

25 October 2017



## ***NOTICE OF INQUIRY RESULT***

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

On Monday 23 October, 2017, Greyhound Racing South Australia Stewards inquired into the alleged conduct of Trainer Mr. Noel Miller during a random kennel inspection and the possession of two unlabeled and un-prescribed bottles found at his registered kennel address on Thursday 21 September, 2017.

Evidence was taken from Mrs. Belinda Pearce (GRSA Animal Welfare Officer), Ms. Elizabeth Hartshorne (GRSA Owner Attendant), Dr. Greg Moore (Veterinary Surgeon) and Mr. Miller.

After considering the matter and all the evidence before them, Stewards charged Mr. Miller under GAR 86(g) which reads:

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

*wilfully assaults, obstructs, impedes, abuses, interferes, threatens or insults the Controlling Body, any member of the Controlling Body, a club, any member of the committee of a club, any Steward or any other official of the Controlling Body or a club in or at any place including in or in the vicinity of the place where an inquiry is to take place, is taking place or has taken place;*

Stewards deemed Mr. Miller to have impeded and abused the GRSA authorised officers conducting the kennel inspection.

Mr. Miller was found guilty of the charge and he was suspended for a period of two (2) months; wholly suspended for 12 months on the condition he does not re-offend under the same Rule.

In assessing penalty Stewards took into consideration his long association in the industry, his clean record in relation to conduct matters and evidence produced in relation to his personal circumstances. However, GRSA officials must be able to undertake their normal duties as prescribed under the Rules.

Mr. Miller was also issued with a charge under GAR 84(2) which reads:

*A registered person who has in their possession at any place used in relation to the training or racing of a greyhound, any quantity of a prohibited substance commits an offence unless that substance has been registered or labelled, or prescribed or obtained, in compliance with the relevant State or Commonwealth legislation. The Stewards may take possession of any of these substances or preparations to test and or destroy.*

Stewards found Mr. Miller guilty of the charge and he was fined \$100.

Mr. Miller was advised of his rights of appeal.

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