



THOROUGHBRED RACING SA LIMITED

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT – S. WHITTLE / CAPITOLINE

MORPHETTVILLE – THURSDAY, 17 AUGUST 2017, MONDAY, 30 APRIL & THURSDAY, 3 MAY 2018

MORPHETTVILLE PARKS – THURSDAY, 28 JULY 2016

Stewards concluded an inquiry into the analysis of a post-race urine sample taken on Thursday, 28 July 2016 from the racehorse CAPITOLINE, which was presented to race in and won Race 6 the Evans Faehrmann Pty Ltd Class One Handicap run over 1400m at the Morphettville Parks Racecourse. Analysis of the sample disclosed the presence of Arsenic, at a level in excess of the threshold set for Arsenic under the rules of racing, being 0.30 mg/L (0.3 milligrams per Litre).

Evidence was taken from Mr. S. Whittle, the Trainer of CAPITOLINE, Thoroughbred Racing SA Veterinary Surgeon, Dr. P. Horridge and Racing Analytical Services Limited Laboratory Scientific Manager, Mr. P. Zahra. In addition, evidence was taken from Mr. Whittle's stable representative and the deputy steward associated with the taking of the sample.

After considering the evidence, Stewards charged Mr. S. Whittle under AR178 (a strict liability rule), the particulars being that as a licensed trainer and the trainer of the racehorse CAPITOLINE at all relevant times leading up to and including Thursday, 28 July 2016, he did bring the said racehorse to Morphettville Parks Racecourse where it competed in and won Race 6 the Evans Faehrmann Pty Ltd Class One Handicap run over 1400m, after which a urine sample taken from the horse disclosed upon analysis the substance Arsenic at a level of 0.46 mg/L in urine which is above the threshold declared in AR.178C(1)(b) of 0.30 mg/L in urine (a prohibited substance under the rules of racing). Mr. Whittle pleaded not guilty to the charge.

In determining penalty Stewards had regard for the circumstances in this case and imposed a penalty of a suspension of Mr. Whittle's license to train for a period of four (4) months, however having regard for Mr. Whittle's clean record in this regard and other factors advanced at the inquiry, Stewards reduced the penalty and determined that the suspension would commence at midnight 10 May 2018 and expire at midnight 31 July 2018.

Acting under AR177, Stewards determined that CAPITOLINE be disqualified from Race 6 the Evans Faehrmann Pty Ltd Class One Handicap run over 1400m on 28 July 2016 at the Morphettville Parks Racecourse.

Consequently, the **new result** of the race is:

- 1st YOU DINI
- 2nd FAN THE BREEZE
- 3rd DAREBEN HALARO
- 4th BAND PRACTICE
- 5th BASSON

Mr. Whittle was informed of his right of appeal.

J. C. PETZER
CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS
10 May 2018