

TRNT Stewards Report - Tuesday 15th August 2017

<u>Panel</u>: D Hensler (Chairman), D Westover

Venue: Stewards' Room, Alice Springs Turf Club

Stewards today conducted an inquiry into the Australia Racing Forensic Laboratory (ARFL) analyst's report of the urine sample provided by jockey Luke Miller after riding at the Darwin Turf Club meeting on Wednesday 20 July 2017.

Luke Miller appeared in person and evidence was tendered by Dr A Cawley, Science Manager of ARFL via teleconference.

Subsequently, jockey L Miller pleaded guilty to a charge under AR81A(1)(a) with the specifics being that as a licensed jockey, the urine sample taken from him at the Darwin Turf Club on 20 July 2017 was found upon analysis to contain a substance banned by AR81B, namely furosemide.

In determining penalty stewards took into account the following;

- The seriousness of the offence
- The nature of the banned substance (diuretic)
- Plea of guilty and remorse for his actions
- Jockey Miller's personal circumstances
- That this was Jockey Miller's first offence under this rule

Jockey L Miller had his license to ride in races suspended for a period of four weeks.

Stewards determined that as he was stood down from riding on 10 August 2017, the term of suspension will expire after 8 September 2017.

Mr Miller was further advised that he must deliver a clear sample to the Stewards in accordance with AR81A (4) prior to being permitted to resume riding trackwork or in barrier trials.

David Hensler
TRNT Chairman of Stewards