

Stewards' Report

Date:	Monday, 20 March 2023
Panel:	Mr P McLean (Chairperson), Mr D Broxham, Mr M Fernholz
Person:	Mr John Bradley
Rule:	GAR 180(2)(b)
Charges:	Mr John Bradley Permitted an unlicensed person to handle a greyhound under his control at the Ipswich Greyhound Racing Club on 6 March 2023
Penalty:	One thousand dollars (\$1000) fine with five hundred dollars (\$500) wholly suspended for twelve (12) months.

On 20 March 2023, the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission Stewards concluded an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding an unlicensed person handling a greyhound at the Ipswich Greyhound Racing Club trials on 6 March 2023.

After considering all the evidence including the CCTV footage, Stewards issued a charge pursuant to Greyhounds Australasia Rule 180(2)(b), which provides: An owner or trainer shall not permit an unlicensed person to handle on any racecourse, a greyhound owned by or pursuant to the control of the owner or trainer.

The specifics of the charge are as follows: Mr John Bradley did permit an unlicensed person to handle a greyhound under his control at the Ipswich Greyhound Racing Club on 6 March 2023.

Mr Bradley pleaded guilty to the charge and made brief submissions to the Stewards regarding penalty.

Stewards considered the following when determining penalty:

- Mr Bradley's plea of guilty at the first available opportunity;
- Mr Bradley's time in the greyhound racing industry as a trainer, being approximately sixty (60) years;
- Mr Bradley's cooperation;
- Mr Bradley's disciplinary history;

- The person had been deemed unfit and was previously denied a licence;
- The need to maintain the integrity of greyhound racing and to ensure a level playing field for all participants;
- The need for both specific and general deterrence; and
- Relevant penalty precedents.

Accordingly, the Stewards imposed a penalty of One thousand dollars (\$1000) fine with five hundred dollars (\$500) wholly suspended for twelve (12) months.

Mr Bradley was advised of his right to an Internal Review.