

DARWIN TURF CLUB
Tuesday 5th November 2013

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Fine

Rail: True position

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

Deputy Stewards: C Manley, A Napier, L Jackson

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 6

Number of Runners: 47

Stakes Paid: \$82,100

Race 1 – Maiden Plate - 1200 metres:

S Hillebrand rider of COMPACTS was found guilty of a charge under AR 137 A (3) with excessive use of the whip.

The details being that after picking up the whip in the straight he failed to put it away and allow his mount an opportunity to respond with out the whip. Acting under AR 196 (2) stewards ordered that S Hillebrand forfeit his riding fee and half his rider's percentage in respect of this race.

1st LET HER SLIDE 2nd MACHO 3rd COMPACTS

Race 2 – 0 – 64 Handicap - 1000 metres:

HURACAN bounded as the gates opened and conceded some ground.

ALMADINE was slow to muster speed when the start was effected.

In the early part of the straight ALMADINE had a tendency to lay in behind other runners.

1st BLACK MARIA 2nd RESLEND A 3rd ALMADINE

Race 3 – 0 - 58 Handicap - 1300 metres:

As STRADASUN had shifted a hind plate en route to the course permission was granted for the horse to race barefoot behind.

Shortly after the start BOMBER shifted in onto HAMISH BOY.

Near the 1100 metres BUGSY which had made ground quickly had to be checked off the heels of BLACK FUSION (W Davis) which shifted in several horses.

Stewards took into account that BUGSY had made up ground quickly over the last 2 strides prior to being hampered and that BLACK FUSION had shifted in abruptly.

Stewards reprimanded W Davis and advised him that in future he must ensure he is 2 lengths clear when shifting ground.

Near the 650 metres ITSA PUNT had to be eased off the heels of BLACK FUSION which was laying in away from BUGSY.

1st **BLACK FUSION** 2nd **BUGSY** 3rd **HAMISH BOY**

Race 4 – 0 – 64 Handicap – 1600 metres:

ENCHANTED BOY shifted out abruptly on jumping away and took NIGHT OPTION out off its course hampering that gelding.

1st **ENCHANTED BOY** 2nd **LIVE IN DOUBT** 3rd **GRASSY**

Race 5 – 0 – 70 Handicap – 1200 metres:

JOLLIENCE bounded when the gates opened and conceded some ground.

MOSSADINA and BIG CHANCE were tightened for room and hampered between FASTER STRONGER and POWLETT both of which shifted.

Near the 600 metres BIG CHANCE had to be eased when held up for a clear run behind UNLUCKY.

For the entire length of the straight BIG CHANCE was held up and unable to get a clear run. R Oakford rider of BIG CHANCE stated that he was unable to get a run on the fence and had no opportunity to shift out to gain a run and that as a result he was not able to ride his mount out at any stage.

1st **FASTER STRONGER** 2nd **ATLAS RISING** 3rd **RED HOT**
HUSSLER

Race 6 – WFA Handicap – 1100 metres:

DREAMING OF NEPAL had to return to the day stalls after entering the mounting yard as it had a visor on instead of blinkers.

NO MEANS GO (R Mageean) got its head up when the start was affected and lost considerable ground. R Mageean stated that on jumping he may have had NO MEANS GO reined up to tight causing that gelding to get its head up.

Near the 600 metres COURTING MAGIC was bumped by FIRE Drake which rolled out slightly. When bumped COURTING MAGIC rolled out across the heels of RIAHGRAND and had to be eased.

1st **DREAMING OF NEPAL** 2nd **PERSONA GRATA** 3rd **NO**
MEANS GO

Swab samples were taken from all winners. Pre race samples were taken from Enchanted Boy, Posen, Live in Doubt, Night Option, African Prince, Grassy.

Summary:

Suspensions: Nil

Fines: Nil
Reprimands: Race 3 W Davis
Forfeit Riding Fee: Race 1 S Hillebrand Riding fee + 50% prizemoney
Embargoes: Nil