



19 January 2017

RESULT OF INQUIRY – Mr. K. Howard

STEWARDS: L.G. Michalanney, J. Evans, S. Paprzycki-Baker

On Thursday, 19 January 2017, Greyhound Racing South Australia Stewards inquired into the circumstances a greyhound trained by Mr. Kerry Howard was left unattended in a vehicle following the race meeting conducted at Mount Gambier on Friday, 6 January 2017.

After considering the evidence, Stewards charged him under Greyhound Racing Rule GAR 86(o); which reads:

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

Stewards deemed his actions to be negligent on the basis that Mr. Howard had placed the greyhound in his vehicle and left it unattended for a period of time.

Mr. Howard pleaded guilty to the charge.

Stewards imposed a suspension of licence for a period of one (1) month and a fine of \$500. The suspension period will commence at midnight on Friday, 20 January 2017.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into consideration Mr. Howard's plea of guilt, his forthrightness before the Stewards and his remorse, his clean record in relation to offences under this Rule and his personal circumstances. However, Stewards believe it is a serious animal welfare matter and there should be a deterrent for themselves and others in relation to these types of matters.

Mr. Howard was advised of his rights of appeal.

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