STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Otago Racing Club at Cromwell	Date:	Sunday 29 th November 2015
Weather:	Fine		
Track:	Dead 4		
Rail:	True		
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin and N Ydgren		
Typist:	M O'Brien		

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

Today's races were delayed due to a technical issue with the jockeys' scales. The matter was rectified when a replacement set of scales was eventually found. All races were rescheduled with all races going back one race with the last race timed for 5.51 p.m.

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

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	ULTRA	SON	C, KAHARAU, INDIVIDUAL, LOTTERIO, TOMMY TUCKER, FANTAMO, YA DREAMIN		
	JONESY, PEGGY'S CHOICE.				
Suspensions:	Race	8	S Wynne (RAPT) – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground – licence suspended from the end of racing today up to and including 9 December 2015 (four days).		
Protests:	Race				
Fines:	Race	1	D Champion and K Murphy (BOBBY AL) – Rule 614(2) – presenting the horse to race without its lead bag – fined \$400.		
Warnings:	Race	5	R Cuneen (COMANCHE GOLD) – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground 700 metres.		
Bleeders:	Race				
Horse Actions:	Race	4	FEEL D'CASH – Racing manners warning		
Medical Certificates:	B Murray – Medical Clearance received				
	L Calla	way	– Medical Clearance required		
Rider Changes:	Race	4	S Muniandy replaced L Callaway as the rider of FEEL D'CASH		
	Race	7	J Morris replaced L Callaway as the rider of YA DREAMIN JONESY		
	Race	9	J Morris replaced L Callaway as the rider of MELS EVIE		
Late Scratching:	Race	3	THE GALLANT GIRL – Rule 614(2) – ruled to be a non-runner		

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 SPEARGRASS INN/CROMWELL TRANSPORT MAIDEN 2030m

Trainers D Champion and K Murphy admitted a breach of Rule 614(2) in that they were neglectful in saddling **BOBBY AL** in presenting the horse to race without its lead bag. After hearing evidence from all parties, the JCA imposed a fine of \$400. There was a delay to the start of this event when the bridle on **ULTRASONIC** required adjusting. **SATIN JITTERBUG** was slow to begin. **DISCUSSING FLAGS** began awkwardly and lost ground. **ULTRASCONIC** and **COURT NO FEAR** brushed for several strides shortly after the start. **OH SO FAMOUS** raced wide for the majority of the event. **BOBBY AL** over raced for some distance during the early to middle stages and got its head up when being restrained off the heels of **ASOMA** which shifted in passing the 1600 metres. **DISCUSSING FLAGS** improved wide from the 1500 metres to be sitting outside the leader at the 1000 metres. Rider T Direen advised that her mount had hung throughout. **SHANTAV** was momentarily placed in restricted room by **ULTRASONIC** which was laying in passing the 100 metres. When questioned regarding the seemingly disappointing performance of **HOLY MACKEREL** rider R Hannam explained the gelding had travelled poorly throughout and he felt that it may have been slightly lame. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no obvious abnormalities.

When questioned regarding the run of **TANIWHA** rider J Morris advised the gelding had travelled lethargically throughout and disappointed her with its efforts over the final stages.

Passing the 175 metres **TYCOON CLASS** was crowded and had to steady when **ANNAGHAGH** (R Bishop) which was tiring shifted in under pressure. R Bishop was reminded to keep his mount straight where possible.

Race 2 SKYCITY QUEENSTOWN CASINO RATING 65 2030m

BRIDGET TOWN who was fractious in its barrier shifted out abruptly on jumping resulting in crowding to **LUKANDER** and **IT AINT OVER** with both these runners losing ground.

PETER PARKER was slow to begin.

MISSTEEFLYING bounded at the start.

IT AINT OVER improved wide from the 1700 metres to lead near the 1200 metres.

BRIDGET TOWN raced greenly and lay out throughout the running and when passing the 1700 metres shifted out taking **GALAXY GARDENS** wider on the track momentarily.

