

Stewards' Report

Date: Friday, 8 August 2025
Panel: Mr D Aurisch (Chairperson), Mr J Philp, Mr M Fernholz
Person: Mr Alan Dargusch
Rule: GAR 156 (F)(ii)
Charges: Engaged in misconduct towards another participant at The Q race club on 3rd August 2025
Penalty: \$1000.00 fine with \$500.00 wholly suspended for twenty-four (24) months

On 8th August 2025, the Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) Stewards concluded an inquiry into the alleged conduct and language used by Mr Alan Dargusch, a licenced person at all relevant times, towards Ms Kyle Raines a licenced person, at the Q Race Club grounds during a race meeting on 3rd August 2025.

Evidence was tendered by Mr Alan Dargusch during the inquiry.

After considering all the evidence, Stewards issued a charge pursuant to the Greyhounds Australasia Rule 156(f)(ii), which provides:

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

(f) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done something, or omitted to do something, which, in the opinion of a Controlling Body or the Stewards:

(ii) constitutes misconduct or is negligent or improper;

The specifics of the Charge were as follows:

That Mr Alan Dargusch, a licenced greyhound trainer at all relevant times, engaged in misconduct, by directing obscene language towards licensee, Ms Kyle Raines.

Mr Dargusch pleaded guilty to the charge and made brief submissions in respect of penalty.

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

- Mr Dargusch's plea of guilty at the first available opportunity;
- Mr Dargusch's forthright evidence and cooperation throughout the inquiry;
- Mr Dargusch's disciplinary history, noting no prior breaches of any rule in the last 10 years;
- The need for both specific deterrence to Mr Dargusch and a general deterrence to the wider industry;
- Relevant penalty precedents; and
- The Human Rights Act 2019;

Accordingly, the Stewards imposed the following penalty.

A \$1,000.00 fine, with stewards electing to suspend \$500.00 of the penalty under the provisions of Greyhounds Australasia Rule 174(3) for twenty-four (24) months conditional upon no further breaches of a similar nature.

Mr Dargusch was advised of his rights to an appeal.