

## Stewards Decision

Tasracing Integrity Unit

and

Lauryn Bingley

**Date of Decision** 25 January 2026

**Decision Makers** D Tyson (Chairman), T Harding, Z Turner (Panel)

**Rule** Charge 1 – Australian Rule of Racing 228(b)  
Charge 2 – Australian Rule of Racing 228(b)

**Charge** Charge 1 - AR 228(b) Misconduct by swearing.  
Charge 2 - AR 228(b) Improper conduct by participating in a verbal altercation and striking Jockey Daniel Ganderton with a closed fist to the face.

**Plea** Charge 1 - Reserved. Decision makers found the charge proven.  
Charge 2 - Reserved. Decision makers found the charge proven.

**Inquiry Decision** Penalties Imposed

**Penalty** Charge 1 - A \$250 Fine  
Charge 2 - A two-month suspension of license to ride in races

**Summary of Facts**

- Prior to Trial 7 at the Devonport Racing Club on 9 December 2025, Mr D. Ganderton remonstrated with Apprentice I. Bowles after she questioned the starter regarding the loading and scratching of her mount. Apprentice Lauryn Bingley then intervened, and a heated verbal exchange occurred between Miss Bingley and Mr Ganderton concerning his manner toward Miss Bowles. During this exchange, both parties used offensive language, as later admitted at the inquiry. The incident was witnessed by Tasracing staff positioned at the barriers and confirmed in their evidence.
- Following the completion of the trial, and upon returning to the stalls area, Miss Bingley again confronted Mr D. Ganderton. A further heated argument ensued, during which swearing and raised voices were observed. The confrontation escalated when Miss Bingley struck Mr Ganderton to the face with her fist. Mr Ganderton then restrained Miss Bingley by placing a hand in the vicinity of her neck and pushing her back

toward a railing, after which the parties separated. A brief verbal exchange continued before the incident concluded. This confrontation was corroborated by on-course CCTV footage captured by Tasracing.

**Penalty Discussion**

- In determining penalty, Stewards have had regard to comparable cases in other Australian racing jurisdictions and the penalties imposed in those matters.
- Stewards note that Miss Bingley has a clear disciplinary record in relation to offences under both applicable rules. Stewards also acknowledge that Miss Bingley is an apprentice rider whose career has been relatively short, in part due to extended periods away from riding as a result of injury.
- Further consideration was given to Miss Bingley's personal circumstances, including that she has a young child, is the sole income earner for her household, and has significant financial commitments.
- Notwithstanding these matters, Stewards emphasise that behaviour of this nature cannot be tolerated in the workplace. This applies equally to conduct occurring behind the barriers, where young and impressionable participants may be present, and to the stalls area, where a far broader range of participants are able to observe conduct. Behaviour of this kind reflects poorly on the racing industry and is detrimental to its reputation.

**Penalty**

- Charge 1 - AR 228(b) Misconduct (Swearing), a fine of \$250
- Charge 2 - AR 228(b) Improper Conduct, a suspension of her license to ride in races for two months, to commence midnight 30 January 2026 and to expire midnight 30 March 2026.

Miss Bingley was advised of her rights of appeal.

**Dated**

27 January 2026