CENTAVADA raced keenly in the early stages.

COUP SECRECY had to be steadied when racing keenly passing the 1700 metres resulting in the trailing **PETER PARKER** also having to be steadied. **COUP SECRECY** again had to be steadied passing the 1300 metres when racing keenly. **MISSTEEFLYING** made the bend awkwardly at the 1200 metres and had to be steadied off the heels of **KAHARAU**.

MISSTEEFLYING was held up when attempting a run inside the tiring **HONOR AND CHERISH** near the 300 metres and then had to change ground outwards at the 250 metres to find clear racing room.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **THE LION QUEEN** rider R Hannam reported the mare had travelled well throughout but disappointed with her efforts over the final stages. Mr Hannam added he had recommended that blinkers and tongue tie be added to the gear of **THE LION QUEEN** for its next start.

Race 3 DUNCAN ANDERSON DENTAL RATING 75 1400m

THE GALLANT GIRL was very slow to begin.

JOE BONANNO raced wide throughout.

THOUGHT THAT and **PRINCE RANSOM** both raced keenly through the early stages.

PRINCE RANSOM was held up rounding the home bend and early in the run home.

THOUGHT THAT was held up in the early part of the run home and had to shift ground outwards at the 200 metres to find clear racing room.

AGOSTINI had to be steadied at the 100 metres when racing on the heels of SOFIA LOREN.

Before official placings were declared the Stewards requested a ruling from the JCA under Rule 632 that **THE GALLANT GIRL** had been denied a fair start when the inside half of the gate failed to open with the rest of the gates. After hearing from rider A Collett, the Stewards and viewing replays the JCA ruled **THE GALLANT GIRL** to be a non-runner.

When questioned regarding the performance of **JOE BONANNO** rider D Walsh advised the gelding was a better proposition when able to lead and after racing wide throughout had been outpaced over the final stages.

Following the running of this race rider L Callaway advised the Stewards he was unwell suffering the effects of dehydration and was stood down by Stewards. Mr Callaway was advised he will need a medical clearance prior to riding again.

Race 4 METALCRAFT ROOFING MAIDEN 1400m

JUSTABOUT READY was cleared to start after undergoing a vet check prior to the race after sustaining a minor injury to the mouth area in the tie up stalls.

PERFECT JAZZ was slow to begin.

FEEL D'CASH over raced for some distance in the early stages and passing the 900 metres shifted out making firm contact with **JUSTABOUT READY**. **FEEL D'CASH** continued to race greenly throughout giving ground from the 700 metres and finishing a distant last. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection of **FEEL D'CASH** which revealed no abnormalities. The connections were advised that the gelding was on a racing manners warning.

JUSTABOUT READY raced wide in the early stages.

MISS DOLLY raced wide from the 800 metres.

OPIHI RANGER was held up rounding the final bend.

When questioned regarding the performance of **FREIGHT TRAIN** rider R Cuneen explained that due to being fractious in the barriers the gelding had settled further back than he anticipated and been unable to make ground thereafter.

When questioned regarding the performance of **ITEMIZE** rider T Direen reported the gelding had been used in the early stages to take up a forwards position and been unable to maintain its position over the final stages.

When spoken to regarding the apparent improved performance of **LOTTERIO** trainer J Parsons advised that the gelding had been aided by the step up in distance to 1400 metres today and a good front running ride by a four kilo claiming

apprentice.

Race 5 MISHAS VINEYARD WANAKA CUP OPEN 1400m

FULL COUNT and EL CHICO were slow to begin.

EL CHICO raced keenly through the early stages.

TIMY TYLER raced wide throughout.

Passing the 700 metres **PARAKETO** who was racing keenly had to be steadied when **COMANCHE GOLD** (R Cuneen) crossed forward to lead. **PARAKETO** continued to race keenly and had to shift ground outwards to avoid heels and buffeted with **SAPERAVIOUS** for several strides. This resulted in **SAPERAVIOUS** racing wide for the remainder of the race. Rider R Cuneen was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d) for shifting ground when not sufficiently clear.

