

## STEWARDS REPORT

### ALICE SPRINGS TURF CLUB

SUNDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True

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

Officials: T Trace

Veterinarian: D McEwan

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 40

Stakes Paid: \$47,450

As apprentice S Rowley was unable to fulfil her riding engagements, Stewards permitted the following changes:

Race 1 CRYSTAL TIGER - M Taylor

Race 3 VISION OF ONE - D Pisani

Race 4 WAR HORSE - L Dittman

Race 5 COOPER'S SHOUT - T Kirkpatrick

#### **Race 1: XXXX Gold BMNT 74 Handicap 1200 metres**

**CRYSTAL TIGER** (M Taylor) – Inclined to lay inwards down the straight causing its rider some difficulties and shifted in abruptly at the 100m tightening another runner. Trainer Mr N Moody was advised that a warning would be placed on the gelding and should it reoffend in this manner further action may be taken.

**MEMORABLE MOMENT** (K Gladwin) – Tightened for room from another runner along the rails near the 100m.

#### **Race 2: Lasseters 0-58 Handicap 1200 metres**

**SHARK MIRAGE** (D Pisani) – Bumped on jumping.

**THREELEGSAGAIN** (T Kirkpatrick) – Jumped awkwardly and raced wide throughout.

**FULLY HETIC BRO** (M Henderson) – Bumped on jumping.

**DASCHEM HALO** (J Cameron) – Bumped with another runner at the 250m.

**SKYSTAR** (C Moon) – Momentarily tightened for room after jumping.

**THE YOUNGFELLA** (M Taylor) – Bumped with another runner at the 250m.

**General:** On inquiry jockey J Cameron, rider of the winner DASCHEM HALO, acknowledged a breach of AR137A(5)(a)(i) for using her whip in the forehand manner on a consecutive occasion prior to the 100m and was fined the sum of \$200.

### **Race 3: UNIBET 0-64 Handicap 1100 metre**

**SO REAL** (T Kirkpatrick) – Carried inwards shortly after the start.

**NEXT IN LINE** (M Taylor) – Carried inwards shortly after the start .

**VOODOO PRINCE** (M Henderson) – Began to roll in shortly after jumping.

**BIG EGO ROC** (L Dittman) – Crowded and steadied shortly after the start.

**General:** On inquiry into an incident that occurred shortly after jumping, it was established that after VODOO PRINCE rolled inwards, runners on its inside began to shift ground subsequently resulting in BIG EGO ROC being slightly inconvenienced and having to steady off heels. Stewards were satisfied that no one rider was at fault and therefore took no further action.

### **Race 4: Holdfast Insurance 0-70 Handicap 1400 metres**

No incidents to report.

### **Race 5: Imparja Maiden Plate 1400 metres**

**ALERT BERT** (M Henderson) – Momentarily tightened between runners entering into the first turn.

**NEVER SATISFIED** (C Moon) – When questioned regarding his mount racing well back in the early and middle stages, rider advised that the gelding normally races in a rearward position but after being slow into stride it had not responded to his urgings and raced further back than anticipated. He added that his mount commenced to respond when taken wide passing the 600m and finished the race off strongly. Trainer Mrs L Gillett advised that the gelding would now be sent for a spell.

**COOPERS SHOUT** (T Kirkpatrick) – Rolled out rounding the home turn.

Post-Race samples were taken from all winners.

Pre –Race samples were taken from;- Race 4 WAR HORSE

Race 5 RIVER KWAI

### **General**

Trainer Mr M Nyhan was fined \$100 for presenting GOLD RISES (Race 3) into the mounting yard with the incorrect gear AR140A.

Stewards inquired into the reason for apprentice S Rowley missing her flight to Alice Springs resulting in her being unable to fulfil her riding engagements and further resulting in one runner having to be scratched due to no other riders being available. Apprentice S Rowley gave evidence via speaker phone from Darwin and the Stewards accepted her explanation of the circumstances resulting in her failing to board the flight and took into account that she had not been in this position previously. Stewards ordered that apprentice S Rowley reimburse connections the fare paid for the booking of her flights and after considering the provisions of AR 85B no further penalty was issued.

Stewards interviewed jockey T Gillett today after he declared himself unfit to fulfil his riding engagement in race 5 aboard COMMAND ATTENTION resulting in that gelding having to be scratched. Whilst accepting that he was ill and unable to ride, he was advised that he must gain a medical clearance prior to accepting future riding engagements as is required under AR.81F (3).