

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS

Club: Otago Racing Club at Wingatui

Date: Sunday, 02 July 2023
Weather: Showery/Sleeting

Track: Heavy 10 Rail: True

Stewards: M Davidson (Chair), R Haley, V Munro

Vet: P Gillespie BVSc

Op Support: B Gutsell

SUMMARY

Suspensions: Nil
Fines: Nil
Warnings: Nil
Protests: Nil
Request for Ruling: Nil

Horse Actions: Race 2 SYMPATHIQUE

Cardiac arrhythmia. Veterinary clearance required.

Follow Up:

Rider Changes: Nil

Late Scratchings: Medical Certificates:

Swabbing: HALLELUJAH BROTHER, ATOMIC, BLEAKHOUSE BURTIE, PLEASURENPAIN, TWILIGHT GEM,

GENERAL

Stewards spoke with trainer K Tyler in relation to the scratching of 3 of his runners in Race 4 today leaving a field of only 4 runners. Mr Tyler explained that **PRINCE ALBY** had been injured during the week and he had supplied NZTR with a veterinary certificate. **DIVOVSKI** was entered for 2 races and was indeed starting in the other race and **CLASSIC DIVA** was scratched due to the anticipated extremely heavy track conditions particularly with a better stakes race coming up next Thursday. Stewards noted Mr Tyler's comments.

SUPPLEMENTARY

Nothing to report

RACE COMMENTS

Race 1 GRAND CASINO 2200m

PICKENS (K Williams) - Shifted out abruptly at the start crowding outside runner.

HALLELUJAH BROTHER (K Kwo) - Crowded at the start losing some ground. Got its head up when over-racing in the early stages and being restrained off heels. When asked to comment on the improved performance trainer A Hoffman advised that the gelding had gone well in its previous start and found track conditions to its liking today.

PINHEAD (S Khetoo) - Slow through the early stages. Raced wide from the 1200 metres. Lost the off front racing plate during the running.

Race 2 PROPERTY BROKERS 1200m

UPHOLD (K Rathoar) - Began awkwardly losing some ground.

SYMPATHIQUE (S Khetoo) - Slow to begin and tailed the field throughout finishing a distant last. Rider reported that the mare had not handled today's extremely heavy track conditions. A post-race veterinary examination revealed SYMPATHIQUE to have suffered cardiac arrhythmia. Trainer L Stewart was advised that SYMPATHIQUE will not be permitted to start in any race or trial until a veterinary certificate is supplied declaring the horse free of any cardiac arrhythmia following a gallop of at least 1000 metres.

LIPA MALA (T Comignaghi) - Over-raced in the early stages.

NOBELLEM (S Muniandy) - Rider reported the mare had not handled today's very testing heavy track conditions.

Race 3 NELLIES RESTAURANT & BAR MAIDEN 1200m

NELLIE GREY (K Mudhoo) - Slow to begin. Tailed the field for the majority of the event.

SHEJENGAR (D Montes de Oca) - Raced in restricted room racing into the bend by the 900 metres when THATS CHARMING lay inwards at this point. Inclined to shift ground throughout the run home. Lost the off hind racing plate during the running.

THATS CHARMING (S Khetoo) - Rider reported the gelding had not handled today's track conditions.

ECCELLENZA (T Jonker) - Rider reported that in her opinion the filly was not suited to leading and had not handled today's track conditions.

BLEAKHOUSE BURTIE (G Jogoo) - Lost the off fore racing plate during the running.

Race 4 DUNEDIN CITY MOTORS 1600m

PLEASURENPAIN (B May) - Briefly held up passing the 400 metres.

Stewards spoke to riders following this race in regard to the prevailing weather conditions when Race 4 was conducted while sleet was falling, with all riders advising they were happy for the race meeting to continue but the weather conditions be monitored race by race.

Race 5 BAILEY KENNEDY @ EDINBURGH REALTY MAIDEN 1600m

CHOICE MOMENT (A Balloo) - Slow to begin.

NIPPY THE HIPPY (Y Atchamah) - Taken back from a wide draw to obtain cover at the start. Held up rounding the final bend and early in the run home.

REINEDELARIVIERE (D Montes de Oca) - Not persevered with in the run home when well beaten. When asked to comment on the performance rider advised the mare had struggled in today's very testing track conditions.

FAH LUN (B Murray) - Under pressure passing the 800 metres and was not persevered with in the final straight when well beaten with the rider reporting the gelding had never travelled well at any stage in the very testing track conditions.

SO GRACEFUL (T Moseley) - When asked to comment on the performance rider advised the mare had struggled in today's very testing track conditions.

SACHIN (C Campbell) - Lost the near fore racing plate during the running.

Following this race Stewards convened a meeting with all riders who would ride in Race 6 regarding the deteriorating weather conditions with the riders unanimous that the race be run as scheduled.

As the weather further deteriorated with heavy snow falling prior to the start of Race 6 Stewards abandoned the remainder of the meeting on safety grounds due to the very poor visibility.

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