## **Stewards Report**

27 September 2011

Present: L A Lane, J Hamilton (OAM), R Merritt, L Twomey

The stewards today opened an inquiry into the analyst's findings on a swab sample taken from Palmyra Boy subsequent to that gelding winning the TTFoods Chief Ministers Cup run at Fannie Bay Racecourse on Saturday 9 July 2011.

The analyst had reported that the above sample was shown upon analysis to contain testosterone at a level in excess of that permitted under AR178C.(1)(g).

Stewards acceded to a request from Mr N Dyer trainer and managing part owner of Palmyra Boy to be represented at the inquiry by Mr P McMillan.

Evidence was today taken from Mr N Dyer who provided authorities to act on behalf of the other part owners of Palmyra Boy, Mr C Murphy, Quality Manager (ARFL), Mr A Cawley, Science Manager (ARFL), Mr M Jarrett, Analyst (RSC) and Mr John Brown, Veterinary surgeon.

Written evidence was tendered by Dr C Suann, Senior Official Veterinarian, Racing NSW, and Licensed jockey Mr C Atkinson. A stable inspection report and record of interview conducted by Mr K Ashby (RVL) was provided as evidence to the inquiry

Stewards adjourned the inquiry following a submission put by Mr Dyer to have a "peer review" conducted on the analytical data at the ARFL. Mr Dyer has advised that he will be in a position to have that peer review conducted no later than 17 October.

The inquiry will be recommenced on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2011

L A Lane

NT Chairman of Stewards