

## CONTROL APPEAL COMMITTEE PUBLICATION

TRAINER	Mr. Peter Cronin
ADDRESS	“Summerfield House”, Silversprings, Mooncoin, Co. Kilkenny
MATTER	<p>Appeal of Control Committee decisions dated 5<sup>th</sup> August 2016</p> <p><u>Control Committee Decisions:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Fine of €100 imposed on Mr. Cronin in respect of the greyhound Tynwald Bish and the withholding of prize money of €125 won by the greyhound at Shelbourne Park on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2015.</li> <li>- Fine of €100 imposed on Mr. Cronin in respect of the greyhound Tynwald Rodney and the withholding of prize money of €300 won by the greyhound at Shelbourne Park on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2015.</li> </ul>
PRELIMINARY ISSUE	The Control Appeal Committee decided to accept the one Notice of Appeal against both of the decisions of the Control Committee and dealt with the Appeal accordingly.
FINDINGS	<p>The Control Appeal Committee, having considered in detail all of the submissions made by the Appellant and Bord na gCon, were satisfied that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The samples were properly taken and analysed and showed a reading which was well in excess of the levels permitted under the regulations and the equine International Screening Limits.</li> <li>- The Appellant has an exemplary record within the greyhound industry and that he did not deliberately administer Meloxicam to either of the greyhounds on the day in question.</li> </ul> <p>Significant levels of Meloxicam were found in both greyhounds on the day in question and as the trainer who presented them for racing on the day in question he is responsible for same. It is probable in the opinion of the Control Appeal Committee that it came to be in the greyhounds through the meat which they were fed on the day in question.</p> <p>In those circumstances the Control Appeal Committee are satisfied that the fines imposed by the Control Committee in both cases are appropriate and the withholding of the prize money won is also appropriate.</p> <p>The Appeal is, therefore, dismissed and the decisions of the Control Committee dated 5<sup>th</sup> August 2016 are both affirmed.</p> <p>Pursuant to the Greyhound Industry (Control Committee and Control Appeal Committee) (Amendment) Regulations 2015 this decision to be published.</p>