

Wednesday, 3 July 2024

## Stewards' Notice

### Integrity Hearings Panel

#### Inquiry Decision of the Integrity Hearings Panel

**Greyhound Racing SA Limited v Leslie Carraill (Jade Palms, CAFFEINE, THEOPHYLLINE, PARAXANTHINE and THEOBROMINE)**

On 28 June 2024, the Integrity Hearings Panel ("IHP") decided the Stewards' Inquiry relating to a prohibited substance found in a registered greyhound.

Members:	T McGrath (Chair), N Healy (Deputy Chair), M van Heuven (Member), Dr C Doyle (Member)
Registered greyhound:	Jade Palms
Racetrack:	2
Event:	Fischer Motors Maiden Stake PR2 Division 2 (300m Grade M straight track)
Race No.:	2
Placing:	1 <sup>st</sup>
Type of sample:	Urine
Substance:	Caffeine and its metabolites Theophylline, Paraxanthine and Theobromine
Concentration/mass:	Not available
Offence:	Present greyhound at event not free of prohibited substance
Rule:	R141(1)(b) and (3), <i>Greyhounds Australasia Rules</i>
Penalty category:	2
Nature substance:	Prohibited
Effect on performance:	No evidence to substantiate that substance directly affected performance
Plea:	Guilty
Antecedents:	Nil
Circumstances:	Mr Carraill, a trainer, nominated Jade Palms in the event that was the Fischer Motors Maiden Stake PR2 Division 2 (300m Grade M straight track), Race 2, conducted by the Murray Bridge Greyhound Racing Club at Murray Bridge on 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2023. Jade Palms placed 1 <sup>st</sup> . Stewards took a post-race sample of urine and caused its analysis, the result being the return of a positive result of caffeine and its metabolites theophylline, paraxanthine and theobromine. Mr Carraill did not admit to intentional administration of the substance and submitted that it was on account of administering a supermarket product, Nature's Own Magnesium + Energy supplement to the greyhound that he did not realise contained caffeine. This explanation was accepted by Stewards, who submitted that this was a case of extreme inadvertence, and there was no attempt to enhance the performance of the greyhound.
Winnings:	\$680.00, ordered to be returned
Degree of remorse:	Noted.
Penalty:	Suspended for 3-months, fully suspended for 12-months and fine \$300.00, suspended for 12-months (to take into account guilty plea).

The above penalty follows the rules of racing on penalties, specifically Part 10, *Greyhounds Australasia Rules* and L94, *Local Rules*, and reflects the need for personal and general deterrence as relevant to these offences.

The penalty can be appealed, subject to the rules of the Racing Appeals Tribunal.

Rules and policies of GRSA can be found [here](#).

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