

Stewards' Report

Stewards' Report: Emma Bryant

Date: 3 November 2018

Panel: K.M. Braunberger (C), L. Miles

Stewards today conducted an inquiry into the analysts finding in respect of urine samples taken from the registered greyhounds Hara's Hummer and Sharhelian Star trained by Emma Bryant.

The presence of a prohibited substance namely Niflumic Acid was detected in the urine sample taken from Hara's Hummer after winning Race 1 at Cairns on 1 June 2018. Niflumic Acid was also detected in a urine sample taken from Sharhelian Star after winning Race 6 at Cairns on 15 June, 2018.

After considering the evidence presented by Ms Bryant, Stewards issued a charge against her pursuant to Greyhound Australasia Rule 83 (2)(a) which reads:-

"The owner, trainer or person in charge of a greyhound nominated to compete in an Event shall present the greyhound free of any prohibited substance."

The specifics of the charge being that Emma Bryant, the trainer of the registered greyhound Hara's Hummer in race 1 at Cairns did present that greyhound to race with a prohibited substance namely Niflumic Acid in its system which was detected after the analysis of a urine sample taken from Hara's Hummer after winning race 1 on 1 June 2018; and further you did present the greyhound Sharhelian Star to race in race 6 on 15 June 2018 at Cairns Greyhound Club's meetings where a urine sample taken from the greyhound, after winning race 6, was found upon analysis to contain the prohibited substance Niflumic Acid.

Ms Bryant pleaded guilty to the charge and addressed the Stewards on penalty. In assessing penalty Stewards took into account the following:-

1. The nature of the prohibited substance
2. This being the second and third offence under this rule in the past twelve months
3. Penalties for similar offences
4. Ms Bryant's plea of guilty
5. Ms Bryant's previous history in greyhound racing
6. The negative effect on the industry

Mr Emma Bryant's licence was suspended for a period of 3 months commencing from mid-night Thursday 8 November 2018 plus a fine of \$1500.00.

Stewards acting under the provisions of GAR 83(4) disqualified Hara's Hummer from Race 1 at Cairns on 1 June 2018 and Sharhelian Star from Race 6 at Cairns on 15 June 2018. Stewards also directed that the prize money be returned to Racing Queensland.

Ms Bryant was advised of her rights of appeal.

Ms Bryant was further informed that the amount of \$750 suspended from an internal review decision on 19 April 2018 was now payable as a further breach of Rule 83 (2)(a) has occurred within the two years suspended period.