

DARWIN TURF CLUB

Saturday 28th May 2011

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Fine

Rail: True Position

Stewards: R Merritt (Chairman), J Hamilton OAM, B Merritt, L Twomey

Deputy Steward:

Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 6

Number of Runners: 45

Stakes Paid: \$62,900

Race 1 - 0 - 58 HCP - 1200 metres:

As Ms J Cameron was indisposed the following rider changes were permitted.

Race 2 KIRIKIRISH C Haddon

Race 3 BENAVARRO C Atkinson

As P Shiers was unavailable to fulfil his commitments today the following rider changes were permitted.

Race 1 MIRACULIST R Oakford

Race 4 CARDINAL ANGEL C Spry

At the start NOTIPTHIS jumped awkwardly and lost touch with the field in the early stages.

Near the 400 metres INVINCIBLE GOLD was held up for a clear run behind PERMATILILLA and MORETORQUE.

1st MIRACULIST 2nd SHEDLY 3rd HAPPY HA HA

Race 2 – OPEN HCP - 1200 metres:

CALABISCA was slow into stride when the gates opened.

1st FAR HORIZONS 2nd TAN TAT JET 3rd KIRIKIRISH

Race 3 – 3YO CLASS 4 HCP - 1200 metres:

At the start MARSEILLAISE jumped out onto CODENAME and BENAVARRO jumped in onto CODENAME. This resulted in both CODENAME and BENAVARRO losing some ground.

At the 350m DISC JOCKEY and THE CAT bumped and both horses came together again just before the winning post.

The Club's Veterinary Surgeon inspected I AM MAGIC and reported no apparent abnormalities.

1st HIGH FINANCE 2nd DISC JOCKEY 3rd THE CAT

Race 4 – 0 - 69 HCP - 1300 metres:

At the start BELONG TO LOIRE dwelt when the gates opened and was slow to begin.

OIGELS jumped out onto MISS ENDEAVOUR which lost considerable ground.

At about the 400m C Spry rider of CARDINAL ANGEL attempted a run between HURRICANEPRINCE and MAHAFFEY ROAD. HURRICANEPRINCE rolled out slightly on the turn and C Spry eased and took a run on the inside of HURRICANEPRINCE.

1st CARDINAL ANGEL 2nd MAHAFFEY ROAD 3rd MISS ENDEAVOUR

Race 5 – 0 - 63 HCP - 1000 metres:

When the gates opened EVEN MONEY dwelt.

At the start SIGNED AND SEALED jumped outwards.

HER PIC jumped outwards and raced greenly down the back straight.

At about the 500m HER PIC rolled out on two occasions and bumped EVEN MONEY.

Mr S Brown trainer of EVEN MONEY and TENNYSON was fined \$50 on each account for presenting these horses late in the mounting yard (AR124).

Mr S Brown was fined \$20 for the use of the Club's colours.

The Club's Veterinary surgeon inspected CHARGE UP subsequent to the event and reported that gelding lame in both front legs. Mr D Jupp trainer of CHARGE UP was advised that a satisfactory veterinary certificate must be produced prior to that gelding racing.

1st COLONEL JACK 2nd TENNYSON 3rd BELLBOOKANDCANDLE

Race 6 – CLASS B HCP - 1300 metres:

Prior to correct weight being declared M McDuff rider of THE GIFTED ONE requested that gelding be declared a non-starter. M McDuff stated that his mount was sitting in the barriers and the barrier staff were attempting to lift his mounts tail when the start was effected. Stewards also interviewed the starter, Mr J O'Neil who agreed that at the time of the start THE GIFTED ONE was sitting in the barriers and his staff were trying to lift the tail. Mr O'Neil stated that all barriers opened at the same time and all runners jumped away. After viewing the patrol film, Stewards declared correct weight on the grounds that THE GIFTED ONE jumped out with other runners and therefore Stewards were of the opinion that the horses chances of running first, second or third in the race were not materially prejudiced.

At the start IRON HAWK jumped awkwardly and lost ground.

At the 400m IRON HAWK rolled out and bumped PAPANDREOU.

1st LECKEY 2nd QUANTUM FIRE 3rd CELESTIAL KINGDOM

Swab samples were taken from all winners.

Prior to the races today, Stewards inquired into the reasons why Ms J Cameron was unable to fulfil her riding engagements today. Ms Cameron stated that she had a riding accident last Wednesday week, 18th May. She rode next on the following Sunday morning and then 'strapped herself up' and rode in races in Alice Springs that afternoon the 21st May. She then drove to Darwin on Wednesday 25th May and rode trackwork again on Thursday morning. On Friday afternoon after trackwork that morning she reported to the Stewards that she was unable to fulfil her engagements today. She was instructed not to ride any horses including trackwork until she had a medical clearance to do so.

As Ms Cameron admitted to riding trackwork this morning despite being instructed not to, stewards fined her the sum of \$100 for disobeying a direction of the Stewards (AR 175(p)).

Further Stewards fined Ms Cameron \$100 for failing to notify the Stewards as soon as practicable of her injury (AR 81F(i)(b)).

Stewards again reminded Ms Cameron not to ride horses including trackwork until she had received a Medical Clearance from the TRNT AMO.

An inquiry into the reasons P Shiers was unable to fulfil his riding engagements today was adjourned until a date to be fixed.