

GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision: Monday 14 October 2024

Decision-maker: Steward Sam Woolaston and Senior Steward Kevin Adams

Name of relevant person: Shane Cartwright

Track: The Gardens

Date: 5 June 2024

Rule no.: 141(1)(a)

Charge 1 - Rule 141(1)(a)

Mr Shane Cartwright presented the greyhound 'His All That' for the purpose of competing in race 11 at The Gardens meeting on 5 June 2024 in circumstances where the Greyhound was

not free of any prohibited substance.

Prohibited Substance(s): Charge 1 - Amphetamine, Methamphetamine and

Hydroxymethamphetamine

Plea: Charge 1 – Guilty

Disciplinary action taken: To impose an 18-month disqualification, to commence 23

October 2024 and to expire 23 April 2026.

INVESTIGATION

Following receipt of a certificate of analysis from Racing Analytical Services Limited dated 8 July 2024, the Commission investigated the results of a pre-race urine sample taken from the greyhound, "His All That" at The Gardens meeting on 5 June 2024.

Further analysis of the sample was conducted by the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory confirming the presence of Amphetamine, Methamphetamine and Hydroxymethamphetamine.

DECISION:

1. Mr. Cartwright is a registered Public Trainer and the trainer of "His All That" ("the Greyhound"). The Greyhound competed in race 11 at The Gardens meeting on 5 June 2024. Prior to the Event, a urine sample was taken from the Greyhound.

- 2. The pre-race swab revealed the presence of Amphetamine, Methamphetamine and Hydroxymethamphetamine.
- 3. Amphetamine, Methamphetamine and Hydroxymethamphetamine is a permanently banned prohibited substance under Rule 139(1)(g).
- 4. On 11 September 2024 Mr Cartwright was issued with a notice of charge ("Notice")
- 5. In the Notice issued on 11 September 2024 the decision makers charged Mr Cartwright with a breach of the following Greyhound Racing Rule:

Rule 141(1), Rules

- (1) The owner, trainer or other person in charge of a greyhound:
 - (a) nominated to compete in an Event;

. . .

must present the greyhound free of any prohibited substance.

. . .

- (3) The owner, trainer or person in charge of a greyhound presented contrary to subrule
- (1) of this rule shall be guilty of an offence.
- 6. The Notice invited Mr Cartwright to attend a hearing to be held on Tuesday 17 September 2024 to enter a plea and make submissions in relation to the charge. At the request of Mr Cartwright the hearing was deferred until Monday 14 October 2024.
- 7. At the hearing held on Monday 14 October 2024, Mr Cartwright;
 - Entered a plea of guilty;
 - Made verbal submissions: and
 - Provided written submissions
- 8. In determining the matter, the decision makers considered Mr Cartwright's plea, as well as all available evidence. The decision makers found the charge proven and issued the below penalty;
 - **Charge 1** To impose an 18-month disqualification

With the Disqualification period to commence 23 October 2024 and to expire 23 April 2026.

- 9. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision makers considered all evidence, including:
 - Mr Cartwright's Guilty plea

- Mr. Cartwright's 20-year registration history
- Mr. Cartwright's disciplinary history, with a prior prohibited substance matter within the past 18 months.
- GWIC penalty guidelines

10. In addition, the Greyhound was disqualified from race 11 at The Gardens meeting on 5 June 2024 pursuant to Rule 141(4) of the Rules.
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