

GREYHOUND RACING CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT

OWNER	<i>Eamonn Morton</i>
ADDRESS	Knocknamuck, Freemount, Charleville, Co Cork.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adverse analytical finding – Theobromine & Caffeine – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Fourteen Bold at Cork Greyhound Stadium.
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Eamonn Morton, registered owner of the greyhound Fourteen Bold was in attendance.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, represented Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee noted the evidence given by Mr. Morton that the only explanation he could offer for the adverse analytical finding was that he gave the greyhound cold tea on the morning of the race. Mr Morton also said he was not challenging the sampling process or the laboratory finding.</p> <p>Having considered all the evidence tendered in relation to this matter, the Greyhound Racing Control Committee imposed a sanction payment of €100 on Mr. Morton and warned him of his future conduct.</p>

TRAINER	<i>Pat McMahon</i>
ADDRESS	The Kennels, Spa Road, Tralee, Co. Kerry.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adverse analytical finding – Theobromine & Caffeine – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Send It Pat at Tralee Greyhound Stadium.
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Pat McMahon, licenced trainer of the greyhound Send It Pat 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 Mr. McMahon had contacted the Secretary and advised he was not able to attend the meeting. However, Mr. McMahon gave his consent for the Greyhound Racing Control Committee to deal with this matter in his absence. The Committee also noted correspondence submitted on behalf of Mr. McMahon where he tendered an explanation that the greyhound got tea on the morning of the race.</p> <p>Having considered all the evidence tendered in relation to this matter, the Greyhound Racing Control Committee imposed a sanction payment of €100 on Mr. McMahon, warned him of his future conduct and the prize money of €40 won by the greyhound Send It Pat in the event in question is forfeited.</p>

TRAINER	<i>Murt Leahy</i>
ADDRESS	Kilmacar, Conahy, Ballyragget, Co. Kilkenny.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adverse analytical finding – Hydrochlorothiazide – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Droopys Nice One at Shelbourne Park Greyhound Stadium.
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Murt Leahy, licenced trainer of the greyhound Droopys Nice One was in attendance.</p> <p>Mr. Pat Herbert, Director of Regulation, Rásaíocht Con Éireann, represented Rásaíocht Con Éireann in this matter.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee noted the Investigation Report Form submitted by Mr. Leahy prior to the hearing of the Greyhound Racing Control Committee, where he admitted to being “in part breach” of the Regulations. At the hearing, Mr Leahy detailed his feeding regime to the Committee, which he advised, included Category 2 Meat. The Committee noted Mr. Leahy’s evidence that at the time, he was feeding Category 2 meat to greyhounds under his care, as an authorised holder of a Meat Feeders Licence issued by the Department of Agriculture Food and the Marine.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee, having considered all the evidence tendered in relation to this matter, was satisfied that the substance Hydrochlorothiazide was present in the urine sample obtained from the greyhound Droopys Nice One on the date in question. In its consideration of this matter the Committee noted the two publications regarding the feeding of Category 2 meat to racing greyhounds issued by Greyhound Racing Ireland dated November 2015 and November 2021.</p> <p>The Committee found the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven. The Greyhound Racing Control Committee imposed a sanction payment of €300 on Mr</p>

	Leahy, warned him of his future conduct and the prize money of €500 won by the greyhound Droopys Nice One in the event in question is forfeited.
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November 2023.