

## STEWARDS' REPORT

### DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014

**Weather:** Fine

**Track:** Good

**Rail:** True Position

**Stewards:** D Hensler (Chairman), L Twomey, R Merritt, J Lattenstien (A/Judge)  
**Deputy Stewards:** C Manley, A Napier, L Jackson  
**Veterinary:** Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic  
**Number of Races:** 6  
**Number of Runners:** 38  
**Stakes Paid:** \$71,800

#### **Race 1: Barclays 0 – 70 Handicap 1300 metres**

**POWLETT** (K Gladwin) – Commenced awkwardly. Raced wide throughout.

**JUNGLE RANGER** (C Lloyd) – Slow into stride. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mrs K Hughes was advised that due to the poor performance the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the stewards prior to racing again.

#### **Race 2: realestate.com.au Maiden Plate 1300 metres**

**BRAEBURN PARK** (F Bergstrand) – Bumped at the start.

**WATCH THIS SPACE** (W Davis) – Bumped heavily at the start. Raced wide from the 600m.

**BLUECAPADE** (S Rowley) – Bumped heavily at the start.

#### **Race 3: Direct Connect 0 – 64 Handicap 1100 metres**

**NIGHT OPTION** (V Arnott) – Raced wide throughout.

**BOURSE** (P Crich) – Crowded at the start.

#### **Race 4: HR Advice Online 0 – 58 Handicap 1200 metres**

**ANOTHER BAY** (F Bergstrand) – Bumped at the start.

**ALWAYS RUSSIAN** (S Rowley) – Commenced awkwardly.

**SAHARA SUNRISE** (M Tyndall) – Raced wide throughout.

**LET HER SLIDE** (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped at start. Rider reported his mount was under pressure at the 600m and compounded from thereon. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Ms T Halter advised that it is her intention to nominate the mare for a lesser grade race in 3 weeks.

#### **Race 5: Printforce TROBIS Three-Years-Old BMNT 56 Handicap 1100 metres**

**ZOCOLAS** (K Gladwin) – Crowded and steadied near the 1000m.

**DEVIL'S DREAM** (P Shiers) – Slow into stride. Raced wide throughout.

**ALPHA CAT** (S Rowley) – Slow into stride.

**BRIMARVI FAITHFUL** (F Bergstrand) – Raced greenly in the early and middle stages. Trainer Mr C Pollard advised he intends to add blinkers to the filly for its next race start.

**WHO KNOWS** (C Lloyd) – Following the uncompetitive performance trainer Ms T Halter was advised that the gelding would be required to barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

**General:** On inquiry it was established that near the 1000m BRIMARVI FAITHFUL (F Bergstrand) when racing greenly, shifted in and away from another runner resulting in ZOCALOS (K Gladwin) being crowded for room and steadied. Stewards accepted that the racing manner of her mount was the major contributing factor in this incident but apprentice F Bergstrand was advised to show care in similar circumstances.

**Race 6: First National Foundation Open Handicap 1200 metres**

Trainer Ms K Petrick's application to scratch **WELLDROYA** on the Friday afternoon preceding the meeting was approved following her advising the Stewards that the gelding had sustained a stone bruise to the off fore and a Veterinary Certificate was produced recommending it's withdrawal.

**DREAMING OF NEPAL** (P Shiers) – Trainer Mr G Clarke subsequently reported that the gelding had sustained a laceration to the off hind leg during running.

**ORNITHOLOGIST** (F Bergstrand) – Lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

**General**

Stewards interviewed Mr D Leech, trainer of ADYNATA and sought an explanation for the reported TCO2 levels following samples being taken from the gelding prior to competing at the Alice Springs Turf Club meetings on Saturday 26 April, 2014 (level of 33.7) and Monday 5 May, 2014 (level 35.8). After outlining his feeding regime, and bearing in mind that Mr Leech has previously been questioned in this regard, Stewards advised him that a further sample would be taken from ADYNATA prior to racing today and that the gelding was to remain on course after competing for additional samples to be collected and analysed.

Trainer, Ms T Halter, was fined \$100 under AR140A for presenting WHO KNOWS (Race 5) without its approved gear.

Trainer Mr G Clarke advised that following the unplaced performance of IT'S HOME at the Darwin Turf Club meeting on Saturday 10 May, 2014 the gelding will now be sent for a spell.

All riders at the race meeting were subject to breath analysis testing for the detection of alcohol with no positive readings registered.

Post race swab samples were taken from all winners.

Pre and post race samples taken from ADYNATA

For D Hensler