

## Stewards' Report

Date: Tuesday, 5 January 2021

Panel: A. Spence – Deputy Chief Steward (Chair)

A. Kitching – Chief Steward

Matter: Prohibited Substance – Magic Dancer, 10 January 2020 (Dexamethasone)

**Decision:** Greyhound Disqualified from Event

On Tuesday, 5 January 2021 the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards concluded an inquiry into analyst's findings, which stated that the prohibited substance dexamethasone was present in both pre-race and post-race samples taken from the greyhound Magic Dancer when competing in race 10 at the Brisbane Greyhound Racing Club on 10 January 2020.

Mr Robert Eddie was the relevant trainer of Magic Dancer, at the relevant time and passed away while the investigation was ongoing. Stewards had made attempts to reconcile the matter with a representative from Mr Eddie's family, however no response was received.

Stewards elected to conclude the matter in the best interests of greyhound racing.

Stewards found the following rules relevant to the matter:

R83 Greyhound to be free of prohibited substances

(2)(a) 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.

(4) A greyhound presented for an Event contrary to sub-rules (1), (1A), or (2) shall be disqualified from the Event or any benefit derived from a trial or test.

After reviewing all available evidence, Stewards found proven a breach of R83(2)(a) and invoked the mandatory disqualification of Magic Dancer from the relevant event under the provisions of R83(4). The amended placings are as follows:

1<sup>st</sup> Mr Edward

2<sup>nd</sup> Twig Buzz

3<sup>rd</sup> Sushi

4<sup>th</sup> Yogi Bear

In considering Mr Eddie's passing, Stewards were of the opinion that no further action was necessary.