

## GREYHOUND RACING CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT

OWNER	<i>Mr. Raymond Hamilton Jnr.</i>
ADDRESS	132 Good Shepards Glen, Derry, Co. Derry,
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Adverse analytical findings</b> – 19-norepiandrosterone and 19-noretiocholanolone – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Long Spartacus at Lifford Greyhound Stadium on the 24<sup>th</sup> of August 2024.</li></ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Raymond Hamilton Jnr. registered owner of the greyhound Long Spartacus 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 Greyhound Racing Control Committee noted that this was the third occasion that this hearing was set to be heard and proceeded to hear the case in the absence of Mr. Raymond Hamilton Jnr. The Committee noted the evidence given in an Investigation Report Form furnished by Mr. Hamilton Jnr in which he outlined that he did not knowingly administer a prohibitive substance to the greyhound Long Spartacus but stated he accepts responsibility as the greyhound was in his care.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee also heard evidence in relation to the procurement and dispatch of the sample, the laboratory analysis and about the substance itself and the effect it would have on the greyhound.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee, having considered all the evidence in this matter was satisfied that the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.</p>

	<p>Taking all the circumstances into account the Greyhound Racing Control Committee imposed a sanction payment of €5,000 on Mr. Raymond Hamilton Jnr. and awarded costs of €750 in favour of Rásaíocht Con Éireann. The Greyhound Racing Control Committee also sent a warning and admonition to Mr. Raymond Hamilton Jnr. in relation to his management, control, ownership and training of greyhounds going forward.</p>
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OWNER	<b><i>Mr. Robbie O'Neill &amp; Mr. Adrian Maher</i></b>
ADDRESS	Sweet Farm, St. Johns, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford.
MATTER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Adverse analytical finding</b> – Clenbuterol – returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Roanna Yeti at Waterford Greyhound Stadium on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2024 and returned from the greyhounds Roanna Anne, Roanna General, Roanna Halo, Roanna Con, Roanna Bolt, Roanna Balboa and Roanna Rex at the registered premises of Mr. Robbie O'Neill, Sweet Farm, St Johns, Enniscorthy, Co. Wexford on the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2025</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	<p>Mr. Robbie O'Neill registered owner of the greyhounds Roanna Yeti, Roanna Anne, Roanna General, Roanna Halo, Roanna Con, Roanna Bolt, Roanna Balboa, and Roanna Rex was in attendance.</p> <p>Mr. Adrian Maher registered owner of the greyhound Roanna Anne 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. Adrian Maher in which he stated that they gave all the greyhounds in their kennel Ventipulmin granules on top of their feed every day for two weeks as they were treating them for the cough and it was hoped it would allow them to recover quicker.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee heard evidence in relation to the laboratory analysis and about the substance itself and the effect it would have on the greyhound.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee, having considered all the evidence in this matter was satisfied that the case presented by Rásaíocht Con Éireann was proven.</p>

	<p>Taking all the circumstances into account the Greyhound Racing Control Committee imposed a sanction payment of €5,000 in relation to the greyhound Roanna Yeti that was tested in competition at Waterford Greyhound Stadium on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December 2024. The Greyhound Racing Control Committee also imposed a sanction payment of €1,000 in relation to the out of competition samples taken at the registered premises of Mr. Robbie O'Neill on the 28<sup>th</sup> of January 2025.</p> <p>The Committee noted that Mr. O'Neill and Mr. Maher had accepted the analysis and provided further evidence at the hearing and found that there was mitigating factors and reduced the total sanction payment from €6,000 to €5,000 and awarded costs of €1,000 in favour of Rásaíocht Con Éireann.</p> <p>The Greyhound Racing Control Committee also sent a a censure to each of the owners in relation to this matter.</p>
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