Additional Stewards Report



Friday, 16 February 2024

Stewards: H. Matthews (A/Chairman), S. Callanan and C. Deakin

Kingscote – Saturday, 20 January 2024

Race 2: AMA Security Benchmark 52 Trophy Race - 1050m

Stewards conducted an inquiry into the reasons as to why COURAGEOUS HEARTS fell and dislodged its rider, Caitlin Tootell, during the running of this event.

The Stewards considered evidence from apprentice Caitlin Tootell, rider of COURAGEOUS HEARTS, who was assisted by Apprentice Riding Coach Mr. D. Pettit, Stacey Metcalfe, rider of MAGIC DELTA, and viewed the race footage.

It was established MAGIC DELTA was held up rounding the home turn and when looking to improve into clear running, shifted out near the 200m when insufficiently clear of COURAGEOUS HEARTS, which clipped the heels of MAGIC DELTA and fell, resulting in its rider, C. Tootell, being dislodged.

S. Metcalfe pleaded guilty to a charge of careless riding under AR131(a) and was suspended from riding in races for a period to commence at midnight Wednesday, 21 February 2024 and to conclude midnight Sunday, 10 March 2024, a period of 10 meetings. In determining penalty, Stewards took into account S. Metcalfe's plea of guilt, her excellent record under this rule and other relevant mitigating factors.

S. Metcalfe was advised of her right of appeal.

Hannah Matthews Cadet Steward

