

Wednesday, 27 December 2023

Stewards' Notice

Integrity Hearings Panel

Determination of Inquiry – Person 255028

On 28th July 2023, Greyhound Racing SA Integrity Hearings Panel (IHP) heard and determined an Inquiry with respect to the conduct of registered person 255028, in relation to a number of matters as charged by Stewards –

CHARGE 1 OF 6

That on the 2nd day of April 2023 at Murray Bridge in the State of South Australia, 255028 threatened a Steward namely (Rule 156(g)(iv), Greyhounds Australasia Rules).

Particulars

At the Stewards' room at the Murray Bridge Greyhound Racing Club 255028, during a conversation with a Steward displayed an aggressive demeanour that included raising his finger to the Steward and saying during the conversation, words to the effect "why don't you f__ make me" and "go on, f__ make me move it".

AND FURTHER

CHARGE 2 OF 6

That on the 2nd day of April 2023 at Murray Bridge in the State of South Australia, 255028 insulted the Controlling Body Greyhound Racing SA Limited (Rule 156(g)(i), Greyhounds Australasia Rules).

Particulars

At the Stewards' room at the Murray Bridge Greyhound Racing Club 255028, during a conversation with a Steward, said words to the effect "well it depends who you are around this place".

AND FURTHER

CHARGE 3 OF 6

That on the 3rd day of May 2023 at [redacted] and elsewhere in the State of South Australia, 255028 attempted to interfere with the carrying out of a kennel inspection (Rule 156(i), Greyhounds Australasia Rules)

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Particulars

During a kennel inspection at [redacted], 255028 attempted to interfere with the kennel inspection by contacting police and/or contacting the administration office of Greyhound Racing SA Limited and asserting he was going to commence legal action for trespass.

OR ALTERNATIVELY

CHARGE 4 OF 6

That on the 3rd day of May 2023 at [redacted] in the State of South Australia, 255028 abetted a person to interfere with the carrying out of a kennel inspection (Rule 156(e) & (i), Greyhounds Australasia Rules)

Particulars

During a kennel inspection at [redacted], 255028 attempted to interfere with the kennel inspection by abetting another person to contact police and/or subsequently cause disruption during the kennel inspection.

AND FURTHER

CHARGE 5 OF 6

That on the 3rd day of May 2023 at [redacted] in the State of South Australia, 255028 failed to comply with a policy adopted by the Controlling Body (Rule 156(w), Greyhounds Australasia Rules).

Particulars

During a kennel inspection at [redacted], the following breaches of the Animal Welfare Policy were identified –

- a) Standard of bedding;
- b) Cleanliness;
- c) Waste levels in kennels and vicinity of emptying out yards;
- d) Offensive odour;
- e) No water in kennels 12 and 13 with minimal water in other kennels;
- f) Unhygienic refrigerator ;
- g) Overgrown toenails of greyhound 431278.

AND FURTHER

CHARGE 6 OF 6

That between the 2nd day of May 2023 and the 6th day May 2023 at Angle Park and elsewhere in the State of South Australia, 255028 engaged in contemptuous conduct in any manner in relation to the Controlling Body (Rule 165(c)(i), Greyhounds Australasia Rules).

Particulars

255028 sent to the Chief Steward various images and commentary that was disdainful and condescending to various employees of Greyhound Racing SA Limited and the Controlling Body, generally, that is Greyhound Racing SA Limited.

255028 contested all charges and the IHP proceeded to hear evidence from Stewards and 255028.

The IHP then determined the matters accordingly –

Charge 1 – Guilty

Charge 2 – Not guilty

Charge 3 – Not guilty

Charge 4 – Not guilty

Charge 5 – Guilty

Charge 6 – Guilty

The IHP ordered the following penalty –

As to charges 1, 5 and 6, as one penalty – suspended for 9-months (concurrent). The term of 9-months is suspended after serving 3-months, for an operational period of 12-months. The term commences on 5th May 2023.

Further details may be provided for authorised purposes, upon application to Greyhound Racing SA by other Controlling Bodies or related entities.