CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT

HANDLER	John Browne
ADDRESS	Riverside House, Ardfinnan, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary.
MATTER	• Adverse analytical finding – (Acetaminophen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Knockmill Girl at Clonmel Greyhound Stadium on the 4 th of February, 2019.
OUTCOME	Mr. John Browne, handler of the greyhound Knockmill Girl appeared before the Control Committee. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter. The Control Committee noted the evidence given by Mr. Browne that he had sole responsibility for the greyhound Knockmill Girl at the time. Mr. Browne also stated that he administered two Paracetamol tablets to the greyhound on the morning of the race in question. The Control Committee also noted the evidence given by Dr. Jim Healy, Head of The National Greyhound Laboratory that the level of Acetaminophen detected in the sample in question was consistent with the explanation tendered by Mr. Browne. The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Control Committee had concerns that human medication was administered to a greyhound and in the circumstances, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €200 on Mr. Browne and prize money of €350 won by the greyhound Knockmill Girl in the event in question is forfeited.

OWNER	Ger Carmody
ADDRESS	Lickadoon, Ballyneety, Co. Limerick
MATTER	• Adverse analytical finding – (Acetaminophen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Cross Jack at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 16 th of May, 2019.
OUTCOME	Mr. Ger Carmody, registered owner of the greyhound Cross Jack, appeared before the Control Committee. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter. The Control Committee noted the explanation tendered by Mr. Carmody that he administered two Paracetamol tablets to the greyhound on the day of the race. The Control Committee also noted the evidence given by Dr. Jim Healy, Head of The National Greyhound Laboratory that the level of Acetaminophen detected in the sample in question was consistent with the explanation tendered by Mr. Carmody. The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Control Committee had concerns that human medication was administered to a greyhound and in the circumstances, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €200 on Mr. Carmody and prize money of €35 won by the greyhound Cross Jack in the event in question is forfeited.

NAME	Raymond Joseph Hamilton
ADDRESS	21D High Park, Foylehill, Creggan, Derry.
MATTER	• Aggressive and abusive behavior towards Mr. Martin McLaughlin, Control Steward at Lifford Greyhound Stadium on the 27 th of January, 2018.
OUTCOME	Mr. Raymond Joseph Hamilton did not attend the hearing and representations were not received on his behalf. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon and Mr. Martin McLaughlin, Control Steward, Lifford Greyhound Stadium were in attendance for this matter. The Control Committee noted the evidence presented by Bord na gCon that on the night of the 27th of January, 2018, Mr. Hamilton acted in an aggressive and abusive manner towards Mr. Martin McLaughlin, Control Steward, while carrying out his duties at Lifford Greyhound Stadium. The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven and Mr. Hamilton's behaviour on the night in question was deemed to be in contravention of Articles 28(3), 28(6) and 32(j) of the Greyhound Industry (Racing) Regulations 2007 to 2017. The Control Committee, having received the consent of the Irish Coursing Club, decided to make an Exclusion Order against Mr. Hamilton with effect from and including the 12th day of August, 2019. In accordance with the Greyhound Industry Act, 1958 the Exclusion Order prohibits Mr. Hamilton from all of the following:- (a) being on any greyhound race track; (b) being at any authorised coursing meeting; (c) being at any public sale of greyhounds.

OWNER	Raymond Muldowney
ADDRESS	Bog Road, Portarlington, Co. Laois.
MATTER	• Adverse analytical finding – (Ibuprofen & Codeine) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Black Buzzer at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium on the 2 nd of March, 2019.
OUTCOME	Mr. Raymond Muldowney, registered owner of the greyhound Black Buzzer appeared before the Control Committee. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter. The Control Committee noted there were no issues raised in relation to the sampling procedures. The Committee considered the evidence given by Mr. Muldowney that medication prescribed for his use may have been administered inadvertently to the greyhound. The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. The Control Committee accepted the explanation tendered by Mr. Muldowney and the Committee was satisfied the adverse analytical finding was as a result of accidental contamination. Having taken all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee decided not to impose a fine on Mr. Muldowney. The prize money of €20 won by the greyhound Black Buzzer in the event in question is forfeited.

TRAINER	Karol Ramsbottom
ADDRESS	Garryglass, Timahoe, Portlaoise, Co. Laois.
MATTER	• Adverse analytical finding – (Carprofen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Sober Escape at Kilkenny Greyhound Stadium on the 23 rd of November, 2018.
OUTCOME	Mr. Karol Ramsbottom, trainer of the greyhound Sober Escape appeared before the Control Committee. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in this matter.
	The Control Committee noted the evidence given by Mr. Ramsbottom that the greyhound Sober Escape may have accidentally consumed food prepared for another greyhound in his kennel containing the medication "Carprieve" which had been prescribed by a Veterinary Surgeon. The Committee also noted the evidence given by Dr. Jim Healy, Head of the National Greyhound Laboratory that Carprofen is an ingredient of the veterinary medication "Carprieve" and the level detected was consistent with the explanation tendered by Mr. Ramsbottom. The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter, was satisfied the case presented by Bord na gCon was proven. Having taken all of the circumstances into consideration the Control Committee decided not to impose a fine on Mr. Ramsbottom in respect of this adverse analytical finding.

August, 2019.