

Stewards' Report

Date:	Wednesday, 3 July 2024
Panel:	Mr Wade Hadley (Chairperson), Ms A Turner
Person:	Mr Adam Memorey
Rule:	GAR 141(1)(a), GAR139(3)(a) and GAR164(a)
Charges:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mr Memorey presented the greyhound See You Again to compete in Race 11 at the Capalaba Greyhound Racing Club on 10 March 2024 when it was not free of a prohibited substance2. Mr Memorey was the trainer of the greyhound See You Again when an out-of-competition sample was found to contain a permanently banned prohibited substance3. Mr Memorey gave false and misleading evidence to Stewards during a stewards' inquiry on 28 May 2024
Substance:	5 β Androstane-3 α , 17 β -Diol
Penalty:	Charge 1: Nine (9) month disqualification Charge 2: Nine (9) month disqualification to be served concurrently with Charge 1 Charge 3: Nine (9) month disqualification to be served cumulative to Charge 1

On 3 July 2024, the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission Stewards concluded an inquiry into analysts' findings that the permanently banned prohibited substance 5b-androstane-3a 17b-diol was detected at a level above the regulatory threshold specified in Greyhounds Australasia Rule 140(a) in:

1. a post-race urine sample collected from the greyhound See You Again when it competed in, and won, Race 11 at the Capalaba Greyhound Racing Club on 10 March 2024; and
2. an out-of-competition sample collected from the greyhound See You Again at Mr Memorey's registered kennel address on 10 April 2024, when Mr Memorey was the licensed trainer of the above-mentioned greyhound at the relevant times.

On 28 May 2024, Stewards imposed an interim suspension upon Mr Memorey's licence and registration pending the outcome of the stewards' inquiry in respect of the two subject samples due to the serious nature of the permanently banned prohibited substance 5b-androstane-3a 17b-diol.

During the inquiry, submissions were made by Mr Adam Memorey regarding the subject samples collected from See You Again, with Mr Memorey also giving evidence in respect of his prior false and misleading evidence of 28 May 2024.

After considering all of the evidence, Stewards issued three (3) charges pursuant to the Greyhounds Australasia Rules as follows:

Charge 1: Issued pursuant to Greyhounds Australasia Rule 141(1)(a), which provides:

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

The specifics of Charge 1 were as follows:

That Mr Adam Memorey, as the trainer of the greyhound See You Again, did present that greyhound to compete in Race 11 at the Capalaba Greyhound Racing Club on 10 March 2024 with a permanently banned prohibited substance in its system, namely 5 β Androstane-3 α , 17 β -Diol as detected by the Racing Science Centre and confirmed by Racing Analytical Services Limited at a level in excess of the mass concentration limit of 10 nanograms per millilitre in the post-race urine sample collected from the greyhound on 10 March 2024.

Charge 2: Issued pursuant to Greyhounds Australasia Rule 139(3)(a), which provides:

When a sample taken from a greyhound being trained by a trainer or in the care of a registered person has been established to contain a permanently banned prohibited substance:

(a) the trainer and any other person who was in charge of the relevant greyhound at the relevant time shall be guilty of an offence.

The specifics of Charge 2 were as follows:

That Mr Adam Memorey was the trainer of the greyhound See You Again when an out-of-competition sample collected from that greyhound on 10 April 2024 at Mr Memorey's registered kennel address was found to contain a permanently banned prohibited substance, being 5 β Androstane-3 α , 17 β -Diol at a level in excess of the mass concentration limit of 10 nanograms per millilitre.

Charge 3: Issued pursuant to Greyhounds Australasia Rule 164(a), which provides:

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

(a) makes a false or misleading statement in relation to or during an investigation, inspection, examination, test or inquiry (or at any other disciplinary process, hearing or appeal proceeding) or makes or causes to be made a falsification in a document in connection with greyhound racing or the registration of a greyhound.

The specifics of Charge 3 were as follows:

That Mr Adam Memorey made a false and misleading statement to the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission Stewards during a stewards' inquiry on 28 May 2024 with the false statement being that Mr Memorey had in his possession a substance known to him as bone hormone and that he injected the greyhound See You Again with that substance, knowing that statement to be false in an attempt to mislead Stewards, to which Mr Memorey admitted that statement to be false and misleading in a stewards' inquiry on 3 July 2024.

Mr Memorey entered a plea of guilty to all three (3) charges and made further submissions in respect of penalty.

In determining the matter of penalty, Stewards considered the following:

- Mr Memorey's plea of guilty to all three (3) charges at the earliest available opportunity;
- Mr Memorey's time in the greyhound racing industry, being approximately three (3) years;
- Mr Memorey's disciplinary history, noting no prior breaches of a similar nature;
- Mr Memorey's personal circumstances, noting that Mr Memorey derives his income solely from the greyhound racing industry;
- the nature of the permanently banned prohibited substance 5β Androstane- 3α , 17β -Diol, noting that the substance is a permanently banned prohibited substance across all codes of racing and therefore a clear message needs to be sent to the industry that any breach involving permanently banned prohibited substances is serious and cannot be tolerated;
- Mr Memorey's explanation as to the likely source of the permanently banned prohibited substance;

- Mr Memorey's false and misleading evidence in respect of the possession and administration of a substance known to him as bone hormone, with Stewards being of the opinion that any false and misleading evidence should attract a significant penalty as it undermines the integrity of the racing industry and is critical for the proper conduct and administration of the industry;
- the need to maintain the integrity of greyhound racing and to ensure a level playing field for all participants;
- the need for both specific deterrence to Mr Memorey and general deterrence to the wider industry;
- relevant penalty precedents;
- the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission Greyhound Racing Penalty Guidelines; and
- the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

Accordingly, the Stewards imposed the following penalties:

Charge 1: A nine (9) month disqualification.

Charge 2: A nine (9) month disqualification to be served concurrently with Charge 1.

Charge 3: A nine (9) month disqualification to be served cumulative to Charge 1.

Stewards further directed that:

1. the penalty be backdated to 28 May 2024, being the date Mr Memorey's licence and registration were suspended on an interim basis by the Stewards;
2. See You Again be disqualified from Race 11 at the Capalaba Greyhound Racing Club on 10 March 2024 (1st place) pursuant to Greyhounds Australasia Rule 139(3)(b) with the placings to be amended accordingly and all prizemoney associated with the event to be returned to Racing Queensland; and
3. See You Again is ineligible to be nominated for any further event pursuant to Greyhounds Australasia Rule 139(4)(b) until a clear sample has been collected from the greyhound.

Mr Memorey was advised of his right to a review of the decision.