



STABLE FINED \$9,000 FOR CAUSING UNNECESSARY SUFFERING TO MARE

19 May 2017: Gallop Stable Singapore was fined \$9,000 by the court today for one count of animal cruelty.

2 During an inspection at Gallop Stable at Pasir Ris in May 2013, the Agri-Food & Veterinary Authority (AVA) found a mare which was in poor condition. The mare had a severely infected lower right hind leg and infected eyes. It also had a swollen left knee which was later diagnosed to be a case of severe hematoma (bleeding with retained blood clot).

3 Our investigations found that the owner had been self-treating the mare and did not provide it with proper veterinary attention. AVA assessed that the mare had experienced unnecessary pain and suffering, which could have been mitigated with timely veterinary treatment. AVA instructed the owner to seek veterinary attention for the mare immediately. The two independent veterinarians who subsequently attended to the mare also assessed that the mare had been subjected to unnecessary suffering. Since then, the mare has almost recovered.

4 AVA condemns animal cruelty and will investigate all feedback on animal cruelty. We will take enforcement action against anyone who has committed an act of cruelty.

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Photographs



AVA photo: The mare was found to be in poor body condition

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AVA photo: The mare's severely infected lower right hind leg

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