## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

## MEETING DETAILS:

| Club: | Canterbury Racing @ Riccarton Park | Date: |
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| Weather: | Fine |  |
| Track: | Good (3) |  |
| Rail: | True |  |
| Stewards: | M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin, N McIntyre |  |
| Typist: | C McMullan |  |

## GENERAL:

Pre-race blood testing was carried out at this meeting.

## SUPPLEMENTARY:

Nil

SUMMARY:

| Swabbing: | VELLUTO, NOT AVAILABLE, ENZO'S LAD, RED DIRT GIRL, SPRINGWATER, NO EMOTION, MCMAY, STILL WATERS, BRIDGET TOWN |  |  |
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| Suspensions: | Race | 3 | S Wynne (MOREIRA) <br> [Rule 638(1)(d)] - Careless riding 100 metres - Suspended 21 February - 2 <br> March (inclusive) - 6 riding days |
|  |  | 8 | D Chin (FALZANO) <br> [Rule 638(1)(d)] - Careless riding 900 metres - Suspended 20 February - 28 February (inclusive) - 3 riding days |
| Protests: | Nil |  |  |
| Fines: | Nil |  |  |
| Warnings: | Nil |  |  |
| Bleeders: | Nil |  |  |
| Horse Actions: | Race | 6 | FIVE KINGS - Warned barrier manners |
| Medical Certificates: | Nil |  |  |
| Rider Changes: | Nil |  |  |
| Late Scratchings: | Race | 6 | SPEEDY JAX - at 1.40 pm on veterinary advice |

## RACE COMMENTS:

| Race 1 | LINDAUER MAIDEN (2000m) |
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| The start was delayed when FREIGHT TRAIN proved difficult to load. |  |
| HIGH IN DEMAND was slow to begin. |  |
| FREIGHT TRAIN began awkwardly, shifting out abruptly and making firm contact with PROSPERITY. |  |
| LADY BYRON raced wide in the early stages. |  |
| FREIGHT TRAIN over raced in the early and middle stages. |  |
| HIGH IN DEMAND was held up early in the run home and had to shift ground outwards passing the 350 metres to find clear |  |
| racing room. |  |
| FREIGHT TRAIN had to be steadied momentarily passing the 300 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of MONTE |  |
| CINTO. |  |
| Race $\mathbf{2}$ YOGI was slow to begin. |  |
| OPIHI JADE began awkwardly and was further hampered when NOT AVAILABLE shifted in abruptly at the start. <br> MR TYPHON blundered near the 1300 metres when improving quickly onto the heels of MOBY. SLEEPYHEAD also had to be |  |

steadied momentarily at this point when improving onto heels.
BOSSY ACE and MOBY raced wide throughout.
HANNIBAL LECTER raced wide and keenly in the early stages.
Passing the 600 metres OPIHI JADE had to be steadied and shift ground outwards when BOSSY ACE (A Chan) shifted in under pressure. Apprentice A Chan was advised he must exercise greater care in future when shifting ground.
ST LAMOUR was held up early in the run home.
The rider of HANNIBAL LECTER reported that his mount had hung throughout.
A post race veterinary inspection of SLEEPYHEAD revealed the mare to have slow recovery.
A post race veterinary inspection of MOBY revealed the gelding to be suffering from Thumps.

## Race 3 PUNTERS CHALLENGE ON APRIL 16 - ENTER NOW TWO \& THREE YEAR OLD (1200m)

FUGAWI was slow to begin and was further hampered shortly after when laying across the heels of RUANUI.
MADAM COURTNEY bounded at the start and shifted out abruptly, losing considerable momentum and ground,
ENZO'S LAD raced keenly in the early stages.
BUSHIDO raced wide throughout.
MOREIRA (S Wynne) shifted out passing the 100 metres, checking TICKETS ON HER which had to be severely restrained. Apprentice S Wynne admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) and after hearing from all parties the Judicial Committee suspended her licence to ride at race meetings for 6 days effective 21 February to 2 March inclusive.
When questioned regarding the improved performance of ENZO'S LAD, trainer M Pitman advised that the colt had been more suited to the roomier Riccarton track, combined with the better track conditions today, which led to the improved performance which was not unexpected by the stable.

## Race 4

NZB SOUTH ISLAND SALE APRIL 15 HANDICAP (1000m)
TOMA VALEA was slow to begin.
KING MONTROSE raced wide throughout.
RED DIRT GIRL was held up early in the run home.

