

DARWIN TURF CLUB
Saturday 3rd August 2013
Day 7 – Palmerston Sprint Race Day

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Fine

Rail: True position

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

Deputy Stewards: C Manley, L Jackson

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 7

Number of Runners: 78

Stakes Paid: \$267,500

Race 1 – TROBIS Maiden Plate - 1300 metres:

Mr M Hickmott trainer of MEDOWS MIST was questioned regarding the riding engagement for that mare. Mr Hickmott stated that he had replaced A Thompson with R Wheeler however he discovered on Friday 2nd August that R Wheeler was to be overweight and it was an oversight on his behalf not declaring S Hillebrand as the replacement rider.

Stewards fined Mr Hickmott \$200 for failing to declare his rider by the allocated time (NT 129).

VERSEMAN jumped away awkwardly and shifted out.

DANZING shifted out on jumping and tightened MISS ANT out across the running of VERSEMAN hampering that gelding.

GODSHIP reared as the start was effected losing considerable ground.

Rounding the turn at the 600 metres turn ALL RILED UP had a tendency to hang out and in so doing took WILDSPITZE outwards, MEADOWS MIST which was following had to be eased to avoid the heels of WILDSPITZE and in so doing shifted out and bumped DANZING.

P Shiers rider of GODSHIP requested to view the stewards patrol film prior to correct weight.

Subsequent to the event the Clubs Veterinary surgeon reported DANZING was lame in the near foreleg.

Mr J Manning trainer of DANZING was advised a satisfactory veterinary certificate must be produced prior to that gelding racing again.

1st MEADOWS MIST 2nd NIHIWATU 3rd ALL RILED UP

Race 2 – 0 – 70 Handicap - 1000 metres:

Mr M Hickmott trainer of YELLOW JERSEY was fined \$200 for failing to declare R Wheeler as the gelding rider by the allocated time (NT 129).

PRINCESS ZIETTA shifted in on jumping away and bumped YELLOW JERSEY which stumbled as the start was effected.

Rounding the first turn PERSONA GRATA got its head up and raced ungenerously and shifted out taking TUSCAN BREEZE outwards.

R Wheeler rider of YELLOW JERSEY was found guilty of a charge of careless riding (AR 137A). The details being that after passing the 200 metres he permitted his mount to shift in when not sufficiently clear of PRINCESS ZIETTA thereby taking that mare in onto SEA GEM resulting in SEA GEM having to be checked. R Wheeler was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight on Monday 5th August and to expire at midnight the 14th August.

1st YELLOW JERSEY 2nd PRINCESS ZIETTA 3rd PERSONA GRATA

Race 3 – 0 – 58 Handicap - 1600 metres:

When the gates opened HILLBILLY RICH was slow into stride.

LANOGATCO jumped away awkwardly.

QUIET A GEM bounded as the gates opened.

Near the 200 metres HILLBILLY RICH shifted out to obtain a clear run and in so doing bumped PURRFECT COCKTAIL turning that gelding sideways.

1st HILLBILLY RICH 2nd SHEDLEY 3rd QUIET A GEM

Race 4 – 0 – 64 Handicap – 1100 metres:

Stewards questioned C Moon rider of KING CRUSADER which raced poorly in regards to that gelding getting back in the field in the middle stages of the race. C Moon stated that KING CRUSADER did not appreciate the dirt thrown back when in behind other runners and began to race ungenerously. C Moon further stated that KING CRUSADER appeared to pull up ok after the race.

COMMANDPERFORMANCE shifted out on jumping away, LIVE IN DOUBT shifted out away from COMMANDPERFORMANCE bumping ASHRIDGE on the hindquarters. As a result ASHRIDGE was turned sideways and hampered and LIVE IN DOUBT lost its running.

Mr C Pollard trainer of CORONA GIRL was fined \$100 for presenting that mare with incorrect gear (AR 140A).

1st CORONA GIRL 2nd DASHAGH 3rd BLACK MARIA

Race 5 – Welter Handicap - 1900 metres:

Stewards considered a request from licensed trainer Mr C Pollard to withdraw IGLES STAR from this event after the prescribed time for official scratching had passed.

Mr Pollard advised that as IGLES STAR was 1st emergency in the Darwin Cup, he wished to scratch from today's event in the hope of gaining a start in the Darwin Cup on Monday. Mr Pollard stated that he attempted to scratch yesterday from this event but the RISA service centre was not open and then he forgot to scratch prior to 8.00 am this morning.

Stewards advised Mr Pollard that under the circumstances they would not permit the late withdrawal of IGLES STAR and the gelding must take its place in the field.

Mr Pollard contacted the stewards via telephone shortly after this and advised that he had treated the gelding with an anti inflammatory on Friday 2nd August and it would be unable to race today.

Stewards again interviewed Mr Pollard who stated that he had treated IGLES STAR with Meloxican on Friday 2nd August which meant that the gelding could not start today. Stewards reviewed Mr Pollard's treatment book in respect of the matter.

