

TRNT Stewards' Report – Darwin Turf Club Monday, 27 June, 2016

On Monday 20 June, 2016 TRNT Stewards collected urine samples from licensee's riding track work at the Darwin Turf Club for the purpose of analysis for banned substances. Visiting (RVL licensed) track rider Ryan McNulty was directed to provide a sample on the morning and failed to do so.

As the Stewards had been unable to make subsequent contact with Mr McNulty, acting under the provisions of AR81A(1)(3) he had been stood down forthwith from 22 June, 2016 pending the determination of an inquiry into this matter.

Stewards today convened an inquiry when Ryan McNulty made himself available to give evidence. Subsequently Mr McNulty pleaded guilty to a charge under AR81A(1)(b) in that on the morning of Monday 20 June, 2016 after riding track work at the Darwin Turf Club he did fail to deliver a urine sample when directed to do so by the Chairman of Stewards.

In consideration of penalty Stewards took into account the following factors:

- Mr McNulty's guilty plea
- His level of remorse for his actions
- His clean disciplinary record and his personal circumstances
- The fact that after failing to comply with the direction to provide a urine sample that he failed to make any contact with the Stewards for (7) days
- The serious nature of the charge
- The need for a penalty to act as a general and specific deterrent

Mr McNulty was disqualified for a period of (4) months to expire after 27 October, 2016. He was advised that under the provisions of AR81A(4) that he must deliver a sample that is free of any banned substances prior to reapplying for a license.

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