Additional Stewards Report



Thursday 19th August, 2021

STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT - Inquiry into the conduct of Licensed Persons at Morphettville Racecourse on Tuesday 6th July, 2021

Stewards: Mr G Rudolph (A/Chairman), Mr S Callanan, Mr M Zarb

Stewards today conducted an inquiry, following a written complaint from SAJC Trackwork Supervisor, Mr Brenton Patterson, relative to alleged conduct directed towards him by licensed jockey Ms Caitlin Jones, licensed stablehand/trackwork rider Mr Ronnie Bell and licensed trainer Mr Justin Pickering, on the morning of 6th July, 2021.

Evidence was taken from Mr Patterson, Ms Jones, Mr Bell and Mr Pickering, who all appeared in person. Racing SA Cadet Steward Mr Braden Jarman, who was present at track work on that morning, also gave evidence. Ms Jones, Mr Bell and Mr Pickering each pleaded guilty to a charge under AR228 (c) of insulting behaviour in relation to inappropriate language that each person directed towards Mr Patterson in the course of his duties, at approximately 7:30 am that morning.

Having regard to each person's guilty plea and disciplinary record in relation to conduct related matters, Stewards ruled the following penalties apply:

Ms Jones fined \$400. Mr Bell fined \$300. Mr Pickering fined \$200.

Mr Patterson was advised that his departure from the normal club protocols in relation to the management of vehicular traffic moving onto the track for club jump-outs, had contributed to the incident. He was further advised that, as the club official responsible for the enforcement of training facilities regulations at Morphettville, to take the necessary steps to ensure alignment of practices adopted with club protocols.

Each party was advised of their rights of appeal.

Greg Rudolph
Senior Stipendiary Steward
19 August 2021

