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Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Licensed Trainer John Wallace

Date: 21st February 2024

Panel: Brett Wright, Danielle McMahon, Scott Heidke

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission Stewards today conducted an inquiry as a result of a stable inspection carried out on the 21st of July 2023, at the then registered premises of trainer John Wallace.

During the inspection, a number of unlabelled injectables were found in the feed room area, along with four bottles of Hemoplex (3 opened and 1 unopened).

A check of Mr Wallace's treatment records was carried out and disclosed no entries since 2019, albeit Mr Wallace acknowledged horses had been treated since that year. With respect to this matter, Mr Wallace was on the day, fined the sum of $100 pursuant to AR104(1) which states:

AR 104 Trainers must keep treatment records

> *(1) A trainer must record any medication or treatment administered to any horse in the trainer's care by midnight on the day on which the administration was given.*

With respect to the products found, Mr Wallace was issued with a charge pursuant to AR252A(1) which reads:

AR252A Possession of injectable products containing cobalt salts.

> *(1) A person must not have in his or her possession, or on his or her premises, any injectable product which contains cobalt salts.*

The particulars being that on the 21st of July 2023, during a stable inspection by QRIC Stewards at the then registered premises of licensed trainer John Wallace, four bottles of Hemoplex (3 opened and 1 unopened), which contained cobalt salts and is banned under the Australian Rules of Racing, were found in the feed room, along with a number of unlabelled injectable products, none of which were in a lockable container.

Plea: Guilty

Penalty: Fined $1000.

In assessing penalty, account was taken of his guilty plea, clean record in this area over 57 years involved in the racing industry, the products found had expired, penalty precedents and that he had moved stable locations twice in a short period around the time of inspection.