

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 27TH AUGUST 2016

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), A Napier, R Hamilton, L Jackson, S Copelin (Deputy), Z Gooden (Deputy), L Ross (Clerk of Scales)
Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic
Number of Races: 5
Number of Runners: 44
Stakes Paid: 68,000

Race 1: BMNT 74 Hcp 1200m

MOOT (K Gladwin) – Bumped and veered outwards at the start.

FLYING TORMENTA (K Brooks) – Bounded at the start.

STEREOSONIC(NZ) (R Booth) – Bumped at the start.

Race 2 - Trobis Maiden Plate 1100m

General: Prior to the race Stewards interviewed trainer K Petrick in relation to the riding instructions she intended to give each jockey bearing in mind her stable had 3 runners in the event. All runners were ridden accordingly.

LEGAL VEINE (K Brooks) – Slow to muster early speed.

MAKOWSKY(NZ) (K Gladwin) – Commenced awkwardly.

THE FIFTH ELEMENT (R Oakford) – Raced wide throughout.

THE ROUGH DIAMOND (M Tyndall) - Raced wide throughout.

Race 3 - 0 - 58 Handicap 1300M

Following the race jockey F Bergstrand, rider of the second placed BON JET lodged a protest against the winner ENGINE FIFTY FIVE (R Oakford) alleging interference near the 650m. In dismissing the objection Stewards were of the opinion that whilst both runners had made contact near the 650m resulting in BON JET becoming unbalanced and losing ground, the panel could not be satisfied to the requisite standard that the contact was solely caused by ENGINE FIFTY FIVE shifting inwards as BON JET had been laying outwards in the run to the first turn and therefore may have contributed to the incident.

BON JET (F Bergstrand) – Lay outwards in the back straight. Bumped with another and became unbalanced losing ground near the 650m.

ENGINE FIFTY FIVE (R Oakford) – Bumped with another runner near the 650m.

SUPER SWIFT (M Tyndall) – Proved difficult to load delaying the start time of this event. Trainer C Pollard was advised that a warning would be placed on the gelding and he undertook to take steps to rectify the gelding's barrier behaviour.

BELDAN (K Gladwin) – Raced wide throughout.

MIRKA(NZ) (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

BACHELOR PAD(NZ) (K Brooks) – Bumped at the start. Got its head in the air when steadied near the 1200m.

SUNSET STRIP (C Spry) – Knuckled at the start. Returned with an abrasion to the off fore heel.

ALPHA MATE (B Huppertz) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

Race 4 - 0 - 64 Handicap 1200M

TERIO TOOL (B Davis) – Fractious in the barriers prior to the start. Lay outwards in running and hung considerably rounding the home turn placing the rider at a disadvantage in testing his mount in the straight. A post race veterinary examination revealed multiple abrasions to the hip and legs and the gelding was lame in the near hind. Trainer G Clarke was advised that the gelding must barrier trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards prior to racing again.

MERVEILLE (W Davis) – Lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

SMASHER (F Bergstrand) – Slow into stride.

FRISKY ALBERT (B Huppertz) – Raced wide throughout.

Race 5 - BM54 Handicap 1000M

MAGIC GREG (R Oakford) – Commenced awkwardly.

HOT SPIN (K Gladwin) – Raced wide throughout.

A BURST OF ORANGE (W Davis) – Commenced awkwardly and lost ground. Slow to muster early speed. Lay inwards under pressure in the straight.

Summary

Post race samples were taken from all winners. Pre race samples were taken from MAGIC GREG, SENOR JUEZ, NORTHERN STORM, ENGINE FIFTY FIVE, MIRKA and MOOT.

All riders underwent alcohol breath testing and urine samples were also taken for the purpose of drug testing.

Fines

Race 1 – Trainer L Lefoe fined \$500 for failing to submit letters of authority for MOOT and EMPRESS O'RIELLY - NT 76

Race 3 – Jockey F Bergstrand fined \$300 for 3 additional whip strikes prior to the 100m – AR137A(5)(a)(ii)

Race 4 – Trainer N Dyer fined \$100 for presenting SENOR JUEZ without its approved gear – AR140A

Reprimands/Warnings

Race 3 - Trainer C Pollard was cautioned for presenting SUPER SWIFT poorly shod – AR175(k)

Embargoes

Race 4 – TERIO TOOL – must barrier trial.

D Hensler

NT Chairman of Stewards