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DECISION

**RACING VICTORIA STEWARDS
and
SYMON WILDE**

Date of Hearing: 27 April 2017

Panel: Judge Bowman (Chair).

Appearances: Ms Simonette Foletti appeared as counsel for the stewards.

Mr Gavin Coldwell of Counsel, instructed by Mr Ross Inglis of Ryan Carlisle Thomas, appeared on behalf of Mr Wilde.

Charge Breach of AR 178

Subject to AR 178G, when any horse that has been brought to a racecourse for the purpose of engaging in a race and a prohibited substance is detected in any sample taken from it prior to or following its running in any race, the trainer and any other person who was in charge of such horse at any relevant time may be penalised.

The particulars of the charge are that Mr Wilde was at all relevant times the trainer of *Florida Pearl*. On 27 December 2016, *Florida Pearl* was brought to the Warrnambool racecourse and ran in Race 8 the *djbowmanracing.com BM64 Handicap* over 1400m. A prohibited substance, being Dexamethasone, was detected in a post-race urine sample taken from *Florida Pearl* following its running in the race.

Plea: Guilty.

Decision: Mr Wilde convicted and fined \$15,000 (payment terms to be confirmed between the parties).

Pursuant to AR 177, *Florida Pearl* is disqualified from Race 8 at Warrnambool on 27 December 2016 and the places amended accordingly.

Georgie Gavin
Registrar - Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board