

TRNT Stewards Report - Tuesday 26th September, 2017

Panel: D Hensler (Chairman), D Westover

Venue: Alice Springs Turf Club, Stewards Room

The TRNT Stewards today conducted an inquiry into a written complaint received on 5 September, 2017 from licensed trainers Terry and Leanne Gillett. The complaint related to alleged offensive comments made against them by Alice Springs Turf Club race caller Shane Green following the running of race 4 at the Pioneer Park racecourse on Saturday 2 September, 2017.

Subsequently Mr Green pleaded guilty to a charge of improper conduct under AR175(q). The specifics being that following the completion of race 4 on the above mentioned date, he did as an employee of the Alice Springs Turf Club in the position of race caller make disparaging and offensive remarks in reference to trainers Terry and Leanne Gillett which were audible through the broadcast recording.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into account the following factors:

- Seriousness of the charge
- Nature of the comments and circumstances of the offence
- The fact that he was unaware that his comments were recorded in the post-race broadcast
- The prejudicial impact his conduct has had on the NT Racing Industry
- The offending conduct was in his role as an employee of the Alice Springs Turf Club as opposed to being in his capacity as a licensed trainer
- His guilty plea
- Genuine remorse for his actions
- His personal circumstances

Stewards imposed a fine of \$2000. Mr Green was advised of his rights of appeal.

David Hensler

TRNT Chairman of Stewards