

Stewards Report: David Silver

Date: 2 May 2023

Panel: Clayton Warren, Josh Adams & Tony Preston

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into the conduct of licensed stable hand Mr David Silver. The inquiry concluded following the release of an audio recording created by Mr Silver after the acceptance of LEVEL ONE for the Neil Mansell Group QTIS 2yo and 3yo Maiden Plate at Toowoomba, which was run on the 30 July 2022.

After considering the matter along with written submissions from Mr Silver, Mr Silver was issued with a charge pursuant to AR228(b) which reads:

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

The specifics of the charge being that after the horse LEVEL ONE's acceptance for the Neil Mansell Group QTIS 2yo and 3yo Maiden Plate, Mr Silver did misconduct himself by making an audio recording to the registered owners of the filly which included disparaging and inappropriate comments regarding several licensed persons as well as racing in Toowoomba generally.

Mr Silver pleaded not guilty to the charge and Stewards considered further submissions in relation to this.

Mr Silver was subsequently found guilty of the charge and issued with a reprimand. Additionally, as a breach of AR228 had occurred, Stewards ordered that a fine, being the sum of \$1,000, which had previously been wholly suspended under the proviso that Mr Silver did not reoffend under AR228, be enacted as this breach had occurred during the specified period that the previous penalty had been suspended.

Mr Silver was advised of his right to an appeal.