

STEWARDS' REPORT

DARWIN TURF CLUB SATURDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2014

Weather: Fine

Track: Good

Rail: True Position

Stewards: D Hensler (Chairman), R Merritt, L Jackson,
L Twomey (Judge) A Napier (Clerk of Scales)

Veterinary: Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 39

Stakes Paid: \$62,350

Race 1: The Scoop on Southern Cross TROBIS Handicap 1000 metres

The start of this race was delayed several minutes due to thunderstorm activity in the area.

KEL OF A SHOT (S Ridler) – Raced wide throughout.

BULDANCE (C Lloyd) – Raced wide throughout.

APALA (C Spry) – Raced wide in running.

Race 2: HB Group Handicap 1100 metres

The start time of this race was amended to 4.20pm.

THE CONCORDE (C Lloyd) – When questioned rider advised that his mount was not suited by the fast early pace and subsequently dropped the bit and raced in a rearward position despite being ridden along. He explained that approaching the 600m his mount responded positively to his riding and made up significant ground finishing the race off strongly and in his opinion the gelding will be better suited racing over an increased distance.

MOUSE (M Tyndall) – A post race veterinary examination revealed the gelding to be lame in the off fore leg. Trainer Mr S Clarke was advised that he must present a veterinary clearance for the gelding prior to racing again.

Race 3: bet265 Handicap 1600 metres

FULLY HECTIC BRO (R Oakford) – When questioned regarding the unplaced performance rider advised that his mount had resented the kickback when crossed by another runner passing the 1400m and then failed to travel in running and had a tendency to lay inwards in the straight. Returned having cast its near hind plate in running. A post race veterinary examination failed to reveal any abnormalities. Trainer Mr P Stennett advised that the gelding would have let up.

TWIN FALLS (F Bergstrand) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped.

BLACK BURBERRY (S Ridler) – Bumped and crowded at the start.

Race 4: Resident Magazine Class B Handicap 1200 metres

SMARTY MCFLY (M Tyndall) – Held tight and crowded over the concluding stages.

MAGIC GREG (C Lloyd) – Had difficulty securing clear running for the majority of the straight.

DE STARSANDCIRCLES (W Davis) – Returned with a laceration to the off fore leg.

General – On inquiry Jockey C Lloyd (MAGIC GREG) was cautioned for allowing his mount to shift in uncorrected over the concluding stages resulting in SMARTY MCFLY (M Tyndall) being held tight and crowded.

Race 5: The Good, The Bad and The Nag Handicap 1200 metres

POWLETT (A Brown) – Pressured inwards near the 650m.

HEART OF AYLA (R Oakford) – Following the event trainer Mr G Clarke advised that the mare will now be retired.

ENCHANTED BOY (S Rowley) – Raced wide throughout.

RA IKANE (V Arnott) – Pressured inwards near the 650m.

WESTERING HOME (M Tyndall) – Bumped at the start. Tightened for room and checked near the 650m.

UMFAZI (C Lloyd) – Commenced awkwardly and bumped. Pressured inwards near the 650m. Steadied outwards across heels to improve near the 150m.

General – On inquiry apprentice F Bergstrand (COURTING MAGIC) was found guilty of a charge of careless riding under AR137(a) with the specifics being that approaching the 650m she permitted her mount to shift ground when insufficiently clear, resulting in inward pressure being placed on RA IKANE (V Arnott), POWLETT (A Brown) and UMFAZI (C Lloyd) which caused WESTERING HOME (M Tyndall) to be tightened for room and checked by its rider. Apprentice F Bergstrand's permit to ride in races was suspended for a period of (2) NT race meetings to expire after 14 December, 2014.

Summary fines

Race 5: Trainer Ms T Halter (as delegate for trainer Mr D Bates) was fined \$100 (AR 124) for presenting ENCHANTED BOY late to the saddling enclosure.

Race 5: Jockey C Spry was fined \$50 (AR 175k) for negligence in riding in the incorrect colours.

General:

Post race swab samples were taken from all winners.

For David Hensler

NT Chairman of Stewards