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Inquiry into an incident involving the handling of CONCINI by licenced stable-hand Jake Koivumaki in the mounting yard after the running of race 4 at Pioneer Park on the 20/07/2014.

STEWARDS PRESENT: D Westover (Chairman)
M Hurley

22/07/2014

Stewards today concluded an inquiry which was adjourned on the 20th July 2014 in regards to an incident involving licenced stable-hand Jake Koivumaki in the mounting yard after the running of race 4 on the above date.

The specifics of the inquiry being that in the mounting enclosure following race 4, whilst attending to race horse CONCINI trained by Leanne Gillett, he was observed by the Chief Steward attempting to conceal that the gelding had bled from the off-side nostril.

Evidence was taken from Mr Jake Koivumaki who was represented by Mrs R Lamprecht the legal guardian of Mr Koivumaki, and Mr T Gillett who was representing his wife Mrs L Gillett, the trainer of CONCINI who was unavailable at the opening inquiry.

Mr Koivumaki pleaded not guilty to a charge under AR.175 (q) of improper conduct.

On the evidence before the stewards, Mr Koivumaki was found guilty to the charge under AR.175(q) and stewards suspended his stable-hand licence from 22/07/2014 up until and including the 22/9/2014 (2 months).

Acting under AR.183D, stewards ordered that this suspension apply to his duties on race day only so he is permitted to continue to perform his duties in the stables of Mr K Lamprecht.

Mr Koivumaki was advised of his right of appeal.

D Westover