

EMACIATED GREYHOUNDS SEIZED FROM SINGLETON PROPERTY

CASE SUMMARY

Mr Cecil Kennedy failed to appear in Singleton Local Court on Thursday to face two charges of animal cruelty relating to greyhounds in his care. Mr Kennedy was convicted ex-parte, fined and banned from owning any animals for a period of five years.



CHARGES

- ❃ Failure to provide proper and sufficient food to five greyhounds
(1 charge)
 - ❃ Failure to provide proper and sufficient veterinary treatment for five greyhounds
(1 charge)
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KEY FACTS

On Tuesday 29 October 2013, RSPCA NSW Inspectors, a representative from Greyhound Racing NSW (GRNSW) and two Police officers attended a property in Singleton following a complaint about several greyhound dogs.

No one was home but nine greyhounds were observed in enclosures at the rear of the property. Seven of the dogs were either thin or emaciated.

On Wednesday 30 October 2013, RSPCA NSW Inspectors and GRNSW attended the property again and seized five of the nine greyhounds.



They were transported for immediate veterinary attention.

All seized Greyhounds were rated by a veterinarian as being emaciated. They all exhibited hookworm burden and two exhibited a significant flea burden which was contributing to their emaciated condition.

PLEA AND COURT JUDGEMENT

- 🐾 **JUDGEMENT:** Mr Kennedy failed to appear in court and was convicted ex-parte of the two charges of animal cruelty (*finis imposed are listed below*). Mr Kennedy was fined \$500 for each offence, banned from owning any animals for a period of five years and custody of all his greyhounds was awarded to RSPCA NSW.
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SENTENCING

- 🐾 FINES: \$1,000
 - 🐾 VETERINARY COSTS: \$8045.50
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