

THOROUGHBRED RACING SA LIMITED

<u>STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT – J. HICKMOTT</u>

MORPHETTVILLE – FRIDAY, 31 AUGUST, 2012.

MORPHETTVILLE PARKS – SATURDAY, 4 AUGUST 2012

RACE 3 – PEWSEY VALE HANDICAP – 2250 metres

Stewards today concluded an inquiry into Trainer Mr. J. Hickmott's apparent failure to provide Stewards with notification in writing of the appointment of a person in charge of his stable in his absence exceeding 48 hours in accordance with LR.20.7.3 and the reason notification was not received by Stewards in accord with LR.20.8. Stewards also inquired into the reason for Mr. Hickmott failing to comply with a direction provided on 4 August 2012.

Mr. Hickmott pleaded guilty to a breach of LR.20.7.3 in that he was absent from his stables for a period longer than 48 hours from 18 July 2012 without Stewards' permission and approval for a licensed or registered person to be in charge of his stables during his absence. He was fined \$500, of which \$250 was suspended for a period to expire 31 July 2013 provided he does not breach this Rule during that period.

Mr. Hickmott also pleaded guilty to a breach of LR.20.8 in that he failed to notify Stewards at least one hour before the start of Race 3 of the name of the person to whom he delegated responsibility for his two runners BELL RINGER (Race 3) and COLONIAL (Race 5) and was reprimanded.

In addition Mr. Hickmott was found guilty of a breach of ARR.175(p) in that he failed to comply with a direction of Stewards to confirm, in writing, by Monday, 6 August 2012 the appointment of Mr. K. Frew, who acted on his behalf in respect of BELL RINGER (Race 3) and COLONIAL (Race 5) and was reprimanded.

Mr. Hickmott was advised of his right of appeal.