

THOROUGHBRED RACING SA LIMITED STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT - Dylan Cowan

TRSA OFFICES - MONDAY 4 & TUESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2019

Stewards have concluded an inquiry into the circumstances relating to alleged conduct on or about 30 October 2019, by registered Stable Employee, Dylan Cowan.

It was alleged that on or about 30 October Dylan Cowan had sent a snapchat message to a person involved in the industry and that the content of that message was unsolicited and offensive to the recipient. Evidence was heard from a licensed trainer in South Australia and the person to whom the snapchat message was sent, hereinafter referred to as "Ms A". Evidence was also heard from Dylan Cowan.

After considering the evidence, Dylan Cowan was charged under AR 229(h) - Charge 1, and AR 233(c) - Charge 2.

The particulars under Charge 1 (AR 229(h)) being:

That on 4 November 2019, during the course of an inquiry, into the circumstances relating to a snapchat message sent by him to "Ms A", he made a false statement; the particulars of that false statement being that he had not sent the snapchat message to "Ms A", but had sent it to his girlfriend, when by his own admission on Tuesday, 5 November 2019, at Morphettville racecourse, this was not the truth, and that he had told a lie, and that the truth of the matter was that the girlfriend he referred to did not exist and that the snapchat message was sent to multiple persons.

Dylan Cowan pleaded guilty to the charge and after considering his clean record, and the seriousness of the charge, Stewards imposed a penalty of a fine of \$400.

Dylan Cowan was advised of his right of appeal.

The particulars under Charge 2 (AR 233(c)) being:

That on or about 30 October 2019 he engaged in sexual harassment of a person engaged in the racing industry, that person being "Ms A", and the sexual harassment being the making of an unsolicited request of a sexual nature to "Ms A".

Dylan Cowan pleaded guilty to the charge and after considering his clean record, and the seriousness of the charge, Stewards imposed a penalty of a suspension of his Stable Employee registration for a period of 6 months, however under the provisions of AR 283(5) determined to suspend a period of 3 months of that suspension for a period of 2 years provided he is not found guilty of a breach of a similar rule during that period. The effect of this determination is that Dylan Cowan is suspended for a period of 3 months effective midnight 24/11/2019 and to expire midnight 24/2/2020.

Dylan Cowan was advised of his right of appeal.

J Petzer
CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS
26 November 2019