

**Disciplinary Committee Inquiries**

The Disciplinary Committee of the GBGB were in attendance at a meeting held on 17 November 2009:-

Dr A Higgins (In the Chair)

Mr J Akerman

Mr R Coughlan

Mr K Salmon

**1. Hull Stadium – Non payment of Prize Money**

Former Promoter of Hull Stadium, Mr David Marshall, was found in breach of rules 93, 102A and 152 (i) & (ii) into the failure to pay prize money to a number of trainers at Hull Stadium during the month of June 2009. Mr Marshall was not in attendance. Miss Margaret Woodruff, Secretary of the BGRF, attended as a witness. The Disciplinary Committee, having considered Mr Marshall's explanation together with the circumstances of the case, ordered that Mr Marshall be severely reprimanded and fined £3,000.

**2. Doncaster Stadium – BLUEBIRD SUSIE –Greyhound Trainer Mr T Chambers**

Greyhound Trainer Mr Terence Chambers was found in breach of rules 174 (i) (b) and 217 in that a urine sample taken from the greyhound BLUEBIRD SUSIE at Doncaster Stadium on 14 July 2009 was analysed by HFL as containing the drug Pentobarbital. Mr Chambers was in attendance and having considered his explanation together with the circumstances of the case decided that as the greyhound in his charge had been found to contain any quantity of a substance that could affect the performance and/or well being of the greyhound. The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Chambers be reprimanded and fined £300.

**3. Pelaw Grange Stadium – JOHNNY THE FOX – Messrs S P Forrest, A B Forrest & G Turnball**

Greyhound Trainer Mr Steven Forrest was found in breach of rules 6 (i)(c), 49 (iv), 152 (i) & (ii), 174 (i)(a) & (b) and 217 in that a urine sample taken from the greyhound JOHNNY THE FOX at Pelaw Grange Stadium on 12 December 2008 was analysed by HFL as containing the drug Benzoyllecognine and for failing to supervise an unlicensed person, Mr G Turnbull, working in GBGB licensed kennels. Mr Forrest was not in attendance and having considered his explanation together with the circumstances of the case found that he administered a substance that could affect the performance and/or well being of the greyhound. The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr S Forrest be severely reprimanded and fined £750.

The Disciplinary Committee found that no breach of the rules had been committed by Kennelhand Mr Antony Brett Forrest who did not attend the Inquiry.

Mr George Turnbull (unlicensed) was found in breach of rules 152 (i) and (ii) in that he acted in a manner prejudicial to integrity, proper conduct or good reputation of GBGB greyhound racing by using a prohibited substance in racing kennels in December 2008. Mr Turnbull was not in attendance and having considered his explanation together with the circumstances of the case found that he acted in a manner prejudicial to the integrity, proper conduct or good reputation of GBGB greyhound racing by using a prohibited substance in racing kennels on 12 December 2008. The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Turnbull be disqualified and fined £1,000.

4. **Shawfield Stadium – AWESOME FIRE – Greyhound Trainer Mr H Young**

Greyhound Trainer Mr Henry Young was found in breach of rules 49 (iv), 152 (i), 174 (i)(a) and 217 in that a urine sample taken from the greyhound AWESOME FIRE at Shawfield Stadium on 15 May 2009 was analysed by HFL as containing the drug Timolol. Mr Young was not in attendance and having considered his explanation together with the circumstances of the case found that he administered a substance that could affect the performance and/or well being of the greyhound. The Disciplinary Committee ordered that Mr Young be severely reprimanded and fined £750.