

## Rásaíocht Con Éireann

### CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT

OWNER	<i>Anna Carey</i>
ADDRESS	Cooraclare Village, Cooraclare, Co. Clare.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – Naproxen – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Gower Jet at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March, 2022.</li></ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mrs. Anna Carey, registered owner of the greyhound Gower Jet appeared before the Control Committee.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, represented Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted the evidence given by Mrs. Carey that the only explanation she could offer for the adverse analytical finding was that she was giving the greyhound Multivitamins at the time. However, Mrs. Carey said that she was not challenging the sampling process or the Laboratory finding.</p> <p>The Control Committee acknowledged that Mrs. Carey had met this matter in an exemplary manner and the Committee took into consideration that Mrs. Carey had an excellent record within the industry to date. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee did not impose a fine on Mrs. Carey. However, the prizemoney of €1,250 won by the greyhound Gower Jet in the event in question is forfeited.</p>

NAME	<i>Raymond Joseph Hamilton</i>
ADDRESS	21D High Park, Foylehill, Creggan, Derry.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Exclusion Order</b> – Application by Mr. Raymond Joseph Hamilton to have the Exclusion Order issued against him revoked.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>The Control Committee considered submissions received from Mr. Hamilton to have the Exclusion Order issued against him by the Control Committee revoked. The Committee noted the Exclusion Order was issued against Mr. Hamilton on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August, 2019.</p> <p>Pursuant to Section 47 of the Greyhound Industry Act 1958 and having consulted with the Irish Coursing Club, the Control Committee resolved to revoke said Exclusion Order from and including the 1<sup>st</sup> day of August, 2022.</p>

OWNER / TRAINER	<i>Laurence Jones</i>
ADDRESS	Corduff, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan.
MATTERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical findings returned from urine samples obtained from the following greyhounds: –</b></li> <li>• <b>Gut Feeling</b> at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium on the 15<sup>th</sup> of August, 2020 (<b>6α-Hydroxystanozolol</b>).</li> <li>• <b>Gut Feeling</b> at Mr. Jones's registered kennels on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 (<b>6α-Hydroxystanozolol</b>).</li> <li>• <b>Duck And Dive</b> at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September, 2020 (<b>6α-Hydroxystanozolol</b>).</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Duck And Dive</b> at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October, 2020 (<b>6<math>\alpha</math>-Hydroxystanozolol</b>).</li> <li>• <b>Duck And Dive</b> at Mr. Jones’s registered kennels on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 (<b>6<math>\alpha</math>-Hydroxystanozolol</b>).</li> <li>• <b>Fort Light</b> at Mr. Jones’s registered kennels on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 (<b>6<math>\alpha</math>-Hydroxystanozolol</b>).</li> <li>• <b>Darsup</b> at Mr. Jones’s registered kennels on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 (<b>19-Norepiandrosterone and 19-Norethiocholanolone</b>).</li> </ul>
<p>OUTCOME</p>	<p>Mr. Laurence Jones, Corduff, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan registered trainer of the greyhounds in question joined the virtual hearing. Mr. Patrick Jones, Solicitor, Jones Magee Solicitors and Mr. Andrew Nugent, B.L. joined the virtual hearing representing Mr. Laurence Jones in these matters.</p> <p>Rásaíocht Con Éireann were represented in these matters by Mr. Pat McInerney, Solicitor, Holmes O’Malley Sexton Solicitors. Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann and Mr. Denis Healy, Veterinary Director, Rásaíocht Con Éireann also joined the virtual hearing.</p> <p>The Control Committee was conscious that the substances detected were very significant substances that can raise serious issues for the Greyhound Industry as well as for the individual involved. In this particular case the Committee accepted that Mr. Jones had shown a considerable level of co-operation and his decision not to contest the sampling process or the Laboratory analysis was of considerable help in dealing with these matters.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence tendered in relation to these matters noted there were seven cases before it involving one person and the Committee had to deal with these matters in a way that respected proportionality.</p>

The Control Committee decided to impose the following penalties on Mr. Jones:-

- Regarding the Adverse Analytical Finding reported from the greyhound **Gut Feeling** on the 15<sup>th</sup> of August, 2020 the Control Committee imposed a fine of €1,500 on Mr. Jones and prizemoney of €20 is forfeited. The subsequent Adverse Analytical Finding reported from this greyhound on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 was taken into consideration in the making of the fine of €1,500.
- Regarding the Adverse Analytical Finding reported from the greyhound **Duck And Dive** on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September, 2020 the Control Committee imposed a fine of €1,500 on Mr. Jones and prizemoney of €75 is forfeited. The subsequent Adverse Analytical Findings reported from this greyhound on 10<sup>th</sup> of October, 2020 and on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 were taken into consideration in the making of the fine of €1,500. Prizemoney of €20 won by the greyhound Duck And Dive on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October, 2020 is forfeited.
- Regarding the Adverse Analytical Finding reported from the greyhound **Fort Light** on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 the Control Committee imposed a fine of €1,500 on Mr. Jones.
- Regarding the Adverse Analytical Finding reported from the greyhound **Darsup** on the 16<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020 the Control Committee imposed a fine of €1,000 on Mr. Jones.