## Race 5 \#ridewiththeaction - PHOTO COMPETITION RATING 75 (1400m)

DILLINGER and OPIHI RANGER were slow to begin.
DILLINGER raced keenly in the early stages.
DO UNO WHOIAM had to be steadied momentarily passing the 1200 metres when MADAM BENTLEY (K Kalychurun) crossed to the lead. Apprentice K Kalychurun was advised he must exercise greater care in future when shifting ground. ZERO TUA HUNDRED was placed in restricted room for several strides passing the 1100 metres when FEELIN THE LOVE which was racing greenly lay inwards.
SPRINGWATER had to be steadied off heels passing the 1100 metres when racing keenly.
DOUBLE BLUE raced wide throughout.
ZERO TUA HUNDRED had to be steadied momentarily passing the 500 metres when DIAMOND EDGE (D Prastiyou) shifted out. Apprentice D Prastiyou was advised he must exercise greater care in future when shifting ground.
OPIHI RANGER lay in throughout the run home, with the rider swapping the whip to the left hand.
DILLINGER shifted out to find clear racing room passing the 200 metres, taking ZERO TUA HUNDRED wider on the track.
The rider of FOREVER VITAL lost his whip early in the race.

## Race 6 CHRISTCHURCH CASINO HANDICAP (1800m)

SPEEDY JAX was a late scratching at 1.40 pm on veterinary advice after swelling was detected in the right foreleg.
FIVE KINGS was very slow to begin, losing approximately 15 lengths. The connections of FIVE KINGS were advised that the gelding was on a barrier manners warning.
FIVE KINGS attempted to improve five wide rounding the final bend.
EL CHICO lost the near hind plate during the running.

## Race $7 \quad$ FASTTRACK INSURANCE RATING 75 (2000m)

INA JAM was slow to begin.
SHOW MACCOOL bounded at the start and lost ground.
COMMANDING OAK raced wide throughout.
LA MUSIQUE had difficulty obtaining clear running early in the run home, only gaining clear racing room inside the final 200 metres.
SOUTHERN RAIDER blundered passing the 450 metres when racing in tight quarters between NIGHT NURSE which lay in and SHOW MACCOOL (J Morris) which shifted out to avoid the heels of INA JAM. Rider J Morris was advised to exercise greater care in future when shifting ground.
NIGHT NURSE was crowded passing the 200 metres and had to steady momentarily when SHOW MACCOOL shifted ground outwards simultaneously to SOUTHERN RAIDER shifting ground inwards.
When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner NIGHT NURSE, rider M Chui advised that in his opinion
the mare had not let down in today's firmer track. Trainer M Pitman advised that NIGHT NURSE will now be sent for a spell.

## Race 8 SPEIGHT'S MID ALE RATING 65 (1200m)

The start of this race was officially delayed one minute on TAB request.
PEGGY'S CHOICE raced wide throughout.
Passing the 1000 metres FALZANO (D Chin) shifted ground inwards, with REJOICE having to be steadied momentarily. D Chin was advised to exercise greater care in future when shifting ground.
Passing the 900 metres FALZANO (D Chin) shifted in crowding and checking CARMEN SANDIEGO which had to be steadied.
D Chin admitted a breach of careless riding under Rule 638(1)(d), with the Judicial Committee suspending his licence to ride at race meetings for 3 days effective 20 February to 28 February inclusive.
MULBERRY had to be steadied passing the 600 metres when awkwardly placed on heels.
MULBERRY and CARMEN SANDIEGO were both held up early in the run home, only gaining clear racing room passing the 225 metres.
FALZANO was also held up early in the run home.
PEGGY'S CHOICE was crowded momentarily passing the 400 metres when STILL WATERS shifted ground marginally.
Passing the 175 metres FALZANO improved onto the heels of CARPATHIA (G Jogoo) which shifted ground outwards, clipping a heel and blundering. Apprentice G Jogoo was advised to exercise greater care in future when shifting ground.

## Race 9 RACECOURSE HOTEL \& MOTOR LODGE RATING 65 (1600m)

LION ROCK HILL shifted out at the start crowding SOUTHERLY CHANGE which lost ground.
SOUTHERLY CHANGE raced ungenerously in the early stages and began to race fiercely passing the 1200 metres, shifting outwards and making contact with GALLANT BABE. SOUTHERLY CHANGE then raced wide for the majority of the race.
SHEEZ ALL HEART raced keenly in the early stages.
HOT PROPERTY was held up for several strides passing the 200 metres, only gaining clear racing room inside the final 100 metres.
PATRICIO had to be angled off heels in the shadows of the post to find clear racing room.

