROOK forcing that runner over extra ground.</p> <p>Passing the 1200 metres ELY VALLEY again raced ungenerously and got its head up.</p> <p>Near the 1100 metres PROPITIOUS (S Wynne) made firm contact with LOOSE GOOSE and became unbalanced momentarily. PROPITIOUS and LOOSE GOOSE then jostled on a number occasions. Miss Wynne was reminded of her obligations when shifting ground.</p> <p>PROPITIOUS raced wide throughout.</p> <p>Passing the 400 metres KEEP HER SECRET shifted outwards to obtain clear running.</p> <p>Rider C Barnes reported to the Stewards that BREATHE EASY had hung during the running .</p>	
Race 5	NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE F&M MAIDEN 1400M
<p>BORNTOBEIRISH was slow to begin.</p> <p>TANTELLA and DALWHINNIE both raced keenly through the early stages.</p> <p>FOREVER VITAL and CASSANDRA'S DREAM both raced wide through the early stages.</p> <p>Passing the 900 metres LAST DANSKE made the bend awkwardly.</p> <p>SO VITAL raced wide without cover from the 800 metres.</p> <p>MCGLUSKEYSDAUGHTER improved wide from the 800 metres.</p> <p>RUFFLE lay outwards rounding the final bend.</p> <p>FASHION LASS was held up for a short distance early in the run home.</p> <p>Passing the 300 metres COMMIX was placed in restricted room and had to steady .COMMIX was not afforded complete clear running thereafter and went to the line without being fully tested by its rider.</p> <p>Near the 200 metres QUEENOFTHESTONEAGE (T Moseley) was steadied when placed in restricted room between SO VITAL (B Pitman) which shifted outwards under pressure and MCGLUSKEYSDAUGHTER which shifted ground inwards.</p> <p>Passing the 100 metres QUEENOFTHESTONEAGE was further hampered when racing tight to the inside of MCGLUSKEYSDAUGHTER when both runners shifted ground.</p> <p>Following the running of this event T Moseley the rider of fourth placed QUEENOFTHESTONEAGE lodged a Protest against second placing being awarded to SO VITAL pursuant to Rule 642(1) alleging SO VITAL interfered with the chances of QUEENOFTHESTONEAGE when shifting ground at the 200 metres. After viewing the replays and hearing evidence from rider Moseley, trainer A Smith (QUEENOFTHESTONEAGE), trainer M Pitman (SO VITAL), B Pitman and the Stewards the JCA dismissed the Protest with all placing's being confirmed.</p> <p>Rider C Barnes reported to the Stewards that RUFFLE had hung during the running placing her in some difficulty.</p>	
Race 6	HOSPITALITY NZ OTAGO BRANCH RATING 65 1400M
<p>Due to no senior rider being available Stewards granted permission for apprentice J Chong to replace K Williams as the rider for TILLY.</p> <p>AMAROK was restrained to the rear on jumping.</p> <p>WHARE CREEK began awkwardly.</p> <p>TILLY was buffeted between runners shortly after the start.</p>	

OPTIMISTIC was steadied shortly after the start and raced wide through the early stages.
YOUNG JIM raced keenly through the early and middle stages.
SNIP IN TIME made the bend near the 900 metres awkwardly and shifted ground outwards.
IVANSKAVINSKYSKVAR was held up momentarily rounding the final bend and then again passing the 200 metres.
Passing the 300 metres **EKSTRA SPECIAL** shifted ground outwards across heels to obtain clear running.
When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **YOUNG JIM** rider C Johnson advised that after racing keenly through the early and middle stages the gelding had failed to run on when placed under full pressure.
Stewards requested a post-race veterinary examination of **AMAROK** which revealed no abnormalities.
Stewards opened and adjourned an inquiry into the ride of apprentice M Haruki on **AMAROK** in this event.

Race 7	ABC BUSINESS SALES RATING 75 1600M
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GOLDEN CASTLE began awkwardly and got back as a result.
BLUE 'N' GOLD raced wide from the 800 metres.
RUBY'S ROSE made the bend near the 800 metres awkwardly and got its head up on a number of occasions.
MOVIDA shifted ground outwards passing the 250 metres to obtain clear running.
When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner **KEYNOTE** rider C Johnson reported that after getting back early the mare had failed to run on however he could offer no tangible excuse for the performance.
When questioned regarding the improved performance of **READY TO RULE** co-trainer Mrs N Blatch advised that after starting the season off with two good runs the gelding had struck a very heavy track at Invercargill at its next start which was not to its liking. Mrs Blatch further added **READY TO RULE** had run on well at Cromwell at its last start and had benefited from the extra distance of today's race.