**The fines imposed on Mr. Jones by the Control Committee total €5,500.**

The Control Committee also decided, having received the consent of the Irish Coursing Club, to issue an Exclusion Order against Mr. Jones pursuant to Article 6 (2) and 8 (5) of the Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and

	<p>Control Appeal Committee) Regulations 2007 – 2021 and Section 47 of the Greyhound Industry Act 1958.</p> <p>The Exclusion Order prohibits Mr. Jones from all of the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) being on any greyhound race track;</li> <li>(b) being at any authorised coursing meeting;</li> <li>(c) being at any public sale of greyhounds.</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Exclusion Order will be effective from and including the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2022.</li> </ul>
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OWNER	<i><b>Peg Lenihan</b></i>
ADDRESS	Ballinooskny, Newmarket-onFergus, Co. Clare.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – Guaiphenesin – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Slaheny Mags at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March, 2022.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mrs. Peg Lenihan, registered owner of the greyhound Slaheny Mags appeared before the Control Committee. Mrs. Lenihan was accompanied by her husband, Mr. Dave Lenihan.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, represented Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted the evidence given by Mr. Lenihan that in the week leading up to the race in question he was treating the greyhound with a cough syrup and he was unaware that the cough syrup contained a prohibited substance. The Control Committee also noted the evidence given by Mr. William Fitzgerald, Veterinary Director, Rásaíocht Con Éireann that</p>

	<p>Guaiphenesin is an active ingredient in the cough syrup mentioned by Mr. Lenihan.</p> <p>The Control Committee acknowledged that Mr. and Mrs. Lenihan had met this matter in an exemplary manner and the Committee took into consideration that both Mr. and Mrs. Lenihan had excellent records within the industry to date. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee decided not to impose a fine on Mrs. Lenihan. However, the prizemoney of €1,250 won by the greyhound Slaheny Mags in the event in question is forfeited.</p>
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OWNER	<i>Martin Moriarty</i>
ADDRESS	Boherboy, Gortatlea, Tralee, Co. Kerry.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – Amphetamine – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Boher Recruit at Tralee Greyhound Stadium on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January, 2021.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Martin Moriarty, registered owner of the greyhound Boher Recruit was not in attendance.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, represented Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted this matter had been adjourned on two previous occasions at the request of Mr. Moriarty and decided to proceed with this matter in Mr. Moriarty's absence.</p> <p>Having considered all the evidence tendered in relation to this matter, the Control Committee were entirely satisfied in relation to the sampling process on the night in question and the Committee were also entirely satisfied with the storage, delivery and analysis of the sample. The Committee noted the evidence given by Mr.</p>

	<p>William Fitzgerald, Veterinary Director, Rásaíocht Con Éireann that Amphetamine is a stimulant and is a substance which would give rise to welfare issues when administered to a greyhound. The Committee were not happy that no rational explanation was offered by Mr. Moriarty and the Committee did not accept that the substance may have come through the administration of Multivitamins to the greyhound which Mr. Moriarty had stated in the Investigation Report Form he completed.</p> <p>Taking all the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €1,500 on Mr. Moriarty. The Control Committee also directed that all greyhounds under Mr. Moriarty's care be sampled, when presented for racing at Rásaíocht Con Éireann licenced stadia, for a period of six months.</p>
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OWNER	<i>John Ryan</i>
ADDRESS	21, Grange Road, Ballina, Co. Tipperary.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – Sildenafil – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound On The Lake at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 9<sup>th</sup> of December, 2021.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. John Ryan, registered owner of the greyhound On The Lake appeared before the Control Committee.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, represented Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted the evidence given by Mr. Ryan that he was unable to explain how the substance may have gotten into the greyhound's system. However, Mr. Ryan stated that he was not challenging the sampling process or the Laboratory finding, and he fully accepted that he had responsibility for all greyhounds in his care.</p> <p>The Control Committee acknowledged that Mr. Ryan had an excellent record within the industry to date. However,</p>

	<p>the Committee noted that Sildenafil is a performance enhancing substance and having taken all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €300 on Mr. Ryan. The prizemoney of €65 won by the greyhound On The Lake in the event in question is forfeited.</p>
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**August, 2022.**