



GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 23 June 2020
Decision-maker: Chief Executive Officer, Judith Lind
Name of relevant person: Mr Terence Jordan
Track: Lismore
Date: 10 September 2019
Rule no.: Rule 83(2)(a)
Charge(s): (1) Mr Jordan presented the greyhound 'Hunter Lyndan' ("Greyhound") for the purposes of competing in race 7 at the Lismore meeting on 10 September 2019 in circumstances where the Greyhound was not free of any prohibited substance.
Prohibited substance(s): Pentobarbitone
Disciplinary action taken: 12-week suspension, wholly and conditionally suspended;
\$2,000 fine

REPORT:

Following receipt of a certificate of analysis from the Racing Analytical Services Laboratory, the Commission conducted an investigation into the results of a pre-race urine sample taken from the greyhound, 'Hunter Lyndan' ("Greyhound") at the Lismore meeting on 10 September 2019.

Further analysis of the sample was conducted by the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory, confirming the presence of pentobarbitone.

After considering the evidence, the Commission charged Mr Jordan with a breach of Rule 83(2)(a) of the Commission's Greyhound Racing Rules ("**Rules**") given that the pre-race urine sample taken from the Greyhound confirmed the presence of the prohibited substance pentobarbitone.

Mr Jordan was legally represented and admitted the charge at the earliest opportunity.

The disciplinary action was conducted in writing in accordance with the participant's election.

DECISION:

1. Mr Jordan is a registered greyhound trainer and the trainer of the Greyhound. The Greyhound competed in race 7 at the Lismore meeting on 10 September 2019 (“Event”) and a pre-Event urine sample was taken from the Greyhound.
2. The pre-Event swab revealed the presence of pentobarbitone. Pentobarbitone is a prohibited substance under Rule 1 of the Rules.
3. The Commission charged Mr Jordan under Rule 83(2)(a), which reads:
 - (2) The owner, trainer or person in charge of a greyhound-
 - (a) nominated to compete in an Event;
 - (b) presented for a satisfactory, weight or whelping trial or such other trial as provided for pursuant to these Rules; or
 - (c) presented for any test or examination for the purpose of a period of incapacitation or prohibition being varied or revokedshall present the greyhound free of any prohibited substance.
4. Mr Jordan admitted the charge, written submissions were provided on his behalf and it was elected to have the disciplinary proceeding conducted in writing.
5. The Commission found the charge proven and took the following disciplinary action against Mr Jordan:
 1. To suspend his trainer registration for a period of 12 weeks, wholly suspended for a period of 12 months on the condition that he does not breach Rule 83(2)(a) in that 12-month period; and
 2. To issue him with a \$2,000 fine.
6. In taking this disciplinary action, the Commission considered all evidence, including:
 - Mr Jordan has been a registered trainer for approximately 17 years, since 2003;
 - Mr Jordan has one prior prohibited substance matter in his disciplinary history involving flunixin in 2019 for which he was fined;
 - NSW greyhound racing penalty precedents;
 - That on review of the evidence it is likely on the balance of probabilities that the source of the contamination was from meat consumed by the Greyhound;
 - Mr Jordan’s submissions in mitigation of any penalty, including in relation to his personal circumstances, his review and amendment to his animal husbandry practices, his contribution to the greyhound racing industry and his remorse.
7. In addition, the Greyhound was disqualified from race 7 at the Lismore meeting on 10 September 2019 pursuant to Rule 83(4) of the Rules.

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