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HEARING RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 7 April 2010

SUBJECT: **HEARING RESULT – TRAINERS BILL & SYMON WILDE**

Panel Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Ms Barbara Phelan, Mr Graeme Ward

Appearances Mr James Ogilvy, Lawyer for RVL, appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards. Mr Symon Wilde appeared via conference call on behalf of Bill & Symon Wilde.

Charge Breach of AR 177A

The charge relating to the horse *Kapu Star* which was brought to Terang racecourse on 29 January 2010 to engage in an official trial and a prohibited substance, being Phenylbutazone and its metabolite Oxyphenbutazone, detected in a blood sample taken from it following its trial.

Plea Guilty

Decision The training partnership of Bill & Symon Wilde convicted and fined the amount of \$1000.

Fine to be paid on or before 30 April 2010.

Georgie Curtis
Registrar - Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

**TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS**

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**HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman
MS B. PHELAN
MR G. WARD**

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

TRAINERS: BILL and SYMON WILDE

MELBOURNE

WEDNESDAY, 7 APRIL 2010

MR J. OGILVY appeared on behalf of the Stewards

MR S. WILDE via telephone on his and Mr B. Wilde's behalf

CHAIRMAN: The Board is bound to have some regard to precedent and also in coming to any penalty, not to have the person penalised have a sense of grievance because he or she might be dealt with differently from someone else when the facts were very similar. So to that extent, the Board is of the view that it has no option but to fine the partnership, that is you and your father, the sum of \$1000. That will have to be paid by the end of April. Make sure it is, because if it is not, you and your father might find yourself on the Forfeit List which would not be very good.

The second thing I want to say is this: the Stewards are concerned about the rather slap-happy administration of bute and in particular you may be aware of a case in Western Australia a few years ago where Damien Oliver's brother was killed in a race accident. That was in relation to a two-year-old which had been given bute and it turned out that it had a problem which was masked by the bute and the resultant disaster occurred. That is a pretty sad state of affairs, as we know, and I can tell you this: that so far as the stewards are concerned, they will be urging the racing authorities to take a far more serious view of administration of bute before a race or a trial.

I just give you fair warning. You have not got any prior offences and that is to your credit, but perhaps you could spread the word around Warrnambool, if you are talking to other trainers, that if there is a bute incident again pre-race or pre-trial, they may find that they will be dealt with a lot more harshly than otherwise. I pass that on because the Stewards are quite concerned about the whole issue.

You have pleaded guilty. There will be a conviction recorded which is I think your first conviction for a prohibited substance. The partnership is fined \$1000, to be paid on or before 30 April 2010.

END OF EXTRACT