

## Media release

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## **Currie Inquiry to reconvene next Friday**

The Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards' Inquiry into possible breaches of the rules of racing concerning race day treatment of a number of horses at Ben Currie's Hursely Rd Toowoomba stables on 7 April 2018 will reconvene next Friday 11 May.

QRIC Commissioner Ross Barnett said Trainer Mark Currie and two Currie Racing stable hands suspended following initial investigations have been called to appear at the resumed Inquiry.

"Mr Currie faces a number of charges and has previously entered a plea of not guilty," he said.

"Stewards allege race day treatment of race horses occurred on two separate occasions on the morning of Saturday 7 April and Saturday 24 March 2018.

"The analysis of CCTV footage seized from the Toowoomba stables is now complete in respect to these three racing participants, however the investigation of other substances seized is ongoing and is expected to continue for some time.

QRIC Commissioner Ross Barnett said he expected the matters to be determined at the May 11 hearing.

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