

RECORD OF INQUIRY

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INQUIRY NUMBER:	18S014
PARTICIPANT:	Mr Nathan McDonald (Participant)
GWIC STEWARD PANEL MEMBERS:	Grant Carroll, Chief Steward Max Reading, Senior Steward (Stewards)
DATE OF INQUIRY:	16 October 2018

1. The Stewards held an inquiry into allegations about the Participant's conduct at the Tamworth Greyhound Racing Club on 15 November 2018.
2. The Stewards charged the Participant under Rule 86(g) of the GWIC Greyhound Racing Rules for acting in an aggressive manner and using abusive language towards a Club Official. The Participant denied the Charge.
3. After considering the evidence from the Participant, Club Official, Club President and Steward Gail Thorsby, the Stewards determined that the Participant had breached the Rules as charged
4. In determining the appropriate penalty, the Stewards took into account:
 - (a) The Participant's licence and other history, including a prior offence under Rule 86(o) where the Participant was warned off for a period of four months.
 - (b) The Participant's significant contribution to the Tamworth Greyhound Racing Club.
 - (c) The Participant's personal and health circumstances, which are not repeated here for privacy reasons.
 - (d) The reference provided by the Participant.
5. Having regard to the totality of the facts, the Stewards determined that the appropriate penalty was a period of disqualification of four months wholly suspended on the condition that the Participant complies with the Rules for a period of 12 months.