

STEWARDS REPORT

ALICE SPRINGS TURF CLUB

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True

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

Deputy Steward: T Trace

Veterinarian: Alice Veterinary Centre

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 34

Stakes Paid: \$52,500

Race 1: Imparja Handicap 1100 metres

AUSBRED ROYAL (D Pisani) – Inclined to roll out under pressure down the length of the straight.

RINGWOOD MAGIC (M Tyndall) – Commenced awkwardly.

HOPE AND LIBATION (K Connor) – Knuckled on jumping and lost ground. Raced wide rounding the home turn and into the straight.

General: J Cameron (FACE THE BREEZE) was fined \$100 for using her whip in the forehand manner on two additional and consecutive occasions more than permitted prior to the 100m which contravened AR.137A(5)(i)&(ii).

Race 2: Unibet Handicap 1000 metres

WESTERN REBEL (J Cameron) – Failed to jump with field and lost considerable ground.

KASKAR (F Bergstrand) – Bumped at the start.

FALPALLO (K Connor) – Bumped at the start.

General: Correct weight for this event was delayed whilst Stewards reviewed the head on footage of the jump to ascertain whether WESTERN REBEL was denied a fair start. Stewards interviewed starter Mr G Lefoe, trainer Mr M Nyhan and jockey J Cameron. It was established that when the start was effected a barrier attendant had hold of the gelding's head as it had turned it towards the next petition and consequently WESTERN REBEL was unable to commence with the field and lost considerable ground. Stewards were of the view that WESTERN REBEL was denied a fair start and therefore acting under AR.134A declared the gelding a non-runner. Stewards further ordered that all monies invested on WESTERN REBEL (\$2.50) be refunded with the following deductions to successful bets:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Win	29c		
Place	28c	26c	

Race 3: HAHN 3.5 Maiden Plate 1200 metres

CHARLIE ON GUITAR (K Gladwin) – Inclined to lay out from the 700m brushing with another runner.

GEMMA'S GONESKIING (K Connor) – Tightened for room between runners and lost ground approaching the 600m.

KEEP THE CURRENCY (P Denton) – Shifted in at the 650m.

WEEKENDINALICE (B Davis) – Taken in slightly by another runner approaching the 600m.

General: Stewards inquired the reason for GEMMA'S GONESKIING (K Connor) losing ground near the 600m. Stewards were of the opinion that whilst acknowledging that GEMMA'S GONESKIING had been tightened and lost ground, no one rider was found to be at fault. It was established that CHARLIE ON GUITAR (K Gladwin) was laying out onto GEMMA'S GONESKIING slightly pushing that mare out onto WEEKENDINALICE (B Davis) which was shifting in slightly from pressure on its outside. P Denton rider of KEEP THE CURRENCY was subsequently reminded of his obligations to ensure his mounts are sufficiently clear when shifting ground.

Race 4: Chris Satori Farewell Handicap 1200 metres

PERFECT PAUSE (K Gladwin) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

HOLLYWOOD AND VINE (P Denton) – Bumped at the start.

TREATY (K Connor) – Inclined to over-race in the early stages of the event, getting its head in the air.

Race 5: Caitlin Forrest tribute Handicap 1400 metres

BIG EGO ROC (R Agnew) – Declared a late scratching at the barriers on Veterinary advice at 4:24 after getting down in its barrier and hitting its head. Stewards ordered that all monies invested on BIG EGO ROC (\$21.00) be refunded with the following deductions to successful bets:

	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Win	2c		
Place	5c	5c	4c

Mr J Luele trainer of BIG EGO ROC was advised that prior to that gelding again starting in a race, a veterinary certificate of soundness satisfactory to the stewards must be produced and further that should the gelding reoffend in a similar manner in future further action may be taken.

CAPACITATE (K Connor) – Bumped at the start. Following the poor performance a post race veterinary examination revealed no abnormalities.

WESTEND SMASH (B Davis) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

Post-race samples were taken from all winners.

Pre-race sample taken from: Race 5 SOPHISTICATED LASS

Meeting Summary

Fines: Race 1 – J Cameron (FACE THE BREEZE) was fined \$100 for using her whip in the forehand manner on two additional and consecutive occasions more than permitted prior to the 100m which contravened AR.137A(5)(i)&(ii).

Suspensions – Nil

Embargo – Race 5 - BIG EGO ROC vet clearance required.