



## STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

### MEETING DETAILS

<b>Club:</b>	Riccarton Park Races
<b>Date:</b>	Saturday, 26 March 2022
<b>Weather:</b>	Fine
<b>Track:</b>	Dead 4
<b>Rail:</b>	Out 9 metres
<b>Stewards:</b>	M Davidson (Chair), V Algar, D Wadley
<b>Vet:</b>	D Williamson BVSc, E Reddy BVSc
<b>Typist:</b>	C McMullan

### SUMMARY

<b>Suspensions:</b>	Race	8	<b>B Murray FETTERCAIRN</b> Careless riding 250 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 27/3-7/4, 5 days
<b>Fines:</b>	Race	1,2,7	<b>J Lowry STREET FIGHTIN MAN, AVITUS, KAARERAWAY</b> Unable to make contract weight [Rule 330(3)(c)] \$350
		4	<b>K Kwo MAXIE TAP</b> Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)] \$500
<b>Warnings:</b>	Race	9	<b>K Mudhoo SACRED GIANT</b> Shifting ground 1250 metres
		9	<b>K Mudhoo SACRED GIANT</b> Excessive use of whip [Rule 638(3)(g)(i)]
<b>Protests:</b>	Race	5	<b>EPTIMUM 4<sup>th</sup> vs KING COUGAR 3<sup>rd</sup></b> Dismissed
<b>Request for Ruling:</b>	Race	8	<b>THE GIFT</b> Declared non-runner [Rule 632(1)] Denied a fair start
<b>Horse Actions:</b>	Race	2	<b>SHOW ME CHAMPAGNE</b> Warned barrier manners
		2	<b>VENTURESOME</b> Warned barrier manners
<b>Follow Up:</b>	Nil		
<b>Rider Changes:</b>	Race	1	<b>STREET FIGHTIN MAN</b> - K Mudhoo replaced J Lowry (Overweight)
		2	<b>AVITUS</b> - K Mudhoo replaced J Lowry
		5	<b>I AM A ROCK</b> - R Hannam replaced L Callaway (Unwell)
		6	<b>RIVIERA ROCK</b> - K Mudhoo replaced L Callaway
		7	<b>KAARERAWAY</b> - W Pinn replaced J Lowry
		7	<b>OCEANS AWAY</b> - K Kwo replaced L Callaway
		9	<b>SAIGON HOT NIGHT</b> - D Montes de Oca replaced L Callaway
<b>Late Scratchings:</b>	Race	2	<b>SHOW ME CHAMPAGNE</b> 1.19pm Refusing to load
<b>Medical Certificates:</b>	Required for <b>L Callaway</b>		
<b>Swabbing:</b>	SO NATURAL, BUOYANT, DEFIANT, FIREGLOW, TOBILICIOUS, EL GLADIADOR, SECOND THOUGHT, IRISH GIRL, ZOULUMINOUS, ITS ALL OVER ROVER		

### GENERAL

**J Lowry** was unable to make the contract weight for Races 1, 2 and 7 and was replaced as per schedule above. J Lowry subsequently admitted a breach of Rule 330(3)(c) with the Adjudicator imposing a fine of \$350.

## SUPPLEMENTARY

**Ashburton Racing Club - Thursday, 17 March 2022**

**Race 6 - BETTY WADLEY MEMORIAL 2200m**

**RED RUFUS** (L Allpress) – Trainer Mrs L Prendergast advised Stewards she was satisfied with the post-race condition of RED RUFUS and it is her intention to continue on with the gelding's current preparation.

## RACE COMMENTS

**Race 1 RICCARTON PARK FUNCTION CENTRE 1200m**

**HE'S THE MAN** (K Asano) - Began awkwardly. When questioned, rider advised that the gelding had been outpaced in the run home and had been disappointing.

