



TRNT Stewards Report – Darwin Turf Club

Tuesday 21 August, 2018

Panel: D Hensler (Chairman), R Hamilton

Stewards today convened an inquiry into the conduct of Guy Clarke during and following a Stewards inquiry held at the Darwin Turf Club on Monday 14 August, 2017. At this inquiry in 2017 he had his track rider licence suspended for a period of 9 months after pleading guilty to a charge under AR 81A(1)(a). He consciously left the inquiry prior to the findings being read out in full and directed insulting language towards the Stewards and damaged Darwin Turf Club property (glass door) when leaving the inquiry room.

Guy Clarke subsequently pleaded guilty to a charge under AR175(j) with the specifics being that during the abovementioned inquiry he did behave in an insulting and improper manner when addressing the TRNT Stewards and also when leaving the inquiry.

In determining penalty Stewards took into account:

- The serious nature of the offence
- Conduct caused property damage (restitution made to DTC)
- Plea of guilty
- Genuine remorse and apology for his behaviour
- First offence under this rule

Guy Clarke was fined the sum of \$2000.

Pursuant to AR 196(4) Stewards ruled \$1000 of this fine to be suspended for (2) years upon condition that he is not found guilty of an Rules of Racing relating to his conduct during this period.