

To Staff

2nd June 2014

NOTIFICATION OF INQUIRY



Greyhound Racing SA Stewards opened an inquiry on Friday 23 May 2014 into alleged improper behaviour by Mr. Ken Gill, Mr. Stephen Messner, Mr. Ken Myers and Mr. Damien Mills at the Angle Park Greyhound race meeting conducted on Thursday 1st May 2014.

Evidence was taken from Mr. Ken Gill, Mr. Stephen Messner, Mr. Ken Myers and Mr. Damien Mills, GRSA Stewards and Staff on duty and a number of witnesses.

Stewards adjourned the inquiry until Friday 30 May 2014 at 11.30am.

At the resumption of the inquiry evidence was taken from further witnesses, after taking into consideration all the evidence, stewards were of the opinion that there was sufficient evidence before them to lay the following charges under the rules of greyhound racing.

The following 3 charges were laid against Mr. Ken Gill.

CHARGE 1- (Chasers Restaurant Incident with Mr. Mills)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading not guilty to the offence Mr. Ken Gill was found guilty and disqualified for a period of 2 months with 1 month suspended for a period of 12 months.

CHARGE 2- (Stewards Room)

R86 Offences

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

(0) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which, in the opinion of the Stewards or the Controlling Body, as the case may be, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct.

After pleading guilty to the offence Mr. Ken Gill was fined the sum of \$500.

CHARGE 3- (Chasers Restaurant Incident with Mr. Myers)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading guilty to the offence Mr. Ken Gill was found guilty and disqualified for a period of 2 months and fined the sum of \$1,000 the fine imposed was suspended for a period of 12 months.

Stewards ruled that the penalties were to be served cumulatively totalling a period of 3 months Disqualification.

The following charge was laid against Mr. Stephen Messner.

CHARGE 1 (Trainers Car Park)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading not guilty to the offence Mr. Stephen Messner was found guilty and suspended for a period of 3 months with 1 month suspended for a period of 12 months.

The following 2 charges were laid against Mr. Ken Myers.

CHARGE 1 (Chasers Restaurant Incident with Mr. Gill)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading guilty to the offence Mr. Ken Myers was disqualified for a period of 2 months.

CHARGE 2 (Trainers Car Park)

R86 Offences

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

(0) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which, in the opinion of the Stewards or the Controlling Body, as the case may be, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct.

After pleading not guilty to the offence Mr. Ken Myers was fined the sum of \$1000 with \$500 suspended for 12 months.

The following charges were laid against Mr. Damien Mills.

CHARGE 1 (Chasers Restaurant Incident with Mr. Gill)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading not guilty to the offence Mr. Damien Mills was found guilty and disqualified for a period of 3 months.

CHARGE 2 (Chasers Restaurant)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading not guilty to the offence Mr. Damien Mills was found guilty and disqualified for a period of 3 months.

CHARGE 3 (Trainers Car Park)

R86 Offences

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

(q) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing-

After pleading not guilty to the offence Mr. Damien Mills was found guilty and disqualified for a period of 6 months.

Stewards ruled that the penalties were to be served cumulatively totalling a period of 12 months Disqualification.

CHARGE 4 (Stewards Inquiry)

R86 Offences

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

(0) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which, in the opinion of the Stewards or the Controlling Body, as the case may be, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct.

After pleading guilty to the offence Mr. Damien Mills was fined the sum of \$400.

All penalties imposed will commence midnight Thursday 5th June 2014 with the exception of Mr. Damien Mills with his disqualification period commencing midnight Tuesday 3rd June 2014.

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