



# STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

## MEETING DETAILS

**Club:** Southland Racing Club at Ascot Park  
**Date:** Thursday, 8 February 2024  
**Weather:** Showery / Fine / Windy  
**Track:** Heavy 9  
**Rail:** Out 3 metres  
**Stewards:** R Haley (Chair), M Davidson, V Munro  
**Vet:** A Wezenbeek BVSc  
**Op Support:** B Gutsell

## SUMMARY

**Suspensions:** Nil  
**Fines:** Nil  
**Warnings:** Nil  
**Protests:** Nil  
**Request for Ruling:** Nil  
**Horse Actions:** Race 1 **MRS LAWRENCE**  
Must barrier trial  
Race 4 **MIDNIGHT BELLE**  
Must barrier trial  
**Follow Up:** Race 3 **LIPA MALA**  
**Rider Changes:** Race 1 **TWILIGHT GEM**  
T Moseley replaced D Wilson (unwell)  
Race 3 **BLEAKHOUSE BURTIE**  
R Muniandy replaced D Wilson  
Race 5 **YOU HAVE SEEN**  
D Bothamley replaced D Wilson  
Race 6 **JUST A BROWN HORSE**  
G Jogoo replaced D Wilson  
**Late Scratchings:** Race 2 **AGLOW**  
At 1.43pm on Veterinary advice (at barriers)  
Race 4 **IN VOGUE**  
At 2.34pm by order of Stewards  
**Medical Certificates:** Required for **D Wilson**  
**Swabbing:** THE LAST THYME, QUICK TAP, ATAAHUA PIPEDREAM, THE ROYAL DIVA, LA OPCION, THE RED KRACKEN, JIMMY FIVE.

## GENERAL

Apprentice Danika Wilson advised Stewards the day before the races she was unwell and would be unable to attend today's meeting. Miss Wilson was replaced on her rides as per the Schedule above and advised she must provide a medical clearance prior to riding next.

Stewards requested the TAB to reschedule the last two races on today's card due to the compact spacing of the initial times being unsuitable. The times were adjusted as below:

Race 6 to 3.58pm.

Race 7 to 4.28pm.

**SUPPLEMENTARY****Otago Racing Club 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 – Race 6 NELLIES RESTAURANT & BAR 2200 Metres**

**WILLIAM JOHN** (B May) – Trainer S Faulkner advised Stewards that after the disappointing performance WILLIAM JOHN had been scoped on return to the home stable with a viral infection being detected. This has been treated accordingly and the gelding has now been sent for a spell.

**RACE COMMENTS****Race 1** | **HEINEKEN HANDICAP (2215m)**

**MRS LAWRENCE** (C Campbell) - Refused to leave the barriers as the start was effected losing all chance. Connections were advised the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next.

**TAKE THE DEEL** (G Jogoo) - Slow to begin. Held up near the 100 metres and when shifting ground near the 50 metres made contact with **ON THE RIVET**.

**ON THE RIVET** (L Callaway) - Contacted near the 50 metres.

**MISS INTERPRET** (T Jonker) - When questioned regarding the performance of favoured runner the rider was unable to offer any excuse.

**Race 2** | **McCALLUMS GROUP MAIDEN (1200m)**

**AGLOW** (T Moseley) - Declared a late scratching at 1.43pm on Veterinary advice around at the start after being observed to have blood present in one nostril. A subsequent Veterinary examination revealed the mare to have an abrasion inside the nostril consistent with having banged its head on the float.

**BONSAI BOB** (C Campbell) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

**CHEQUERED** (T Moodley) - Slow to begin.

**QUICK TAP** (R Muniandy) - Held up rounding the final bend and early in the run home, gaining clear racing room passing the 200 metres then had to be steadied of heels near the 100 metres and shifted outwards to find clear racing room.

**ELUSIVE ANNIE** (B Rogerson) - Raced three wide without cover in the early stages. When questioned the rider could offer no tangible excuse for the disappointing performance.

**CAFFEINATED** (R Mudhoo) - Held up rounding the final bend.

**OUCH** (T Comignaghi) - Shifted in abruptly near the 125 metres when struck with the whip.

**Race 3** | **SOUTHLAND HONDA HANDICAP (1200m)**

**BLEAKHOUSE BURTIE** (R Muniandy) - Slow to begin.

**ARCEUS** (T Moseley) - Slow to begin.

**LIPA MALA** (B Rogerson) - Raced three wide without cover for the majority of the event. Under pressure rounding the final bend eventually finishing in a distant last placing. A post-race Veterinary examination revealed the mare to have a slow recovery. Stewards will follow up with connections in the coming days.

