



STIPENDIARY STEWARDS REPORT

MEETING DETAILS		
Club:	Canterbury Jockey Club at Riccarton Park	
Date:	Saturday, 26 September 2026	
Weather:	Fine	
Track:	Soft 5, upgraded to Good 4 following Race 3	
Rail:	Out 7 metres to 1000 metres, then 10 metres to winning post	
Stewards:	M Davidson (Chair), V Fisher, J Laking, S Renault	
Vet:	A Corser BVSc, D Williamson BVSc	

SUMMARY		
Suspensions:	Race 2	R Mudhoo CORONADA Careless riding 150 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 5/10-11/10, 4 days
	5	S Mxothwa PRIVATE TREATY Failing to ride out fully to the finish [Rule 636(1)(d)] Suspended 5/10-18/10, 2 weeks
	7	A Lawson-Carroll SHAWSHANK Careless riding 1200 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)] Suspended 4/10-10/10, 4 days
Fines:	Race 8	M & M Pitman AIRPARK HUSTLER Presenting runner without notified gear (Blinkers) [Rule 616(4)] \$150
Warnings:	Race 1	S Mxothwa STARVINOS Shifting ground 1000 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
	6	M Hudson UNLEASH THE BEAST Shifting ground 1000 metres [Rule 638(1)(d)]
Protests:	Nil	
Request for Ruling:	Race 9	GRAFFITI ARTIST Declared a non-runner [Rule 632(1)]
	9	ROYAL ASSENT Declared a runner [Rule 632(1)]
Horse Actions:	Race 2	CAMP FORTE Required to barrier trial
	8	ENTERPRISE Veterinary certificate required
	9	HOLD'EM RANSOM Required to barrier trial
Follow Up:	Race 8	DREAM OF THE MOON
	8	ENTERPRISE
Rider Changes:	Nil	
Late Scratchings:	Race 2	CAMP FORTE 12:51pm Refusing to load
	8	ENTERPRISE 1:19pm Veterinary advice
Medical Certificates:	Nil	

Swabbing:	SHEZA PROFESSIONAL, NAMELESS, CORONADA, DULCE CABALLO, HAKKINEN, PERSONA, DIORESSENCE, SHAKING STEVENS, MYSTIC PARK, HASSTOBEFAST, FINAL TIME
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GENERAL
Nothing to report

SUPPLEMENTARY
South Canterbury Racing Club at Phar Lap Raceway, Timaru - Wednesday 23 September 2026 Race 7 - CONGRATULATIONS LEN & LACY 1200m INTERLAKEN (L Allpress) - Trainer Mr A Carston advised Stewards he was satisfied with the post-race condition of the gelding and it is his intention to carry on with INTERLAKEN'S current preparation.

RACE COMMENTS
Race 1 HAWKE'S BAY RACING E.C CHALLENGE QUALIFIER MDN 1400m
STELLENBOSCH (R Khan) - Began awkwardly losing ground. RUFUS (B Murray) - Blundered leaving the gates losing ground as a result. COCOMORA (J Taplin) - Jumped away awkwardly making contact with COOL AS BLING and losing ground as a result. Got its head up when over racing in the early stages and then raced in restricted room having to steady near the 1000 metres when crowded by QUERIDA which when racing greenly shifted away from STARVINOS which shifted ground slightly at this point. COOL AS BLING (T Wigram) - Contacted at the start. NAMELESS (T Moseley) - Blundered leaving the gates losing ground as a result. Held up near the 300 metres having to change ground inwards, continuing to be held up until near the 125 metres. ELEVATE (C Campbell) - Slow to begin. Rider dropped his whip near the 500 metres. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination after returning to the enclosure with blood present in its mouth which revealed a burst boil in the mouth area. HADLOW (O Najib) - Slow to begin. COOL CAT (L Douglas) - Slow to begin. KNIGHT GURU (Y Atchamah) - Over raced in the early stages and near the 1100 metres had to be steadied away from heels, and again shortly after when in restricted room as the field made the bend near the 1000 metres. QUERIDA (A Balloo) - Raced keenly in the early stages and near the 1000 metres shifted in and away from STARVINOS crowding an inside runner. BELLISH BOY (K Wilson-Taylor) - Raced three wide without cover throughout. THE PEONY XPRESS (B Grylls) - Raced four wide without cover throughout.

