

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB
FRIDAY 4TH APRIL 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), L Twomey, R Hamilton, R Merritt, J Lattenstein
Deputy Stewards: C Manley
Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic
Number of Races: 5
Number of Runners: 34
Stakes Paid: \$58,300

Race 1: Southern Cross TV Darwin 0 – 58 Handicap 1100 metres

The start of this race was initially delayed due to the late arrival on course of the ambulance. There was a further delay when LOW EXPECTATION had to be resaddled behind the barriers due to the stirrup leather becoming detached in the preliminary. These two incidents caused approximately a 9 minute delay to the advertised start time of the event.

LOW EXPECTATION (B Huppatz) – Returned having bled from one nostril. Trainer, Mr G Clarke's representative was advised that the gelding would be required to gallop over 1000m in the presence of a Steward prior to racing again under the provisions of AR53A (7).

TRUCK SIX (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly. Raced greenly in running and wide throughout. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormality.

General Jockey B Huppatz, the rider of LOW EXPECTATION, acknowledged breaching AR137A(5)(i) and (ii) in that he used his whip in the forehand manner on four additional and consecutive occasions than permitted prior to the 100m and was fined \$200.

Race 2: Signcity BMNT 79 Handicap 1100 metres

PROTESTA (V Arnott) – Lay inwards and contacted the running rail over the concluding stages.

Race 3: Schweppes Class B 64 Handicap 1200 metres

STYLISH CRUISER (R Mageean) – Brumped at start. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr S Hillebrand undertook to monitor the geldings recovery in the ensuing days and advise Stewards accordingly.

TWIN FALLS (F Bergstrand) – Improved onto heels and steadied inwards near the 500m.

KEEP THE CROWN (S Rowley) – Bumped at start.

BRIMARVI FAITHFUL (B Davis) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

HOLY CONSUL (V Arnott) – Bumped at the start.

ARIEL (M Tyndall) – A post race veterinary examination revealed the mare to have sustained an injury to the near fore tendon. Trainer Mr S Clarke was advised he must present a veterinary clearance of soundness for mare prior to racing again.

SILVERY MOON (C Lloyd) – Commenced awkwardly.

Race 4: Sportingbet 0 – 70 Handicap 1200 metres

FRISKY ALBERT (R Oakford) – Bumped at start.

COMMAND PERFORMANCE (M Tyndall) – Raced wide throughout.

CORONA GIRL (F Bergstrand) – Bumped at the start.

NABALI (C Lloyd) – Crowded for room and steadied at 550m.

General – On inquiry it was established that near the 550m RED HOT HUSTLER (R Mageean), when being hard ridden shifted inwards marginally resulting in NABALI (C Lloyd) being crowded and steadied. Stewards were of the opinion that in this incident, jockey C Lloyd had attempted to improve into a marginal run and he was advised to show more care in similar circumstances.

Race 5: Qantas 0 – 64 Handicap 1600 metres

ANDAMOOKA GEM (S Rowley) – Raced wide throughout.

HEZASMARTYPANTS (R Oakford) – Bounded at start. Lay inwards under pressure over the final 100m.

AZREAL (C Lloyd) – Bounded at start.

OUR RHOMEO (V Arnott) – Commenced awkwardly.

WATCH THIS SPACE (B Davis) – Steadied at 1100m when racing keenly.

General

Post race samples were taken from all winners.

The following TCO2 results were taken on 22 March, 2014

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| Mouse | S Clarke | 29.8 |
| Dynamics | C Nash | 29.5 |
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For D Hensler
Chairman of Stewards