STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



October 2015

MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Otago Racing Club Date: Thur			
Weather:	Fine			
Track:	Dead 5			
Rail:	Out 7 metres			
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin and C Boyd			
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.

All jockeys were alcohol breath tested with clear tests provided by all riders.

Apprentice G Jogoo was injured prior to the meeting and was replaced on all his rides by D Prastiyou.

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

Winton Jockey Club 11th October 2015- H.E.N. BATT & SON / CAIRNS FENCING CONTRACTORS MAIDEN (1200M)

Stewards took further evidence from rider C Johnson in relation to a breach of Rule 636 (1)(d) which was issued on race day. After considering this evidence and further reviewing the available films Stewards elected to seek permission from the JCA to withdraw the charge under Rule 905 (1). Notwithstanding this Mr Johnson was severely reprimanded and advised he should not leave his rides open to question in the future and ensure he rides his mount out fully to the finish where circumstances permit.

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	ZAH KEISHA, PINSGOLD, ALL JOKES ASIDE, SOFIA LOREN, INA JAM, PRINCESS BROOK, RUBY'S				
	ROSE, GALLANT DEFENDER.				
Suspensions:	Race	2	S Wynne (PINSGOLD) – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground 1100m. Suspended from the end of racing on 24 th October up to and including 31 st October (four days)		
Protests:	Race				
Fines:	Race				
Warnings:	Race	3	WINTON, 11 October – C Johnson (TAPILIZE) – Rule 636(1)(d) – must ride his mount out to the finish		
Bleeders:	Race				
Horse Actions:	Race	1	SAVAMONT – veterinary clearance required		
	Race	8	LITTLE HAAST – must barrier trial		
Medical Certificates:					
Rider Changes:	Race				
Late Scratching:	Race	8	ALYTH and LITTLE HAAST both on vet's advice		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 BP 2 GO ALCO MOSGIEL MAIDEN 2200m

ANNAGHAGH who raced greenly throughout had to be restrained off heels several times during the running.

BROTHER BOWMAN raced keenly through the middle stages due to the lack of pace before being allowed to improve forward.

SAVAMONT gave ground from the 400 metres and finished a distant last. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary check which revealed the mare was suffering from cardiac arrhythmia. The connections were advised that a veterinary clearance was required before returning to the races.

Race 2 VITAPOWER & PALAMOUNTAINS ANIMAL NUTRITION R85 1200m

THE LONE RANGER bounded at the start.

Passing the 1100 metres **PINSGOLD** (S Wynne) shifted in when insufficiently clear of **THEM OR US** who was checked and had to be steadied for some distance. The trailing **THE LONE RANGER** also had to be checked at that point. Miss Wynne admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) shifting ground. After viewing the videos and hearing evidence the JCA suspended her riding licence from the end of racing on the 24th October up to and including 31st October (four days).

THEM OR US raced keenly through the early stages.

THE LONE RANGER raced greenly through the early and middle stages skying its head on several occasions.

Passing the 200 metres THE LONE RANGER had to steady and shift outwards to find clear racing room.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **DERMOTT BROWN** rider R Cuneen advised when the gelding was placed under pressure in the final straight had failed to respond and had been very disappointing.

Race 3 CRAIG'S CAN DO! MAIDEN 1200m

There was a slight delay to the start of this event when **WEELYWONG** proved difficult to load.

GO SOLO, BILLY TRIMBOLE, DREAM DIVINE and TICKETS ON HER were all slow to begin.

SHANTAV raced wide through the early stages.

DREAM DIVINE had to be steadied passing the 900 metres when improving onto the heels of NO RETREAT.

FLYING AGENT and TWIZEL GURU both raced wide throughout.

JANEFIELD JEWEL had to be straightened passing the 100 metres.

Race 4 FIREWATCH OTAGO LTD R65 1200m

TINKA TINKA bounded at the start losing considerable ground.

IRONWORKER began awkwardly also losing ground.

SIR JACK REMINGTON raced wide throughout.

URBAN raced keenly through the early stages.

IRONWORKER skyed its head on a number of occasions through the early to middle stages when being restrained off heels. **POPP 'N LINDAUER** had to be steadied near the 500 metres when momentarily being crowded for room by **SOFIA LOREN**. **IRONWORKER** was held up rounding the final bend and early in the run home.

TWIST OF FATE was held up throughout the run home and passing the 100 metres had to shift ground outwards to find clear racing room.

When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of favoured runner **URBAN** rider C Johnson could offer no tangible excuse.

Stewards will speak to trainer C Anderton regarding the improved performance of **SOFIA LOREN** in the coming days.

Race 5 TURBOWEB R65 2200m

MASTERZED was slow to begin and skyed it's head on a number of occasions when being steadied off heels throughout the running.

KEYNOTE raced keenly through the early stages.

FAIRY CAKE who was giving ground had to be steadied at the 400 metres when awkwardly placed on heels.

MISS MIA was held up for the majority of the run home and went to the line untested by its rider.

When spoken to regarding the improved performance of **INA JAM** which had finished well back at its previous start trainer P Rudkin advised that it had been aided by a patient ride in a smaller field today. At its previous start it had been bumped on a number of occasions in the early stages resulting in the mare getting further back in the field than she likes.

Race 6 OTAKIA LTD R75 1600m

PRINCESS BROOK was slow to begin.

Passing the 200 metres **PRINCESS BROOK** (C Johnson) shifted out to find clear racing room and in doing so hampered **JOE BONANNO**. C Johnson was advised to exercise greater care.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **JOE BONANNO** rider L Callaway advised that the gelding had failed to respond when placed under pressure and disappointed in its second outing of the season.

Race 7 IRS INTERNATIONAL LTD R65 1400m

HE'S A BIGDEEL was buffeted at the start losing some ground when runners either side shifted ground.

TAP OUT raced keenly through the early stages and had to be steadied off heels passing the 900 metres.

SOUTHERN SPIRIT raced wide throughout.

PETER PARKER was obliged to improve wide from the 700 metres.

HE'S A BIGDEEL made the final bend awkwardly having to be steadied passing the 375 metres.

GALAXY GARDENS was held up for the majority of the run home.

HE'S A BIGDEEL raced in restricted room from the 200 metres and was held up passing the 100 metres only gaining clear racing room inside the final 50 metres.

TAP OUT raced in restricted room for the majority of the run home and was held up for clear racing room in the shadows of the post.

Race 8 FOX EQUESTRIAN SERVICES LTD MAIDEN 1400m

There was a delay to the start of this event when **LITTLE HAAST** became very fractious in its barrier resulting in the filly having to be unloaded and checked by the veterinarian and as a result was late scratched at 5.26 pm.

As a result of the earlier incident **ALYTH** also became fractious in its barrier and was removed from its gate, checked by the veterinarian and scratched at 5.27 pm.

OUR MADONNA raced wide throughout.

HOT PROPERTY had to be restrained off heels passing the 800 metres when racing keenly.

Passing the 500 metres **GALLANT DEFENDER** had to be severely restrained losing momentum when improving onto the heels of **OUR MADONNA**. **GALLANT DEFENDER** continued to be held up rounding the final bend and early into the run home.

Passing the 200 metres **SATIN JITTERBUG** shifted in resulting in **GALLANT DEFENDER**, **OUR MADONNA**, **YOUNG ISSY** and **COUNTESS RUBY** all being placed in restricted room momentarily.

GALLANT DEFENDER and **SATIN JITTERBUG** brushed on a number of occasions over the concluding stages and bumped heavily in the shadows of the post. Rider T Moseley (**SATIN JITTERBUG**) viewed replays of the concluding stages before deciding not to proceed with a protest.