

DARWIN TURF CLUB
Saturday 5th October 2013

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Fine

Rail: True position

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

Deputy Stewards: C Manley, L Jackson, A Napier

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 38

Stakes Paid: \$56,600

Race 1 – Maiden Plate - 1300 metres:

BUGSY jumped away awkwardly and shifted out making contact with COMPACTS.

Shortly after the start, BUGSY which was unbalanced, shifted in and bumped BLACK FUSION.

BLACK FUSION and MISSION IMPOSSIBLE, which was taken out by HONOURABLE JOHN, then bumped on several occasions and became unbalanced.

Near the 800 metres BLACK FUSION shifted out slightly and bumped BUGSY.

BLACK FUSION had a tendency to lay in from the top straight.

Near the 200 metres BUGSY rolled in onto MACHO.

At the 100 metres MACHO rolled out taking the running off BUGSY, causing F Bergstrand the rider of BUGSY to take hold momentarily.

1st BLACK FUSION 2nd MACHO 3rd COMPACTS

Race 2 – TROBIS 0 – 64 Handicap - 1200 metres:

As P Shiers was unavailable, stewards permitted the following rider changes.

Race 2 YUNG WARRIOR S Hillebrand

Race 3 BIRCHLEY S Hillebrand

Race 5 EMVOSS R Rhodes

When the start was effected EMINENT FAME shifted out and SOUTH BAY GIRL shifted in tightening HAMISH BOY and SEAGARD for room.

In the early stages of the race SEAGARD got its head up when in behind other runners. S Ridler, rider of SEAGARD stated that the gelding was reluctant to race due to the sand coming back in the early stages, however as the race progressed began to get used to the sand and raced more tractably towards the end of the race.

1st UNLUCKY

2nd YUNG WARRIOR

3rd DASH ABOUT

Race 3 – 0 – 58 Handicap - 1100 metres:

B Davis, rider of WEST END SMASH dropped his whip near the 200 metres.

ENCHANTED BOY shifted out abruptly on jumping away and in so doing forced COOLBIE out onto KUITPO DANCER and it in turn out onto ELUSIVE BOUNTY. As a result ELUSIVE BOUNTY had to be checked of the heels of LET'S FACE IT and KUITPO DANCER had to be checked off the heels of COOLBIE.

The Clubs Veterinary surgeon inspected TIDALZONE which finished well back and reported that he could find no apparent abnormality.

The Clubs Veterinary surgeon reported that BIRCHLEY had taken its off side bumper off during the event.

Stewards reprimanded W Davis, rider of ENCHANTED BOY for excessive use of the whip (AR137A(3)). W Davis conceded that his use of the whip did not conform to the NT whip policy. Stewards took into account W Davis excellent record in relation to whip use.

1st ENCHANTED BOY 2nd WESTEND SMASH 3rd BIRCHLEY

Race 4 – 0 – 64 Handicap – 1600 metres:

SELKIRK raced wide throughout the event without cover. Ms V Arnott, rider of SELKIRK stated that she raced wide as SELKIRK refused to race in behind other runners due to the sand coming back. Stewards advised Ms Arnott that in their view her chances of finishing in the best possible position was compromised by racing as wide as she did on this occasion.

S Ridler, rider of BIG CHANCE was reprimanded for using his whip on that gelding in the forehand manner on seven occasions prior to the 100 metres in contravention of AR137A(5)(a)(ii). Stewards took into account that with the introduction of the new running rail the last 100 metres had not been appropriately identified.

1st GRASSY 2nd AFRICAN PRINCE 3rd POSEN

Race 5 – 0 – 76 Handicap - 1200 metres:

EMVOSS jumped away awkwardly and lost its footing when the start was effected.

Near the 600 metres SAVANNAH PRINCE raced tight on the inside of BIG CHANCE and became unbalanced for a number of strides.

Prior to correct weight being declared Ms M Tyndall, rider of ADMIRALS ORDER advised the stewards that she believed she had been denied a fair start and requested that ADMIRALS ORDER be deemed a non runner under AR134A.

Stewards took evidence from Mr D Mellow (starter), Ms J Wilson (Barrier Attendant) and Ms Tyndall.

It was established that ADMIRALS ORDER was placed in the gates riderless, second last.

When the start was effected both Ms Wilson and Ms Tyndall had called to the starter that she had not fully remounted ADMIRALS ORDER.

When the gates opened Ms Tyndall was not balanced and only had one rein. As a consequence ADMIRALS ORDER veered out abruptly and Ms Tyndall was almost dislodged.

Stewards were of the opinion that Ms Tyndall was not fully prepared for the start and as a result ADMIRALS ORDERS chances of finishing in the placings was materially prejudiced.

Acting under AR134A stewards ordered that ADMIRALS ORDER was denied a fair start and accordingly deemed ADMIRALS ORDER a non runner.

Stewards ordered all monies wagered on ADMIRALS ORDER to be refunded and the following deductions:-

	1 st	2 nd
Win	44	
Place	34	36

RED HOT HUSTLER skewed its off hind plate during the race.

1st PERSONA GRATA 2nd SAVANNAH PRINCE 3rd BIG CHANCE

Pre race swab samples were taken from POSEN, BOURSE, SELKIRK.

Swab samples were taken from all winners.

The following TCO2 results were taken on Saturday 21st September 2013.

<i>Horse</i>	<i>Trainer</i>	<i>Result</i>
<i>LIVE IN DOUBT</i>	<i>C Pollard</i>	<i>30.8</i>
<i>AFRICAN PRINCE</i>	<i>D Jupp</i>	<i>30.0</i>
<i>SAMALIDAN</i>	<i>J Peacock</i>	<i>33.3</i>
<i>SIDE TO SIDE</i>	<i>S Hillebrand</i>	<i>31.2</i>

Summary:

Suspensions: Nil
Fines: Nil
Reprimands: Race 3 W Davis
Race 5 S Ridler
Forfeit Riding Fee: Nil
Embargoes: Nil