S Mxothwa (STARVINOS) - Issued with a warning when allowing his mount STARVINOS to shift inwards near the 1000 metres resulting in QUERIDA shifting in and crowding COCOMORA. In assessing this matter Stewards took into account the racing manners of all three runners.	
Race 2	NOBBY BUSSELL MEMORIAL 2YO MDN 800m
CAMP FORTE (H Hassman) - Declared a late scratching at 12:51pm after refusing to load. The start was then further delayed due to CAMP FORTE coming loose from the Clerk of the Course before being recaptured. Connections were advised that CAMP FORTE is now required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward prior to racing next. LITTLE WEAPON (L Hemi) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground when runners to either side shifted ground. BEYOND LIMITS (B Murray) - Crowded and checked near the 150 metres when CORONADA shifted inwards. VAN MAISON (T Moodley) - When asked to comment on performance, rider advised in his opinion the gelding was looking for tracks with more moisture in them. R Mudhoo (CORONADA) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted his mount CORONADA to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of BEYOND LIMITS which was crowded and checked near the 150 metres. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Sunday 4 October until the conclusion of racing on Sunday 11 October, 4 national riding days.	
Race 3	THE PAVILION AT RICCARTON PARK 3YO 1200m
OMEGA SPRINT (T Moodley) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early and middle stages. HEAVENLY ROSE (A Parris) - Dropped its head as the start was effected and jumped away awkwardly losing ground as a result. MISS TWINKLE (M Hudson) - Began awkwardly losing ground. DULCE CABALLO (K Bakker) - Briefly steadied near the 150 metres when ZAFAR lay outwards before being straightened by its rider. ENCHANTMENT (H Hassman) - When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that the filly had hung throughout and been disappointing. Following the running of this race the track was upgraded to Good 4.	
Race 4	SPEIGHT'S SUMMIT ULTRA ON TAP RATING 75 1600m
IKIDUNOT (T Moodley) - Jumped away awkwardly making contact with SUPER ROSA. SUPER ROSA (J Taplin) - Contacted shortly after the start. DELMONICO (S Mxothwa) - Stood flat footed as the start was effected losing ground (3L). POWEROFPERSUASION (L Hemi) - Briefly steadied near the 1200 metres when ELEGANT EXPLOSIVE (A Parris) shifted inwards. A Parris was advised to exercise greater care.	

ELEGANT EXPLOSIVE (A Parris) - Raced ungenerously passing the 1000 metres and made contact with the running rail causing its rider some difficulty.

S Mxothwa (DELMONICO) - Shown a replay of his ride for educational purposes, particularly when steadying through the middle stages and attempting to improve into a marginal run over the concluding stages.

Race 5	PLOUGH HOTEL RATING 65 2000m
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WINTER BLAZE (B May) - Crowded shortly after the start losing ground.

ILLUSIONIST (L Douglas) - Began awkwardly losing ground.

EL ULTIMO (R Mudhoo) - Got its head up when racing keenly in the early stages.

DEVIL IN DISGUISE (K Bakker) - Raced three wide without cover throughout. When tiring was crowded when PRIVATE TREATY (S Mxothwa) shifted ground under pressure. S Mxothwa was advised to exercise greater care.

ROLLINS (Y Atchamah) - Got its head up when making the bend near the 1000 metres awkwardly.

I DUNNET (J Taplin) - Held up early in the run home.

TETBURY (A Balloo) - Held up in the run home until passing the 200 metres.

MINESHAFT (H Hassman) - Rider advised that MINESHAFT had had a nice run throughout however when placed under pressure had been disappointing, adding the gelding may have been feeling the firm nature of today's track conditions.

S Mxothwa (PRIVATE TREATY) - Admitted a charge in that he failed to ride his mount out fully to the end of the race when relaxing his ride over the concluding stages when he had a reasonable chance of finishing in a better position. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee suspended his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Sunday 4 October until the conclusion of racing on Sunday 18 October, 2 weeks.

Race 6	WAIMAKARIRI BUSINESSES NORTH CANTERBURY CUP 2000m
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UNLEASH THE BEAST (M Hudson) - Slow to begin and then ridden forward to sit outside the leader near the 1100 metres. Rider advised that the gelding may not have handled the step up in class today.

CANHEROC (A Lawson-Carroll) - Slow to begin.

OCEAN LIGHT (B Grylls) - Slow to begin then ridden with urgency to recover. Raced keenly through the early and middle stages and three wide from the 800 metres.

LOMBARDI (L Hemi) - Raced three wide without cover through the middle stages.

NOBLE KNIGHT (Y Atchamah) - Briefly held up early in the run home.

COURT OF APPEAL (K Wilson-Taylor) - Held up early in the run home and had to shift ground inwards near the 200 metres to find clear racing room.

RIVIERA REBEL (J Taplin) - When questioned regarding performance, rider advised that the gelding had been taken on mid race when leading and also was looking for tracks with more moisture in them.

M Hudson (UNLEASH THE BEAST) - Issued with a warning for shifting in near the 1000 metres when not fully clear of OCEAN LIGHT which had to steady.

Race 7	TAB MILE PRELUDE HCP 1400m
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ATULLIBIGEAL (M Hudson) - Blundered badly leaving the barriers losing ground. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which did not reveal any obvious abnormality.

MATSCOT (B Grylls) - Slow to begin losing ground.

STONYBRECK (H Hassman) - Slow to begin. Dictated outwards when MYSTIC PARK (J Taplin) shifted ground passing the 200 metres. J Taplin was advised to exercise greater care.

