

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), L Twomey, R Hamilton, R Merritt, J Lattenstein
Deputy Stewards: C Manley, L Jackson, A Napier
Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic
Number of Races: 5
Number of Runners: 35
Stakes Paid: \$59,100

Race 1: Carlton Mid 3 & 4 Year Olds TROBIS Benchmark 61 Handicap 1300 metres

CORONA GIRL (F Bergstrand) – Steadied getting its head in the air near the 1050 metres when the pace was reduced.

CRISTI MORN (V Arnott) – Bounded at start. Raced wide throughout.

On inquiry it was established that approaching the 1050 metres P Denton, rider of ORNITHOLOGIST, reduced the speed of his mount resulting in CORONA GIRL (F Bergstrand) being steadied and as a result got its head in the air. Jockey P Denton was cautioned and advised to show more care in similar circumstances.

Race 2: Bridge Toyota Benchmark 76 Handicap 1200 metres

PROTESTA (A Brown) – Had a tendency to lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

DRAFTED (C Lloyd) – Raced wide throughout.

EMVOSS (B Huppatz) – Commenced awkwardly.

Race 3: Southern Cross Television 0 – 58 Handicap 1200 metres

NOBLE SUCCESS (M Tyndall) – Returned having bled from both nostrils. As the gelding had previously bled on 26th October 2013, trainer Mr S Clarke, was advised that under AR53A the gelding is now ineligible to race.

QUICK THOUGHTS (B Davis) – Raced without cover in the running.

AZREAL (W Davis) – Wide throughout.

ARIEL (S Ridler) – Commenced awkwardly.

Jockey R Oakford acknowledged being in breach of AR137A(5)(a)(i) in that he used his whip consecutively in the forehand manner prior to the 100 metres. Stewards issued a caution for this breach after considering his good record in this regard.

Race 4: Sportingbet 0 – 70 Handicap 1300 metres

BLACK FUSION (W Davis) – A post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities. Mr C Nash stable representative for Mr Brown advised the gelding had recovered well subsequent to the event and that he was disappointed in it's second up run.

ROYAL PAGE (S Ridler) – A post race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near fore. Trainer, Mr D Leech was advised he must present a vet clearance for the gelding prior to racing again.

TIMELY KISS (A Brown) – Lay outwards in the straight.

On inquiry jockey V Arnott was reprimanded under A83(a) for misconduct following the race.

Mr D Leech trainer of MOSSADINA was fined \$100 for presenting that gelding with the incorrect gear under AR 140A.

Race 5: Bet365 0 - 64 Handicap 1600 metres

YUNG WARRIOR (B Davis) – Bumped at start.

SAKHERO (V Arnott) – Raced wide throughout.

IT'S BLACK MAGIC (R Oakford) – Bumped at start.

General

Post race samples were taken from all winners.

Pre race samples were taken from VILL DE BERNE, IT'S BLACK MARIA.

For D Hensler

Chairman of Stewards