

Stewards Report: Ryan Tyrell

Date: 19th February 2024

Panel: Emily Tickner & Clayton Warren

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into a report from the analyst that the prohibited substance Dexamethasone was detected in a post-race blood sample taken from ROLLINWITHTHEFLOW at Texas on 9 December 2023.

Documentary evidence was tabled from the Racing Science Centre (RSC) and Racing Analytical Services Ltd (RASL), along with evidence from licensed Trainer Mr Ryan Tyrell.

After considering all of the evidence Mr Tyrell was issued with a charge pursuant to AR240(2) which reads:

Subject to subrule (3), if a horse has been brought to a racecourse for the purpose of participating in a race and a prohibited substance on Prohibited List A and/or Prohibited List B is detected in any sample taken from the horse prior to or following its running in any race, the trainer and any other person who was in charge of such horse at any relevant time may be penalised.

The specifics of the charge being that licensed Trainer Mr Ryan Tyrell did have the horse ROLLINWITHTHEFLOW presented to Texas on December 9, 2023 for the purpose of engaging in the *Jeff Hannerford Texas Cup Open Handicap* over 1200m and a post-race blood sample taken from the gelding was found to contain the prohibited substance Dexamethasone.

In determining penalty Stewards considered Mr Tyrell's guilty plea at the earliest opportunity and forthright evidence as well as his recent good record in relation to rules associated with prohibited substances. Stewards also considered Mr Tyrell's personal and financial circumstances, relevant penalty precedents as well as the negative impact such breaches have on the image of the industry and the need for any penalty to act not only as a specific deterrent to Mr Tyrell but to the industry cohort as a whole.

Mr Tyrell was fined the sum of \$2500.

Mr Tyrell was advised of his right to an appeal.

Furthermore, acting under the provisions of AR240(1), Stewards disqualified ROLLINWITHTHEFLOW from winning the *Jeff Hannerford Texas Cup Open Handicap* over 1200m and the placings were amended as follows:

**Texas December 9, 2023 – Race 4 – *Jeff Hannerford Texas Cup Open Handicap*
over 1200m**

1st – ZAIDIN

2nd – VOULAIT

3rd – HIDDEN EYS

4th – ELUSIVE EAGLE