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Stewards Inquiry – Trainer Glenn Stevenson

Office of Racing Integrity (ORI) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into a report received from the Racing Analytical Services Ltd (RASL) that caffeine, a prohibited substance, was detected in a pre-race blood sample taken KILLIN FALLS prior to that gelding competing in and finishing 4th in Race 6 the Tasracing.com.au Conquering WFA (1400 metres) at the Tasmanian Turf Club meeting on 6 December 2017.

These findings were confirmed by the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory (ARFL).

Evidence was taken from Mr Glen Stevenson, trainer of KILLIN FALLS, Mr Paul Zahra Scientific Manager RASL and Dr Peter Horridge, Regulatory Veterinarian South Australian Thoroughbred Racing.

Trainer Mr G Stevenson pleaded guilty to a charge pursuant to AR 178 in that he presented KILLIN FALLS to the Launceston racecourse on 6 December 2017 with the prohibited substance namely caffeine being detected in a pre-race blood sample.

In considering penalty Stewards took into account Mr Stevenson's:

- Guilty plea
- Blemish free record for breaches of the prohibited substance rules
- Personal circumstances.

And further:

- The seriousness of the offence
- Deterrent factor both personal and general
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Mr G Stevenson was disqualified for a period of four (4) months, effective immediately.

Acting under Rule 177 KILLIN FALLS was disqualified from 4th position and placings were amended accordingly.

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