



Robin Thompson, Director of Racing

For immediate release

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Independent Stewards Panel Decisions

The Independent Stewards Panel (the Panel) today informed Mr Ben Yole and Mr Tim Yole that they have been determined to be guilty of a charge issued under the Australian Harness Racing Rule (AHRR) 218(A) and that a penalty of three years disqualification back dated to 29 July 2024 has been applied to both participants.

The Panel today also informed Mr Ben Yole that he has been determined guilty of one charge under AHRR 196D(1) and that a penalty of a \$5000 fine has been applied.

Further the Panel today informed Mr Ben Yole he has been determined not guilty of one charge under AHRR 196D(1).

A copy of the determinations are available on the Office of Racing Integrity website at <https://nre.tas.gov.au/racing/stewards-inquiries-decisions>

Under Section 28 of the *Racing Regulation Act 2004*, appeals against a decision of stewards may be lodged with the Tasmanian Racing Appeal Board.

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