

Investigative Stewards Hearing Report

Thursday 24th of August 2023

Date of Hearing: Thursday 24th of August 2023
Venue of Hearing: The Meadows Greyhound Racing Track
Name: Mr Cole Brett (1000)
Date of offence: 9 March 2023

Rule: LR 14.3.1

Local Rule 14. Death of a greyhound

14.3.1. within 2 working days of the date of death (and prior to disposal of the body of the deceased greyhound), the Owner or person responsible for the greyhound must notify the Controlling Body in the prescribed form of the death of the greyhound and provide a veterinary certificate of euthanasia where available

Officiating Investigative Stewards: Mr Scott Bourke, Mr Ben CONSIDINE and Mr Brent SCARLETT

REPORT

On Friday 7th July 2023, Investigative Stewards held an Inquiry with Mr Cole BRETT considering one (1) charge relating to the non-reporting of the euthanasia of two (2) greyhounds on 9 March 2023.

On Thursday 24th of August 2023, Investigative Stewards held a Stewards Hearing with Mr Cole BRETT relating to the euthanasia of two (2) greyhounds and the required mandatory notification. Mr BRETT plead guilty to the charge.

The charges are as follows:

CHARGE 1

Local Rules (LR) 14.3.1

Relates to Mr BRETT's failure to provide notification in the prescribed form within 2 working days of the deaths of the greyhounds in accordance with the rules of racing.

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

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

PENALTY

Charge 1

- \$500 fine fully suspended for a period of 12 months.

In determining penalty, Investigative Stewards considered several factors namely:

- Mr BRETT's explanation of the offending
- Mr BRETT's circumstances at the time of the offending.
- Mr BRETT's prior GRV history.
- Specific and general deterrence.



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