

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Glenda Bell

Date: 19th June 2025

Panel: Ethan Suli & Hayden Gillett

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards concluded an inquiry in relation to the horse, GOLD ACADEMY, trained at the time by Ms Glenda Bell, which was removed from the racecourse before the prescribed time (30 minutes) and a veterinary report identifying that runner to have bled from both nostrils, following it having competed in Race 2 at the Emerald Jockey Club meeting held on the 19th April 2025.

Stewards questioned Trainer Bell in relation to the circumstances regarding GOLD ACADEMY having been identified to have bled from both nostrils and whether or not she was aware or had any knowledge of the attack.

Submissions were made by trainer Glenda Bell in relation to the matter, as well as hearing evidence from licensed stablehands Bob White, Lani Alexander and jockey Warwick Satherley, along with photographs obtained from the on-course photographer and CCTV footage. After considering the evidence in its entirety, Stewards were unable to establish to the requisite standard whether Ms Bell had any knowledge that GOLD ACADEMY had suffered a bleeding attack prior to its removal from the course.

In relation to GOLD ACADEMY being removed from the course within the prescribed time, the following charge was issued to Ms Bell:

AR 165 Horses in the saddling paddock

(3) Unless the Stewards order otherwise, a horse that has competed in a race is not permitted to be removed from the saddling paddock (or other designated area) until at least 30 minutes after the finish of the race.

The particulars of that charge were, that on the 19th April 2025, Glenda Bell as the trainer of GOLD ACADEMY, permitted that horse to be removed from the Emerald Jockey Club racecourse without the permission of stewards, within 30 minutes after the running of Race 2, in which that horse competed.

Trainer Bell pleaded guilty to the charge.

When assessing penalty, stewards considered the following factors:

- Trainer Bell's guilty plea
- Trainer Bell's previous record in relation to the rule
- Penalty precedents under this rule
- The circumstances of the offending
- The seriousness of the breach

Trainer Bell was fined \$500.

AR 79 Horses with bleeding

(6) If a horse has more than one attack of bleeding, the horse is ineligible to start in any race.

Acting under the provisions of AR79(6), inclusive of a veterinary report and photographic evidence, Stewards were satisfied that GOLD ACADEMY was found to have blood present in both nostrils and therefore, GOLD ACADEMY has been banned from competing in any future race as the bleeding attack on the 19th April 2025 was the gelding's second reported attack.

Ms Bell was advised of her rights of appeal.