

THOROUGHBRED RACING SA LIMITED

ADDITIONAL STEWARDS' REPORT - GORDON RICHARDS

Stewards: K Lemay-Robbins (A/Chairman), C Deakin, A Milne

TRSA OFFICES - TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2019

JAMESTOWN - SATURDAY, 05 OCTOBER 2019

Stewards concluded the adjourned inquiry into the circumstances relating to Licensed Trainer, Mr. Gordon Richards being found in possession of two syringes (an empty syringe and a syringe of *Acepromazine*) at the Jamestown Racecourse on Saturday, 5 October 2019.

Evidence was taken from Mr. Gordon Richards, and Dr. G. Warren, the Veterinary Surgeon on duty at the race meeting at Jamestown on 5 October 2019.

After considering the evidence, Stewards charged Mr. Richards under AR251(1)(a)(i), the particulars of the charge being; that as a licensed trainer at Jamestown Racecourse on Saturday, 5 October 2019, he had in his possession, without the permission of Stewards, an empty syringe that had been used to administer *Acepromazine* to KOSTYA, a horse brought to the racecourse that was not engaged to race on the day and a syringe of *Acepromazine* that could be administered to a horse or produce a prohibited substance in a horse.

Mr. Richards pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$1000. In determining penalty, Stewards had regard for Mr. Richards' guilty plea, the fact that he had not breached this rule previously, and his forthrightness during the inquiry.

Stewards noted that neither the substance *Acepromazine* nor any other substance had been administered by Mr. Richards to any horse engaged to race at the race meeting.

Gordon Richards was advised of his right of appeal.

Kate Lemay-Robbins
Cadet Steward

25 November 2019