**WILD ROVER** (K Chowdhury) - Slow to begin.

**VINO BELLA** (T Moseley) - Slow to begin.

**GOLDEN HARVEST** (W Pinn) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground. Held up in the run home having to change ground near the 250 metres to find clear racing room.

**AMBERECHO** (A Mudhoo) - Inclined to lay in throughout the run home.

**W Pinn** (GOLDEN HARVEST) - Following the race W Pinn was examined by St John Paramedics and cleared to fulfil his remaining riding engagements after being dislodged after the finish line when the gelding shied and shifted ground abruptly.

**Race 2 PAT REARDON FAMILY 1200m**

The start was delayed due to several runners proving difficult to load.

**VENTURESOME** (R Hannam) - Underwent a pre-race veterinary inspection and cleared fit to race after escaping through the front of the barriers and being quickly recaptured. The filly then had to be resaddled with a replacement breast plate. Connections were advised that the filly was under a barrier manners warning. Began awkwardly losing ground.

**SHOW ME CHAMPAGNE** (K Chowdhury) - Late scratched at 1.19pm after refusing to load. After taking evidence from the Starter, Rider, and Steward positioned at the start, the connections were advised that SHOW ME CHAMPAGNE would be placed on a barrier manners warning, with the requirement that the filly be loaded first in upcoming starts.

**JUSTANACE** (K Asano) - Slow to begin.

**GALLERY GIRL** (A Mudhoo) - Slow to begin.

**AVITUS** (K Mudhoo) - Over raced in the early to middle stages, with the rider reporting this had been detrimental to the gelding's chances today. Became awkwardly placed on heels near the 175 metres and when being straightened over-reacted and shifted in abruptly.

**ROCASTANO** (W Pinn) - Raced wide for the majority of the race.

**BUOYANT** (R Mudhoo) - When asked to comment on the apparent improved performance, trainer advised that the gelding had been racing without luck and that a forward showing today was not unexpected.

**POSTCODE ENVY** (T Moseley) - Rider could offer no tangible excuse for the disappointing performance.

**L Callaway** advised Stewards he was feeling unwell and was stood down from his remaining rides. Replacements were made as per Schedule above. L Callaway was advised he will require a medical clearance prior to riding next.

<b>Race 3</b>	<b>PETERSENS JEWELLERS LADIES BRACELET 1000m</b>
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There was a delay to the start of this race when several runners proved reluctant to load and with other runners being fractious in the barriers.

**POW TONG** (G Jogoo) - Began awkwardly losing ground. Raced greenly across the junction and near the 600 metres became awkward in its stride momentarily losing some momentum.

**REDMOND** (T Comignaghi) - Slow to begin. Became awkwardly placed on heels having to be steadied shortly after the start.

**KIKIMORA** (K Chowdhury) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**CRYSTALCLEAR** (K Kwo) - Contacted at the start losing ground.

**DEFIANT** (R Mudhoo) - Began awkwardly making contact with CRYSTALCLEAR.

**CLARK KENT** (T Moseley) - Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Placed in restricted room having to be steadied when becoming awkwardly placed on heels passing the 800 metres.

**HAVARTI** (R Hannam) - Placed in restricted room as the field negotiated the crossing having to be steadied, and near the 650 metres contacted the running rail going off stride and losing momentum when racing tight to the inside of CLARK KENT which was racing greenly and when being steadied lay in and shifted away to avoid the heels of KINDRED SPIRIT (W Pinn) which shifted in when marginally clear. W Pinn was advised to exercise greater care and give runners to his inside more room.

<b>Race 4</b>	<b>SELWYN RAKAIA VET SERVICES 1400m</b>
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**VICTOR ROUGE** (R Mudhoo) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground. Commenced to over race getting its head up on a number of occasions throughout the early and middle stages and raced three wide without cover for the majority of the race.

