

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Charlie Montebello

Date: 2 August 2021

Panel: D. Farquharson, L. Wilson, N. Finnigan

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today inquired into the betting activities of Charlie Montebello from the Group 1 Queensland Trotters Cup at Albion Park on 24 July 2021.

Betting records indicated Mr Montebello engaged in various bet types for this race, including winning bets on Tough Monarch which was successful in the event and is registered to Mr Montebello as a part owner.

Betting records also indicated Mr Montebello placed a small lay bet during the race. As a result of this bet Mr Montebello was charged pursuant to AHR rule 235A (4) which states:

The connections must not lay any horse that is or may be entered by them or on their behalf, save that a bookmaker may lay a horse in accordance with his licence.

Mr Montebello pleaded guilty to the charge and a fine of \$200 was imposed. In assessing the matter of penalty Stewards took into account Mr Montebello's forthright evidence, his clear disciplinary history spanning 30 years, and his guilty plea.