

9 September 2016



RESULT OF INQUIRY – Mr. D. Decrea

STEWARDS: L.G Michalanney, D.J. Southgate, G. Steele

On Friday, 9 September 2016, Greyhound Racing South Australia Stewards inquired into alleged conduct by Trainer Mr. Dean Decrea during a random kennel inspection at his registered kennel address on Tuesday, 7 June 2016.

Evidence was taken from Mrs. Belinda Pearce (GRSA Animal Welfare Officer), Ms. Stephanie Paprzycki-Baker (GRSA Welfare Compliance Officer) and Mr. Decrea.

After considering the matter and all evidence before them, Stewards charged Mr. Decrea under Greyhound Racing Rule GAR 86(g); which reads:

A person (including an official) shall be guilty of an offence if the person-

- (a) wilfully assaults, obstructs, impedes, abuses, interferes, threatens or insults the Controlling Body, any member of the Controlling Body, a club, any member of the committee of a club, any Steward or any other official of the Controlling Body or a club in or at any place including in or in the vicinity of the place where an inquiry is to take place, is taking place or has taken place;*

Stewards proceeded under the obstructs, impedes, abuses and threatens portions of the Rule.

Mr. Decrea pleaded guilty to the charge.

Mr. Decrea was disqualified for a period of six (6) months. The disqualification period will begin at midnight Sunday, 18 September 2016.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into consideration the seriousness of the offence, that a GRSA staff member was impeded in undertaking their normal duties, Mr. Decrea's guilty plea, his personal circumstances, his remorse and a deterrent for himself and others in relation to this type of behaviour.

Mr. Decrea was advised of his right of appeal.

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