

Investigative Stewards Hearing Report

Tuesday 23 May 2023

Date of Hearing: Monday 22 May 2023
Venue of Hearing: Bendigo Greyhound Racing Club
Name: Mr Samuel WEBB
Date of offence: Monday 17 April 2023

Rule: **Greyhounds Australasia Rules (GAR) 30**

Officiating Investigative Stewards: Miss Jessica WATSON and Mr Ben CONSIDINE.

REPORT

On Monday 17th of April 2023, Investigative Stewards held an Inquiry with Mr WEBB considering one (1) charge relating to the use of prohibited barking muzzles on four (4) greyhounds in his kennel. Mr Webb made full admissions to their use.

On Monday 22nd of May 2023, Investigative Stewards held a Stewards Hearing with Mr WEBB relating to Greyhound Australasia Rule (GAR) 30 Use of Barking Muzzles Prohibited. Mr WEBB pleaded guilty to one (1) charge of GAR 30.

The charge is as follows:

CHARGE 1

Greyhounds Australasia Rule (GAR) 30

Relates to the application and use of a barking muzzle found fastened to four (4) greyhounds within his kennels.

Mr WEBB pleaded guilty to the charge. The charge was found proven.

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

PENALTY

Charge 1

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

In determining penalty, Investigative Stewards considered several factors namely:

- Mr WEBB's early guilty plea.
- Mr WEBB's good prior history.
- Mr WEBB was honest and showed remorse in his error.

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



Jessica WATSON
Investigative Steward
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