

Stewards' Report – J. Barrow and S. Essery

Date – 2nd December 2016

Panel – K.M. Braunberger and P. Lane

Stewards opened an enquiry into an incident at the registered trials of the Townsville Greyhound Racing Club on Thursday 24 November 2016.

Evidence was taken from trainer J. Barrow and Owner/Handler S. Essery in relation to an alleged altercation between the two licencees.

After considering the evidence presented Mr John Barrow was charged under the provisions of GAR 86 (o) for acting in a manner which Stewards considered to be misconduct and deemed to be unacceptable behaviour for a licenced person in a licenced area. Rule 86 (o) states:-

A Person (including an official) shall be guilty of an offence if the person has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which, in the opinion of the Stewards or the Controlling Body, as the case may be, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct.

Mr Barrow was found guilty of the charge and was subsequently fined \$500, \$250 to be suspended for a period of six months under Rule 95 (3).

Mr Stephen Essery was charged under the provisions of GAR 86 (o) for acting in a manner which Stewards considered to be misconduct and deemed to be unacceptable behaviour for a licenced person in a licenced area.

Mr Essery pleaded guilty to the charge and was subsequently fined \$500, \$250 to be suspended for a period of six months under Rule 95 (3).

Mr. Barrow was advised of his appeal rights.

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