



THOROUGHBRED RACING SOUTH AUSTRALIA

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**STIPENDIARY STEWARDS' REPORT – MR. LANCE HOLBERTON**

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**TRSA OFFICES – TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2019**

TRSA Stewards appointed under Rule 14 (1) by Harness Racing South Australia today conducted an inquiry into a complaint lodged by Mr. Ross Neal, Chief Executive Officer, Harness Racing South Australia, regarding alleged conduct by Licensed Trainer Mr. Lance Holberton during a discussion at the Port Pirie race meeting on Saturday 27 April 2019.

Stewards heard evidence from Trainer Mr. Lance Holberton and HRSA, CEO Mr. Ross Neal and also considered a statement he provided to the Chairman of Stewards Mr. Simon Ewen in the days following the alleged conduct.

After considering the evidence, Stewards charged Mr. Holberton under the provisions of Rule 231 (2), the particulars of the charge being:

**Charge** (Rule 231(2)) – On Saturday 27 April 2019 at the Port Pirie Racecourse, he misconducted himself during a discussion with Mr. Ross Neal HRSA, CEO by using words that were insulting towards him.

Mr. Holberton was found guilty of the charge and fined \$300. Stewards acting under Rule 256(5) (a) wholly suspended the fine on the proviso that he does not re-offend any conduct rule within a period of 12 months.

Mr. Holberton was advised of his right of appeal.

**Matt Santoro**

**Authorised Steward Harness Racing South Australia**

19 November 2019