Acting on this advice Stewards ordered the withdrawal of IGLES STAR at 12.10pm. As betting had not yet commenced no deductions were ordered. Stewards fined Mr Pollard \$1000 under AR 114 (2)(b) with failing to withdraw IGLES STAR by the prescribed time.

Steward adjourned an inquiry into the circumstances regarding the late scratching of IGLES STAR and its eligibility to race in the Darwin Cup on Monday 5th August.

On the home turn PALMYRA BOY had to be checked to avoid the heels of LE BEAU CHEVAL which rolled in when racing tight on the inside of BEL SIR.

1st LE BEAU CHEVAL 2nd BEL SIR 3rd PALMYRA BOY

Race 6 – 0 - 66 – 1200 metres:

Shortly after the start EKRUM was tightened for room between runners and had to be eased.

Ms F Bergstrand rider of EKRUM advised the stewards it was her belief that the start should have been declared a false start as her horse was not ready and as such cost her mount some ground in the early stages.

Stewards questioned the Clubs starter Mr J O'Neill who advised he effected the start and had no concerns regarding the start. Ms F Bergstrand was advised of her requirements under AR 133, in that unless a false start had been declared she should ride her mount so as to fulfil her obligations under AR135(b).

Mr C Pollard trainer of EKRUM was fined \$100 for presenting that gelding with incorrect gear (AR 140A).

Subsequent to the event the Club's Veterinary surgeon inspected EMINENT FAME and reported he could find no apparent abnormalities.

During the event TREATY suffered a bleeding attack. Mrs S Arnold trainer of TREATY was advised of her obligations under AR 53A.

1st CAPACITATE 2nd RED HOT HUSSLER 3rd SPEECH ROOM

Race 7 – Palmerston Sprint – 1200 metres:

Correct weight was delayed as A Thompson rider of BLACKBRIAR and A Stead rider of WARATAH'S SECRET requested to view the stewards patrol film as they believed their mounts may have been denied a fair start. Stewards having considered all of the evident deemed BLACKBRIAR and WARATAH'S SECRET had not been denied a fair start under AR 134A and declared both horses runners.

BLACKBRIAR which was restless in the barriers stood flat footed and lost considerable ground.

Shortly after the start FANGLES shifted out tightening WARATAH'S SECRET out onto ACTION AGAIN resulting in ACTION AGAIN having to be checked off the heels of GRAND TAJ. ACTION AGAIN then continued to shift out taking WARATAH'S SECRET and GRAND TAJ out onto JUSTIFY THAT.

Passing the 100 metres GRAND TAJ and WARATAH'S SECRET raced tight for some distance between FANGLES which rolled out and JUSTIFY THAT which was shifting in slightly.

Racing past the 700 metres to the first turn WARATAH'S SECRET which had a tendency to lay out had to be eased off the heels of JUSTIFY THAT.

Racing down the back straight FANGLES raced ungenerously when in behind other runners.

Mr A Nicholls rider of ACTION AGAIN was fined \$200 for making a celebratory gesture short after the post (NT 144).

1st ACTION AGAIN 2nd DUKE OF CORNWELL 3rd DUBAWI GOLD

Pre race swab samples were taken from Purrfect Cocktail, Lanogatco, Palmyra Boy, Hierarchy, Bacchus Eagle.

Swab samples were taken from all winners.

Stewards questioned licensed trainer Mr M Carson in regard to an unlicensed person attending to his runner on Wednesday 31st July. Mr Carson was fined \$200.

Stewards questioned licensed trainer Mr D Leech in regard to the TCO2 level returned from HAULAGE which ran at Fannie Bay on Saturday 27th July. Mr Leech stated that he could offer no explanation for the higher than normal TCO2 reading. Stewards advised Mr Leech that in their view the only explanation for the high reading could be that HAULAGE had received alkalinising agent in some form. Further that Mr Leech should ensure that in future that his horses are presented in such a manner so as not to contravene the rules. Mr Leech was further advised that HAULAGE which is engaged to race on Monday 5th August must be presented at least 3 hours prior to its scheduled race time.

The following TCO2 results were returned from Fannie Bay on the 27th July 2013

Horse	Trainer	Result
Haulage	D Leech	35.0
Warrego Melody	G Clake	32.7
Drafted	P Cole	32.4
Frank The Ripper	D Clarke	31.4
Hawks Bay	N Dyer	30.5
Extra Zero	D Hayes	29.5
Spartan Eagle	R Richard	31.9
Palmyra Boy	N Dyer	31.7
Bolton	S Brown	29.8
Generous Beau	T Balfour	30.9
Adynata	D Leech	31.7
Agrippa	M Hickmott	30.9

Summary:

Suspensions: Race 2 R Wheeler
Fines: Race 1 M Hickmott \$200
Race 2 M Hickmott \$200
Race 4 C Pollard \$100
Race 5 C Pollard \$1,000
Race 6 C Pollard \$100
Race 7 A Nicholls \$200
Reprimands: Nil
Forfeit Riding Fee: Nil
Embargoes: Race 1 DANZING
Race 6 TREATY