

STEWARDS REPORT

ALICE SPRINGS TURF CLUB

SATURDAY 05TH SEPTEMBER 2015

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True

Stewards: D Westover (Chairman), M Hurley, B Lysaght

Veterinarian: Alice Veterinary Centre

Number of Races: 4

Number of Runners: 34

Stakes Paid: \$42,000

General: As C Moon was indisposed to fulfil his riding engagements for today. Stewards permitted the following rider changes:- Race 1 HARD TEA D Sparks, Race 2 ENGINE FIFTY FIVE D Pisani. C Moon was advised that he must produce a medical certificate of fitness prior to him race riding again AR81F(3).

Race 1 Bart Cummings Tribute Maiden Plate 1200 metres

FULL MARKS (R Vigar) – Knuckled on jumping, rolled in slightly at the 400m whilst racing forward. Rider reminded of his obligations to keep his mounts straight and give riders to his inside the room to which they are entitled to.

SANXALOT (D Pisani) – Steadied along the rails at the 400m when momentarily tightened for room. Underwent a veterinary examination on arriving at the barriers after being reluctant to go to the barriers becoming very worked up and was subsequently passed fit to start. Following a disappointing performance a post race examination revealed an elevated heart rate and a subsequent examination twenty minutes later revealed the heart rate to be normal. Trainer Mr G Connor was advised that a warning had been placed on the gelding due to its reluctance to go to the barriers and a similar occurrence may result in some action being taken.

DOON BUGGY (B Davis) – Despite the efforts of its rider, failed to muster early speed. Prior to the start of this event, trainer Mr R Bell advised that the gelding had sustained minor abrasions due to a stable mishap and following this advise the gelding was observed on arrival at the barriers and cleared to compete. Mr Bell was reminded of his obligations under NT128(b) to notify stewards as soon as practicable when an injury occurs with an acceptor.

HEART OF RED (F Bergstrand) – Taken in slightly by another runner at the 400 meters.

TORCHLIGHT (E Brown) – Slow into stride.

Race 2: Ubet Handicap 1100 metres

HAND IN GLOVE (J Todd) – Crowded for room between runners and bumped shortly after jumping. Trainer advised that the gelding will now go for a spell.

LUCERNE VALE (E Brown) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

BEL VUITTON (R Vigar) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

MYSTIC OBSESSION (P Marks) – Jumped awkwardly shifting out and bumping with another runner.

ENGINE FIFTY FIVE (D Pisani) – D Pisani was given permission to ride one kilo over-weight in this event as he was a late replacement rider.

Race 3: Bunderberg Rum Handicap 1000 metres

MABOOTS (R Vigar) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

JUST FROFF (D Sparks) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

CELESTIAL ME (K Manoukian) – Bumped with another runner on jumping.

ROSIES DREAM (D Pisani) - Bumped with another runner on jumping.

SETH'S SPECIAL (P Marks) – Raced wide through-out.

Race 4: Yepereyne Handicap 1400 metres

ARTIES ANGEL (K Manoukian) – Was inclined to over-race in the early and middle stages of the event getting its head up when being restrained at the 1100 and 900m.

GALA ARCH (F Bergstrand) – Inclined to roll out under pressure from the top of the straight.

Stewards reconvened an inquiry which was adjourned from the race meeting held on Friday 28TH August into the whip use of D Sparks (CHOISIR LA ROUGE) in Race 5 the Cummins Cup 1400m.

D Sparks pleaded guilty to a charge under AR137A(4)(a)(5)(a)(ii) in that he used his whip in the forehand manner on 3 extra occasions prior to the 100m with 4 strikes being forward of his mounts shoulder. D Sparks was fined the sum of \$500 and was notified of his right of appeal.

Post-race samples were taken from all winners.

Pre-race sample was taken from:- Race 4 GALA ARCH

Fines/Suspensions/embargos

D Oxlade \$20 Use of Club colours NT121

D Sparks \$500 Whip Breach AR137A(4)(a),(5)(a)(ii)

SANXALOT Warning