

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 23RD MAY 2015

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), L Twomey, R Hamilton, A Napier, L Jackson,
J Lattenstein, L Ross (Clerk of Scales)

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 34

Stakes Paid: \$64,800

Race 1: Sky Racing 0 -58 Handicap 1300 metres

FLYING FILOU (F Bergstrand) – Baulked at another runner and contacted the running rail becoming unbalanced at the 900m.

LEAN 'N' MEAN (K Cross) – Lay outwards when racing greenly near the 450m and was impeded from the heels of another runner.

APALA (R Oakford) – Raced wide throughout.

COOPERESS (J Todd) – Lay inwards under pressure over the final 100m.

Race 2: Darwin Corporate Park 0 - 70 Handicap 1300 metres

READY TO REEL (C Lloyd) – A post race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the near fore leg. Trainer Mr D Bates was advised he must present a veterinary certificate of soundness for the gelding prior to racing again.

WHITE SAMBUCA (K Cross) – Lay outwards under pressure over the final 200m.

SHOOT 'N' SCOOT (J Todd) – Bounded at the start and lost ground (4 lengths)

Race 3: bet265 TROBIS 3YO BMNT 54 Handicap 1100 metres

SURGE (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly.

BLACKEN RED (J Todd) – Commenced to lay outwards leaving the 700m when racing between runners and was consequently checked across heels near the 550m. Continued to lay outwards for the remainder of the event. Trainer Mr P Stennett undertook to experiment with a gear change in an attempt to rectify its racing manner. He was further advised to continue to engage the services of a senior rider.

Race 4: Carlton Mid Class B Handicap 1100 metres

STYLISH CRUISER (B Davis) \$3.20 – Was declared a late scratching at 4.20pm on veterinary advice when the gelding was noticeably lame in the off fore leg in its preliminary. All monies invested on the gelding were ordered to be refunded. All winning bets placed prior to 4.20pm were subject to the following deductions:

SPLIT THE ZEROES	25c win 23c place
LAC BAY	27c place
WHISTLE STOP	19c place

When questioned trainer Mr G Clarke's representative advised that the gelding had galloped during the week without incident and she had no concerns with its fitness prior to the race. Connections were advised that they must present a veterinary certificate of soundness for the gelding prior to racing again. Subsequent to the meeting trainer advised that the gelding was also showing signs of soreness in the near hind heel.

CAPTAIN ANGRY (P Crich) – Following its last start in November 2014, connections advised that the gelding had undergone corrective throat surgery and competed satisfactorily in a barrier trial on 5 May, 2015. This information was announced on course prior to the commencement of betting. Bounded at the start.

THE SOOTHSAYER (J Todd) – When questioned regarding the unplaced performance rider advised that whilst the gelding felt uncomfortable in its action he could not pin point any lameness. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr M Carson subsequently advised that the gelding had recovered without incident but would not start again for a period of 3 weeks.

MESTIZOS (R Vigar) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped heavily at the start. A post race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be mildly lame in the off hind leg.

SPLIT THE ZEROES (F Bergstrand) – Commenced awkwardly, bumped and then stumbled at the start. Raced wide throughout.

OUR CAVALIA (W Davis) – Cast its off fore plate in running.

Race 5: Styling by Jo Moo Handicap 1200 metres

BLUE SHORE (K Cross) – Bumped at the start.

MINE CRAFT (R Vigar) – Commenced awkwardly.

BATTEN THE HATCHES (R Oakford) – Slow to begin.

RULE THE WAY (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

NERVOUS (C Spry) – Lay outwards under pressure over the final 200m.

General:

Summary fines

Race 1 – Trainer Ms T Halter fined \$100 (AR 140) for presenting RELENDA without its approved gear.

Swab samples were taken from all winners.

D Hensler
Chairman of Stewards