

Investigative Stewards Hearing Report

Monday 21st of August 2023

Date of Hearing: Monday 21st of August 2023
Venue of Hearing: Cranborne Greyhound Club
Name: Mr Andrew PARASKEVAS (45025)
Date of offence: Friday 16th of June 2023

Rule:

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.

Officiating Investigative Stewards: Mr Ben CONSIDINE and Mr Brent SCARLETT

REPORT

On Friday, 21st of July 2023, Investigative Stewards held an Inquiry with Mr Andrew PARASKEVAS considering one (1) charge relating conduct concerns arising from his involvement in an incident during the Warragul Pink Diamonds event on 16th of June 2023.

On Monday 21st of August 2023, Investigative Stewards held a Stewards Hearing with Mr PARASKEVAS relating to one (1) charge concerning his conduct. Mr PARASKEVAS plead guilty to all charges.

The charges are as follows:

CHARGE 1

Greyhounds Australasia Rules (GAR) 165 (a)

Relates to Mr PARASKEVAS's conduct arising from his involvement in an incident during the Warragul Pink Diamonds event on the 16th of June 2023, in which he engaged in conduct which was detrimental or prejudicial to the interest, welfare, image, control or promotion of greyhound racing.

Mr PARASKEVAS pleaded guilty to the charge. The charge was proven.

Investigative Stewards found one (1) charge proven and imposed the following penalty.

PENALTY

Charge 1

- \$2000 fine with \$1000 suspended for a period of 12 months.

In determining penalty, Investigative Stewards considered several factors namely:

- Mr PARASKEVAS's explanation around the incident and his involvement.
- Mr PARASKEVAS's prior GRV history.
- The image of Greyhound Racing.
- Specific and general deterrence.



Ben Considine
Senior Investigative Steward
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