

Investigative Stewards Hearing Report

Friday 3rd of November 2023

Date of Hearing: Friday 3rd of November 2023
Venue of Hearing: Ballarat Greyhound Club
Name: Ms Alice BARRETT (319052 Inactive)
Date of offence: Friday 6th of October 2023

Officiating Investigative Stewards: Mr Ben CONSIDINE and Mr Chris GAWNE

REPORT

On Monday, 16th of October 2023, Investigative Stewards held an Inquiry with Ms Alice BARRETT in relation to thirteen (13) greyhounds being found to be in poor condition, being underweight and living in non-compliant housing during a property inspection on 6th of October 2023.

On Friday 3rd of November 2023, Investigative Stewards held a Stewards Hearing with Ms BARRETT, and a charge was issued under GAR165(a), which reads;

GAR165 Conduct detrimental to the interests of greyhound racing –

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

(a) commits or omits to do any act or engages in conduct which is in any way detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing.

The particulars being that keeping thirteen (13) greyhounds in poor condition, being underweight and living in non-compliant housing is conduct that is detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing.

Ms BARRETT pleaded not guilty to the charge.

Investigative Stewards found the charge proven and imposed the following penalty;

Warned off for a period of two (2) years

In determining penalty, Investigative Stewards considered several factors namely:

- Ms BARRETT's explanation around the incident and her involvement.
- Ms BARRETT's circumstances at the time of the offending.
- Ms BARRETT's prior history.
- Specific and general deterrence.



Ben Considine
Senior Investigative Steward
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NB: Steward Investigation/Hearing decisions are subject to Appeal under the Rules of Greyhound Racing.