STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 21ST MAY 2016

Weather: Fine Track: Good Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), L Twomey, R Hamilton, A Napier, L Jackson, S Copelin

(Deputy), Z Gooden (Assistant Judge), L Ross (Clerk of Scales)

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 6 Number of Runners: 35

Stakes Paid: \$107,000

General: As jockey C Spry was indisposed through injury, the following riding replacements were approved:

Race 1 REMEMBER RAZOR – B Huppatz

Race 4 INFERENTIAL - R Oakford Race 5 AIR STRIKER – W Davis

Race 6 THING OF NOTHING - V Arnott

Race 1: 3YO B/MARK 55 Handicap 1200m

BACHELOR PAD (M Tyndall) – Bumped at the start and crowded and steadied shortly after. Lay outwards through the middle stages.

AMADEO (P Shiers) – Knuckled at the start. Steadled when racing keenly near the 600m. Cast its near hind plate in running.

REMEMBOR RAZOR (B Huppatz) – Bumped at the start and impeded shortly after.

THE PRESTIGE (V Arnott) – Bumped at the start.

MY COLLEAGUE (W Davis) – Veered outwards shortly after the start.

Race 2: Open Handicap - 1200m

TEQUILA RED (W Davis) - Commenced awkwardly.

Race 3: 0 - 64 Handicap 1200m

General: Prior to the race Stewards interviewed trainer Mr G Clarke in relation to the riding instructions he intended to give each jockey bearing in mind his stable had 3 runners in the event. All runners were ridden accordingly.

ENGINE FIFTY FIVE (P Shiers) - Raced wide from the 600m.

FRISKY ALBERT (R Oakford) – Pressured by another runner and steadied inwards leaving the 1000m. **DISCO VOLANTI** (V Arnott) – Raced wide for the majority of the event. A post race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to have sustained injuries to the soles of the near fore and off hind hooves. In an attempt to ascertain the cause of these injuries the Stewards interviewed jockey V Arnott who advised that her mount had travelled comfortably in running and had exhibited no lameness in running or upon return to the enclosure following the race. After viewing the patrol films it was established that there was no evidence that the gelding had been galloped on by any other runner and it did not appear to falter or mistride in its action at any stage in running and therefore the cause of the injuries were inconclusive.

MINE CRAFT (M Tyndall) - Tightened for room and unbalanced leaving the 1000m.

General: On inquiry jockey B Davis (NEAT FEET) was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under AR 137(a) with the specifics being that he permitted his mount to shift inwards when insufficiently clear leaving the 1000m resulting in FRISKY ALBERT (R Oakford) being steadied inwards and bumping with MINE CRAFT (M Tyndall) which became unbalanced when steadied. <u>Jockey B Davis had his</u> license to ride in races suspended for 1 NT meeting to expire after 28 May, 2016.

Race 4: B/MARK 54 Handicap 1100m

INFERENTIAL (R Oakford) – Raced wide from the 600m.

DILUVIUM (S Ridler) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped. Had a tendency to lay outwards in running. Shifted in and away from another runner over the concluding stages.

BRANDY NAN (B Huppatz) - Slow into stride.

A BURST OF ORANGE (M Tyndall) - Commenced awkwardly. Raced wide throughout.

HAMISH BOY (B Davis) – Bumped at the start.

Race 5: 0 - 70 Handicap 1300m

AIR STRIKER (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly.

DOCKING (B Huppatz) – Bumped at the start.

FLYING TORMENTA (M Tyndall) – Bounded at the start and then bumped another runner.

Race 6: 0 - 58 Handicap 1300m

THING OF NOTHING (V Arnott) – Bumped at the start.

DUBLIN LAD (R Oakford) – Veered inwards near the 100m.

CHICA CALIENTE (B Huppatz) – Bumped at the start.

EFRON (M Tyndall) – Bounded at the start.

ROYALS (W Davis) – Bounded at the start and bumped another runner. Impeded near the 100m when under pressure.

REDOUTE'S EMPIRE (S Ridler) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped. Raced wide in the early stages.

Summary

Swab samples were taken from all winners and EFRON (R6). Pre race samples were taken from REMEMBER RAZOR, TEQUILA RED, A BURST OF ORANGE, DOCKING, MINECRAFT and BLACK BURBERRY.

<u>Fines</u>

Nil

Reprimands/Warnings

Race 6 – Jockey M Tyndall was reprimanded for returning after the race in excess of ½ kg over her allotted weight (AR145)

Suspensions

Race 3 – B Davis 1 NT meeting for careless riding.

Embargoes

Race 3 - DISCO VOLANTI - vet clearance

D Hensler

NT Chairman of Stewards