# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



## **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Otago Racing Club Date: Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2016

Weather: Fine
Track: Dead 4
Rail: True

Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman) N Ydgren and C Boyd

Typist: M O'Brien

## **GENERAL:**

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

### **SUPPLEMENTARY:**

Nil

## **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: LOCHAN ORA, LETSAVAFLING, WAIPARI LAD, GALLANT DEFENDER, BRUEGEL, RED

DIRT GIRL, HONOR THAT, CANTILENA, KIRINA BELLE, JOE BONANNO.

Suspensions: Race Nil
Protests: Race Nil

Fines: Race 2 R Black (POLLY'S SISTER) – Rule 330(3)(c) – overweight – fined \$100

Race 6 L Robinson (STILL WATERS) – Rule 614(2) – presented with incorrect saddle cloth –

fined \$50

Warnings: Race 4 D Bradley (LANDALES GOLD) – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground 900 metres

Race 8 J Lowry (PASSITO) – Rule 638(1)(d) – shifting ground 1100 metres

Bleeders: Race Nil

**Horse Actions:** Race 2 DI MONET – Vet clearance required before resuming racing

Race 6 BRUEGEL – Racing manners warning

Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Race 2 POLLY'S SISTER – T Direen replaced R Black (overweight)

#### RACE COMMENTS:

## Race 1 GO HIGHLANDERS MAIDEN 1600m

**OPIHI JADE** began awkwardly and got back as a result.

**ODI ET AMO** raced wide for the majority of the event.

JIMMY began to race keenly passing the 1100 metres throwing its head of a number of occasions as the pace eased. EAGLE

MAGIC also raced keenly due to the lack of pace at this point of the race.

**OPIHI JADE** improved wide from the 700 metres.

**EAGLE MAGIC** was held up rounding the final bend.

**HEED THE FLAG** lay in early in the run home and had to be straightened.

When questioned regarding the performance of **MONTE CINTO** rider S Muniandy explained the gelding had travelled well throughout but disappointed with its efforts over the final stages and he was of the opinion the horse would benefit from a wetter track.

## Race 2 MARK ISAACS FARRIER RATING 65 1200m

R Black was replaced as the rider of **POLLY'S SISTER** due to being unable to make the carded weight and was replaced by T Direen. Miss Black was fined \$100 under Rule 330 (3)(c).

MULBERRY began awkwardly at the start shifting out and contacting the hind quarters of GO SOLO.

BACKHAND shifted in abruptly at the start crowding CARPATHIA which lost some ground.

POLLY'S SISTER raced wide throughout.

**CARPATHIA** had to be steadied and shift ground outwards when improving quickly onto the heels of BACKHAND passing the 600 metres.

**LETSAVAFLING** was held up early in the run home.

**MULBERRY** (R Cuneen) lay in throughout the run home and passing the 100 metres shifted in crowding **JOHNNY JONES** momentarily. Rider R Cuneen was advised to exercise care and to keep his mount as straight as possible. The connections of the third placed horse **JOHNNY JONES** lodged a protest against the second placed horse **MULBERRY** alleging interference at the 100 metres. After hearing from all parties the JCA dismissed the protest.

K Kalychurun as the rider of **DI MONET** reported the mare had made abnormal breathing noises over the final stages. A subsequent veterinary examination showed the horse to have a respiratory infection with a clearance required prior to resuming racing.

# Race 3 STEVEN PRINCE RACING STABLES 2YO SW+P 800m

FRIDAY KNIGHT was slow to begin.

**DELIGHTFUL TAP** began awkwardly and got back tailing the field throughout.

PLOWSHARE raced wide and greenly throughout shifting wider on the bend at the 400 metres.

#### Race 4 WINGATUI FUNCTION CENTRE RATING 75 2200m

MR NOBODY bounded at the start and lost ground.

**CARLTON PRINCESS** had to be steadied passing the 1800 metres when racing keenly.

**KEYNOTE** raced wide through the early stages.

**CARLTON PRINCESS** raced wide throughout.

**LANDALES GOLD** raced wide without cover from the 1500 metres until sitting outside the leader at the 900 metres. Passing the 900 metres **THE GRINNER** was crowded by **KEYNOTE** who was awkwardly placed to the inside of **LANDALES GOLD** (D Bradley) which shifted in marginally. This resulted in **THE GRINNER** losing some ground and making contact with the running rail. The trailing **COME FLY WITH ME** also had to be steadied. Rider D Bradley was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d).

**CARLTON PRINCESS** lay inwards throughout the run home.

# Race 5 MORE FM RATING 75 1600m

THE REAL DEAL lay in early in the run home.

