



THOROUGHBRED RACING SA LIMITED

ADDITIONAL STEWARDS' REPORT – MR A McEVOY / SYSMO (FR)

MORPHETTVILLE – TUESDAY, 13 MARCH 2012

Stewards have today inquired into comments attributed to Trainer, Mr. A. McEvoy, which appeared in an article in The Advertiser on Wednesday, 7 March 2012.

Mr. McEvoy acknowledged the comments regarding the post-race condition of SYSMO (FR) after racing at Morphettville on Saturday, 25 February 2012 had been reported accurately. He admitted an oversight in that he had not reported the post-race report on the condition of SYSMO (FR).

Whilst the Trainer acknowledged the general thrust of comment relating to his perspective of the track was reported accurately, he denied specifically making the comment reported in regard to "it's just laziness" with respect to the Course Manager.

Mr. McEvoy acknowledged he had not referred, or sought clarification regarding aspects, of his concerns to the Course Manager. The Course Manager, Mr. J. Tonani, provided copies of Official Track Reports demonstrating watering schedules for the week and official weather reports in explaining his efforts over the period in question.

Having considered the Trainer's explanation, the Stewards, noting the remorse exhibited by the Trainer who had apologised to the Course Manager, elected to accept Mr. McEvoy's explanation.

With regard to his failure to notify the Stewards of the condition of SYSMO (FR) post-race, Mr. McEvoy was charged under Rule ARR.140(c). He was found guilty of failing to notify Stewards of the colt's condition as soon as practical and fined \$250. In determining this penalty, the Stewards took into account certain mitigating factors.

Mr. McEvoy confirmed that subsequent to its last start, a veterinary examination of SYSMO (FR) reported the colt as having fluid on both front fetlocks and knees and a pulse in both front feet, consistent with having jarred up. He confirmed that SYSMO (FR) had undergone treatment and would continue its preparation.

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CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDS

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