# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT



#### **MEETING DETAILS:**

Club: Otago Racing Club Date: Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018

Weather: Fine
Track: Dead (4)
Rail: True

Stewards: M Davidson (Chairman), J McLaughlin, L Tidmarsh and C Boyd

**Veterinarian:** Dr S Bransgrove **Typist:** M O'Brien

#### **GENERAL:**

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

#### SUPPLEMENTARY:

### **SUMMARY:**

Swabbing: ALL BLACK MAGIC, DIAMOND CORTZ, SULCIFERA, MAJIC EL, PLOWSHARE, ZABAY, ABOLI,

ANYTHINGCOULDHAPPN, OPIHI RANGER.

Suspensions: Race 8 J Lowry MERU

[Rule 638(1)(d)] Shifting ground 250 metres

Licence suspended from end of racing on 27 January up to and including 6 February

(6 days)

Protests: Race Nil

Fines: Race 1 K Tyler (HAYLEY MAREE)

[Rule 652(2)] Failing to notify mare was in foal - Fined \$200

Warnings: Race 2 T Kennedy (DIAMOND CORTZ)

[Rule 616(2)] Presented mare without notified gear

Race 2 G Jogoo MYSTICAL EYES

[Rule 638(1)(d)] Shifting ground 250 metres

Race 4 S Muniandy SWEET INDULGENCE

[Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] Excessive use of the whip prior to 100 metres

Race 9 C Barnes VELVET ROSE

[Rule 638(3)(b)(ii)] Excessive use of the whip prior to 100 metres

Follow Up Race Nil

Horse Actions: Race 2 THE ROSY GLOW – Veterinary clearance required

Race 4 KARAYAH – Must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next

Medical Certificates: Nil

Rider Changes: Race Nil Late Scratching: Race Nil

# RACE COMMENTS:

Race 1 THE WINGATUI FUNCTION CENTRE 1500m

FASCINATE (C Campbell) – Slow to begin. Held up for a short distance passing the 450 metres.

**THE CZAR** (K Kalychurun) – Slow to begin. Raced keenly in the early stages.

HAYLEY MAREE (B Murray) - Rider reminded of his obligation to ride his mount fully to the line when circumstances

permit. Lost a near front plate during the running. Trainer K Tyler admitted a breach of Rule 652(2) in that he failed to notify that the mare was in foal with the JCA imposing a fine of \$200.

#### Race 2 BROCKLEBANKS DRY CLEANERS 820m

The start of this event was held up with several runners proving difficult to load.

**POPSICO** (K Kalychurun) – Slow to begin.

ITZ MY ONE (S Wynne) – Began awkwardly. Held up through the early stages of the home straight and near the 250 metres had to be steadied when crowded for room to the outside of MYSTICAL EYES (G Jogoo) which shifted out. G Jogoo was issued with a warning under Rule 638(1)(d).

MYSTICAL EYES (G Jogoo) – Began awkwardly losing ground.

BON SHOWVI (T Jonker) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

MURRAY (J Lowry) – Raced wide without cover throughout. Lay inwards when placed under pressure in the final straight.

**BEFIFTYTWO** (K Kwo) – Held up rounding the final bend having to shift outwards near the 250 metres to obtain clear running.

**FESTIVE PORPER** (K Williams) – Held up in the early stages of the final straight and near the 150 metres and had to be severely restrained when awkwardly placed near the heels of YIPPIEYIOH.

YIPPIEYIOH (L Callaway) – Rider reported the gelding may have been feeling the firm nature of the track.

**THE ROSY GLOW** (R Cuneen) – Raced disappointingly with the rider reporting that he could offer no excuses. Stewards ordered a post-race veterinary inspection which revealed the mare had suffered an atrial fibrillation with the connections being advised a veterinary clearance will be required before racing again.

**DIAMOND CORTZ** (S Muniandy) – Trainer T Kennedy was issued with a warning under Rule 616(2) when presenting the mare without notified gear (blinkers).

#### Race 3 WAL'S PLANT LAND 2200m

**SATIN FLAG** (C Campbell) – Crowded at the start losing ground. Raced three wide without cover over the final 1200 metres.

