

12 January 2017

RESULT OF INQUIRY - Mr. T. Rasmussen

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

On Thursday, 12 January 2017, Greyhound Racing South Australia Stewards inquired into Trainer Mr. Tony Rasmussen's alleged actions whilst preparing to box the greyhound CRISIS BALE in Race 8 at the Angle Park race meeting on Thursday, 29 December 2016.

After considering video footage and evidence from Mr. Rasmussen, 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 personhas, 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 improper on the basis that Mr. Rasmussen handled the greyhound in the vicinity of its genital region prior to loading it into the boxes.

Mr. Rasmussen pleaded not guilty to the charge. However, Stewards formally found him guilty of the charge laid against him.

Stewards imposed a fine of \$1000; with \$250 suspended for a period of 24 months on the condition he does not reoffend under this or a similar Rule.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into consideration Mr. Rasmussen's longstanding in the industry, he had never been charged with the Rule before and his forthrightness before the panel. However, participants must uphold the image of our industry at all times and that the vision was in full view of the public via television.

Mr. Rasmussen was advised of his rights of appeal.

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