



GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION
DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION

Date of decision:	Thursday 23 November 2023
Decision-maker:	Steward Paul Van Gestal, Chief Steward Troy Vassallo
Name of relevant person:	Wayne Bradley
Track	Bulli
Date:	12 September 2023
Rule no.:	141(1)(a)
Charge(s):	Mr Wayne Bradley presented the greyhound 'One Fat Toe' for the purposes of competing in race 5 at the Bulli meeting on 12 September 2023 in circumstances where the Greyhound was not free of any prohibited substance
Prohibited Substance(s):	Caffeine and its metabolites Theophylline, Paraxanthine and Theobromine
Plea:	Guilty
Disciplinary action taken:	To issue a fine of \$2,000 and a 12-week suspension, wholly and conditionally suspended for 12 months subject to Mr. Bradley not breaching this or any like rule in this period.

INVESTIGATION

Following receipt of a certificate of analysis from Racing Analytical Services Limited dated 18 October 2023, the Commission conducted an investigation into the results of a pre event urine sample taken from the greyhound, "One Fat Toe" at the Bulli meeting on 12 September 2023.

Further analysis of the sample was conducted by the Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory confirming the presence of Caffeine and its metabolites Theophylline, Paraxanthine and Theobromine.

DECISION:

1. Mr Bradley is a registered Public Trainer and the trainer of "One Fat Toe" ("the Greyhound"). The Greyhound competed in race 5 of the Bulli meeting on 12 September 2023. Prior to the Event, a urine sample was taken from the Greyhound.

2. The pre-event swab revealed the presence of Caffeine and its metabolites Theophylline, Paraxanthine and Theobromine.
3. Caffeine and its metabolites Theophylline, Paraxanthine and Theobromine is a prohibited substance under Rule 137 of the GWIC Greyhound Racing Rules.
4. On 9 November 2023 Mr Bradley was issued with a notice of charge and proposed disciplinary action ("**Notice**").
5. In the Notice issued on 9 November 2023 the decision makers charged Mr Bradley with an offence under Rule 141(1)(a) of the Greyhound Racing Rules, which reads:

Rule 141(1), Rules

(1) The owner, trainer or other person in charge of a greyhound:

(a) nominated to compete in an Event;

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must present the greyhound free of any prohibited substance.

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(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 proposed a penalty of a four-month suspension and invited Mr Bradley to attend a hearing to enter a plea and make submissions in relation to the charge.
7. On Thursday 23 November 2023 Mr Bradley attended a hearing held via Microsoft Teams and:
 - a) entered a plea of guilty and;
 - b) made verbal submissions.
8. In considering the matter, the decision makers considered Mr Bradley's plea and submissions, as well as all available evidence. The decision makers found the charge proven and took the following disciplinary action against Mr Bradley:

Charge 141(1)(a): To issue a fine of \$2,000 and a 12-week suspension, wholly and conditionally suspended for 12 months subject to Mr. Bradley not breaching this or any like rule in this period.

9. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision makers considered all evidence, including:

- Mr Bradley's guilty plea (25% reduction)
- Mr Bradley's 33-year registration history and good record, with no like prior offences
- A probable cause for the detection of the substance was established by decision makers
- GWIC penalty guidelines

10. In addition, the Greyhound was disqualified from race 5 at the Bulli meeting on 12 September 2023 pursuant to Rule 141(4) of the Rules.

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