ABSOLUTE EXCELENCIA was held up early in the run home.

SAPERAVIOUS was inclined to lay inwards throughout the home straight and could not be ridden to any advantage over the concluding stages.

Race 6 AFFLECK DODD O'MEARA RATING 65 1400m

There was a delay to the start of this event due to the runners arriving late to the start area.

LANE FROST was slow to begin.

HONOR THAT was slow through the early stages.

THE BELIEVER raced wide throughout.

THE REAL DEAL got its head up when being steadied passing the 700 metres and shifted ground outwards to avoid heels. **SIR JACK REMINGTON** was held up throughout the early part of the run home.

HONOR THAT had to be angled wide passing the 300 metres to find clear racing room.

LANE FROST was held up for several strides passing the 150 metres.

When asked for an explanation regarding the improved performance of **FANTAMO** trainer K Tyler advised the mare had been unlucky in its last start at Riccarton, has a good record on this course and was assisted by a good front running ride.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **PATRICIO** rider S Wynne advised she had been obliged to race wide from the outside gate with the effort telling on the gelding over the concluding stages.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **LANE FROST** rider R Bishop advised that he had been slow away and had also been momentarily held up at the 150 metres but had finished the race off well. He advised that in his opinion the gelding was now looking for further ground.

Race 7 AWS LEGAL QUEENSTOWN CUP OPEN 2030m

BLUE 'N' GOLD shifted out abruptly at the start dictating EVA KEENEVA onto BRAH SPRING who lost ground.

Shortly after the start **PRETTY GOOD EXCUSE** shifted out at the start simultaneously as **MERCI CHERIE** shifted in resulting in crowding and buffeting to **SHE'S INSATIABLE**, **IRISH EXCUSE**, **ALPINE HEIGHTS** and **NO EMOTION**.

EVA KEENEVA raced erratically in the early stages and shied away from the rail at the 1800 metres.

PRETTY GOOD EXCUSE raced keenly through the early stages.

IRISH EXCUSE raced keenly through the middle stages and had to be severely restrained off heels passing the 850 metres. **BLUE 'N' GOLD** raced wide throughout.

SADLERS ROCK improved wide from the 1300 metres and was taken forwards to lead near the 700 metres.

NO EMOTION also improved wide from the 1000 metres.

YA DREAMIN JONESY and SADLERS ROCK brushed on at least two several occasions over the final stages.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **NO EMOTION** rider D Bradley advised that the gelding had raced lethargically adding that in his opinion the gelding may not have backed up from its previous two starts.

When spoken to regarding the improved performance of **YA DREAMIN JONESY** trainer L Dobbs advised the gelding has taken natural improvement from its first two runs for the season.

Race 8 BP2GO CROMWELL RATING 65 1200m

Both **KEENTORULE** and **KING KAHUNA** began awkwardly losing ground.

DAIFUKU raced wide throughout.

RAPT (S Wynne) shifted out passing the 300 metres crowding and checking **ALL DRESSED UP**. S Wynne admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) with the JCA suspending her licence from the end of racing today up to and including 9 December 2015 (four days).

When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of favoured runner **DAIFUKU** rider C Johnson advised that the mare was obliged to race wide throughout with the effort telling on the mare.

R Cuneen the rider of **KING KAHUNA** advised the Stewards that the gelding just battled in its first up run for a while and would benefit from today's race.

Race 9 LASER ELECTRICAL QUEENSTOWN RATING 85 1220m

FIVE KINGS began awkwardly and got back in consequence.

ISHIMINE raced wide throughout.

ALICE WEBB ELLIS was held up rounding the final bend and had some difficulty obtaining clear racing room in the early stages of the run home.

C Barnes the rider of **QUERER** dropped her whip passing the 100 metres.