STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club: Central Otago Racing Club Date: Saturday 3rd January 2015

Weather: Fine
Track: Good 3
Rail: True

Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman), C Allison and S Renault

Typist: M O'Brien

GENERAL: (All comments pertaining to this meeting – e.g. drivers/riders not attending, delays and all other issues)

Pre Race blood testing was carried out at this meeting.

SUPPLEMENTARY: (All adjourned inquiries and follow up information relating to previous meetings)

SUMMARY:

Swabbing: CATALAN KING, VANQUISHED, DERMOTT BROWN, BRAH SPRING, MR NOBOBY, GALLANT DAN,

VALIANT, SOUTHERN POWER.

Suspensions: Race

Protests: Race

Fines: Race 6&8 R Bishop – Rule 330(3)(c) – Failing to make contract weight – fined \$100

Race 6 K Cairns – Rule 614 (2) – Neglect in saddling – fined \$75

Warnings: Race

Bleeders: Race

Horse Actions: Race 3 GOLD NUGGET – barrier manners warning

Medical Certificates:

Rider Changes: Race 6 JOSEPHINE BAKER – L Callaway replaced R Bishop (overweight)

Race 8 NO ROSETTES – L Callaway replaced R Bishop

Late Scratching: Race

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 BECKERS TRANSPORT / MCLARENS TRANSPORT LTD 2000m

SATIN JITTERBUG began awkwardly.

MANDY BAY hung inwards at the start crowding JUST IMPRESS who lost ground.

CATALAN KING raced keenly in the early stages and passing the 1700 metres had to be steadied off heels.

HAWKEYE CHIEF made the bend by the 1500 metres awkwardly and shifted out abruptly making firm contact with **MANDY BAY** who was taken out onto **GALLANT DEFENDER** with both these runners shifting wider on the track for several strides. **SPIC N SPAN** raced wide over the middle stages.

Passing the 200 metres **COME FLY WITH ME** (L Callaway) shifted in making firm contact with **FAIR SPOKEN** with both runners being unbalanced momentarily. L Callaway was advised he must make a greater effort to keep his mount straight. **FAIR SPOKEN** then lay out for the remainder of the final straight again making contact with **COME FLY WITH ME** passing the 100 metres. The connections of **FAIR SPOKEN** viewed Stewards' footage of the final straight before deciding not to proceed with a protest.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **SPIC N SPAN** rider T Direen advised she was obliged to race wide from the 800 metres when attempting to improve and believed that the mare did not handle the firm nature of today's track conditions.

Race 2 AWS LEGAL ALEXANDRA / PGG WRIGHTSON AON INSURANCE BROKERS 1400m

DREAM DIVINE and **CHRISTALLO** were both slow to begin.

Passing the 1200 metres **SO VITAL** who was racing keenly shifted out across heels taking **PAW PATROL** wider on the track. **SO VITAL** then raced wide for the remainder of the race.

KASUNDI improved wide round the final bend and then hung inwards momentarily in the early stages of the run home.

The rider of **BARTER** reported the mare had hung outwards throughout the run.

Race 3 RANFURLY HOTEL / SPEIGHT'S 1100m

GOLD NUGGET was very slow to begin settling approximately six lengths behind the field. The connections were advised **GOLD NUGGET** was on a barrier manners warning.

PINSAKI was caught four wide through the early stages and three wide for the remainder of the race.

BENS LASS raced wide throughout.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **PINSAKI** rider C Johnson confirmed he had been trapped wide from an outside barrier for the majority of the race, had been under pressure at the 400 metres and only battled from that point.

Race 4 DUNSTAN HOTEL / OMAKAU AUTO CENTRE 1400m

BRAH SPRING shifted out abruptly at the start crowding **MARIA SANTOS**, **RAW GOLD** and **PARTY ICE** who were all momentarily buffeted and unbalanced.

DRAGONS DEN had to be steadied when awkwardly placed on the heels of **KEVILDO** as the field made the bend by the 1200 metres. **DRAGONS DEN** then continued to race keenly throwing its head in the air on a number of occasions.

MAL D'MOUR raced keenly through the early stages.

DRAGONS DEN was obliged to race wide from the 900 metres.

TINKA TINKA raced wide through the middle stages.

Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection of **RAW GOLD** which gave ground from the 600 metres despite the efforts of its rider finishing a distant last. The subsequent examination revealed no clinical abnormalities however may have been suffering from dehydration.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **DRAGONS DEN** rider D Walsh advised that after having to steady early and getting further back than he had anticipated the filly had been trapped wide from the 900 metres and had to make his run around the field and had battled on fairly over the concluding stages.

Race 5 COPPER CAFÉ & BAR / WHITE ROBE LODGE CLARE MEMORIAL GOLD CUP 2700m

ESPIRIT D'OR over raced in the early stages.

SKY JAZZ threw its head in the air on several occasions through the early and middle stages when over racing.

DELACROIX raced keenly in the early and middle stages and passing the 1600 metres shifted wider on the track to avoid the heels of **HONOR AND CHERISH**.

Race 6 PETER LYON SHEARING / FULTON HOGAN ALEXANDRA 1400m

Trainer K Cairns admitted a breach of Rule 614(2) being neglectful in saddling in that he failed to attach the surcingle to the saddle when presenting **CAIRNSVILLE** to race. The JCA imposed a fine of \$75.

CAIRNSVILLE blundered badly at the start almost dislodging rider K Williams.

GOLDEN CASTLE who was fractious in the gates began very awkwardly and lost several lengths.

JOSEPHINE BAKER shifted out at the start crowding ANOTHER COUP who lost ground.

MAGIC EPIC raced keenly in the early stages when being restrained.

CAIRNSVILLE raced keenly when passing the 1000 metres shifting wider on the track to avoid the heels of HE'S GOLD.

Following the running of this race rider L Callaway (**JOSEPHINE BAKER**) reported the mare had felt indifferent in its actions. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection of **JOSEPHINE BAKER** which revealed no abnormalities.

CAIRNSVILLE who was observed to have blood in its mouth also underwent a post-race veterinary inspection which revealed an abrasion to the bridge of the nose which would be consistent with the horse banging its head on the ground when blundering at the start.

Race 7 DUNCAN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES CENTRAL OTAGO COUNTRY CUP 1100m

HERMIONE lay out when over racing through the middle stages shifting wider on the track.

Trainer M Pitman advised that **MILO** would now be retired as a racing proposition from his stable.

Race 8 ALEXANDRA NEW WORLD 2000m

SOUTHERN SAV was slow to begin.

MOTORBIKE MIKE had to steady momentarily passing the 1800 metres when crowded for room by TOM DOOLEY (G

Coetzee) which shifted in. Rider G Coetzee was reminded of his obligations in that he must exercise greater care when shifting ground.

Passing the 1600 metres **TOM DOOLEY** began to race fiercely for some distance placing the rider in difficulty.

KING KONG raced wide in the early stages.

SOUTHERN SAV improved wide from the 1200 metres.

Rider D Walsh reported that **SOUTHERN SAV** had hung during the running.