

STEWARDS REPORT

ALICE SPRINGS TURF CLUB

SATURDAY 5TH MARCH 2016

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True

Stewards: D Westover (Chairman), M Hurley, B Lysaght, B Watling

Officials: L Spicer, N Westover

Clerk of the Scales: A Korman

Judge/Asst Judge: Z Butcher, L Horsefall

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 37

Stakes Paid: \$ 53,500

Race 1 Unibet Handicap 1200 metres

LE COMMANDANT (K Connor) – Commenced awkwardly.

LADY PHROMILY (R Vigar) – Slow into stride.

Race 2: McDonalds Alice Springs Handicap 1100 metres

Prior to the race Stewards interviewed trainer Mrs L Gillett in regards to the riding instructions she intended to give each jockey bearing in mind she had 3 runners engaged in this event.

HAND IN GLOVE (S Westover) – Slow into stride.

MABOOTS (R Vigar) – Tightened between runners shortly after jumping.

ZIZZELDO (N Rose) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

THE HUMMEL (F Bergstrand) – Inclined to roll out under pressure down the length of the straight. Rider advised that when her mounts are shifting ground, she must stop riding and straighten, and not just allow them to shift.

General: Stewards questioned rider S Westover and Mrs L Gillett trainer of HAND IN GLOVE in relation to the riding instructions for that gelding, as Mrs Gillett had advised stewards prior to the race that she wished for the gelding to be ridden in a forward manner. Jockey S Westover advised that the gelding had missed the start and due to the large weight he elected to give the gelding time to find its feet. Mrs Gillett advised she was satisfied with HAND IN GLOVES performance following the less than ideal start. Stewards were satisfied with both explanations.

Race 3: Farwell Harry Stubbins Handicap 1000 metres

EMPRESS O'REILLY (D Pisani) – Jumped a little awkwardly and raced wide rounding the home turn.

Race 4: Holdfast Maiden Plate 1000 metres

ANOTHER MANS LOSS (N Rose) – Yielded ground from about the 150m. Rider reported that the gelding changed stride about the 150m and felt awkward thereafter. A subsequent veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities.

COMMAND ATTENTION (K Connor) – Slow into stride.

OSCARS FURY (B Huppertz) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

LADY FLEETFOOT (W Kerford) – Fractious in the barriers.

RED CENTRE RUBY (B Davis) – Inclined to shift out over the final 100m.

TALLAROOK (K Gladwin) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

WILANDER DIAMOND (F Bergstrand) – Raced wide throughout.

Race 5: Inglis Handicap 1400 metres

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BLAZING COMET (T Gillett) – Steadied off heels into the first turn.

BEST A MAN CAN GET (S Westover) – Raced keenly into the first turn getting its head up. Held up for clear running from the 450m to the 350m.

LE COMMANDO (K Connor) – After a disappointing performance, a veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in it's off side hind leg. Trainer advised that prior to that gelding again starting in a race or trial, he must produce a veterinary certificate of soundness satisfactory to the Stewards.

ZOOM LAD (K Gladwin) – Inconvenienced slightly at the 250m having to steady.

EPONA REBEL (W Kerford) – Commenced awkwardly losing some ground.

SHOGUN'S REIGN (D Pisani) – Commenced slow into stride.

Post-race samples were taken from all winners

Pre-race samples taken from: EPONA REBEL

All riders were breath tested for alcohol.

Fines/Suspensions/embargos

Race 1: R Vigar \$500 2 extra AR137A5(a)(ii)

Race 2: F Bergstrand Reprimand 3 extra AR137A5(a)(ii)

Race 5:LE COMMANDO- Veterinary Certificate