

Stewards' Report

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Date: 28 December 2023

Panel: D Farquharson (Chair), S Shinn

Richard March – AHRR190(1) – presenting Artful Master to race at Redcliffe 2 December 2023 when not free of the prohibited substance Pregabalin.

Stewards today finalised penalty considerations following the guilty plea of Mr Richard March in that he presented the pacer Artful Master to race at Redcliffe on 2 December 2023 when a sample taken subsequent to its race resulted in a positive test to the prohibited drug Pregabalin.

Mr March was fined the sum of \$5000. Stewards further ordered that, under the provisions of AHRR256(5)(a), \$2500 of the penalty be suspended for a period of 24 months should Mr March not reoffend under any prohibited substance rule (AHRR Part 12) during that period.

Acting under the provisions of AHRR195, Stewards direct that Artful Master be disqualified from its engagement at Redcliffe on 2 November 2023 and the placings be amended accordingly.

David Farquharson

Chief Steward - Harness

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards