



TRNT Stewards Report – Thursday 10 September, 2015

Venue – Darwin Turf Club

Panel – D. Hensler, Ms L Twomey & A Napier

Stewards today conducted inquiries into the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory (ARFL) analyst's reports of the urine samples provided by jockeys, who rode at the Darwin Turf Club meeting on Wednesday 29 July, 2015. Evidence was tendered by Mr John Keledjian, General Manager of ARFL.

Inquiry 1: Jockey W Kerford pleaded guilty to a charge under AR 81A(1)(a), the specifics being that during the above mentioned race meeting he did provide a sample of his urine which upon analysis detected the banned substance phentermine.

In determining penalty Stewards took into account:

- The seriousness of the offence
- The nature of the banned substance (anorectic)
- Mr Kerford's plea of guilty, co operation at the inquiry and remorse for his actions
- His personal circumstances
- This was his first offence under this rule

Jockey W Kerford had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period of 1 month.

Mr Kerford was further advised that he must deliver a clear sample to the TRSA Stewards in accordance with AR 81A (4) prior to being permitted to ride in track work or trials.

Inquiry 2: Jockey A Mallyon pleaded guilty to a charge under AR 81A(1)(a), the specifics being that during the above mentioned race meeting he did provide a sample of his urine which upon analysis detected the banned substance phentermine.

In determining penalty Stewards took into account:

- The seriousness of the offence
- The nature of the banned substance (anorectic)
- Mr Mallyon's plea of guilty and remorse for his actions
- His personal circumstances and honesty in relation to committing the offence
- Previous unblemished record in relation to this rule

Jockey A Mallyon had his licence to ride in races suspended for a period of 1 month.

Mr Mallyon was further advised that he must deliver a clear sample to the RVL Stewards in accordance with AR 81A (4) prior to being permitted to ride in track work or trials.

Stewards ruled that as both jockeys were stood down from riding on Wednesday 9 September, 2015 the periods of suspension imposed will expire after midnight 8 October, 2015.