SIR ALBERT (B Murray) - Slow to begin.

DREAM OF THE MOON (K Wilson-Taylor) - Shifted outwards shortly after the start contacting SHOW PONY. When questioned regarding performance, rider reported in his opinion the mare was looking for tracks with more moisture in them. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a slow rate of recovery. Stewards will follow up in coming days.

SHOW PONY (K Bakker) - Contacted and crowded shortly after the start losing ground.

MYSTIC PARK (J Taplin) - Crowded and had to check near the 1200 metres. Held up early in the run home and continued to have trouble finding clear running until approaching the 200 metres.

QUINTABELLE (T Wigram) - Dictated outwards when MYSTIC PARK (J Taplin) shifted ground passing the 200 metres. J Taplin was advised to exercise greater care.

A Lawson-Carroll (SHAWSHANK) - Admitted a charge of careless riding in that he permitted his mount SHAWSHANK to shift inwards when not sufficiently clear of MYSTIC PARK which was crowded and checked near the 1200 metres. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a suspension of his licence to ride in races from the conclusion of racing on Saturday 3 October until the conclusion of racing on Saturday 10 October, 4 national riding days.

Race 8	THE SEFTON RATING 75 1200m
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ENTERPRISE (J Taplin) - Declared a late scratching at 1:19pm on Veterinary advice due to swelling to the right front fetlock which was treated and bandaged. Connections were advised a veterinary certificate is required prior to racing again. Stewards will follow up in coming days.

Co-trainers **M & M Pitman** (AIRPARK HUSTLER) - Admitted a charge for presenting runner without notified blinkers. After considering submissions the Adjudicative Committee imposed a fine of \$150.

The start was delayed approximately 6 minutes due to the bridle and head gear on PURE ARTIST becoming loose and requiring adjustment. Also contributing to the delay was EYE SPY requiring a tongue tie to be reapplied.

PURE ARTIST (A Lawson-Carroll) - Slow to begin. Raced keenly through the early and middle stages.

MOTIONTIME (O Najib) - Slow to begin.

AIRPARK HUSTLER (L Douglas) - Crowded at the start losing ground. Held up early in the run home and had to shift ground passing the 300 metres to find clear racing room.

THE BIG PICTURE (K Kwo) - Over raced in the early stages getting its head up when being restrained away from heels and continued to over race in the middle stages.

EYE SPY (L Hemi) - Shifted outwards at the start crowding AIRPARK HUSTLER.

NUNCIO (C Campbell) - Got its head up in the early stages when over racing.

MI BELLA (T Wigram) - Held up rounding the final bend. Steadied near the 300 metres to avoid the heels of AIRPARK HUSTLER.

L Douglas (AIRPARK HUSTLER) - Issued with a warning for allowing his mount to shift outwards near the 300 metres resulting in MI BELLA having to be steadied.

Race 9	CUP WEEK TICKETS ON SALE NOW RATING 65 1400m
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HOLD'EM RANSOM (Y Atchamah) - Charged the gates just prior to the start then lost its footing in the barriers and reared as the start was effected dislodging its rider. Y Atchamah was examined by St John's Paramedics and found to be uninjured. HOLD'EM RANSOM continued with the field riderless. Underwent a post-race veterinary examination which revealed a minor abrasion in the right nostril and corneal abrasion to the left eye. Connections were advised that HOLD'EM RANSOM is required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of a Stipendiary Steward prior to racing again.

ROYAL ASSENT (A Lawson-Carroll) - Began awkwardly losing ground. A request for a ruling was sought from the Adjudicative Committee by the rider as to whether ROYAL ASSENT was denied a fair start, with the Committee ruling that ROYAL ASSENT was not denied a fair start.

GRAFFITI ARTIST (C Campbell) - Stood flat footed as the start was effected losing its chance in the race. Rider C Campbell advised he believed there had been a false start. Trainer S Smith sought a ruling from the Adjudicative Committee who after hearing from all parties ruled that GRAFFITI ARTIST had been denied a fair start and was declared a non-runner.

REVISION (L Douglas) - Very slow to begin.

PISTACHIO (L Hemi) - Very slow to begin. Hampered by riderless horse near the 1000 metres.

KIDS GOT GEARS (T Moodley) - Crowded and checked shortly after the start. Hampered by riderless horse near the 1000 metres.

VENDABELLE (J Taplin) - Raced wide without cover through the early stages.

CALL TO ARMS (S Mxothwa) - Hampered by the riderless horse near the 900 metres.

S Mxothwa (CALL TO ARMS) - An information was filed with the Adjudicative Committee alleging a breach of the careless riding rule in that he allowed his mount to shift inwards shortly after the start. Due to the rider having left the course, the matter was adjourned to be heard at a later date.

T Moodley (KIDS GOT GEARS) - An information was filed with the Adjudicative Committee alleging a charge of misconduct by the rider in regard to use of the whip on his mount prior to the start. Due to the rider having left the course, the matter was adjourned to be heard at a later date.

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