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JIMMY DE PANDA INQUIRY- 10 APRIL 2019- MICHAEL DORNAUF

Panel- R Brown, G Griffin, L Lord.

Office of Racing Integrity Stewards today inquired into reports from the analyst that Cobalt in excess of the prescribed allowable threshold had been detected in a urine sample taken from JIMMY DE PANDA at the Launceston Pacing Club on 9th December 2018.

Stewards considered evidence tendered by trainer Mr Michael Dornauf as to his feeding and husbandry practices and from representatives of Racing Analytical Services Limited and the Racing Science Centre and from consultant veterinarian Dr Adam Richardson.

Mr Dornauf was charged pursuant to AHRR 190 (1), (2) and (4) for presenting JIMMY DE PANDA for the subject race when not free of the prohibited substance Cobalt above the permitted threshold.

Mr Dornauf was also charged pursuant to AHRR 196A (1)(ii) for administering or causing to administer the prohibited substance Cobalt to JIMMY DE PANDA which was detected above the threshold in the urine sample taken from that gelding after competing in the subject race.

Mr Dornauf was found guilty of both the charges after careful consideration of all of the evidence.

After taking submissions with regard to penalty, and taking into account all relevant factors, Stewards Disqualified Mr Dornauf for a period of 9 months for the breach of AHRR 196A(1)(ii) and for a period of 6 months for the breach of AHRR 190(1), (2) and (4). These penalties were imposed with immediate effect, to be served concurrently to expire at midnight on 10 January 2020.

Mr Dornauf was advised of his rights of appeal.

Acting under the provisions of AHRR 195 Stewards ordered that JIMMY DE PANDA be disqualified from the subject race and the placings will be amended accordingly.

Roger Brown CHAIRMAN