

Thursday, 29 February 2024

## Stewards' Notice

## **Integrity Hearings Panel**

## **Inquiry Determination of the Integrity Hearings Panel**

## **Greyhound Racing SA Limited v D Smith**

On 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024, the Integrity Hearings Panel ("**IHP**") determined the Stewards' Inquiry relating to a prohibited substance found in a registered greyhound, Canya Candy, trained by D Smith.

Members: T McGrath (Chair), T Johnston (Member)

Registered greyhound: Canya Candy
Racetrack: Murray Bridge
Date: 13th August 2023

Event: Sky Racing Maiden Stake PR 1 Division 1

Race No.:

Placing:

Type of sample:

Substance:

Concentration/mass:

2

1st

Urine

Atenolol

Not available

Offence: Present greyhound at event not free of prohibited substance

Rule: R141(1)(b) & (3), Greyhounds Australasia Rules

Penalty category: 3

Nature of substance: Prohibited

Effect on performance: No evidence to substantiate that substance directly affected performance

Plea: Guilty
Antecedents: No similar

Circumstances: Mr Smith, a trainer, nominated Canya Candy in the event that was the

Sky Racing Maiden Stake PR 1 Division 1, Race 2, conducted by the Murray Bridge Greyhound Racing Club on 13<sup>th</sup> August 2023. Canya Candy 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 for Atenolol. Mr Smith did not admit to intentional administration of the substance and accepted that it could have been human blood pressure medication that, by unidentified cross-contamination, was ingested by Canya Candy

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Winnings: \$945.00, ordered to be returned

Degree of remorse: Noted. Mr Smith accepted to be more diligent in future.

Penalty: Fine \$300.00. Suspended for 6-weeks (to take into account guilty plea), fully suspended for 12-months. Canya Candy disqualified from event

The above penalty follows the rules of racing on penalties, 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.

For further advice, contact the Chief Steward via 08 8243 7100 or admin@grsa.com.au.