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QRIC suspends and fines harness driver

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission stewards have suspended the harness driving licence of Brisbane harness driver Grant Dixon and imposed a \$4,000 fine after he walked out of a stewards' inquiry.

Stewards opened the inquiry into Mr Dixon's driving tactics during Race 10 at Redcliffe on the 21st of December.

He was charged with unacceptable driving during a race while in control of Baron Jujon but left the inquiry after it had been reconvened at Albion Park earlier this week.

Mr Dixon also removed seven runners due to participate in races at Albion Park on Tuesday the 2nd of January.

His training and harness driving licences were immediately suspended pending the outcome of a reconvened inquiry.

Mr Dixon attended the hearing today where his harness driving licence was suspended for eight weeks to be served cumulatively with a suspension imposed for a similar previous infringement.

Mr Dixon's suspension is due to expire on the 1st of March 2018.

He was also fined \$4,000 for leaving the inquiry and withdrawing his horses, with \$2,000 to be suspended provided Mr Dixon be of good behaviour for 12 months.

Mr Dixon's harness trainer's licence has been reinstated.

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