

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



MEETING DETAILS:

Club:	Central Otago Racing Club	Date:	Sunday 3 rd January 2016
Weather:	Overcast/Drizzling		
Track:	Dead 5		
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 today.

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

Nil

SUMMARY:

Swabbing:	COMMIX, ENZED JEWEL, ROBIN CHARLES, KEYNOTE, TAKE FIRE, SON OF MAHER, SECRET POWER, A BEAUTIFUL KNIGHT.		
Suspensions:	Race		Nil
Protests:	Race		Nil
Fines:	Race		Nil
Warnings:	Race		Nil
Bleeders:	Race		Nil
Horse Actions:	Race	2	OLDEN DAYS – Barrier manners warning
	Race	6	THAT'S NOT THE GO – Must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards
Medical Certificates:	C Johnson – Medical Certificate required		
Rider Changes:	Race	1	S Muniandy replaced C Johnson as the rider of CONCEAL due to transport difficulties
	Race	4	L Callaway replaced C Johnson as the rider of IVANSKAVINSKYSKVAR
	Race	5	D Walsh replaced C Johnson as the rider of SIR SINGO
	Race	6	M Chui replaced C Johnson as the rider of SON OF MAHER
	Race	8	D Walsh replaced C Johnson as the rider of MISS ALICE
	Race	9	S Muniandy replaced C Johnson as the rider of THEM OR US
Late Scratching:	Race	3	FABRIZIO – vet's advice at 11.22 am
	Race	3	BARANOO – by order of Stewards at 1.46 pm

RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1	PETER LYON SHEARING / FULTON HOGAN ALEXANDRA MAIDEN 2000m
<p>DISCUSSING FLAGS began awkwardly and lost ground.</p> <p>MISS TUSCAN was slow through the early stages.</p> <p>COMMIX raced keenly through the early stages and had to be steadied off the heels of SMOKEM UP (R Cuneen) which shifted in at the 1600 metres. R Cuneen was advised to exercise more care when shifting ground.</p> <p>COMMIX continued to over race for some distance.</p> <p>DISCUSSING FLAGS raced wide through the middle stages when improving to the lead.</p> <p>Rider D Walsh (MISS TUSCAN) got his foot caught in the braiding which had separated from the saddle cloth resulting in him not being able to ride his mount out from the 800 metres.</p>	

MRS NEVILL was held up early in the run home.

DISCUSSING FLAGS made contact with **MRS NEVILL** passing the 150 metres after jumping a mark on the track.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **SMOKEM UP** rider R Cuneen advised he had a nice run throughout but when placed under pressure the gelding had failed to respond and had been disappointing. He further added that he believed **SMOKEM UP** had not handled the step up in distance today.

When spoken to about the improved performance of the winner **COMMIX** trainer S Prince advised the step up in distance to the 2000 metres trip had been to the mare's liking.

Race 2	RANFURLY HOTEL / SPEIGHT'S / BREEN CONSTRUCTION MAIDEN 1100m
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There was a delay of approximately three minutes to the start of this event due to several runners proving difficult to load the worst being **OLDEN DAYS** who was placed on a barrier manners warning.

OLDEN DAYS was slow to begin.

YES YOU DID was slow to begin and raced keenly through the early stages.

CHER MAGIC raced wide and keenly through the early stages.

NOTHINLYKHER raced wide throughout.

THAT'S MY PUSSYCAT raced in restricted room for the majority of the run home only gaining clear racing room in the last 50 metres.

THE STYLE was held up over the concluding 100 metres and went to the line not fully tested by its rider.

OLDEN DAYS was angled wider on the track passing the 150 metres to find clear racing room.

When spoken to regarding the performance of **ALL IN TOUCH** rider L Callaway reported that he could offer no tangible excuses.

Race 3	MCLARENS TRANSPORT / Z ENERGY MAIDEN 1100m
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FABRIZIO was a late scratching on vet's advice after being injured on the float enroute to the races.

BARANOO was late scratched by order of the stewards after it was fractious in the Birdcage dislodging C Johnson who was injured. Jockey C Johnson was examined by St John ambulance staff and found to be suffering from a shoulder injury. C Johnson was stood down from his remaining rides and was replaced as per the above schedule and advised he will need a medical clearance before resuming race riding.

THE FASHIONISTA began very awkwardly shifting out abruptly and losing considerable ground.

KRUGER RAND also began awkwardly.

ROBIN CHARLES and **RIGHT AS RAIN** bumped at the start.

PASSITO and **SHEZA DIAMOND** over raced in the middle stages.

