

Stewards' Report

Stewards' Report: J. Hatfield

Date: 13 May 2023

Panel: D Griffiths, S Coulthard

An enquiry opened at Home Hill Races on 1 April 2023 after the running of Race 4 involving Trainer Ms. J Hatfield and then unlicensed person Mr. H Manzelmann, was reconvened at the Bowen Race Club on 13 May 2023. The following runners under the care of Ms Hatfield at Home Hill were sent for post-race swabs on 1 April 2023 -: Race 1 ST MORITZ, Race 3 FLYING SHAMUS and Race 3 KOSCINA.

All swab samples were sent to the Racing Science Centre for analysis and were subsequently cleared.

Both parties were further questioned in relation to Stewards finding a small container of a Veterinary prescribed product A.C.E Promazine containing 5 Tablets and two empty 10mls syringe packets in Ms Hatfield's vehicle after runners in her care had competed at Home Hill on April 1, 2023.

After considering the matter and all evidence, Ms Hatfield pleaded guilty to a charge of contravening AR251 (1) b which reads -:

AR 251 Possession of a prohibited substance/equipment at race meeting

- (1) A person must not, without the written permission of the Stewards, have in his or her possession:*
- (b) in any motor vehicle, horse float or other mode of transport used for the purpose of transporting a horse/s to and/or from a race meeting, any prohibited substance, or a syringe, needle, naso-gastric tube or other instrument that could be used:*
 - (ii) to produce a prohibited substance in a horse.*

Stewards alleged that Trainer Hatfield did without written permission from Stewards, in the race day car park, have in her possession in her vehicle attached to a horse float used to transport the racehorses Flying Shamus, Koscina and St Moritz to the Home Hill race meeting on Saturday 1 April 2023, a bottle of A.C.E Promazine containing 5 Tablets that could be used to produce a prohibited substance in a horse.

Stewards accepted Trainer Hatfield's guilty plea and she was fined \$500.

Ms Hatfield explanation regarding two empty 10mls syringe packets being found in the same vehicle was noted and no further action taken.

However, Ms Hatfield was fined a further \$200 for having a then unlicensed person (Mr Manzelmann) handle her horses on 1 April 2023 at the Home Hill meeting.