

## Rásaíocht Con Éireann

### CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT

OWNER	<i>Audrey Burney</i>
ADDRESS	31A Drumbeebeeg Road, Hamiltonsbawn, Armagh.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (The Hydrolysis Product of Naftidrofuryl) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Rising Flash at Dundalk Greyhound Stadium on the 25<sup>th</sup> of October, 2019.</li></ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mrs. Audrey Burney, registered owner of the greyhound Rising Flash, did not join the virtual meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, joined the virtual meeting representing Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted Mrs. Burney, in a telephone conversation with the Secretary, advised she would not be joining the meeting and gave her permission for the Control Committee to deal with this matter in her absence. The Control Committee further noted from the Investigation Report Form submitted by Mrs. Burney that the greyhound named Rising Flash was suffering from cramping and was being treated by a Veterinary Surgeon at the time. Mrs. Burney administered medication to the greyhound which had been prescribed by the Veterinary Surgeon.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.</p> <p>The Control Committee acknowledged the good level of co-operation received from Mrs. Burney in relation to this matter and the Committee were conscious of the fact</p>

	<p>that Mrs. Burney had sought professional veterinary opinion in relation to the greyhound suffering from cramping. However, the Committee noted the substance Naftidrofuryl is a human medication with performance enhancing effects when administered to a racing greyhound. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €500 on Mrs. Burney.</p>
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OWNER	<i>Ger Carmody</i>
ADDRESS	Lickadoon, Ballyneety, Co. Limerick.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Sildenafil) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Makingtherunning at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 24<sup>th</sup> of August, 2019.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Ger Carmody, registered owner of the greyhound Makingtherunning, did not join the virtual meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, joined the virtual meeting representing Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted Mr. Carmody had contacted the Secretary advising he was unable to join the meeting and gave his permission for the Control Committee to deal with this matter in his absence. The Control Committee further noted from the Investigation Report Form submitted by Mr. Carmody that he was not contesting the evidence and he apologised for his actions in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted the good level of co-operation received from Mr. Carmody in this matter and</p>

	taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €400 on Mr. Carmody and the prizemoney of €35 won by the greyhound Makingtherunning in the event in question is forfeited. The Committee also directed that all greyhounds under the care of Mr. Carmody be subjected to sampling when presented for racing for a period of three months.
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OWNER	<i>Larry Collopy</i>
ADDRESS	31 Central Avenue, Lisduggan, Waterford.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Frusemide) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Suirview Emma at Waterford Greyhound Stadium on the 9<sup>th</sup> of June, 2020.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Larry Collopy registered owner of the greyhound Suirview Emma did not join the virtual meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, joined the virtual meeting representing Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted Mr. Collopy had contacted the Secretary advising he was unable to join the meeting and gave his permission for the Control Committee to deal with this matter in his absence.</p> <p>The Control Committee further noted from the Investigation Report Form submitted by Mr. Collopy that he mistakenly administered one Frusemide tablet to the greyhound in question. Mr. Collopy tendered an explanation that a medical practitioner had prescribed Frusemide tablets for human use and he inadvertently administered one of the Frusemide tablets to the greyhound Suirview Emma, instead of an oestrus suppressant tablet, on the morning of the trial.</p>

	<p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.</p> <p>The Control Committee accepted the explanation tendered by Mr. Collopy and was satisfied this was an accidental situation. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, including Mr. Collopy's involvement in the industry for a long number of years, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €100 on Mr. Collopy.</p>
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OWNER	<i>Kevin O'Hagan</i>
ADDRESS	73 Gilpins Manor, Lurgan, Co. Armagh.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (The Hydrolysis Product of Naftidrofuryl) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Fionn Caoimhin at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of October, 2019.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Kevin O'Hagan, registered owner of the greyhound Fionn Caoimhin, did not join the virtual meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, joined the virtual meeting representing Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted Mr. O'Hagan, in a telephone conversation with the Secretary, advised he would not be joining the meeting and gave his permission for the Control Committee to deal with this matter in his absence. Mr. O'Hagan had also confirmed that even though the greyhound was registered in joint ownership, the greyhound was under his care at all times and he was accepting responsibility for this adverse analytical finding. The Control Committee further noted from the Investigation Report Form submitted by Mr. O'Hagan and an accompanying letter signed by a Veterinary Surgeon that the greyhound had a history of cramping and on veterinary advice he administered one Praxilene</p>

	<p>tablet to the greyhound the night before the race and one Praxilene tablet to the greyhound on the morning of the race in question.</p> <p>The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted the explanation tendered by Mr. O’Hagan that on professional veterinary advice, he administered Praxilene tablets to the greyhound at the time. The Committee further noted that the active ingredient in Praxilene tablets is Naftidrofuryl which is a human medication with performance enhancing effects when administered to a racing greyhound. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, including the good level of co-operation received from Mr. O’Hagan, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €500 on Mr. O’Hagan and the prizemoney of €200 won by the greyhound Fionn Caoimhin in the event in question is forfeited.</p>
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OWNER	<i>Jason Whyte</i>
ADDRESS	18 St. Judes Court, Lifford, Co. Donegal.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – (Firocoxib) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Colarhouse Super at Dundalk Greyhound Stadium on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February, 2020.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Jason Whyte, registered owner of the greyhound Colarhouse Super, did not join the virtual meeting.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, joined the virtual meeting representing Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Control Committee noted Mr. Whyte, in a telephone conversation with the Secretary, advised he would not be joining the meeting and gave his permission for the Control Committee to deal with this matter in his</p>

absence. The Control Committee further noted from the Investigation Report Form submitted by Mr. Whyte that he was not disputing the Laboratory findings as he had administered Firocoxib to the greyhound three to four days prior to the race in question.

The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in this matter was satisfied the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.

The Control Committee acknowledged the good level of co-operation received from Mr. Whyte in relation to this matter. The Committee noted that Mr. Whyte admitted, in the Investigation Report Form he submitted, that he administered Firocoxib to the greyhound. Taking all of the circumstances into consideration, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €200 on Mr. Whyte and the prize money of €155 won by the greyhound Colarhouse Super in the event in question is forfeited.

**February, 2021.**