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Ajax Downs

AJAX, ONTARIO – June 24, 2018

**IN THE MATTER OF THE HORSE RACING LICENCE ACT, 2015,
S.O. 2015, c.38, Sched. 9;
AND IN THE MATTER OF TOMMIE DUNLAP**

On June 11, 2018, the Stewards at Ajax Downs were notified by Maxxam Analytics that the urine sample Collection Tag # 70 18147 002 returned a Certificate of Positive Analysis for the Class 4 Drug Dexamethasone. The Tag matched the Card of Quarter Horse 'Kazoomin' (Tattoo #742D5), who finished second (2nd) in the first (1st) race at Ajax Downs on May 27, 2018. The horse 'Kazoomin' is owned by Rick Crispi and trained by Tommie Dunlap.

On June 11, 2018, the Stewards at Ajax Downs were notified by Maxxam Analytics that the urine sample Collection Tag # 70 18147 003 returned a Certificate of Positive Analysis for the Class 4 Drug Dexamethasone. The Tag matched the Card of Quarter Horse 'Tres Fortune' (Tattoo #245D6), who finished first (1st) in the second (2nd) race at Ajax Downs on May 27, 2018. The horse 'Tres Fortune' is owned by Renee Wilson and trained by Tommie Dunlap.

On June 16, 2018, AGCO Investigators Troy Moffatt and Tyler Durand attended Mr. Dunlap's shipping location in Ontario and conducted an inspection of his materials. At this time, Senior Racing Official David Stewart notified Mr. Dunlap of the Certificates of Positive Analysis of the two horses and that the Investigators would be taking a statement from him regarding the matter. Investigator Durand reported that night there were no rules violations as a result of their inspection.

On June 17, 2018, Mr. Dunlap called Senior Race Official Stewart to notify him that he is taking full responsibility for the two positive tests as he did administer the drug Dexamethasone two days prior to the race. Mr. Dunlap was given the option of scratching his horses entered into race at Ajax Downs on June 17/18 and he elected to scratch those horses as they had been treated in the same manner that resulted in the positive tests.

On June 17, 2018, Race Official Stewart attended the Test Barn at Ajax Downs to acquire the Collection Card Tags that confirmed the two Certificates matched those of Kazoomin and Tres Fortune. This information was relayed to Mr. Dunlap during the afternoon. Stewart and Dunlap were to talk during the week once the Investigators Report was completed.

By Order of the Stewards

D. STEWART JR.

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Investigative Report #18-260 was filed by Investigator Tyler Durand on June 19/18. In it, Mr. Dunlap stated he took full responsibility for the two positive tests and that he had been using the drug Dexamethasone in the same manner for many years. The dosage of 10ccs was given Friday morning, which is over 48 hours from the time of the races on Sunday.

On June 20, 2018, Race Official Stewart and Dunlap spoke on the phone. Mr. Dunlap did not wish to have a Review of the positive tests due to the time and distance to drive to the track. He wished to waive his right to a Review and take full responsibility for the violation. As per the new AGCO Equine Drug Program Process and Policy Directive No. 1 – 2018, an 'off-ramp' Settlement penalty was offered to Mr. Dunlap. Mr. Dunlap qualified for a settlement based on the information he provided the Investigators and Stewards, and his past history as a Trainer. The Settlement given to Mr. Dunlap was a \$1,000 monetary penalty and 5-day full suspension, and the loss of purses. Mr. Dunlap accepted the Settlement on June 20.

TAKE NOTICE that Trainer Tommie Dunlap (132462) is hereby fully suspended five calendar days from June 27/18 to July 1/18, inclusive, and issued a \$1,000 monetary penalty, payable by July 8/18. The suspension of Mr. Dunlap is effective for horses racing in the Province of Ontario and during the suspension is denied access to Association grounds with the exception of Grandstand privileges. Horses owned in whole or in part by Mr. Dunlap are ineligible to race and all sales or transfers must be met with the Stewards approvals. Horses trained by Mr. Dunlap may be transferred to another trainer with the Stewards permission.

In accordance with AGCO Rule 15.04.03, the horse 'Kazoomin' is hereby declared unplaced from Race 1 at Ajax Downs on May 27/18 for all purposes with the exception of pari-mutuel purposes. Any purse monies are to be returned.

The revised order of finish shall be as follows:

- 1st – I Think Icon
- 2nd – Thisdudesonfire
- 3rd – Jimmy Boyz Cartel
- 4th – Check the Winner
- Unplaced - Kazoomin

In accordance with AGCO Rule 15.04.03, the horse 'Tres Fortune' is hereby declared unplaced from Race 2 at Ajax Downs on May 27/18 for all purposes with the exception of pari-mutuel purposes. Any purse monies are to be returned.

The revised order of finish shall be as follows:

- 1st – Rouge River Cartel
- 2nd – Peves Streakin Sassy
- 3rd – Dee Dees Winner
- 4th – Pappa Trick
- Unplaced – Tres Fortune

AGCO Rules 11.31, 15.03.01(a), 15.04.01, 15.04.02.1, 15.04.02.2, 15.06.01(a), 15.06.03(c), 16.13(c)(d), 24.04, and Policy Directives No.2-2008 and No. 1-2018.