

## Stewards' Report

**Stewards' Report: Licensed Trainer Mr Les Ross** 

Date: 24 May 2024

Panel: S Heidke, P Zimmermann

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) stewards today conducted an inquiry as a result of a stable inspection carried out on 24 March 2023, on the then registered stables of trainer Mr Les Ross.

During the inspection, a bottle of the banned injectable product Hemoplex containing cobalt was found in the feed room area of the complex.

With respect to the product found, Mr Ross was issued 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 of the charge being that on 24 March 2023 during a stable inspection by QRIC stewards at the then registered premises of licensed trainer Les Ross, one bottle of hemoplex, containing cobalt salts, a banned product under the Australian Rules of Racing was in his possession.

Mr Ross pleaded guilty to the charge.

In assessing penalty, stewards considered Mr Ross's guilty plea, disciplinary history, length of participation within the industry, personal circumstances and issued a fine of \$300.

Mr Ross was advised of his appeal rights.