

Stewards Hearing Report

Date: Thursday 1 February 2024
Venue of Hearing: Via Telephone
Name: Mr Gary Mannion (Trainer)
Rule: GAR 117 – Greyhound disqualified due to ineligibility

Decision: Electra Glide is disqualified from two races conducted at the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club on 30 December 2023 (Race 9) and 3 January 2024 (Race 6) due to being ineligible to compete.

Officiating Stewards: Mr Alex Kitching (Deputy Chief Steward)

REPORT

On Thursday 1 February 2024, the Greyhound Racing Integrity Unit (GRV) Stewards finalised an inquiry into the eligibility of Electra Glide (trained by Mr Gary Mannion) to compete in two races conducted at the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club on 30 December 2023 (Race 9) and 3 January 2024 (Race 6).

Following a review of the penalties imposed upon Electra Glide throughout its racing career, it was established that the penalty issued under GAR 124 for Failing to Pursue the Lure with Due Commitment at the Bendigo Greyhound Racing Club meeting held on 1 December 2023 (Race 7) had been incorrectly calculated; and specifically that the second offence penalty of 28 days at all tracks under GAR 127 (b) should have been a third offence penalty of 3 months at all tracks under GAR 127 (c).

Today's inquiry established that when the correct penalty was applied to Electra Glide from the 1 December 2023 race at Bendigo, the greyhound was ineligible to compete at the Ballarat Greyhound Racing Club meetings held on 30 December 2023 (Race 9) and 3 January 2024 (Race 6). As such, Electra Glide has been disqualified from both these races under GAR 117.

The placings for these races will be amended accordingly, with stake money to be returned to GRV with 14 days. Further, the marring offence incurred by Electra Glide at Ballarat on 3 January 2024, is quashed.

Currently, Electra Glide is suspended from racing for 3 months (at all tracks) that is effective from 1 December 2023, and the FastTrack records will be amended accordingly.

GAR 117 Greyhound disqualified from an Event after All Clear

(1) If a greyhound was ineligible to compete in an Event but competed, or started from an incorrect box position, it must be disqualified from the Event and the finishing placings amended accordingly.

The matter has been referred to the Chief Steward.



Paul Searle
Chief Steward - GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA