

## Stewards Report: Tamara Noble & Sarah Gilbert

Date: 31 October, 2022

### Panel: Clayton Warren & Tony Preston

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into the events surrounding an altercation between licensed trackwork Rider Ms Sarah Gilbert and apprentice jockey Ms Tamara Noble that occurred at the Toowoomba Turf Club on the morning of 18 October 2022 in the vicinity of the raceday tie-up stalls.

After considering all the evidence, Ms Noble and Ms Gilbert were both issued with a charge pursuant to AR228(b), which reads:

*A person must not engage in:*

*(b) Misconduct, improper conduct or unseemly behaviour.*

The specifics of the charges being that on 18 October 2022 in the raceday tie-up stalls at Toowoomba Turf Club, both parties did misconduct themselves by engaging in a verbal altercation where profane and obscene language was used in an audible manner before becoming engaged in a physical altercation.

Ms Noble pleaded guilty and was fined the sum of \$500, \$200 of which was wholly suspended for a period of two (2) years. Ms Noble was advised of her right to an internal review.

Ms Gilbert pleaded guilty and was fined the sum of \$2000. Stewards also ordered the additional amount of \$750, which had previously been suspended for a similar breach at an inquiry on 25 January 2021, be imposed. Ms Gilbert was advised of her right to an internal review.

In determining penalty, Stewards were mindful of the serious and detrimental effect that charges of this nature have on the industry, relevant penalty precedents, the disciplinary records of both parties and the specific circumstances surrounding the breach, with emphasis on the respective parties' involvement in the physical aspect of the altercation.

Ms Noble and Ms Gilbert were both advised of their rights to apply for internal reviews.