## **CONTROL COMMITTEE REPORT**

TRAINER	Donal Cooney
ADDRESS	Killuran, Broadford, Co. Clare.
MATTERS	<ul> <li>Adverse analytical finding – (6a-hydroxystanozolol) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Killuran Marley at Limerick Greyhound Stadium on the 11<sup>th</sup> of November, 2017.</li> <li>Adverse analytical finding – (6a-hydroxystanozolol) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Killuran Marley at the registered kennels of Mr. Donal Cooney, Killuran, Broadford, Co. Clare on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December, 2017.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	Mr. Donal Cooney, trainer of the greyhound Killuran Marley appeared before the Control Committee. Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in these matters.  The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in these matters, noted the two samples in question were obtained from the greyhound Killuran Marley on different dates, within a relatively short time frame and the Committee dealt with these matters as one offence. The Committee also noted the scientific and sampling evidence was unchallenged and the Committee was satisfied the two cases presented by Bord na gCon were proven.
	The Committee noted Mr. Cooney was a licenced trainer and no credible explanation for the detection of the substance 6α-hydroxystanozolol in the urine samples obtained from the greyhound Killuran Marley on the dates in question was offered by Mr. Cooney. Allowing for the considerable level of co-operation received from Mr. Cooney in these matters and noting Mr. Cooney had no previous offence before the Control Committee, the Control Committee imposed a fine of €750 on Mr. Cooney.

OWNER	Peadar O'Dwyer
ADDRESS	10 Fairgreen, Finoe Road, Borrisokane, Co. Tipperary.
MATTERS	<ul> <li>Adverse analytical finding – (Acetaminophen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Some Dinger at Clonmel Greyhound Stadium on the 9<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.</li> <li>Adverse analytical finding – (Acetaminophen) returned from a urine sample obtained from the greyhound Daisychain at Clonmel Greyhound Stadium on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018.</li> </ul>
OUTCOME	Mr. Peadar O'Dwyer, registered owner of the greyhounds Some Dinger and Daisychain appeared before the Control Committee.  Mr. Pat Herbert, Head of Regulation, Bord na gCon, represented Bord na gCon in these matters.  The Control Committee, having considered all of the evidence in these matters, decided the two cases presented by Bord na gCon were proven. The Committee fully accepted and acknowledged the level of co-operation received from Mr. O'Dwyer and a written statement provided by Mr. O'Dwyer, prior to the hearing, was very helpful to the Committee. It was also the view of the Control Committee that there was no malicious intent on Mr. O'Dwyer's behalf in respect of the adverse analytical findings returned from the greyhounds Some Dinger and Daisychain on the dates in question.
	The Committee noted the substance Acetaminophen is a human medication and should not be administered to greyhounds. Noting that Mr. O'Dwyer had no previous offence before the Control Committee, the Committee imposed a fine of €100 on Mr. O'Dwyer in respect of the adverse analytical finding (Acetaminophen) returned from the urine sample obtained from the greyhound Some Dinger at Clonmel Greyhound Stadium on the 9 <sup>th</sup> of March, 2018. Prize money of €230 won by the greyhound in the event in question is forfeited.

In respect of the adverse analytical finding (Acetaminophen) returned from the urine sample obtained from the greyhound Daisychain at Clonmel Greyhound Stadium on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March, 2018 the Control Committee found this case proven and having regard for the aforementioned fine and forfeiture of prize money decided not to impose a penalty on Mr. O'Dwyer in respect of this adverse analytical finding.

## September, 2018