

13 October 2016

RESULT OF INQUIRY – Mr. C. Adcock

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

On Monday, 10 October 2016, Greyhound Racing South Australia Stewards inquired into a report by the GRSA Animal Welfare Officers following a random kennel inspection at Mr. Charles Adcock's registered kennel address on Friday, 16 September 2016.

Evidence was taken from Mrs. Belinda Pearce (GRSA Animal Welfare Officer) and Mr. Adcock.

After considering the matter and all evidence before them, Stewards charged Mr. Adcock under Greyhound Racing Rule GAR 106; which reads:

- (1) A registered person must ensure that greyhounds, which are in the person's care or custody, are provided at all times with-
 - (c) kennels constructed and of a standard approved by the Controlling Body which are adequate in size and which are kept in a clean and sanitary condition;
- (5) An owner or person responsible at the relevant time who fails to comply with any provision of this rule shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a penalty in accordance with Rule 95.

Mr. Adcock was found guilty of breaching this Rule. He was suspended for a period of three (3) months which was wholly suspended for 24 months and was fined \$250.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into consideration Mr. Adcock's remorse, clean record, his long involvement in the industry, his forthrightness and cooperation during the inquiry and his specific personal circumstances. However, participants must ensure that their registered kennel addresses do meet the requirements set out by the Controlling Body.

Stewards note that this case had extenuating circumstances and this penalty will not be seen to set a precedent in penalties relating to Animal Welfare matters.

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