

TRNT Stewards Report - Monday 29th May 2023

<u>Panel:</u> Venue: D Hensler (Chairman), R Hamilton

Stewards' Room, Darwin Turf Club

Stewards today conducted an inquiry into the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory (ARFL) analyst's report of the urine sample provided by apprentice jockey lanish Luximon at the Alice Springs Turf Club on 11 March, 2023.

Apprentice Luximon appeared in person with his host trainer Mr K Lamprecht and evidence was heard from Mr John Keledjian, the General Manager of ARFL.

Subsequently, Ianish Luximon pleaded guilty to a charge under AR139(1)(a).

The specifics of the charge were:

- 1. On 11 March he was licensed as a apprentice jockey with TRNT and therefore classified as a rider under the Australian Rules of Racing
- 2. At the direction of the Stewards he did provide a sample of his urine at the Alice Springs Turf Club on the abovementioned date.
- 3. A banned substance under the Rules of Racing, namely the metabolites of opiates and opioids were detected in that urine sample taken from him.

In determining an appropriate penalty Stewards took into account the following:

- The seriousness of the offence
- The nature of the banned substance and relatively low detected levels
- Pharmaceutical evidence that supported the likely cause of the detection was from the use of a Schedule 3 pharmacy prescribed medication
- The apprentice was unaware that taking the medication would lead to a breach of the rules relating to banned substances
- His guilty plea, forthright evidence and good disciplinary record in relation to this rule

lanish Luximon was suspended from riding in races for a period of (3) weeks to expire after 14 June, 2023..

The penalty was backdated to commence from 24 May, 2023 when the apprentice was stood down by the Stewards in accordance with AR139(3)(a). He was further advised that he will be permitted to ride track work again when he has provided a clear sample in compliance with AR139(4).

lanish Luximon was advised of his right of appeal to the TRNT Appeals Tribunal.

Australian Rules of Racing referred to in this report:

AR 139 Offences where riders use banned substances

- (1) A rider breaches these Australian Rules if:
- (a) a banned substance under AR 136(1) is detected in a sample taken from the rider; or
- (3) The Stewards may immediately, or pending the determination of any inquiry or other proceeding or the result of any other analysis, stand down a rider from riding in each of the following circumstances:
- (a) if a banned substance under AR 136(1) is detected in a sample taken from the rider;
- (4) If a rider incurs a penalty or is prevented by the Stewards from riding under this rule, the rider cannot resume riding until the period of the penalty has expired and a sample from the rider free of any banned substance under AR 136(1) has been delivered, as directed by the Stewards.