Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment

Office of Racing Integrity



STEWARDS INQUIRY DECISION

Date of Decision: 10 July 2019

Stewards Panel: Racing Integrity Stewards - D Tyson, B Plunkett, L Lord

Name: Mr Ian Callinan

Date: 28 March 2019

Rule no: GAR83(2)(a)

Charge(s): Mr Callinan was charged pursuant to GAR 83(2)(a) for presenting Coasting Around for

the Happy Retirement Gary Grade 5 461m when not free of the prohibited substance

Metformin

Prohibited Substance: Metformin

Inquiry Decision: Stewards fined Mr Callinan \$1500 of which \$750 is to be suspended for 12 months

unless he offends in a similar manner.

FACTS:

Mr Callinan, licenced trainer, presented Coasting Around for the Happy Retirement Gary Grade 5 461m when not free of the prohibited substance

INQUIRY:

On 10 July 2019, Office of racing Integrity (ORI) Stewards concluded an inquiry into the analyst's results.

Stewards considered evidence tendered from Racing Analytical Services, The Australian Forensic Laboratory, trainer Mr Ian Callinan as to his personal prescribed use of Metformin and from consultant veterinarian Dr Adam Richardson.

After considering all the evidence presented, Stewards issued a charge under GAR 83(2)(a).

DECISION:

After taking submissions with regard to penalty, and taking into account the following relevant factors:

- 1. Mr Callinan's personal circumstances.
- 2. His time in the industry and clean record as an Owner/Trainer.
- 3. That any penalty must acts as a specific and general deterrent to the industry.
- 4. The importance of maintaining public confidence in the industry.

Stewards fined Mr Callinan \$1500 of which \$750 is to be suspended for 12 months unless he offends in a similar manner.

Acting under the provisions of GAR 83(4) Stewards ordered that Coasting Around be disqualified from the subject race and the placings to be amended accordingly.

Mr Callinan was advised of his rights of appeal.