**PALMETTO** (J Lowry) - Began awkwardly.

**DORINGO** (K Chowdhury) - Slow to begin.

**JUST MAYBE** (K Asano) - Raced in restricted room having to be steadied shortly after the start.

**FIREGLOW** (W Pinn) - Raced keenly in the early and middle stages. Improved onto heels having to be steadied approaching the 1000 metres. Held up entering the final straight having to shift out to obtain clear running approaching the 200 metres.

**SAVVY BOY** (T Comignaghi) - Lay out under pressure passing the 100 metres.

**K Kwo** (MAXIE TAP) - Admitted a charge in that he struck his mount MAXIE TAP 6 times prior to the 100 metre mark. After considering submissions the Adjudicator imposed a fine of \$500.

Race 5	<b>JOHNNY FRESH DARFIELD &amp; YALDHURST OPEN SPRINT 1400m</b>
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**ROCK SENSATION** (D Montes de Oca) - Slow to begin. Steadied when placed in restricted room passing the 1100 metres when SERIOUSLY which was over racing was taken inwards by CARSON RIVER (K Chowdhury). K Chowdhury was advised to exercise greater care and leave more room for runners to his inside.

**SERIOUSLY** (T Moseley) - Slow to begin. Over raced in the early stages and jostled with CARSON RIVER for a distance passing the 1200 metres.

**TOBILICIOUS** (K Asano) - Restrained behind runners to obtain cover shortly after the start.

**KING COUGAR** (A Mudhoo) - Lay out in the final straight inconveniencing EPTIMUM (K Mudhoo) which had to shift in passing the 200 metres. A Mudhoo was advised to exercise greater care and that he must straighten his mount sooner than he had on this occasion.

Following the running of the race the trainer of the fourth placed horse EPTIMUM, Mr J Blackadder, lodged a protest with the Adjudicator alleging interference in the final straight by the third placed horse KING COUGAR. After considering submissions the Adjudicator dismissed the protest with the placings standing 1<sup>st</sup> TOBILICIOUS, 2<sup>nd</sup> HARBOURSIDE, 3<sup>rd</sup> KING COUGAR, 4<sup>th</sup> EPTIMUM.

Race 6	<b>SEATON FAMILY MEMORIAL HORORARA GOLD CUP 1800m</b>
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**SUMMER FESTIVAL** (K Chowdhury) - Fractious in its barrier prior to the start. Raced keenly for a distance passing the 1100 metres having to be steadied off heels. A post-race veterinary inspection revealed blood coming from a small laceration in the left nostril consistent with SUMMER FESTIVAL having sustained an injury in the barrier.

**FRANKIE THE FOX** (R Mudhoo) - Slow to begin.

**RAINMAN** (G Jogoo) - Slow to begin.

**ARE YOU CEREAL** (T Comignaghi) - Raced three wide without cover passing the 1000 metres.

**ORIGINAL GANGSTER** (B Grylls) - Held up rounding the bend near the 700 metres and briefly placed in restricted room having to steady near the 450 metres when BULLY BOY (B Murray) shifted out looking for clear running. B Murray was advised to exercise greater care. Had to change ground inwards passing the 300 metres to find clear racing room.

**BULLY BOY** (B Murray) - Held up rounding the final bend and early in the run home gaining clear racing passing the 300 metres.

**DUNHILL** (K Asano) - Held up passing the 300 metres when awkwardly placed on heels and had to shift ground inwards to find clear racing room.

Race 7	<b>COCHRANES FARM MACHINERY 2000m</b>
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The start was delayed due to three runners being loaded into incorrect barrier stalls, with the Starter being reprimanded by Stewards.

**AQUATTACK** (T Comignaghi) - Slow to begin. Briefly held up early in the run home.

**POLAR NIGHT** (A Mudhoo) - Began awkwardly. When asked to comment on performance the rider was of the opinion the mare was not entirely comfortable with today's track conditions.

**SITARIST** (R Hannam) - Slow to begin.

**OCEANS AWAY** (K Kwo) - Slow to begin.

**VOLVIK** (T Moseley) - Raced three wide without cover in the early stages then improved forward to sit outside the leader near the 1400 metres.

