

Investigative Stewards Hearing Report

Wednesday 8th of January 2024

Date of Hearing: Monday 8th of January 2024
Venue of Hearing: 46 – 50 Chetwynd Street, West Melbourne [remote]
Name: Mr James Bambino
Date of offence: Thursday 13th of July 2023

Rule: **Greyhounds Australasia Rules (GAR) 168**

Officiating Investigative Stewards: Mr Dylan Bartolo and Mr Christopher Gawne.

REPORT

On Friday, 8th of December 2023, Investigative Stewards held an Inquiry with Mr James BAMBINO considering one (1) charge relating to a breach of GAR 168 obligations of registered persons to report certain offences and circumstances.

On Monday, 8th of January 2024, Investigative Stewards held a Stewards Hearing with Mr BAMBINO relating to Greyhound Australasian Rule (GAR) 168 obligations of registered persons to report certain offences and circumstances. Mr BAMBINO pleaded guilty to one (1) charge of GAR 168.

The charge is as follows:

CHARGE 1

Greyhounds Australasia Rules (GAR) 168

A registered person must notify the Controlling Body [“GRV”] by whom they are registered, within seven 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 to the charge. The charge was found proven and Investigative Stewards imposed the following penalty.

PENALTY

Charge 1

- Three (3) month suspension of GRV licence registration (2 months wholly suspended for 12 months).

In determining penalty, Investigative Stewards considered several factors namely:

- Mr BAMBINO's plea of guilty.
- Mr BAMBINO's prior history.

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



Dylan Bartolo
Investigative Steward
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