

GREYHOUND

Racing Appeals & Disciplinary Board

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Date of Hearing: Monday, 26 October 2015
Venue of Hearing: RADB Hearing Room, 46-50 Chetwynd St, West Melbourne
Panel: Mr. John Wardle (Chairman) and Mr. Terry O'Connor (Deputy Chairman)
Name of Person Charged: Mr. Dennis Deane
Suburb: Nyora
Track: Tooradin Trial Track
Breaches of rules: LRR 18.5, GAR 86(af)

Offences Charged:

- (1) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 3 & 4 and Charges 5 & 6 and Charges 7 & 8 herein, use or cause to be used a live animal (namely, a live rabbit) for the exciting of two greyhounds (namely, two black greyhounds, one with white markings on its chest and neck and the other with white markings on its chest, both greyhounds being handled by him) whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash and then as a lure for those greyhounds on a greyhound trial track (namely, the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin), the live rabbit having been attached to the lure arm by Stuart Mills.
- (2) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 3 & 4 and Charges 5 & 6 and Charges 7 & 8 herein, use an animal (namely, a live rabbit) for a purpose connected with greyhound racing in a manner which was improper, namely, the exciting of two black greyhounds, one with white markings on its chest and neck and the other with white markings on its chest, both greyhounds being handled by him whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash and then as a lure for those greyhounds at the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin, the live rabbit having been attached to the lure arm by Stuart Mills.
- (3) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 1 & 2 and Charges 5 & 6 and Charges 7 & 8 herein, use or cause to be used a live animal (namely, a live rabbit) for the

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exciting of two black greyhounds (both with white chests and necks being handled by him) whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash on a greyhound trial track, namely, the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin.

- (4) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other those occasions referred to in Charges 1 & 2 and Charges 5 & 6 and Charges 7 & 8 herein, use an animal (namely, a live rabbit) for a purpose connected with greyhound racing in a manner which was improper, namely, the exciting of two black greyhounds (both with white chests and necks, being handled by him), whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash at the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin.
- (5) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 1 & 2 and Charges 3 & 4 and Charges 7 & 8 herein, use or cause to be used a live animal (namely, a live rabbit) for the exciting of a black greyhound with a white spot on its chest which was being handled by him whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash on a greyhound trial track, namely, the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin.
- (6) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 1 & 2 and Charges 3 & 4 and Charges 7 & 8 herein, use an animal (namely, a live rabbit) for a purpose connected with greyhound racing in a manner which was improper, namely, the exciting of a black greyhound with a white spot on its chest which was being handled by him whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash at the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin.
- (7) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 1 & 2 and Charges 3 & 4 and Charges 5 & 6 herein, use or cause to be used a live animal (namely, a live rabbit) for the exciting of two greyhounds (namely, two black greyhounds, one with white markings on its chest and the other with white markings on its chest and neck being handled by him) whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash and then as a lure for those greyhounds on a greyhound trial track, (namely, the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin).
- (8) Dennis Dean did, on 18 November 2014 at Tooradin, on an occasion other than those occasions referred to in Charges 1 & 2 and Charges 3 & 4 and Charges 5 & 6 herein, use an animal (namely, a live rabbit) for a purpose connected with greyhound racing in a manner which was improper, namely, for the exciting of two greyhounds (namely, two black greyhounds, one with white markings on its chest and the other with white markings on its chest and neck and being handled by him) whilst Stuart Mills had the live rabbit on a leash, and then as a lure for those greyhounds at a greyhound trial track, namely, the Tooradin Trial Track located at 175 Harewood-Mains Road, Tooradin.

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REPORT:

This serious offence hearing of the RADB commenced on 16 June 2015 and was adjourned part-heard. The hearing resumed on Monday 26 October 2015.

Mr. Dennis Dean was represented by Mr. Mark Higgins of the Sydney Bar, instructed by Murphy's Lawyers Solicitors Sydney.

Mr. Paul Holdenson QC, instructed by Corrs Chambers Westgarth represented the Stewards Panel.

Mr. Glenn Fish (GRV Chief Steward), Mr. Carl Scott (GRV Steward) and Mr. Ron Matthews (GRV Steward) appeared as witnesses.

After hearing all the evidence tendered including viewing video footage and hearing closing submissions from both Mr. Holdenson and Mr. Higgins the RADB reserved its decision in these matters.

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