**COLOSSAL** (G Jogoo) – When asked to comment on today's performance, rider advised that the gelding would benefit from today's race after not having started for three weeks.

Race 8	<b>VALACHI DOWNS S.I. T'BRED BREEDERS STAKES (G3) 1600m</b>
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**R Dennis** (THE GIFT) - Stewards accepted the explanation given by trainer R Dennis on this occasion in relation to the late declaration of rider.

**PULLYOURSOCKSUP** (K Chowdhury) – Began awkwardly losing ground. Over raced in the early stages getting its head up due to the lack of tempo.

**ASATHOUGHT** (C Campbell) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**FETTERCAIRN** (B Murray) - Slow to begin.

**BENEFICIAL** (T Comignaghi) - Crowded at the start. Over raced in the early stages getting its head up due to the lack of tempo and passing the 1000 metres had to be shifted outwards when awkwardly placed on heels making firm contact with MADAM SEQUOIA which was shifted wider for a short distance. Continued to race keenly through the middle stages.

**SAVEZAR** (K Mudhoo) - Crowded at the start losing ground. Crowded and checked passing the 250 metres.

**IRISH GIRL** (T Moseley) - Shifted out at the start crowding outside runners.

**MADAM SEQUOIA** (T Jonker) – Bumped and forced wider for a short distance passing the 1000 metres.

**THE GIFT** (A Mudhoo) - Fractious in its barrier prior to the start and was very slow to begin. Over raced in the early stages getting its head up due to the lack of tempo. Following the race Stewards requested a ruling as to whether THE GIFT was denied a fair start when a starter's assistant still had hold of the horse for some time after the gates were opened. After viewing Stewards' films and hearing from all parties, the Adjudicator ruled THE GIFT to be a non-runner.

**B Murray** (FETTERCAIRN) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he angled his mount FETTERCAIRN outwards passing the 250 metres when not clear of SAVEZAR which was checked. After considering submissions the Adjudicator imposed a suspension of B Murray's licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on 26 March until the conclusion of racing on 7 April, 5 national riding days.

Race 9	<b>SVS VETERINARY SUPPLIES 1600m</b>
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**PROSERVE** (T Comignaghi) - Slow to begin. When asked to comment on the performance of this favoured runner rider could offer no tangible excuse.

**FINAL SAVINGS** (R Hannam) - Began awkwardly then crowded shortly after the start losing ground.

**ITS ALL OVER ROVER** (K Chowdhury) - Slow to begin.

**TANTALEE** (R Mudhoo) - Began awkwardly shifting in crowding inside runner.

**HARLEEN QUINZEL** (G Jogoo) - Improved quickly onto the heels of MEGALOMANIAC passing the 1200 metres and had to be severely restrained.

**COUNTRY BOY** (C Campbell) - Travelled three wide without cover throughout. Steadied to avoid the heels of SACRED GIANT (K Mudhoo) passing the 1250 metres when that runner shifted in when not fully clear. Asked to comment on the performance of this favoured runner, rider advised he had been trapped wide throughout which had been detrimental to the gelding's chances.

**VARDON ROAD** (B Murray) - Raced wide without cover throughout.

**MEGALOMANIAC** (S Toolooa) - Over raced in the early to middle stages. Held up for the majority of the final straight and unable to obtain clear running, with the gelding being unable to be ridden out fully to the end of the race and going to the line untested.

**K Mudhoo** (SACRED GIANT) - Issued with a warning after allowing his mount to shift inwards passing the 1250 metres when not fully clear of COUNTRY BOY which had to be steadied.

**K Mudhoo** (SACRED GIANT) - Issued with a warning after he struck his mount SACRED GIANT 6 times prior to the 100 metre mark with Stewards taking into account K Mudhoo's clear recent record with regard to any breach of a whip rule.

*Stipendiary Stewards report as posted is provisional and subject to further review and amendment*