**ATAAHUA PIPE DREAM** (A Balloo) - Shifted ground inwards over the concluding stages.

**MISS OTIS REGRETS** (T Moodley) - When questioned regarding the performance trainer S McKay advised she was disappointed and could offer no tangible excuse.

**Race 4** | **ENTAIN – NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES RACE MAIDEN (1400m)**

**IN VOGUE** (K Williams) - Declared a late scratching at 2.34pm by order of Stewards after it was discovered the bar plates fitted to the front hooves of the mare had shifted and could not be refitted in time.

**MIDNIGHT BELLE** (R Muniandy) - Began awkwardly then commenced to buck losing its chance. Connections were advised the mare must barrier trial to the satisfaction of Stewards prior to racing next.

**BRICKIE'S MOJO** (D Montes de Oca) - Crowded and had to steady when improving into a narrow run near the 350 metres which closed when LUCKS IN (T Moodley) which was giving ground, shifted inwards under pressure. T Moodley was advised to exercise greater care and keep his mounts straighter than he had on this occasion.

**LUCKS IN** (T Moodley) - Trainer S McKay reported the mare had suffered a near fore tendon injury during the running and would now be retired as a racing proposition from her stable.

**Race 5** | **ILT CENTREPOINT & SOUTHCITY LIQUORLAND HANDICAP (1400m)**

**ABLE WHITE** (T Jonker) - Slow to begin.

**RUBY ROYALE** (T Moseley) - Slow to begin.

**ANAFTERNOONDELIGHT** (G Jogoo) - Slow to begin then ridden forward with urgency to be handy. Over-raced in the early stages and got its head up on a number of occasions near the 900 metres when being steadied to take a trailing position. Continued to race keenly through the middle stages.

**BELLE DE VAL** (A Balloo) - Raced wide in the early stages.

**LA OPCION** (T Comignaghi) - Raced three wide without cover from the 900 metres.

**THE MOTIVATOR** (K Kwo) - Over-raced through the middle stages having to be steadied off heels near the 700 metres.

**YOU HAVE SEEN** (D Bothamley) - Lay out rounding the final bend causing the rider some difficulty. When questioned regarding the performance the rider advised that the gelding had been taken on during the running while leading and had hung badly on the final bend which had led to a disappointing performance.

**Race 6** | **MARQUEE & PARTY HIRE MAIDEN (1600m)**

**MABEL** (T Moseley) - Slow to begin.

**NASHA EMPIRE** (B Rogerson) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early to middle stages.

**THE RED KRACKEN** (K Kwo) - Slow to begin. Held up early in the run home and when shifting ground outwards near the 150 metres made brief contact with GENTLE BEN.

**GENTLE BEN** (D Bothamley) - Slow to begin. Contacted near the 150 metres.

**AUSPICIOUSOCCASION** (R Mudhoo) - Slow to begin. Held up near the 50 metres having to be steadied.

**THE ROYAL JESTER** (B Murray) - Raced greenly passing the 1100 metres and shifted out briefly hampering NORTOLOSE.

**NORTOLOSE** (A Balloo) - Briefly hampered near the 1100 metres.

**STU DARCI** (T Comignaghi) - Raced wide without cover from the 1000 metres. When questioned regarding the performance the rider could offer no tangible excuse.

Following the race **D Bothamley**, the rider of the 2<sup>nd</sup> placed GENTLE BEN, viewed replays of the incident passing the 150 metres before deciding not to proceed with a protest against 1<sup>st</sup> placing being awarded to THE RED KRACKEN.

**Race 7**

**SRC GOLD CUP DAY FEBRUARY 17 (1600m)**

**DIAMOND RIVIERE** (T Comignaghi) - Slow to begin.

**JIMMY FIVE** (T Moseley) - Slow to begin. Steadied when improving on to heels racing into the first bend near the 1300 metres. Held up passing the 150 metres having to shift ground inwards. Rider reported the gelding had over-raced at various stages.

**JUST MAYBE** (K Williams) - Taken back shortly after the start to obtain cover.

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