# Race 6 WILD RANGE PHOTOGRAPHY RATING 75 1200m

**BRUEGEL** bounded at the start losing ground.

**SPRINGWATER** over raced in the early stages and had to be steadied passing the 1000 metres.

**DERMOTT BROWN** raced wide over the early stages.

**SHAARA** and **HIGH RISE** both raced wide throughout.

**BRUEGEL** began to race keenly passing the 500 metres and had to be steadied.

KASUNDI had to be steadied passing the 450 metres when becoming awkwardly placed on the heels of HELL RAISER.

**FOREVER VITAL** also had to be steadied at this point.

**HELL RAISER** was held up in the early part of the run home and had to change ground at the 200 metres to find clear racing room.

**KASUNDI** had some difficulty obtaining clear running in the middle stages of the run home.

Passing the 150 metres **BRUEGEL** (M Chui) shifted out abruptly when struck with the whip buffeting and unbalancing **SPRINGWATER** who lost ground at this point. The connections of **SPRINGWATER** viewed replays of this incident before deciding not to proceed with a protest. **GALLANT RUBY** had to be taken wider on the track as a result of this incident. Rider M Chui was reminded of his obligations to straighten his mount as soon as possible.

The rider of **BRUEGEL**, reported the gelding had raced greenly and had hung inwards throughout the running and that he was unable to ride his mount out with the whip over the concluding stages due to its hanging. The connections were advised **BRUEGEL** was placed on a racing manners warning.

## Race 7 DUNEDIN PRINT OPEN HANDICAP 1200m

TOMA VALEA was slow to begin.

**RED DIRT GIRL** raced wide through the early stages.

**TOMA VALEA** had to be steadied and lost momentum when held up passing the 400 metres.

**GALLANT BOY** was held up through the middle part of the run home.

**RIVERTAINE COUP** dipped passing the 200 metres and was not ridden out over the concluding stages finishing a distant last. Rider M Chui reported the mare had changed its action on the final bend and then dipped near the 200 metres. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of the mare which revealed injuries to the hind legs consistent with having been galloped on during the running.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **TOMA VALEA** rider B Murray advised he had been slow away, held up at the 400 metres but had run on fairly over the concluding stages.

## Race 8 NZB AIRFREIGHT 3YOF STAKES 1400m

**PASSITO** blundered at the start, was further hampered and dictated wide on the track when **RUBY ROW** shifted out. **ALYTH** began awkwardly.

Passing the 1200 metres **CANTILENA** began to race fiercely and shifted in crowding **PRINCESS DAVONE**. **CANTILENA** continued to race fiercely and had to be heavily restrained passing the 1100 metres when **PASSITO** (J Lowry) shifted forwards and inwards. J Lowry was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1) (d).

WAYLAY raced keenly through the early stages.

**CANTILENA** and **RUBY ROW** both raced wide for the majority of the race.

**SHEZATOUCHA** and **MAGIC MAVIS** were both held up early in the run home.

LITTLE HAAST also had trouble gaining clear racing room early in the run home.

When spoken to regarding the performance of favoured runner **ALYTH** D Walsh advised the filly had begun awkwardly and got back. He had attempted to improve wide from the 600 metres but when placed under pressure had failed to run on and had been disappointing. He further advised that he has suggested to the trainers that the blinkers be removed from the filly's racing gear.

# Race 9 WHITE ROBE LODGE OPEN HANDICAP 1600m

**FIVE KINGS** began very awkwardly losing ground.

**MAGIC EPIC**, **SIR SINGO** and **EL CHICO** all raced keenly in the early stages due to the lack of pace. **MAGIC EPIC** continued to race keenly throwing its head in the air on a number of occasions passing the 1100 metres.

MISS THREE STARS raced wide through the early stages.

**FIVE KINGS** had to be steadled momentarily passing the 300 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of **EL CHICO** which shifted out marginally.

## Race 10 DALE HORRELL FARRIER RATING 65 1600m

SATIN GURU and READYWHENYOUARE were both slow away.

QUEENOFHARPZ raced wide throughout and keenly through the early to middle stages.

**DOUBLE TAP** was held up for several strides passing the 400 metres.

# Race 11 OTAGO RACING CLUB MEMBERS RATING 65 1600m

Passing the 1200 metres ITS NO SECRET got its head up for several strides when being restrained to take cover.

**SHAKTI** raced wide through the early stages.

**HOT PROPERTY** raced wide throughout.

**ABLAZE** was held up in the early part of the run home.

**ABLAZE** was crowded and buffeted momentarily passing the 100 metres when **WHATWASTHAT** shifted in under pressure. Rider C Barnes advised FASHION LASS had travelled well until placed under pressure rounding the home turn and had failed to run on was very disappointing. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary examination of **FASHION LASS** which revealed no obvious abnormalities.