



RACING AND WAGERING WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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MEDIA RELEASE

Harness Stewards Inquiry – Trainer Mr. Lang Inwood (JUST A HORSE)

RWWA Stewards yesterday conducted the inquiry into a report received from RWWA Senior Investigator Mr. Geoff Johnson in relation to an allegation that on Tuesday 17th March 2020, Mr. Johnson observed Harness Trainer Mr. Lang Inwood at his registered training premises stomach tubing JUST A HORSE which was nominated, and engaged to race in Race 5 at Gloucester Park, that evening.

After hearing evidence from Mr. Johnson, Mr. Inwood and RWWA Manager Veterinary Services Dr. J Medd, Stewards issued the following charges:

Charge 1 – RWWA Harness Rule of Racing 193 - Stomach tubing, atomisers and other devices

The particulars of the charge being that on Tuesday 17th March 2020, Mr. Inwood, at his registered training premises, did stomach tube the pacer JUST A HORSE, which was nominated to compete in Race 5 at Gloucester Park that evening.

Charge 2 – RWWA Harness Rule of Racing 196C – Administering Substances

The particulars of the charge being that on Tuesday 17th March 2020, Mr. Inwood did, at his registered training premises, administer the alkalinising agent “Neutralizer” (sodium citrate) by way of stomach tube to the pacer JUST A HORSE on the same day it was scheduled to race at Gloucester Park in Race 5, and accordingly did administer an alkalinising agent contrary to sub-rule (1) of HR196C.

Mr. Inwood pleaded guilty to both charges, and after hearing submissions on penalty, the matter was adjourned to enable Stewards to determine penalty.

The suspension of Mr. Inwood’s licences to train and drive applied as of 17th March 2020, pending outcome of the inquiry, continues to apply.

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