

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Mr Clinton Taylor

Date: 03 January 2023

Panel: Shane Larkins, Chris Allison & Hayden Gillett

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today inquired into an incident that occurred on the morning of 14 October 2022 during trackwork at the Rockhampton racecourse.

After taking evidence from licensed Trackwork Rider Heidi Butler and Licensed Trainer Clinton Taylor, Mr Taylor was found guilty of a charge under the provisions of AR228(b) which reads:

A person must not engage in misconduct, improper conduct, or unseemly behaviour

The specifics of the charge being, that during trackwork at the Rockhampton Racetrack on the morning of 14 October 2022, Mr Taylor was abusive and directed foul language towards Licensed Trackwork Rider Ms Heidi Butler.

When determining penalty, Stewards were mindful of the circumstances of this case, Mr Taylor's not guilty plea and his recent record. Stewards also considered the negative impact of industry participants engaging in such behaviour and the need for a penalty to act as both a general and specific deterrent. Furthermore, usual penalties which have been issued previously under similar circumstances were also considered.

Mr Taylor was subsequently fined \$500.

Mr Taylor was advised of his rights to an internal review.