

28 October 2016



## **NOTICE OF INQUIRY RESULT**

**STEWARDS: L.G Michalanney, D.J. Southgate, J. Jones**

On Friday, 28 October 2016, Greyhound Racing South Australia Stewards inquired into the analysis of a post-race urine sample taken from the greyhound DOLCE NERO, trained by Mr. Kelvin Stott, which had shown the presence of EPHEDRINE, PSEUDOEPHEDRINE, PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE (NOREPHEDRINE) and CATHINE (NORPSEUDOEPHEDRINE) at the Greyhound Racing SA race meeting held at Gawler on Sunday, 14 February 2016.

The reserve portion of the urine sample was tested and the presence of EPHEDRINE, PSEUDOEPHEDRINE, PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE (NOREPHEDRINE) and CATHINE (NORPSEUDOEPHEDRINE) was confirmed.

Evidence was taken from Mr. David Batty (Laboratory Manager at Racing Analytical Services Limited), Dr. Steven Karamatic (Veterinary Surgeon) and Mr. Stott.

After considering the matter and all the evidence before them, Stewards believed there was sufficient evidence to charge Mr. Stott with a contravention of GAR 83(2) which reads:

*The owner, trainer or person in charge of a greyhound –*

*(a) nominated to compete in an event;*

*shall present the greyhound free from any prohibited substance*

*(3) The owner, trainer or person in charge of a greyhound presented contrary to sub-rule (2) shall be guilty of an offence.*

Mr. Stott pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Mr. Stott was disqualified for a period of three (3) months and fined \$750. The disqualification period will commence at midnight on Sunday, 6 November 2016.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into consideration his not guilty plea, his clean record in relation to offences under this Rule, the amount of time he has held a trainers licence, his personal circumstances and his cooperation and forthrightness during the inquiry. However, Stewards considered this is a serious matter, they must ensure that the industry is a level playing field and there is a deterrent for himself and others in relation to this type of offence.

Furthermore, Stewards acting under GAR 83(4) disqualified DOLCE NERO from winning Race 2 at Gawler on Sunday, 14 February 2016, and directed that the placings in the race be amended accordingly.

Mr. Stott was advised of his rights of appeal.

**L.G. MICHALANNEY**  
**ACTING HEAD OF INTEGRITY**