

TRAINER STOOD DOWN - MR SCOTT WADE

MARCH 25 2021

The Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory (ARFL) has advised HRNSW that levamisole has been detected in the pre-race blood sample taken from;

- BETTER BRAGGER prior to race 3, the PRYDE'S EASIPERFORMANCE PACE (1609 metres) conducted at Tabcorp Park Menangle on Tuesday 11 August 2020.

The 'B' sample has been confirmed by Racing Analytical Services Limited (RASL) in Victoria.

In addition, ARFL has advised HRNSW that levamisole has been detected in the post-race urine sample taken from;

- MANCHEGO following its win in race 2, the WEDDING OPEN DAY 13 SEPT PACE (1609 metres) conducted at Tabcorp Park Menangle on Monday 31 August 2020.

The reserve portion and control solution have been confirmed RASL.

Acting under the provisions of Australian Harness Racing Rule 183, HRNSW Stewards have suspended the Trainer and Driver's licences of Mr Scott Wade.

Mr Wade provided submissions to HRNSW Stewards as to why the provisions of AHRR 183 should not be imposed.

Acting under the provisions of Rule 183A, it was also determined that BETTER BRAGGER and MANCHEGO, the horses subject of the certificates issued by ARFL and RASL, shall not be nominated or compete in any race until the outcome of an inquiry or investigation.

Mr Wade has not been charged with any breach of the Australian Harness Racing Rules and has been advised of his rights of appeal against the imposition of Rule 183.

HRNSW Stewards have commenced an investigation into these positive samples and an Inquiry will be scheduled in due course.

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