

DARWIN TURF CLUB

Saturday 15th January 2011

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Showers

Rail: True Position

Stewards: R Merritt(Chairman), J Hamilton OAM, R Hamilton, B Merritt, L Twomey, L Lane

Deputy Steward: J Lattenstien

Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 38

Stakes Paid: \$52,700

Race 1 - MAIDEN PLATE - 1300 metres:

PADUWI dwelt when the gates opened.

Mr D Leech trainer of CITY OF BRIGHTNESS and HARBINGERS was fined \$50 per runner for presenting these geldings late in the mounting yard (AR 124).

1st VENUE 2nd SINGING SIREN 3rd HARBINGERS

Race 2 – 0 - 58 HCP - 1200 metres:

Ms S Montgomerie advised the stewards that she would be unable to ride at her declared MRW of 55 kg for this race. As there were no other available rider Steward's permitted her to fulfil her engagement.

Stewards fined S Montgomerie \$200 (NT 91 (c)) for failing to ride at her MRW.

Correct weight was delayed as Ms V Arnott wished to view the patrol film of the race.

On jumping away PRINCESS ELLIE jumped in onto HAPPY HA HA.

DORSETT dwelt in the barrier when the gates opened.

JESTACONI jumped awkwardly out onto CELESTIAL KINGDOM and lost ground as a consequence.

Approaching the 700 metres JAFTICA (Ms A Brown), rolled in suddenly forcing S Ridler, rider of JESTACONI to take hold.

Stewards reminded Ms Brown of her responsibility to ensure the safety of her fellow riders.

At the 650 metres, Ms V Arnott rider of RED PANTHER had to ease when tightened for room by FORETHOUGHT (S Hillebrand) It was established that FORETHOUGHT initially shifted in away from CELESTIAL KINGDOM (R Oakford) and was then taken in by that gelding which shifted in..

As no single rider was responsible for this incident, no further action was taken.

At the top of the straight PRINCESS ELLIE and HAPPY HA HA bumped.

B Davis, rider of DORSETT was fined \$50 for neglecting to check the saddle cloth when she gave the incorrect saddle cloth number to the trainer of DORSETT, Ms J Huish who then presented that gelding with the incorrect saddlecloth number.

1st FORETHOUGHT 2nd RED PANTHER 3rd JESTACONI

Race 3 – BENCHMARK 78 HCP - 1100 metres:

HARGITAY was slow into stride when the gates opened.

1st BLACKSTONE ROSE 2nd KAPPA 3rd PICK OF THE LOT

Race 4 – 0 - 63 HCP - 1000 metres:

C Spry rider of second placed ALCARNTSPELL lodged an objection against COSTLYEV being declared the winner alleging interference near the 700 metres. After reviewing the evidence Steward's dismissed the appeal and declared correct weight

Steward's established that C Spry had taken hold of his mount at the 700 metres after attempting a run on the inside of BELVIDERE BABE. At the point of the turn near the 650 metres COSTLYEV (B Davis) rolled in slightly taking BELVIDERE BABE in and causing C Spry to take hold. As no single rider was responsible for this incident no further action was taken.

At the start ALCARNTSPELL jumped in onto EREMBOURG and lost some ground.

MORETORQUE was unbalanced on jumping and was slow into stride.

At about the 550 metres B Huppertz rider of NOBLE CONNECTION dropped his whip.

Mr M Hickmott trainer of ALCARNTSPELL was fined \$200 for failing to declare a rider for the gelding by the prescribed time NT129, C Spry was declared to RISA as the rider by the Club..

When the barriers opened CHEVROLET LAD jumped awkwardly and then commenced to buck for a considerable distance. Ms S Montgomerie, rider of CHEVROLET LAD could offer no explanation as to why the gelding had bucked. Mr G Clarke trainer of CHEVROLET LAD was advised a warning would be placed against the gelding and if it were to perform in a similar manner again further action may be taken.

1st COSTLYEV 2nd ALCARNTSPELL 3rd EREMBOURG

Race 5 – 0 - 69 HCP - 1600 metres:

At the start JORSTON was slow away.

1st KINGSFORD 2nd TIARALAE 3rd JORSTON

Post race swab samples were taken from all winners

Pre race samples were taken from Carneggan Jester, Noble Connection and Common Ground.

The following riders were drug tested today V Arnott, S Ridler, S Hillebrand, R Oakford.