

DARWIN TURF CLUB

Wednesday 25th April 2012

Track: Good

Penetrometer: n/a

Weather: Overcast

Rail: True Position

Stewards: L Twomey (Chairman), J Hamilton OAM, R Merritt , J Lattenstien, P Brennan, D Merritt, L Lane

Howard Springs Veterinary Clinic

Number of Races: 5

Number of Runners: 33

Stakes Paid: \$55,300

Race 1 – MAIDEN PLTE - 1300 metres:

AT THE FORE and STAR DISTRACTION bumped shortly after the start.

Subsequent to the event the Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported STAR DISTRACTION lame in the near hind.

Mr B Richards trainer of STAR DISTRACTION was advised that a satisfactory veterinary certificate must be produced prior to that gelding racing again.

1st AT THE FORE 2nd ASHRIDGE 3rd JUST TOO COOL

Race 2 – SPECIAL CONDITIONS 2 HCP - 1000 metres:

Mr S Brown trainer of NO MEANS GO was fined \$100 for presenting that gelding with incorrect gear (AR 140A).

Subsequent to the event the Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported ROGUE WARRIOR lame in the off fore.

Mr D Bates trainer of ROGUE WARRIOR was advised that a satisfactory veterinary certificate must be produced prior to that gelding racing again.

1st NO MEANS GO 2nd COSTLYEV 3rd PHANTOM VERDE

Race 3 – 0-58 HCP - 1600 metres:

When the gates opened MEET BARNEY shifted out bumping WAIROA causing that geldings hind quarters across the running of PRINCE OF ATTITUDE which was slow away.

On jumping away ALANA'S MATE shifted out bumping FATHERS FOOTSTEPS.

Approaching the 650 metres ALANA'S MATE shifted out bumping FATHERS FOOTSTEPS.

1st WAIROA 2nd MEET BARNEY 3rd ALANAS MATE

Race 4 – 0 – 64 HCP - 1200 metres:

On jumping away HURRICANEPRINCE jumped out onto OIGLES, who was then forced across the running of TUSCAN BREEZE and RIBATI which were both slow away.

Stewards questioned C Spry rider of RIBATI in regard to his ride in the straight. C Spry stated RIBATI hung badly in the early part of the straight and then felt to be unsteady in its action.

The Club's Veterinary Surgeon inspected RIBATI and reported that gelding to be lame in the near fore.

Mr D Jupp trainer of RIBATI was advised that a satisfactory veterinary certificate must be produced prior to that gelding racing again.

1st TUSCAN BREEZE 2nd MAGNIFICENT SEVEN 3rd OIGLES

Race 5 – 0 - 70 HCP- 1300 metres:

When the gates opened BUZLIGHTNING was slow away.

The Club's Veterinary Surgeon reported that MUGGADI suffered a laceration to the off hind leg during the event.

Stewards questioned B Huppatz in regard to his use of the whip on ALBERT PARK LAKE, Stewards advised B Huppatz that his use of the whip was bordering on excessive.

Stewards further advised B Huppatz that going forward he should ensure he does not use his whip consistently over an extended number of strides and he would be expected to revert back to hands and heels to give his horse a chance to respond in accordance with the agreed NT use of the whip guidelines.

1st BARSTOOL 2nd HOULGATE 3rd ROBSON STREET

Stewards completed an inquiry into Mr D Leech's failure to appoint an appropriate person in charge of his stables in his absence.

Mr Leech had been absent from his stable since Tuesday 17th April for an extended period. On Thursday 19th April Stewards acting under AR 50 rejected the nomination of WELCOME RETURN as it was not being trained in accordance with the rules.

Mr Leech was unable to attend the inquiry.

Stewards in Mr Leech's absence found him guilty of a charge under NT 77 in that he failed to advise the Stewards he was absent from his stable and failed to deputise an appropriate licensed person to be in charge.

Stewards fined Mr Leech the sum of \$200

Swab samples were taken from all winners.

Summary:

Suspensions: Nil

Fines:	Race 2	S Brown - \$100 AR 140 A
Reprimands:	Nil	
Embargo's:	Race 1	Star Distraction -Vet Certificate
	Race 2	Rogue Warrior - Vet Certificate
	Race 4	Ribati - Vet Certificate