

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 16TH AUGUST 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: L Twomey (Chairman), D Hensler, A Napier, J Hamilton (Clerk of Scales)
Deputy Stewards: C Manley
Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic
Number of Races: 5
Number of Runners: 41
Stakes Paid: \$65,200

General: Stewards intend to interview trainer Mr C Pollard in relation to his failure to submit a letter of authority for trainer Mr D Jupp to saddle runners in his absence.

Race 1: Airnorth 0 – 64 Handicap 1300 metres

STAY TIL DAWN (K Gladwin) – Bumped at the start.

FISHTALE (R Williams) – Raced wide throughout.

PROPHECY (M Tyndall) – Bumped at the start.

Race 2: SKYCITY Darwin 0 - 70 Handicap 1200 metres

RA IKANE (M Tyndall) – Approaching the 700m turn, rider elected to ease in behind runners.

HEART OF AYLA (R Oakford) - When questioned regarding the unplaced performance, rider advised that the mare was under pressure from the 600 metres and failed to finish the race off as anticipated. Trainer Mr G Clarke advised that he would monitor the mare's recovery and advise the Stewards his future intentions.

ALWAYS RUSSIAN (R Williams) – Commenced awkwardly and lost ground. Rider accidentally dropped her whip near the 250 metres.

Race 3: SBA Office National Class B Handicap 1200 metres

LISTENING DEVICE (A Brown) – Raced wide throughout.

BIG ON BLING (C Lloyd) – Bumped at the start.

DECLINED (K Gladwin) – Commenced awkwardly.

SILENT GEE (S Hillebrand) – Bumped shortly after the start.

DEVIL'S TALE (F Bergstrand) – Bumped at the start.

General: On inquiry jockey S Hillibrand, rider of the winner SILENT GEE pleaded guilty to a breach of AR 137A(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip in the forehand manner on 4 additional occasions than permitted prior to the 100 metres and was fined the sum of \$400.

Race 4: Tschirpig Conveyancing 0 - 66 Handicap 1100 metres

FACE THE BREEZE (K Gladwin) – Raced wide throughout.

TREATY (M Tyndall) – Inclined to lay out through the middle stages.

AZRAEL (C Lloyd) – Commenced awkwardly.

LUMINOUS (F Bergstrand) – Raced wide throughout.

Race 5: National Seniors Top End Cyril Young Memorial Handicap 1000 metres

NO MEANS GO (A Brown) – Bumped and buffeted between runners on straightening.

PETMAN (K Gladwin) – Raced wide throughout.

JACOPO (R Oakford) – Commenced awkwardly.

PORTLAND (R Williams) – Had difficulty obtaining clear running from on straightening until taken outward near the 150 metres.

General: On inquiry apprentice F Bergstrand (BIG ISLAND) was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under AR 137(a) for permitting her mount to shift inwards when not clear resulting in WHITE SAMBUCA (C Lloyd) being tightened for room and restrained near the 225 metres. Apprentice F Bergstrand's license to ride in races was suspended for a period of 2 race meetings to expire midnight 30th August. In consideration of this penalty, Stewards took into account Ms Bergstrand was booked to ride at Kununurra on the 23rd August.

Summary fines:

Race 3 – Trainer P Stennett \$20 NT121 use of the Club's colours on ORO BELLO.

Race 3 – Jockey S Hillebrand \$400 - AR137A(5)(a)(i) whip breach

Race 4 – Trainer M Nyhan \$20 NT121 use of the Club's colours on FACE THE BREEZE.

General:

Post race swab samples were taken from all winners