

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 4TH JULY 2015

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

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

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 9

Number of Runners: 88

Stakes Paid: \$242000

General: Trainer Mr K Rogerson reported that RINGWOOD RANGER has been retired following its win in Race 2 at the Darwin Turf Club on 13 June, 2015 after x rays revealed bone chips in the off knee.

Stewards completed the adjourned inquiry into jockey Scott Westover being unable to fulfill his riding engagements at the Darwin Turf Club meeting on 20 June, 2015 due to him being overweight. As jockey Westover has had ongoing weight issues over recent months he informed the Stewards that he has decided to retire from race riding. Under the circumstances no further was taken.

Race 1: Dreamedia 3-Y-O 0 - 64Handicap 1600 metres

OVERSTREET (P Denton) – Raced wide from the 1000m.

SNOWTROOPER (P Shiers) – Raced wide throughout.

LEAN 'N' MEAN (M Tyndall) – Crowded and impeded between the 150m and 100m.

LA'JONOLA (W Davis) – Slow into stride.

WILANDER DIAMOND (F Bergstrand) – Commenced to compound from the 600m after leading in the event. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr K Lamprecht advised that filly will now have a let up.

FLYING TORMENTA (J Cameron) – Raced wide throughout.

BLACKEN RED (C Lloyd) – Raced wide throughout.

General: On inquiry jockey K Gladwin (QUANTUM DOT) was reprimanded for careless riding under AR 137(a) for permitting his mount to shift inwards under pressure in the straight when not clear resulting in LEAN'N'MEAN (M Tyndall) being crowded and impeded passing the 150m.

Race 2: Coates Hire Special Conditions Handicap 1600 metres

PAYTEEVEE (J Cameron) – When questioned regarding the unplaced performance, rider advised that she had been instructed to race in a forward position but from the wide gate her mount did not have sufficient early speed to lead and therefore was obliged to race wide without cover in the early and middle stages. She explained whilst the gelding was then under pressure from the 600m, in her opinion her mount would take benefit from its first start on the track surface and would appreciate racing over an increased distance. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities.

ROYAL REQUEST (R Vigar) – Commenced awkwardly. Raced wide from the 800m.

Race 3: Toxfree 0 - 76 Handicap 1300 metres

EVENS (R Vigar) – Raced wide throughout and compounded from the 600m. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr N Dyer advised that in his opinion the mare was not suited racing on the pace without cover and consequently tired mid race. As the mare recovered well he intends to increase its work this week and he will nominate to race again this Saturday over a similar distance but will issue instructions for the mare to be ridden off the pace if possible.

Race 4: Mix 104.9 Handicap 1300 metres

SOUTHERN CAPTAIN (B Davis) – Bumped at the 500m.

ARROGANT (F Bergstrand) – Impeded behind the heels of another runner passing the 900m.

BLACK BURBERRY (S Ridler) – Slow into stride.

GALA ARCH (K Gladwin) – Raced wide throughout.

GIFT OF THE GAB (J Cameron) – Bumped with another runner becoming unbalanced passing the 500m.

FRENCH TUSSON (J Todd) – Raced greenly through the middle stages.

GIRL HAPPY (R Vigar) – Raced greenly from the 900m and consequently lost ground through the middle stages.

Race 5: 92.3 Top Country Handicap 0 - 62 1200m

CHOISIR LA ROUGE (J Cameron) – Bumped at the start.

PLEASURE OR PAIN (W Davis) – When questioned regarding the unplaced performance rider advised that although the gelding was obliged to race wide in running it felt uncomfortable in its action through the middle stages and he subsequently did not test the gelding in the straight. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Ms T Halter's representative expressed disappointment in the performance but subsequently advised that the gelding had recovered well following the race. He added that it is their intention to increase the gelding's workload but not race for a period of 2 weeks.

MR TANGALANGA (C Spry) – A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Following the unplaced performance trainer Mr C Spry subsequently reported that after consultation with connections, the gelding will now be retired.

SILVER EAGLE (F Bergstrand) – Bounded at the start and lost ground. Tightened for room and steadied near the 550m. The Club Veterinarian reported that the gelding was treated for ulcerated eyes following the event.

MERVEILLE (P Shiers) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped. Raced wide in running and commenced to yield ground from the 600m

DUKE'S DELIGHT (B Stockdale) – Crowded and carried inwards near the 550m.

General: On inquiry it was established that leaving the 600m **MERVEILLE** (P Shiers) when yielding ground shifted inwards marginally resulting in **DUKE'S DELIGHT** (B Stockdale) being carried inwards and crowded onto **SILVER EAGLE** (F Bergstrand) which was tightened for room and steadied.

