

HEARING RESULT

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FROM: Registrar – Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board

DATE: 29 April 2013

SUBJECT: **HEARING RESULT – TRAINER: BRENDAN WOODMAN**

Panel Judge Russell Lewis (Chair), Mr Stephen Curtain, Mr Jeremy Rosenthal.

Appearances Mr Woodman appeared on his own behalf.
Mr James Ogilvy appeared on behalf of the Stewards.

Charge Breach of AR 178

The particulars of the charge being that a prohibited substance, Meloxicam, (a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory), was detected in a urine sample taken from the horse *Umanugget* following its win in Race 6 the *Quilly Park Open Trophy Race* (1600m) at Balnarring on Saturday, 8 December 2012.

Plea Guilty.

Decision Mr Woodman convicted and fined the amount of \$5,000 - fine due on or before midnight 30 June 2013.

Umanugget disqualified as winner of Race 6 the *Quilly Park Open Trophy Race* (1600m) at Balnarring on Saturday, 8 December 2012 and the places amended accordingly:

1st – Kipsiro, 2nd – Dame Melba, 3rd – King Can Sing, 4th – Blistered, 5th – Deltona, 6th – Zare.

*Application to VCAT for review of the penalty decision.
The RAD Board's penalty set aside and a fine of \$2,000 imposed.*

**TRANSCRIPT OF
PROCEEDINGS**

RACING APPEALS AND DISCIPLINARY BOARD

**HIS HONOUR JUDGE R.P.L. LEWIS, Chairman
MR S. CURTAIN
MR J. ROSENTHAL**

EXTRACT OF PROCEEDINGS

DECISION

IN THE MATTER OF UMANUGGET

TRAINER: BRENDAN WOODMAN

MELBOURNE

MONDAY, 29 APRIL 2013

MR J. OGILVY appeared on behalf of the RVL Stewards

MR B. WOODMAN appeared on his own behalf

CHAIRMAN: In this case, the Board is in a position where it is not satisfied that any explanation has been given for the presence of a prohibited substance in the horse's system, so Mr Woodman gains no credit for offering an explanation. On the other hand, he has no prior convictions which is in his favour, and he has pleaded guilty, although in this case, it is probably merely a recognition of the inevitable, but at least he has not come before this Board with a cock-and-bull story as to how it all happened which is to his credit also.

The Board thinks that the Stewards' submission of a financial penalty of \$5000 is reasonable in all the circumstances and, accordingly, Mr Woodman is fined the sum of \$5000 which is to be paid on or before 30 June 2013.
