



INQUIRY INTO THE BEHAVIOUR OF REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS AT THE WENTWORTH PARK RACE MEETING ON SATURDAY 27 NOVEMBER 2021.

By Video Conference

Stewards: Mr. W. Birch (Chairman), Mr. Jason Hodder, Mr. David OShannessey.

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Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission (GWIC) Stewards today concluded an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding a verbal altercation between registered participants which occurred in front of the public at the Wentworth Park race meeting on 27 November 2021. After considering evidence taken during a hearing on 10 December 2021, Stewards issued the following charge against a number of participants. The relevant charge was under rule 86(o) which provides:

Rule 86, Greyhound Racing Rules

A person (including an official) shall be guilty of an offence if the person-

(o) has, in relation to a greyhound, or greyhound racing, done a thing, or omitted to do a thing, which in the opinion of the Stewards, or Controlling Body, as the case may be, is negligent, dishonest, corrupt, fraudulent or improper, or constitutes misconduct.

Mr. Jason Magri was charged with a breach of Greyhound Rule 86(o) the details being that on Saturday 27 November 2021 at the Wentworth Park race meeting, in an area in front of the public grandstand, Mr. Jason Magri did a thing, which in the opinion of the Stewards, constituted misconduct, in that he engaged in a verbal altercation with fellow participant Mr. Darryl Thomas, and during such altercation, had to be forcibly restrained.

Mr. Jason Magri pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$5000. Stewards ordered that \$3000 of the fine issued be suspended for a period of 12 months on the condition that Mr. Magri does not contravene the same or a similar rule during that period.

Mr. Darryl Thomas was charged with a breach of Greyhound Rule 86(o) the details being that on Saturday 27 November 2021 at the Wentworth Park race meeting, in an area in front of the public grandstand, Mr. Darryl Thomas did a thing, which in the opinion of the Stewards, constituted misconduct, in that he engaged in a verbal altercation with fellow participant Mr. Jason Magri, and during such altercation, had to be ordered to leave the venue by members of the NSW Police.

Mr. Darryl Thomas pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$5000. Stewards ordered that \$3000 of the fine issued be suspended for a period of 12 months on the condition that Mr. Thomas does not contravene the same or a similar rule during that period.

Mr. Ray Magri was charged with a breach of Greyhound Rule 86(o) the details being that on Saturday 27 November 2021 at the Wentworth Park race meeting, in an area in front of the public grandstand, Mr. Ray Magri did do a thing, which in the opinion of the Stewards, constituted misconduct, in that he approached and spoke to Mr. Darryl Thomas in an antagonistic manner which ultimately incited a verbal altercation between Mr. Darryl Thomas and Mr Jason Magri.



Mr. Ray Magri pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$2000. Stewards ordered that \$1000 of the fine issued be suspended for a period of 12 months on the condition that Mr. Magri does not contravene the same or a similar rule during that period.

Ms. Darrallene Thomas was charged with a breach of Greyhound Rule 86(o) the details being that on Saturday 27 November 2021 at the Wentworth Park race meeting in an area accessible to the public, in front of the public grandstand, Ms. Darrallene Thomas, did do a thing, which in the opinion of the Stewards, constituted misconduct, in that Ms Thomas audibly referred to Mr. Jason Magri as a drug cheat.

Ms. Thomas was found guilty of the charge and was fined \$1000. Stewards ordered that \$500 of the fine issued be suspended for a period of 12 months on the condition that Ms. Thomas does not contravene the same or a similar rule during that period.