



**GREYHOUND WELFARE & INTEGRITY COMMISSION**  
**DISCIPLINARY ACTION DECISION**

<b>Date of decision:</b>	Tuesday 31 January 2023
<b>Decision-maker:</b>	Senior Steward Dean Degan and Steward Michael Hall
<b>Name of relevant person:</b>	Earl Anderson
<b>Track:</b>	Coonamble
<b>Date:</b>	1 October 2022
<b>Rule no.:</b>	141(1)(a)
<b>Charge(s):</b>	Mr Earl Anderson presented the greyhound 'Kantiki Star' for the purposes of competing in race 10 at the Coonamble meeting on 1 October 2022 in circumstances where the Greyhound was not free of any prohibited substance
<b>Prohibited Substance(s):</b>	Guaifenesin
<b>Disciplinary action taken:</b>	To issue a fine in the sum of \$750

**INVESTIGATION**

Following receipt of a certificate of analysis from Racing Analytical Services Limited dated 15 November 2022, the Commission conducted an investigation into the results of a post-event urine sample taken from the greyhound, "Kantiki Star" at the Coonamble meeting on 1 October 2022.

Further analysis of the sample was conducted by the Racing Science Centre confirming the presence of Guaifenesin.

**DECISION:**

1. Mr Anderson is a registered Public Trainer and the trainer of "Kantiki Star" ("the Greyhound"). The Greyhound competed in race 10 of the Coonamble meeting on 1 October 2022. Following the Event, a urine sample was taken from the Greyhound.
2. The post-event swab revealed the presence of Guaifenesin.
3. Guaifenesin is a prohibited substance under Rule 137 of the GWIC Greyhound Racing Rules.

4. On Wednesday 25 January 2023 Mr Anderson was issued with a notice of charge and proposed disciplinary action (“**Notice**”).
5. In the Notice issued on 25 January 2023 the decision makers charged Mr Anderson 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;

...

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 fine in the sum of \$2000 and invited Mr Anderson to attend a hearing to enter a plea and make submissions in relation to the charge.
7. At the hearing conducted via Teams on Tuesday 31 January 2023, Mr Anderson:
  - (a) entered a plea of guilty and;
  - (b) made verbal submissions.
8. In considering the matter, the decision makers considered Mr Anderson’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 Anderson:

**Charge 141 (1) (a):** To issue a fine in the sum of \$750.

8. In taking this disciplinary action, the decision makers considered all evidence, including:
  - Mr Anderson’s guilty plea (25% reduction)
  - Mr Anderson’s 56 year registration history
  - First offence
  - GWIC penalty guidelines
  - Mr Anderson’s volunteer work in the industry
9. In addition, the Greyhound was disqualified from race 10 at the Coonamble meeting on 1 October 2022 pursuant to Rule 141(4) of the Rules.

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