Race 6: Ten Darwin Handicap 0 - 66 1100m

LUDUS MAGNUS (R Oakford) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

DEVIL'S DREAM (P Shiers) – The Club Veterinarian reported that the gelding was treated for ulcerated eyes following the event.

NADAKA (B Davis) – When questioned regarding the unplaced performance trainer Mr G Clarke reported that the gelding had returned with a bruised off fore heel but has displayed no lameness as a result and recovered well following the race. He intends to back the gelding up next Saturday over an increased distance which had proved successful previously during the Alice Springs Carnival.

ZIGGLER (C Spry) – Bumped heavily at the start and unbalanced.

COSMO KING (B Stockdale) – Crowded for room and eased near the 850m.
PARIZOD (J Todd) – Slow into stride.

General: On inquiry jockey K Cross (UNFAITHFULLY) was reprimanded for careless riding under AR137(a) for allowing her mount to shift inwards when not clear near the 850m resulting in COSMO KING (B Stockdale) being crowded for room and eased.

Race 7: BEN & HARRY FOR BREAKFAST Handicap 1100m

SIGNAL FIRE (B Stockdale) – Bumped at the start.

INFINITE ENERGY (B Davis) – The Club Veterinarian reported that the gelding was treated for ulcerated eyes following the event.

MOSS 'N' TIME (P Denton) – Slow into stride.

AURUMCERT (K Cross) – Raced wide throughout.

TUDOR GLEN (J Cameron) – Bumped at the start. Raced wide throughout.

AMBROSIA (M Tyndall) – Steadied at the 650m. Returned with a laceration to the near hind leg.

Race 8: HOT100 FRIENDS WITH BENEFITS 0 – 70 Handicap 1600m

SAKHERO (V Arnott) – Raced wide throughout.

WHISTLESTOP (P Shiers) – Raced without cover in running.

BLACK FUSION (J Todd) – Yielded ground from the 600m. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr S Brown's representative advised that he was at a loss to explain the unplaced performance but as the gelding had recovered well it will not race for a period of 2 weeks.

HEY BIG BENDER (B Huppatz) – A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities.

Race 9: HOT100 Darwin Guineas 1600m

AFFENDI (P Shiers) – A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. When questioned regarding the unplaced performance trainer Mr T McEvoy advised that in his opinion the gelding had failed to travel on the bit in running and was disappointing following its work during the week. He added that the gelding had recovered well following the event and he intends to experiment with blinkers in track work with a view to making a gear change for its next start.

JESSE 'N' JAMES (B Huppatz) – Tightened for room and checked by its rider near the 1500m.

RESTRAINT (D Pisani) – Raced wide throughout.

TIPSY ON RED (F Bergstrand) – Raced without cover in running.

General: On inquiry it was established that approaching the 1500m JESS'N'JAMES (B Huppatz) was checked by its rider after being tightened for room between MAVERICKS (C Spry) which shifted out marginally and EXERT (V Arnott) which shifted in when racing in restricted room to the inside of POT BLACK (B Stockdale) and BROWN COAL (P Denton). Stewards were satisfied that no rider had ridden carelessly in this incident and therefore no further action was taken.

General:

Post race swab samples were taken from all winners and BROWN COAL (R9).

Pre race samples were taken from LA'JONOLA, ST IVES, PAYTEEVEE, WHISTLE STOP, QUANTUM DOT, GIFT OF THE GAB and all runners in race 9.

All jockeys were subjected to breath sample analysis for the detection of alcohol.

Summary fines

Race 2: Apprentice B Stockdale (IGLES STAR) was fined \$300 for using his whip in the forehand manner consecutively and on 2 additional occasions than permitted prior to the 100m – AR137A(5)(a)(i)&(ii)

Race 2: Trainer S Brown was fined \$20 for the use of Club Colours - NT121

Race 5 : Jockey J Todd (WHERE'S PINO) was fined \$100 for using his whip in the forehand manner on 2 additional occasions than permitted prior to the 100m – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 6: Unlicensed person Patrick Johnston was fined \$200 for leading a runner in the mounting enclosure when knowingly not the holder of a current license – AR175(k)

Race 7: Trainer S Clarke was fined \$20 for the use of Club Colours - NT121

Race 9: Jockey J Cameron (RIGHT OR WRONG) was fined \$300 for using her whip in the backhand manner excessively from prior to straightening – AR137A(3)

Reprimands

Race 1: Jockey K Gladwin for careless riding – AR137(a)

Race 6: Jockey K Cross for careless riding – AR137(a)

Race 6: Trainer P Cole for negligently allowing an unlicensed person to handle one of his runners – AR175(k)

D Hensler
Chairman of Stewards