Passing the 250 metres **RIGHT AS RAIN** shifted ground inwards looking for clear racing room momentarily inconveniencing **SHEZA DIAMOND**.

Race 4	ANDREW MAY CONTRACTING STAYERS 2000m
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THEGREATPICKPOCKET and **KEYNOTE** were both slow to begin.

SHAKTI began awkwardly then lay out passing the 1900 metres making contact with **IVANSKAVINSKYSKVAR**.

LOCATION raced wide through the early stages.

Passing the 800 metres **SHAKTI** had to be steadied momentarily when **LOCATION** (T Moseley) shifted inwards. T Moseley was advised to exercise care when shifting ground.

LETTHEHUNDERROLL improved wide into the final bend.

DEEBEE DON was held up rounding the final bend.

SHAKTI was held up by the tiring **SHARP BLADE** for several strides passing the 400 metres.

SHARP BLADE gave ground rapidly on the final bend finishing a distance last. A post-race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

Race 5	COPPER CAFÉ & BAR / WHITE ROBE LODGE CLARE MEMORIAL GOLD CUP 2000m
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COMMANDING OAK and **TAKE FIRE** both began awkwardly.

TAKE FIRE raced wide through the early and middle stages.

Race 6	DUNSTAN HOTEL / OMAKAU AUTO CENTRE / WS HICKEY & SON MAIDEN 1400m
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MILLY QUE began awkwardly losing ground.

THAT'S NOT THE GO bucked for some distance shortly after the start and was taken out of the race by rider R Cuneen. The connections of **THAT'S NOT THE GO** were advised that the mare must trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before returning to the races.

JIMMY raced fiercely in the early stages.

KILDANGAN and **MY PLAN** both raced wide throughout.

FRANKY DOYLE was held up rounding the final bend by the tiring **JUSTICE WELL**.
JIMMY lay in in the early part of the run home.

Race 7	DUNCAN AGRICULTURAL SERVICES 1400 METRES
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SECRET POWER was slow to begin.
GALLANT BOY raced keenly through the early stages.
GALLANT BOY was held up for several strides passing the 400 metres.
THE GALLANT GIRL blundered passing the 300 metres losing some momentum.
BRAH SPRING was held up passing the 250 metres when improving onto the heels of the tiring **MASTER CHIEF**. **BRAH SPRING** then raced in restricted room through the middle of the run home.
When spoken to regarding the performance of **THE GALLANT GIRL** rider R Cuneen advised that the mare had been forced to race wide rounding the final bend, had dipped and lost momentum in a wetter part of the track near the 300 metres.

Race 8	ALEXANDRA NEW WORLD CENTRAL OTAGO SUMMER PLATE 1400m
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COUP DARCI BE over raced through the early stages.
MAGIC EPIC raced wide for the majority of the event.
MISS ALICE lay out in the run home with rider D Walsh using the whip in the left hand.
COMANCHE GOLD returned to the Birdcage with blood present in its mouth. A subsequent veterinary inspection revealed a minor laceration not requiring treatment.
When spoken to regarding the performance of **MISS ALICE** rider D Walsh advised that after drawing the outside barrier he was obliged to go back to get cover but the mare had struggled to maintain contact with the field through the early to middle stages of the run. The mare had lay in on the run home but finished the race off fairly. He further added he believed **MISS ALICE** had not handled the inconsistent nature of today's racing surface.

Race 9	AWS LEGAL ALEXANDRA / PGG WRIGHTSON AON INSURANCE BROKERS 1400 METRES
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GOLDEN CASTLE and **NURMI** were slow to begin.
HE AINT HEAVY and **A BEAUTIFUL KNIGHT** were both slow through the early stages.
CLEM threw its head in the air shortly after the start.
KATANGO raced fiercely in the early stages.
THEM OR US raced wide throughout.
Passing the 200 metres both **THE GRINNER** and **THEM OR US** were placed in restricted room when **CLEM** (K Mudhoo) lay inwards and **SOFIA LOREN** (A Chan) shifted outwards. Both apprentices were shown replays and advised to exercise care.
CLEM and **SOFIA LOREN** brushed on at least two occasions over the concluding stages.
When spoken to regarding the improved performance of **A BEAUTIFUL KNIGHT** trainer K Tyler advised that today's race was a drop in class and that the gelding is best kept for one run which is what it received today.
When spoken to regarding the disappointing performance of **TINKA TINKA** rider D Walsh advised that he had to work hard to get to the lead early, had travelled comfortably in front however had been under pressure on the home turn and when hitting the wetter part of today's track at about 300 metres the mare had given up and been disappointing.