



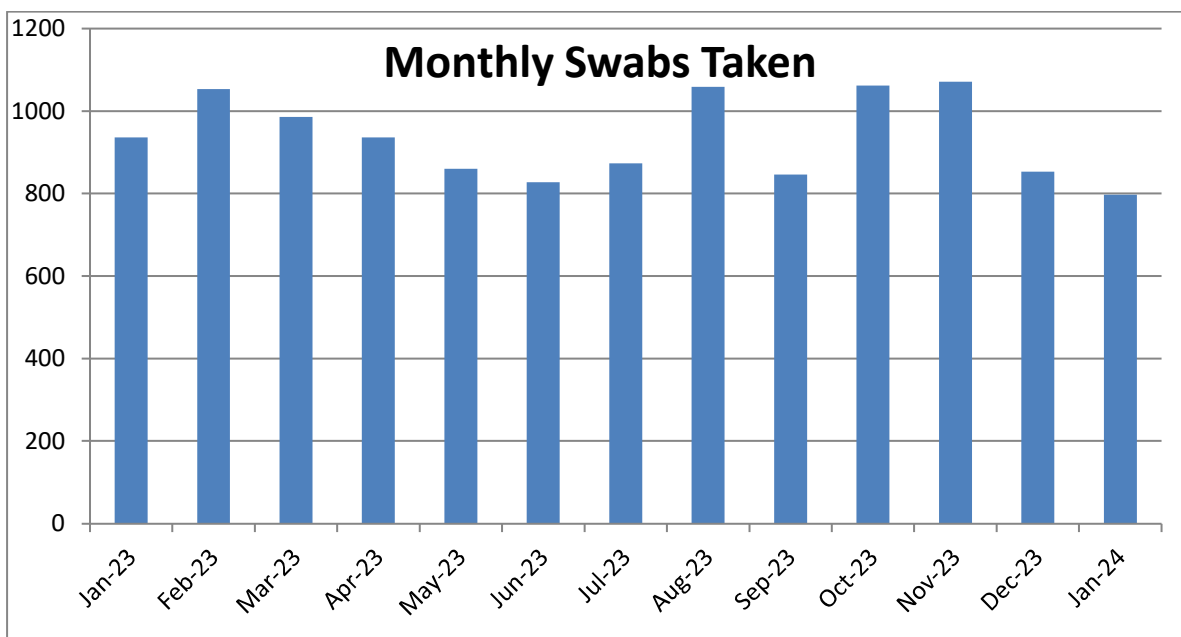
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## Stewards Activity

Offences & Activity	January 2024
Marring	14
Fail to Chase	39
Satisfactory Trials Cleared	46
Satisfactory Trials Not Cleared	18
Samples (Swabs) Taken	797
Positive Swabs from RASL	7
VRT Positive Swab Cases Heard	19
VRT Appeals Heard	3
VRT Stay Applications	0
VRT Animal Welfare Cases Heard	0
VRT Misconduct Cases Heard	0
Stewards' Hearings Heard	5
POCTA/DAA Prosecutions	0
VCAT Stay Applications	0
VCAT Appeals Heard	0

## Swabbing Numbers

- Swabs taken 2022 - 2023 financial year (01/07/2022 – 30/06/2023) = **11272**
- Swabs taken 2023 - 2024 financial year = **6561**



## PROSECUTIONS OVERVIEW

### Victorian Racing Tribunal

**Brian Hodgson** – VRT Appeal 4 January 2024 – GAR124, the greyhound “Major Bomber” was charged with failing to pursue at Healesville on 31 December 2023. Mr Hodgson pleaded not guilty. The VRT dismissed the appeal.

**Kylie Muscat** – VRT Appeal 5 January 2024 – GAR125, the greyhound “Rev Olive” was charged with failing to pursue by reason of injury at Ballarat on 1 January 2024. Ms Muscat pleaded not guilty. The VRT dismissed the appeal.

**Troy Dorrington** - VRT Hearing 8 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Crown Ella" free of the prohibited substances 'Dexamethasone' and 'Gamma-Hydroxyphenylbutazone' for an event at Geelong on 3 February 2023. Mr Dorrington pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$2000 fine on each charge, to be served concurrently. "Crown Ella" was disqualified from the event.

**Rodney Ashworth** - VRT Hearing 8 January 2024 - GAR141(1) & GAR151, failed to present the greyhound "Early Boy" free of the prohibited substance 'Guaifenesin' for an event at Healesville on 7 March 2023. Mr Ashworth pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a 6-month suspension, with 3 months suspended for 24 months and a \$1000 fine. An additional fine of \$500 was imposed for failing to produce satisfactory treatment records. "Early Boy" was disqualified from the event and the Final at Healesville on 12 March 2023.

