

Stewards' Report

Stewards Report: Mr Reginald Hazelgrove & Ms Diane Hannon

Date: 21/02/2020

Panel: A. Kitching, A. Spence & K. Adams

On Friday, 21st February 2020, the Queensland Racing Integrity (QRIC) Stewards conducted an inquiry into analyst's findings, which stated the permanently banned substance, Nandrolone, was present in items seized by the Integrity Investigation Team (IIT) at Mr Reginald Hazelgrove's and Ms Diane Hannon's registered kennel address. Stewards also obtained Body Worn Camera Footage recorded by the QRIC IIT during the inspection on 14 November 2019 and reviewed Mr Hazelgrove's and Ms Hannon's conduct.

Submissions were made by Mr Hazelgrove and Ms Hannon regarding the permanently banned substance, Nandrolone, being present at their registered address and their conduct toward the QRIC IIT Stewards.

After considering the evidence and submissions, Stewards issued the following charges to Mr Hazelgrove:

Reginald Hazelgrove:

Charge 1: GAR86(f)(i)

Specifics: That on Thursday 14 November 2019, Mr Hazelgrove did engage in improper conduct and used offensive language toward the Investigative Stewards.

Charge 2: GAR86(p)

Specifics: That on Thursday 14 November 2019, Mr Hazelgrove did fail to comply with the lawful order of a Steward, in that he failed to provide his mobile phone for analysis when directed.

Charge 3: GAR79A(7)

Specifics: That on Thursday 14 November 2019, Mr Hazelgrove was found to have in his possession at his registered address, a permanently banned substance, namely Nandrolone.

Stewards considered the following on penalty:

- Mr Hazelgrove's disciplinary history, being 5 decades with no prior breaches of these rules;
- Mr Hazelgrove's sole source of income is greyhound racing;
- Mr Hazelgrove's admission and remorse of the conduct toward Investigative Stewards;
- Mr Hazelgrove's admission to all three charges;
- The seriousness of the conduct and verbal abuse;
- The nature of the substance;
- Penalty precedents.

Accordingly, Stewards issued the following penalties to Mr Hazelgrove:

Charge 1: GAR86(f)(i)

To disqualify Mr Hazelgrove's licence for a period of 28 weeks.

Charge 2: GAR86(p)

To suspend Mr Hazelgrove's licence for a period of 28 weeks.

Charge 3: GAR79A(7)

To disqualify Mr Hazelgrove's licence for a period of 9 months.

Stewards ordered that charges 1 & 2 be served concurrently and that both be served cumulatively to charge 3.

Mr Hazelgrove was advised of his right to an internal review.

Diane Hannon:

Charge 1: GAR86(f)(i)

Specifics: That on Thursday 14 November 2019, Ms Hannon did engage in improper conduct and used offensive language toward the Investigative Stewards.

Charge 2: GAR86(p)

Specifics: That on Thursday 14 November 2019, Ms Hannon did fail to comply with the lawful order of a Steward, in that she failed to provide her mobile phone when directed.

Charge 3: GAR79A(7)

Specifics: That on Thursday 14 November 2019, you Ms Hannon were found to have in your possession at your registered address, a permanently banned substance, namely Nandrolone.

Stewards considered the following on penalty:

- Ms Hannon's disciplinary history, being 45 years with one prior breach of misconduct in 2017;
- Ms Hannon's personal circumstances;
- Ms Hannon's admission and remorse of the conduct toward Investigative Stewards;
- Ms Hannon's admission to all three charges;
- The seriousness of the conduct and verbal abuse;
- The nature of the substance;
- Penalty precedents.

Accordingly, Stewards issued the following penalties to Ms Hannon:

Charge 1: GAR86(f)(i)

To disqualify Ms Hannon's licence for a period of 3 months.

Charge 2: GAR86(p)

To suspend Ms Hannon's licence for a period of 28 weeks.

Charge 3: GAR79A(7)

To disqualify Ms Hannon's licence for a period of 9 months.

Stewards ordered that charges 1 & 2 be served concurrently and that both be served cumulatively to charge 3.

Ms Hannon was advised of her right to an internal review.