

DARWIN TURF CLUB
Saturday 6th July 2013
Day 1 - Darwin Guineas Race Day

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Fine

Rail: True position

Stewards: L Lane (Chairman), R Merritt, L Twomey, J Lattenstein

Deputy Stewards: C Manley, L Jackson

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 8

Number of Runners: 67

Stakes Paid: \$221,000

Race 1 – 0 – 58 Hcp - 1300 metres:

TEHUTI stood flat footed when the start was effected and conceded considerable ground.

THE MAN IN BLACK jumped away awkwardly and bumped THE LAST GENERAL. THE MAN IN BLACK then became unbalanced and was buffeted for several strides between THE LAST GENERAL and POSEN.

Near the 1200 metres THE MAN IN BLACK was inconvenienced and had to be eased when THE LAST GENERAL rolled out.

Mr T Balfour trainer of VERSEMAN was fined \$20 for using club colours on that gelding (NT121).

Mr A Nicholls, rider of VERSEMAN was found guilty of a charge of careless riding, AR137(a). The careless riding being that after passing the 1000 metres he permitted his mount to shift in when not sufficiently clear of REGAL ATTITUDE thereby taking that gelding in onto THE MAN IN BLACK.

As a result REGAL ATTITUDE had to be checked and THE MAN IN BLACK had to be checked severely and clipped heels and almost dislodged the rider. A Nicholls was suspended from riding in races for a period to expire at midnight on Wednesday 17th July (two meetings).

The Clubs Veterinary surgeon inspected REGAL ATTITUDE which performed poorly and reported that the gelding was lame in the near fore leg.

1st QUICK THOUGHTS 2nd THE LAST GENERAL 3rd TEHUTI

Race 2 – 0 – 76 - 1300 metres:

INTO THE SUN reared as the gates opened and lost some ground.

1st SPARTAN EAGLE 2nd IT'S HOME 3rd MOSSADINA

Race 3 – 0 – 62 Hcp - 1200 metres:

The Clubs Veterinary surgeon inspected MARRIED MAN which had played up in the float on route to the course and advised that in his opinion the gelding was fit to race.

MARRIED MAN was slow into stride when the start was effected.

CORONA GIRL bounded when the gates opened.

Approaching the turn near the 650 metres MARRIED MAN which was racing inside the heels of JOKEN JIM began to lay out as it commenced the turn. As a result MARRIED MAN had to be eased and in so doing hung out across the heels of JOKEN JIM. When MARRIED MAN was checked RANDI which was following had to be checked to avoid its heels.

1st JOKEN JIM 2nd LUNCH MATES 3rd BIRCHLEY

Race 4 – SC Hcp – 1600 metres:

KIRKHAM and PORT VELL came together on jumping away.

In the middle stages of the race GENEROUS BEAU and PORT VELL raced with their head up when being restrained.

1st THE BIG STEEL 2nd ST IVES 3rd KIRKHAM

Race 5 – 0 – 66 Hcp - 1100 metres:

ROYAL PAGE which jumped away awkwardly was tightened for room by SHE SWINGS which shifted in.

Shortly after the start RISKY BLONDE shifted out abruptly and bumped PRESIDIUM which in turn shifted out and hampered GRAND BRITTANIA for several strides.

Approaching the winning post READY TO REEL rolled out slightly taking GRAND BRITTANIA out.

Mr M Hickmott trainer of RISKY BLONDE was fined \$20 for using Club Colours (NT121).

1st YELLOW JERSEY 2nd PRESIDIUM 3rd READY TO REEL

Race 6 – WELTER – 1100 metres:

ACTION AGAIN was momentarily slow to begin when the start was effected.

A Stead rider of FIREDRAKE dropped his whip at the top of the straight.

Mr S Brown trainer of DUKE OF CORNWALL was fined \$100 for presenting that gelding with incorrect gear (AR140A).

1st ACTION AGAIN 2nd MUCHOS RESPECTOS 3rd JACOPO

Race 7 – TROBIS 3-Y-O PLTE – 1600 metres:

Mr M Hickmott trainer of FLYING SKIPPER advised the stewards that he would be instructing the geldings rider to attempt to race back in the field today.

FLYING SKIPPER was taken out slightly at the start onto LANOGATCO.

Near the 1400 metres THE HOST OF THE PARTY rolled out as it rounded the turn. THE THEIF which was racing outside its heels was taken onto the hindquarters of HAZEROTH. As a result THE THEIF had to be checked and HAZEROTH was taken out across the heels of QUARTERFLASH and had to be checked.

Acting on advice from the Clubs Veterinary surgeon that COULDN'T AGREEMORE was lame in the off foreleg, and was unfit to start, stewards ordered the withdrawal of COULDN'T AGREEMORE at 12:45.

Stewards questioned Mr D Bates trainer of COULDN'T AGREEMORE. Mr Bates stated that when he went to prepare the gelding for the races at about 12 noon the gelding which had not been taken out of the stall in the morning appeared lame.

1st HOST OF THE PARTY 2nd THE THEIF 3rd LANOGATCO

Race 8 – 0 – 70 Hco – 1600 metres:

LE BEAU CHEVAL dwelt when the start was effected.

Mr D Bates trainer of GLARE was fined \$100 for presenting that gelding with incorrect gear (AR140A)

1st FRANK THE RIPPER 2nd GLARE 3rd SPEECH ROOM

Trainer Mr C Pollard was fined \$250 under AR175(p) for failing to obey the proper direction of an official. Mr Pollard had one of his runners led around the track from the saddling area to the stable on the track. This is despite the Clubs policy of not permitting the practice without prior approval and despite being advised not to do so by a steward on the day.

Swab samples were taken from all winners.

The following pre-race TCO2 samples taken on Saturday 29th June 2013 returned the following results;

<i>Horse</i>	<i>Trainer</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>Bel Sir</i>	<i>N Dyer</i>	<i>33.3</i>
<i>Palmyra Boy</i>	<i>N Dyer</i>	<i>30.6</i>
<i>Welcome Return</i>	<i>D Leech</i>	<i>29.2</i>
<i>Out of the Desert</i>	<i>G Clarke</i>	<i>29.2</i>
<i>Haulage</i>	<i>D Leech</i>	<i>31.7</i>
<i>Flying Skipper</i>	<i>M Hickmott</i>	<i>30.4</i>

Summary;

Suspensions:	Race 1 Mr A Nicholls (2 meetings)
Fines:	Race 1 Mr T Balfour \$20 Race 5 Mr M Hickmott \$20 Race 6 Mr S Brown \$100 Race 8 Mr D Bates \$100 Mr C Pollard \$250
Reprimands:	Nil
Forfeit Riding Fee:	Nil
Embargoes:	Nil