**Anthony Harding** - VRT Hearing 8 January 2024 - GAR141(1) & GAR151, failed to present the greyhound "Saint Bogan" free of the prohibited substances 'Lignocaine and Norlignocaine' for an event at Warrnambool on 28 February 2023. Mr Harding pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1500 fine, with \$500 suspended for 24 months. An additional fine of \$300 fine was imposed for failing to produce satisfactory treatment records. "Saint Bogan" was disqualified from the event.

**Trevor Steel** - VRT Hearing 9 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Vans Turbo" free of the prohibited substance 'Meloxicam' for an event at Ballarat on 31 October 2022. Mr Steel pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1500 fine, with \$1000 suspended for 24 months. "Vans Turbo" was disqualified from the event.

**Kenneth Howat** - VRT Hearing 9 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Go Gizmo Go" free of the prohibited substance 'Meloxicam' for an event at Geelong on 28 March 2023. Mr Howat pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1500 fine, with \$1000 suspended for 24 months. "Go Gizmo Go" was disqualified from the event.

**Gregory McLachlan** - VRT Hearing 9 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Power Charge" free of the prohibited substance 'Atenolol' for an event at Healesville on 7 April 2023. Mr McLachlan pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a 2-month suspension, wholly suspended for 24 months, and a \$500 fine. "Power Charge" was disqualified from the event.

**Kenneth Buxton** – VRT Appeal 11 January 2024 – GAR 169 (5) (c), Mr Buxton appealed GRV’s decision to suspend Mr Buxton’s licence for an indefinite period on 28 December 2023 pending the outcome of an inquiry. The VRT dismissed the appeal.

**Brian Hodgson** - VRT Hearing 11 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Major Currency" free of the prohibited substance 'Guaifenesin' for an event at Horsham on 31 January 2023. Mr Hodgson

pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1500 fine, with \$500 suspended for 24 months. "Major Currency" was disqualified from the event.

**Jeff Gorgioski** - VRT Hearing 11 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhounds "Avianna" and "Elusive Beau" free of the prohibited substances 'Procaine' and 'Meloxicam' for events at Warrnambool and Geelong on 23 March 2023 and 16 May 2023. Mr Gorgioski pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$2000 fine on each charge, to be served concurrently, with \$1000 suspended for 24 months. "Avianna" and "Elusive Beau" were disqualified from the event.

**Josh Duncan** - VRT Hearing 11 January 2024 - GAR141(1) & GAR151, failed to present the greyhound "Jayville Glory" free of the prohibited substance 'Salbutamol' for an event at Bendigo on 26 April 2023. Mr Duncan pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a 6-month suspension, wholly suspended for 6 months. An additional fine of \$300 fine was imposed for failing to produce satisfactory treatment records. "Jayville Glory" was disqualified from the event.

**Peter Dunlevey** - VRT Hearing 12 January 2024 - GAR141(1) & GAR151, failed to present the greyhound "Where's Lesley" free of the prohibited substance 'Arsenic' for an event at Shepparton on 2 March 2023. Mr Dunlevey pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a 6-month suspension, wholly suspended for 24 months and a \$1000 fine with \$500 suspended for 12 months. No additional penalty was imposed for failing to produce satisfactory treatment records. "Where's Lesley" was disqualified from the event.

**Anne Carr** - VRT Hearing 12 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Big City Nights" free of the prohibited substance 'Procaine' for an event at Traralgon on 27 March 2023. Mrs Carr pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$2000 fine with \$1000 suspended for 12 months. "Big City Nights" was disqualified from the event.

**Carolyn Jones** - VRT Hearing 12 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "My Juanita" free of the prohibited substance 'Cobalt' for an event at Traralgon on 7 April 2023 which was declared a No-Race. Ms Jones pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$2000 fine with \$1500 suspended for 24 months.

**Tim Britton** - VRT Hearing 16 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Colden Mandella" free of the prohibited substance 'Carprofen' for an event at Geelong on 16 June 2023. Mr Britton pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1000 fine, with \$500 suspended for 24 months. "Colden Mandella" was disqualified from the event.

**Aimee Drew** - VRT Hearing 16 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Zambora Charlie" free of the prohibited substance 'Meloxicam' for an event at Ballarat on 29 March 2023. Ms Drew pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1500 fine, with \$500 suspended for 24 months. "Zambora Charlie" was disqualified from the event.

**Judith McCullagh** - VRT Hearing 16 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhound "Summer Season" free of the prohibited substance 'Labetalol' for an event at Ballarat on 1 February 2023. Ms McCullagh pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a 2-month suspension. "Summer Season" was disqualified from the event.

