

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Apprentice Anna Bakos

Date: 16 July 2020

Panel: D Aurisch, L Hicks, P McLean

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into a report from the analyst that a urine sample provided by licensed Apprentice Jockey Ms Anna Bakos when riding trackwork at Deagon on 15 June 2020 contained the substances Morphine and Codeine banned under AR 136 (1).

Apprentice Bakos explained that the medication (Panadeine Forte) that is responsible for this substance being present had been taken due to pain associated with recent dental surgery performed some days earlier.

Subsequently, Apprentice Bakos pleaded guilty to a charge under AR 139 (1) (a) which reads:

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;

The specifics of the charge being that Apprentice Bakos did provide a sample of urine at the Deagon Racing Club on 15 June 2020, which contained substances banned under 136 (1) namely Morphine and Codeine.

In determining penalty, Stewards were mindful of the circumstances of this particular case, Apprentice Bakos' unblemished record in regards to this rule, forthright evidence and precedents.

Apprentice Bakos had her licence to ride in races suspended for a period of two (2) weeks to commence 14 July 2020, on which day she was notified of the discrepancy, and to expire on 28 July 2020.

Furthermore, Apprentice Bakos was advised that subject to AR 139(4) she must provide a urine sample free of any banned substances prior to be cleared to resume riding.

Apprentice Bakos was advised of her rights to an internal review.