**FIVEWAYEIGHT** (BB Hong) – Raced ungenerously in the early stages getting its head up on a number of occasions resulting in the rider becoming unbalanced. Had to be severely restrained off heels when over racing for a distance passing the 1600 metres. Rider lost whip early in the running.

**DOWRY DUTY** (K Williams) – Improved wide through the middle stages.

**SULCIFERA** (J Morris) – Lay inwards rounding the final bend and in the early stages of the final straight.

**NANCY** (K Mudhoo) – Lay in early in the run home with the rider using the whip in the left hand. Held up over the concluding 50 metres.

## Race 4 POSITIVE SIGNS 2200m

**OPIHI JADE** (K Mudhoo) – Bounded leaving the barrier. Then was further hampered when crowded between runners losing several lengths. Tailed the field for the majority of the race despite the efforts of the rider. Had to be steadied passing the 175 metres when laying inwards and improving quickly onto the heels of LADY LINDAUER.

**KARAYAH** (C Campbell) – Reared almost dislodging rider at the start with the horse then refusing to hit out and was retired from the event. The connections were advised the mare must barrier trial.

MADAM DE SOIR (R Cuneen) - Slow to begin.

NELSON PARK (K Gundowry) - Lay out racing into the first bend shifting wider on the track resulting in PENNY PERFECT,

METASEQUOIA and PRECIOUS PERCY being forced over extra ground at this point. Crowded and had to be severely restrained passing the 250 metres when awkwardly placed on the heels of PRECIOUS PERCY which was taken inwards by MAJIC EL which shifted in and away from METASEQUOIA who shifted in momentarily at this point. After viewing replays and interviewing riders it could not be established that any one rider was at fault and therefore the matter was taken no further.

**METASEQUOIA** (G Jogoo) – Lay outwards rounding the turn near the 375 metres. Shifted in under pressure passing the 250 metres and when being straightened, inconvenienced HELL BOUND which had also lay in at this point.

**HELL BOUND** (S Wynne) – Lay in passing the 150 metres becoming awkwardly placed on heels and had to be shifted wider on the track to find clear racing room.

**PENNY PERFECT** (C Johnson) – Held up rounding the final bend and through the early stages of the final straight.

**SWEET INDULGENCE** (S Muniandy) – Held up momentarily passing the 325 metres and had to shift across heels to find clear racing room. Rider S Muniandy was issued with a warning under Rule 638(3)(b)(ii) for the manner in which he used his whip prior to the 100 metres.

**SUNSET GIRL** (K Williams) – When spoken to regarding the performance of SUNSET GIRL rider K Williams advised that she had been under pressure passing the 600 metres with the mare giving ground at this point despite her urgings. She further advised that due to her continued urgings SUNSET GIRL had run on again in the final straight once it had been taken away from the rail and in the open.

## Race 5 KB CONTRACTORS 1200m

**THE DE BOY** (C Campbell) – Slow to begin. Held up for the majority of the home straight only gaining clear racing room inside the final 100 metres.

**GOLDEN VALKYRIE** (D Bothamley) – Slow to begin. Had to be steadled for a distance passing the 600 metres and held up rounding the final bend. Had to shift ground outwards passing the 120 metres to find clear racing room.

**ROC LEONE** (J Nason) – Raced wide through the early stages. When questioned regarding the performance, rider could offer no tangible excuses.

**SCANDALOUS** (C Barnes) – Raced wide throughout. Crowded and had to steady momentarily passing the 200 metres when MASTER DEE was attempting to shift outwards in search of clear running.

**OPOURI** (S Wynne) – Raced wide for the majority of the event.

HIGHLAND LADY (K Williams) – Held up throughout the home straight and went to the line untested by its rider.

**MASTER DEE** (T Comignaghi) – Held up early in the home straight and raced in restricted room until inside the final 100 metres.

**PLOWSHARE** (J Morris) – Had to be steadied away from heels when over-racing passing the 700 metres, then continued to race keenly for a distance afterwards.

#### Race 6 WINGATUI TRACK STAFF 1200m

**DON'T BE CHEEKY** (K Gundowry) – Slow to begin. Raced keenly for a distance passing the 1000 metres.

MAJORCA (K Kalychurun) – Raced wide throughout. Bumped 200 metres.

