

GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: 5 September 2025

Decision-makers: Acting Chief Steward Paul Van Gestel and Acting Chief

Operating Officer Mr Chris Psillis

Name of relevant person: Clayton Trengove

Rule no(s): Local Rule 166A

Charge(s): Charges 1 – 44 LR166A

Mr Trengove, as a registered Public Trainer, engaged in conduct of lay betting against greyhounds that he trained.

Plea: Guilty

Disciplinary Action Taken: To issue a fine of \$2250. In addition was also to issue a six week suspension, which is wholly and conditionally suspended for a period of 12 months subject to Mr Trengove not breaching this rule, or similar rule, during this period.

Investigation:

- 1. Mr Trengove was, at all relevant times, a registered Public Trainer with the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission ("Commission").
- An analysis of betting records indicated that between 11 April 2023 and 11 April 2025
 Mr Trengove engaged in lay betting against greyhounds he trained on 44 occasions.
- 3. On the 22 August 2025 Mr Trengove was issued a Notice of Stewards inquiry, directing Mr Trengove to attend a hearing scheduled for 5 September 2025.

Charges 1-44 LR 166A Lay betting

- (1) A person, being a trainer, will be guilty of an offence if the person:
- (a) places a bet on a greyhound, other than a greyhound trained by that person, in a

race in which they have a starter;

- (b) places any type bet on a greyhound, other than a greyhound trained by that persons, in a race to finish ahead of a greyhound they train in the race;
- (c) has a bet placed on their behalf on a greyhound in a race to finish ahead of their own greyhound; or
- (d) receives any benefit in any way connected with the laying of their greyhound by another person
- 4. The Notice invited Mr Trengove to provide written submissions in relation to the Charges
- 5. On 1 September Mr Trengrove provided written submissions to the Commission
- 6. On 5 September 2025, Mr Trengrove attended the scheduled hearing;
 - Entered a guilty plea to all charges
 - Gave verbal submissions
- 7. Following consideration of Mr Trengove's pleas in respect of the charges, the decision makers found Charges 1-44 proven and determined to impose the following disciplinary action upon him:

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- 13. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision-makers had regard to all relevant evidence and material, including:
 - Mr Trengove's Guilty pleas to all charges
 - The high number of breaches of the rule
 - The overall performance of Mr Trengove's greyhounds in relation to the bets, which did not identify any integrity concerns
 - Mr Trengove's cooperation and forthright evidence
 - Mr Trengove's preventative measures taken to alleviate a reoccurrence

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