**Jennifer Thorpe** - VRT Hearing 17 January 2024 - GAR141(1), failed to present the greyhounds "Smoldering Decay" and "Sunny Bokai" free of the prohibited substances 'Caffeine, Theophylline, Paraxanthine and Theobromine' and 'Theobromine' for events at Warragul and Shepparton on 4 April 2023 and 8 May 2023. Ms Thorpe pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a 4-month suspension, wholly suspended for 12 months, and a \$500 fine on each charge, to be served cumulatively. "Smoldering Decay" and "Sunny Bokai" were disqualified from the event.

**Debbie Goudge** - VRT Hearing 17 January 2024 - GAR141(1) & GAR151, failed to present the greyhound "Solar Tigress" free of the prohibited substance 'Meloxicam' for an event at Warrnambool on 12 June 2023. Ms Goudge pleaded guilty. The VRT imposed a \$1500 fine, with \$500 suspended for 12 months. An additional fine of \$300 fine was imposed for failing to produce satisfactory treatment records. "Solar Tigress" was disqualified from the event.

**Paula Calafiore** - VRT Hearing 18 January 2024 - GAR141(1) & GAR139(3), failed to present the greyhound "Aqua Blaze" free of the prohibited substances 'Stanozolol, 6a-Hydroxystanozolol and 16β-Hydroxystanozolol' for an event at Warragul on 22 December 2022. An Out of Competition Test sample taken from the greyhound "Aqua's Hope" on 5 February 2023 was found to contain the prohibited substance '6a-Hydroxystanozolol'. Ms Calafiore pleaded not guilty to both charges. The VRT found Ms Calafiore guilty and imposed a 12-month disqualification and a 6-month disqualification, to be served concurrently. "Aqua Blaze" was disqualified from the event.

**Luke Adams** - VRT Hearing 18 January 2024 - GAR141(1), GAR142(1), GAR151 & GAR148(2), failed to present the greyhound "Zipping Goldie" free of, and administered, the prohibited substance 'Dexamethasone' for an event at Traralgon on 26 October 2022. Mr Adams failed to produce satisfactory treatment records and possessed the prohibited substances 'Pentosan Polysulfate' and 'Dexamethasone' which were not labelled, prescribed and /or obtained in accordance with legislation. Mr Adams pleaded guilty to all charges. The VRT imposed a 12-month suspension with 6 months suspended for 12 months, and a total fine of \$4800 with \$3000 suspended for 12 months. "Zipping Goldie" was disqualified from the event.

### Stewards' Hearing Reports

**Andrew Graham** – Stewards Hearing 11 December 2023 – LR14.3.1, LR42.9(a) & GAR156(w), Between August 2022 and May 2023, Mr Graham failed to notify GRV within two (2) working days of the deaths of four (4) greyhounds. Mr Graham pleaded not guilty to all charges. Stewards found Mr Graham guilty of all charges and imposed a total fine of \$800, with \$400 suspended for 12 months. An official warning was issued for failing to possess a valid EHMP for his property.

**Jason Sharp** – Stewards Hearing 12 December 2023 – GAR165(a), On 15 November 2023, Mr Sharp engaged in conduct that was detrimental or prejudicial to the interests and image of greyhound racing during a physical and verbal altercation with other persons. Mr Sharp pleaded not guilty. Stewards found Mr Sharp guilty and imposed a 1-month suspension, wholly suspended for 12 months and a \$500 fine.

**James Bambino** – Stewards Hearing 8 January 2024 – GAR168, On 13 July 2023, Mr Bambino failed notify GRV within seven (7) days of being found guilty of an offence punishable by fine or imprisonment, other than a fine for a traffic offence. Mr Bambino pleaded guilty. Stewards imposed a 3-month suspension, with 2 months suspended for 12 months.

**Arthur Garratt** – Stewards Hearing 15 January 2024 – GAR162(e) & GAR165(a), On 4 October 2022, Mr Garratt was found in possession of electric collars capable of inflicting pain or suffering on a greyhound and engaged in conduct that was detrimental to the interests and welfare of greyhound racing. Mr Garratt pleaded guilty to both charges. Stewards imposed a 1-month suspension, wholly suspended for 12 months, and a \$500 fine with \$250 suspended for 12 months.

**Jason Maskiell** – Stewards Hearing 18 January 2024 – GAR24(1) & LR12.1, Between May 2022 and March 2023, Mr Maskiell failed to notify desex two (2) greyhounds prior to being rehomed to a third party. Mr Maskiell pleaded guilty to both charges. Stewards imposed a total fine of \$500, with \$250 suspended for 12 months. Additionally, Mr Maskiell pleaded not guilty for failing to rehome a greyhound to an appropriate home in March 2023. Stewards found Mr Maskiell guilty and issued an official warning.