ACRYLIC (J Nason) – Raced wide throughout. Lay inwards near the 200 metres and made contact with MAJORCA.

**RICHIE ROX** (J Morris) – Keen early stages getting its head up on a number of occasions. Awkwardly placed on heels and had to steady near the 200 metres.

#### Race 7 CATERING BY KERRY 1600m

**RAISON D'ETRE** (J Nason) – Began awkwardly. Slow through the early stages losing contact with the body of the field. Rider advised he was outpaced early but had run on fairly over the concluding stages and added the mare in his opinion was

looking for more ground.

**ABOLI** (C Johnson) – Over raced in the early stages. Held up rounding the final turn.

**THE PUBLICAN** (K Kalychurun) – Raced wide throughout.

**TYRION LANNISTER** (J Lowry) – Raced wide throughout. Rider reported that the gelding had hung throughout the running.

**COUP DREAMWOOD** (S Wynne) —Had to steady momentarily when awkwardly placed on the heels of ABOLI passing the 1300 metres.

**CRISPIN** (C Campbell) – Was inclined to lay inwards across heels over the concluding stages having to be straightened in the shadows of the post.

**YES YOU DID** (BB Hong) – Lay in early in the run home and had to be straightened. Then continued to lay in for the majority of the run home.

### Race 8 OTAGO FARM MACHINERY 1600m

**THE STYLE** (J Laking) – Slow to begin. Crowded and checked near the 250 metres when MERU (J Lowry) shifted out to find clear racing room. J Lowry admitted a breach of Rule 638(1)(d) and after hearing all relevant evidence the JCA imposed a suspension of his licence from the end of racing on 27 January up to and including 6 February (6 days).

**CASTLE** (K Kalychurun) – Slow to begin. Tailed the field throughout despite the efforts of its rider.

**ANYTHINGCOULDHAPPN** (C Johnson) – Raced keenly in the early stages.

**EPEE** (K Mudhoo) – Raced wide throughout.

MAKS LEGEND (G Jogoo) – Had to be steadied off heels when racing keenly passing the 1200 metres.

**TONY TWO CHIPS** (C Barnes) – Held up for a short distance rounding the final bend.

**DEZZIES DELIGHT** (S Wynne) – Hampered 250 metres when bumped by THE STYLE (J Laking) which was improving into a marginal run. J Laking was advised to exercise greater care.

**RUN FORREST RUN** (K Williams) – Was inclined to lay in throughout the run home and had to be straightened passing the 200 metres.

**TACKTHEFLAG** (K Gundowry) – Bumped and hampered 250 metres.

## Race 9 CHAMPIONS DAY AT WINGATUI 3<sup>RD</sup> FEB 1600m

**THEM OR US** (C Campbell) – Began awkwardly and was further hampered when crowded by RED ACE which shifted out at the start.

**OH SO SMART** (R Beeharry) – Keen and wide through the early stages before improving forward to lead. Stewards questioned rider R Beeharry regarding the tactics he adopted especially during the middle stages. Mr Beeharry advised that he had been over-racing when trapped wide and decided that due to the lack of pace to improve forward as the mare is one paced. When asked if an opportunity existed for the mare to be given a breather after establishing a break he advised that in his opinion if he had attempted to take a hold again the mare would have started to over-race again and therefore he elected to continue on at a genuine tempo. Stewards noted Mr Beeharry's explanation.

**VELVET ROSE** (C Barnes) – Raced keenly passing the 1000 metres and then had to be shifted wider on the track to avoid heels passing the 900 metres and was obliged to race wide from that point. Rider issued a warning under 638(3)(b)(ii) for excessive use of the whip prior to the 100 metres.

**ALL THE DRAMA** (B Murray) – Wide through the early stages. Rider reported the mare had felt indifferent in its action over the concluding stages with Stewards ordering a post-race veterinary inspection which revealed no abnormalities.

OPIHI RANGER (S Wynne) - Steadied off heels passing the 500 metres. Lay inwards under pressure in the final straight

having to be straightened on a number of occasions.