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HRV RAD Board Hearing – Nathan Jack

On 25 September 2019, the Harness Racing Victoria (HRV) Racing Appeals and Disciplinary (RAD) Board considered a charge issued against Nathan Jack under Australian Harness Racing Rule (AHRR) 187(3).

AHRR 187(3) reads as follows:

A person shall comply with an order or direction given by the Stewards

The particulars of this charge related to Mr Jack's attendance at the Shepparton Harness Racing Club trial meeting on 21 February 2019 when Mr Jack was subject to an order of the HRV Stewards which excluded him from attending all racecourses.

A further charge issued under AHRR 187(2) was withdrawn by the HRV Stewards.

Mr Jack, through his legal representative, pleaded guilty to the charge.

After considering submissions on penalty, including a guilty plea, the serious circumstances leading to the exclusion, Mr Jack's poor record and the nature of his conduct at the trial meeting, Mr Jack was issued with a fine of \$1500.

Damian Sheales, Mr Jack's legal representative, withdrew an application for a permanent stay.

HRV RAD Board: Judge Graeme Hicks (Chairperson), Robert Abrahams (Deputy Chairperson)

The Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board (RADB) is established under section 50B of the Racing Act (1958). The RADB is an independent Board established to hear and determine appeals in relation to decisions made under the rules to impose penalties on persons and to hear and determine charges made against persons for serious offences.