

Investigative Stewards Hearing Report

Monday 20th of November 2023

Date of Hearing: Monday 20th of November 2023
Venue of Hearing: The Meadows Greyhound Racing Track
Name: Daniel WEBBER (43586)
Date of offences: Various – (14th June 2020, 5th November 2020 and 19th September 2021)

Rule:

Old Rule 42.9 (superseded by new Local Rule 14 on 1st May 2022) Death of a greyhound

42.9. 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

Old Rule 105 (superseded by new GAR 34 on 1st May 2022) Notification of control and location of greyhound

Except in the circumstances described in sub-rule (6) a greyhound shall at all times be kept at the registered address of its trainer or owner unless permission to do otherwise is first obtained from the Controlling Body.

Officiating Investigative Stewards: Mr Scott Bourke and Mr Ben CONSIDINE

REPORT

On Wednesday 8th November 2023, Investigative Stewards held an Inquiry with Mr Daniel WEBBER considering three (3) charges relating to the non-reporting of the euthanasia of three (3) greyhounds on 14th June 2023 and 5th November 2020 and one (1) charge relating to the control and location of one (1) greyhound on 19th September 2021.

On Monday 20th November 2023, Investigative Stewards held a Stewards Hearing with Mr Daniel WEBBER relating to the euthanasia of three (3) greyhounds and the required mandatory notification and one (1) charge relating to the control and location of one (1) greyhound.

Mr WEBBER plead guilty to all four (4) charges.

The charges are as follows:

CHARGE 1 – 3

Old Rule 42.9 (superseded by new Local Rules (LR) 14.3.1 on 1st May 2022)

Relates to Mr WEBBER'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.

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

Mr WEBBER pleaded guilty to the charges. The charges were proven.

CHARGE 4

Old Rule 105 (superseded by new GAR 34 on 1st May 2022)

Relates to Mr WEBBER's failure to provide notification relating to the control and location of a greyhound in accordance with the rules of racing.

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

Investigative Stewards found all four (4) charges proven and imposed the following penalty.

PENALTY

Charge 1- 4

- \$1,000 fine (\$250 for each offence) with \$500 suspended for a period of 12 months.

In determining penalty, Investigative Stewards considered several factors namely:

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



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