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BOBBY JOE INQUIRY – 13 SEPTEMBER 2017 - KEVIN DENNY

Office of Racing Integrity Stewards today inquired into a report from the analyst that, Altrenogest had been detected in a urine sample taken from BOBBY JOE prior to it competing in trial 3 at the Tasmanian Pacing Club on 26 June 2017.

Stewards considered evidence tendered by trainer Mr Kevin Denny, Paul Zahra (Racing Analytical Services Ltd), Mr Adam Cawley (Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory) and Veterinarian Dr Peter Horridge.

Mr Kevin Denny subsequently pleaded guilty to a charge pursuant to Australian Harness Racing Rule (AHHR) 190(1) which states: *'A horse shall be presented for a race free of prohibited substances'*.

The particulars of the charge were that Mr Kevin Denny did present BOBBY JOE for racing at the Tasmanian Pacing Club trials on 26 June 2017 when a post-race urine sample taken from that gelding was found to contain the prohibited substance Altrenogest.

Mr Denny was further charged under the provisions of 190(B)(1)(b) for failing to adequately maintain a log book of treatments to which he pleaded guilty.

Stewards imposed a fine of \$2000 for the breach of AHHR 190(1) in these circumstances and a fine of \$200 was imposed for the breach of rule 190(B)(1)(b).

Acting under the provisions of AHRR 195, BOBBY JOE was disqualified from its performance in trial 3 at the Tasmanian Pacing Club 2017 and Stewards directed that the placings be amended accordingly.

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