

## CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT

OWNER	<i>Raymond Beehan</i>
ADDRESS	Rathpoleen, Crosspatrick, Johnstown, Co. Kilkenny.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Propranolol) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Tanners Rumble at Waterford Greyhound Stadium on the 31<sup>st</sup> of July, 2018.</li></ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Raymond Beehan, registered owner of the greyhound Tanners Rumble was not in attendance. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Committee noted Mr. Beehan had written to the Committee advising he was unable to attend the meeting and requested that the Committee proceed with the matter in his absence.</p> <p>The Committee also noted Mr. Beehan had stated in the Investigation Report Form that he was accepting full responsibility for the adverse analytical finding as he had administered medication to the greyhound Tanners Rumble two days prior to the sample being obtained.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee noted Mr. Beehan had co-operated to a significant degree and had tendered a written explanation for the adverse analytical finding. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, including the level of co-operation received from Mr. Beehan, the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €300 on Mr. Beehan.</p>

OWNER	<i>Joseph Fahey</i>
ADDRESS	Rosnamulteeneey, Borrisoleigh, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Ibuprofen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Caitlyns victoria at Thurles Greyhound Stadium on the 18<sup>th</sup> of August, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Joseph Fahey, registered owner of the greyhound Caitlyns victoria appeared before the Committee.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee accepted the explanation tendered by Mr. Fahey that the substance had been introduced into the greyhounds system accidentally. Mr. Fahey, in his evidence, explained that he suffers from a medical condition and he was using Ibuprofen Gel which was prescribed for his personal use by a doctor. Mr. Fahey produced a letter from his doctor in support of his explanation. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee decided not to impose a fine on Mr. Fahey.</p>

OWNER	<i>Martin Griffin</i>
ADDRESS	Caherea, Lissycasey, Ennis, Co. Clare.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Flufenamic Acid) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Nebraska Dubh at Galway Greyhound Stadium on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Martin Griffin, registered owner of the greyhound Nebraska Dubh appeared before the Control Committee.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p>

	<p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee was satisfied there was no issue with the sampling process or with the Laboratory process and the substance Flufenamic Acid was detected in the urine sample obtained from the greyhound Nebraska Dubh on the date in question. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €400 on Mr. Griffin and prize money of €55 won by the greyhound Nebraska Dubh in the event in question is forfeited.</p>
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OWNER	<i>Harry Joyce</i>
ADDRESS	Haghill, Bandon, Co. Cork.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Phenylbutazone) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Our Dog Lily at Cork Greyhound Stadium on the 6<sup>th</sup> of July, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Harry Joyce registered owner of the greyhound Our Dog Lily was not in attendance. Mr. Richard Joyce was in attendance representing his father, Mr. Harry Joyce, in this matter.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. However, in this instance, having noted the exceptional nature of the evidence tendered by Mr. Richard Joyce, the Committee was satisfied that the substance Phenylbutazone detected in the urine sample obtained from the greyhound Our Dog Lily was as a result of accidental food contamination. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the decision of the Control Committee on this matter was to issue Mr. Harry Joyce with a formal caution.</p>

TRAINER	<i>Jeannette Mackenzie</i>
ADDRESS	Clonfosse House, Kyle, Kinnitty, Co. Offaly.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Naproxen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Subsidize at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium on the 13<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Ms. Jeannette Mackenzie, registered owner and trainer of the greyhound Subsidize appeared before the Committee.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied in the first instance that the notification and referral of this matter to the Control Committee was proper. The Committee noted the scientific evidence given by Dr. Jim Healy from the National Greyhound Laboratory, in particular his evidence that, in his opinion, Naproxen was not administered directly to the greyhound. The Committee also noted the evidence given by Ms. Mackenzie regarding possible food contamination. Having considered the nature of the evidence tendered and taking into consideration all of the circumstances in this matter, the Control Committee decided it would be unsafe to make a finding against Ms. Mackenzie.</p>

OWNER	<i>Darren McCoy</i>
ADDRESS	19 Beechwood Gardens, Newcastlewest, Co. Limerick.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Acetaminophen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Braveheart Bobby at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May, 2018.</li> </ul>

<p>OUTCOME</p>	<p>Mr. Darren McCoy, registered owner of the greyhound Braveheart Bobby was not in attendance. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Committee noted Mr. McCoy had advised the Secretary he was unable to attend the meeting and requested that the Committee proceed with the matter in his absence.</p> <p>The Committee also noted Mr. McCoy completed an Investigation Report Form where he accepted responsibility for the adverse analytical finding as he had administered a cough medicine to the greyhound on the day the sample in question was obtained.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee accepted the explanation tendered by Mr. McCoy in the Investigation Report Form he completed which was consistent with the evidence given by Dr. Jim Healy from the National Greyhound Laboratory. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, including the level of co-operation received from Mr. McCoy, the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €150 on Mr. McCoy and prizemoney of €60 won by the greyhound Braveheart Bobby in the event in question is forfeited.</p>
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<p>TRAINER</p>	<p><i>Padraig Regan</i></p>
<p>ADDRESS</p>	<p>Brookville House, Kilmoyley South, Ardfert, Co. Kerry.</p>
<p>MATTER</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Flunixin) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Marazion Bonnie at Tralee Greyhound Stadium on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April, 2018.</li> </ul>
<p>OUTCOME</p>	<p>Mr. Padraig Regan trainer of the greyhound Marazion Bonnie was not in attendance and no communication was received from Mr. Regan in advance of the</p>

	<p>meeting. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee noted the substance Flunixin is a strong anti-inflammatory medication which is not licenced for canine veterinary use. The Committee also noted the lack of co-operation received from Mr. Regan in this matter. In the circumstances, the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €500 on Mr. Regan and prize money of €145 won by the greyhound Marazion Bonnie in the event in question is forfeited.</p>
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OWNER	<i>Michael Roche</i>
ADDRESS	Clogher Cottage, Shanballymore, Mallow, Co. Cork.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Acetaminophen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Perhaps Not at Youghal Greyhound Stadium on the 11<sup>th</sup> of June, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Michael Roche, registered owner of the greyhound Perhaps Not was not in attendance. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Committee noted Mr. Roche had written to the Committee advising he was unable to attend the meeting and requested that the Committee proceed with the matter in his absence.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee noted the evidence tendered by Dr. Jim Healy from the National Greyhound Laboratory that the level of Acetaminophen detected in the sample in question was “substantial”. In</p>

	the circumstances, the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €400 on Mr. Roche and prize money of €40 won by the greyhound in the event in question is forfeited.
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OWNER	<i>Paul Scally</i>
ADDRESS	Cabra, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Diclofenac) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Cabra Twister at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Paul Scally, registered owner of the greyhound Cabra Twister was not in attendance and no communication was received from Mr. Scally in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Committee noted the substance Diclofenac should not have been present in the urine sample obtained from the greyhound Cabra Twister on the date in question. In the circumstances, the Control Committee decided to impose a fine of €300 on Mr. Scally.</p>

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