

## **GBPF DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE REPORT FOR 2013**

The current line-up of the GBPF disciplinary committee consists of Bryn Evans, Arun Singh and Ian Finch (chair) and this has been so since they were voted into office at the inaugural meeting of the GBF in March 2009. The role of the disciplinary committee is clearly defined in the GBPF constitution, section 10.4 and the actions and decisions taken closely follow the guidelines specified by WADA, UKAD, the IPF and section 11 of the GBPF constitution.

Since the 2012 report the GBPF disciplinary committee has had to consider the following cases brought before them.

**July 2013.** The case of Mr Balwinder Singh. The charge was that the urine sample taken from Mr Singh at the 2013 GBPF Seniors event revealed banned substances. Mr Singh appealed the original disciplinary committee decision but failed to turn up for his hearing. Consequently as this was not a first offence and in line with WADA, UKAD and IPF guidelines a life ban was imposed.

**November 2013.** The case of Darran McKeown. The charge was that the urine sample taken from Mr McKeown at the 2013 GBPF NIPF classic event revealed banned substances. Mr McKeown was offered the opportunity to make a representation to the committee but none was offered. Consequently and in line with WADA, UKAD and IPF guidelines a 2 year ban was imposed to run until January 2016.

**November 2013.** The case of Mr Robert Robinson. The charge was that the urine sample taken from Mr Robinson at the 2013 GBPF NIPF classic event revealed banned substances. Mr Robinson was offered the opportunity to make a representation to the committee but none was offered. Consequently and in line with WADA, UKAD and IPF guidelines a 2 year ban was imposed to run until January 2016.

**November 2013.** The case of Mr Siurna Vaidotas. The charge was that the urine sample taken from Mr Vaidotas at the 2013 GBPF NIPF classic event revealed banned substances. Mr Vaidotas was offered the opportunity to make a representation to the committee but none was offered. Consequently and in line with WADA, UKAD and IPF guidelines a 2 year ban was imposed to run until January 2016.

**November 2013.** The case of Mr Max McGovern. The charge was that the urine sample taken from Mr McGovern at the 2013 GBPF NIPF classic event revealed banned substances. Mr McGovern was offered the opportunity to make a representation to the committee but none was offered. Consequently and in line with WADA, UKAD and IPF guidelines a 2 year ban was imposed to run until January 2016.

The following suspension from the GBPF is still current:

**September 2012.** The case of Mr Simon Norcup. The charge was that the urine sample taken from Mr Norcup at the 2012 GBPF classic event revealed banned substances. Mr Norcup was offered the opportunity to make a representation to the committee but none was offered. Consequently and in line with WADA, UKAD and IPF guidelines a 2 year ban was imposed to run until October 2014.

Ian Finch

**GBPF** Disciplinary Committee

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