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## Jenny Hunt disqualified until 2020

The independent Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board (RADB) has found Ms Jenny Hunt guilty of failing to present the greyhounds Cadence Bale and Enrica Bale free of prohibited substances and handed down two four-year disqualifications to be served concurrently.

The disqualification follows a positive post-race swab for Amphetamine and 4-hydroxyamphetamine recorded by the greyhounds Cadence Bale and Enrica Bale following meetings conducted at The Meadows on 28 March 2015 and 1 April 2015 respectively and subsequent Stewards investigation into the matter.

Ms Hunt is already serving an 18-month ban, handed down in May this year, for a similar offence and the RADB directed that this new disqualification will commence at the conclusion of that penalty on November 4, 2016 meaning Ms Hunt will be unable to participate in greyhound racing until the end of 2020.

GRV Chairman, Bernie Carolan said: "I reiterate previous statements from the GRV Board that there is categorically no place in this sport for prohibited substances and particularly substances as insidious as Amphetamines."

"These substances are a scourge on society in general and we will continue to have a high level of concern and a zero-tolerance approach to their use in our sport."

"We acknowledge the four-year disqualification period handed down by the independent RADB which is significant and guided by precedent. We would like to continue seeing those that wish to use prohibited substances and put the health of their greyhounds at risk banned from participating in greyhound racing."

"It needs to be understood that it doesn't matter who you are if you wish to use prohibited substances you will be caught. Our capabilities are continually evolving to remain contemporary in order to provide a level playing field for all."

Ms Hunt has a right of appeal to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

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