

## STEWARDS REPORT

ALICE SPRINGS TURF CLUB SUNDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2012

TRACK: GOOD

WEATHER: FINE

STEWARDS: D WESTOVER (CHAIRMAN), M HURLEY, B LYSAGHT, J ASH, O COLBRAN

OFFICIALS: A MARSH, A HUMMER

VETERINARIAN: D MECWEN

SWABBING ATTENDANT: E CROWLEY

NUMBER OF RACES: 5

NUMBER OF RUNNERS: 39

STAKES PAID: \$54,850

TROBIS PAID: \$5,000

### RACE 1 BENCHMARK 70 HANDICAP 1400 METRES:

As the gates opened, EMPEROR OF THE SUN (K Connor) jumped inwards bumping GAP EXPRESS (K Manoukian) which inturn bumped SINGLE COMMAND (R Vigar).

1<sup>ST</sup> THE GHOST      2<sup>ND</sup> EMPEROR OF THE SUN      3<sup>RD</sup> ALPHA GOLD

### RACE 2 0-64 HANDICAP 1200 METRES:

As the gates opened, EXCELLENT PLUS (C Moon) knuckled momentarily unbalancing its rider.

Shortly after jumping, SPINNING APPLE (R Vigar) rolled in and as a consequence SILENT ROCK (B Hoppo) was momentarily tightened onto THEISM (M Evans).

Stewards advised R Vigar that in future he must be mindful of riders on his inside and give them the room to which they are entitled to.

1<sup>st</sup> LET'S TRY LONGER      2<sup>ND</sup> SPINNING APPLE      3<sup>RD</sup> EXCELLENT PLUS

### RACE 3 3YO HANDICAP 1200 METRE:

As the gates opened, both BELLANCICIO (M Evans) and LANOGATCO (S Evans) were slow into stride.

On jumping GIDGEE QUEEN (B Hoppo) jumped awkwardly bumping CENTRE CONSUL (K Manoukian) on its outside.

Subsequent to this event, stewards ordered a Veterinary inspection of CENTRE CONSUL which had performed poorly in this event.

The Club Veterinary Surgeon reported no apparent abnormalities could be found.

1<sup>ST</sup> CAPACITATE      2<sup>ND</sup> BLAZING COMET      3<sup>RD</sup> KANGXI

#### RACE 4 0-70 HANDICAP 1100 METRES:

As the gates opened, BRIEF BUZZ (M Evans) jumped a little awkwardly and getting its head up.

Subsequent to this event, the Club Veterinary Surgeon reported that SUNDAY PSALM had pulled up lame on its off/side fore.

Trainer of SUNDAY PSALM Mrs L Lefoe was notified that prior to that gelding again starting in a race, she must produce a Veterinary Certificate of fitness satisfactory to the stewards.

1<sup>ST</sup> ONTHEHUSSLE      2<sup>ND</sup> BRIEF BUZZ      3<sup>RD</sup> SANTA MAURA

#### RACE 5 0-58 HANDICAP 1400 METRES:

As the gates opened, TAKEN IT EASY (K Manoukian) jumped inwards bumping MIDNIGHT GIGGLE (C Moon) whilst MISS PERFORMER (B Hoppo) and CALEJA (M Evans) bumped.

VIVA LA RANGA (S Evans) was slow into stride on jumping.

Rounding the first turn HUSSINGER (M Hart) which was racing wide commenced to roll out wider and continued to race very wide throughout the event.

About the 150 metres, FAYEZEE (C Johnson) attempted to take a run along the rails inside of GUESTERMATE (J Cameron) and as a result FAYEZEE was tightened for room and clipped the heels of that runner and as a consequence C Johnson was almost dislodged.

Stewards questioned trainer M Evans in regards to the scratching of both SACRED MUSIC and PERFECT RENDITION from this event.

M Evans advised that both his runners may have a virus as they had been coughing and that he was seeking to have all his horses in his care blood tested by the Veterinary Surgeon.

Stewards noted what Mr Evans had to say and also advised that he would need to keep the stewards informed of the results of any blood tests conducted on his horses.

Subsequent to this event C Johnson the rider of FAYEZEE was found guilty of a charge under AR137(a) for Reckless riding.

The specifics of the charge being that at about the 150 metres he commenced to take a run along the fence when there was insufficient room to do so. As a consequence of his actions his mount clipped heels becoming unbalanced almost dislodging him from his mount.

C Johnson had his licence to ride in races suspended from midnight the 28<sup>th</sup> October and to expire midnight the 18<sup>th</sup> November (3 meetings).

C Johnson was notified of his right of appeal.

Subsequent to this event M Hart the rider of HUSSINGER was found guilty of a charge under AR135(b).

The specifics of the charge being that in the early stages of the event he neglected to take the option of placing his mount in closer to the rails and rounding the first turn and down the length of the back straight he allowed his mount to shift out between 10 and 11 wide and again neglected to bring his mount in closer to the field.

M Hart had his licence to ride in races suspended from midnight the 28<sup>th</sup> October and to expire midnight the 6<sup>th</sup> November.

M Hart was notified of his right of appeal.

1<sup>ST</sup> SWEENEY'S LANE    2<sup>ND</sup> MIDNIGHT GIGGLE    3<sup>RD</sup> HUSSINGER

Post-race samples were taken from all winners.

All riders were breath-tested for alcohol.

SUMMARY

SUSPENSIONS:	Race 5 M Hart AR135(b) C Johnson AR137(a)
FINES:	Nil
FORFEIT RIDING FEE:	Nil
REPRIMANDS:	Nil
EMBARGO'S:	Nil
VETERINARY CERTIFICATE:	Race 4 SUNDAY SPALM