

GWIC Industry Participant Advisory Council



Minutes - GIPAC Monthly Meeting

Date	Friday 16 February 2024
Time	10:00am -11:00am AEDT
Present:	GIPAC - Tracy Hindmarsh (Council Chair), Martin Hallinan, Glenn Midson, Ben Talbot, Luke Brown GWIC – Steve Griffin, Matthew Tutt, Kristy Harper
Apologies:	Barry Ward, Wade Birch
Absent:	Amanda Ginn, Gayle Masterson, Bryan Young
Secretariat:	Nina Beeston

1. Welcome and apologies

2. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting

- The minutes from the meeting held on 25 January 2024 were formally adopted by the participants.

3. Outstanding action items

- Casino shade sail - Tracey to discuss with Donna hopefully next week
- List of transporters – to now be actioned by GWIC. Suggestions for adding to the list to be provided to GWIC. List to be posted on GWIC and GBOTA websites. Suggestions for inclusion:
 - Darren Mines
 - Peter Simpson
 - Donny Micallef - Donny's Dog Transport
- eTrac – new functionality released; race weight history now available to Participants.
- Tracking of interstate greyhounds racing in NSW; Matthew to discuss with GRNSW offline

4. Feedback in relation to GWIC

Nil

5. Emerging industry issues

- GIPAC identified GAP as a concern
 - Steve reported that this, the impact on breeding and underutilisation rate, was top of mind at the recent GRNSW Board meeting. Rehoming was also discussed.

6. Other business

- Desexing and the misperception that a desexed greyhound is not permitted to race
 - Noted – included on the GRNSW rehoming assistance form
 - GWIC confirmed that if a veterinarian thinks there is no reason why a greyhound shouldn't race, then the greyhound can race.
 - A stand down period to allow for recovery post surgery applies.
 - The 30 day wind down policy is recommended, but not mandatory
 - GWIC will be distributing some communications to clarify this issue
- GWIC reported:
 - Revenue is down

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- Race Industry Reduction pilots are doing well; data to be shared at the upcoming Industry Summit
- GRNSW trialling soft sand at the Taree track
- 1 euthanasia this year – at Dubbo, following a collision. 13 in total this financial year which compares to 40 in the past. Groups opposing greyhound racing are now looking at serious injuries and prohibited substances
- Race Well (proof of substance) App – Wade now looking at a March/April launch. Wade to attend next meeting to talk about the App.

Action:

1. Wade to look at the GRNSW rehoming assistance form

7. **Next meeting:** Friday 22 March 2024

8. **Record of action items**

Action Ref	Meeting date	Action	Person responsible	Due date	Comments
	24/11/2023	Compile a list of tracks with shade sails and cool pools	Wade Birch		In progress
	15/12/2023	Talk to Donna about whether a shade sail could be installed in the parade area at the Casino track.	Tracey Hindmarsh		
	15/12/2023	GWIC to make a list of suitable transporters	GWIC		In progress
	15/12/2023	Look into eTrac functionality and whether notification of a swab result can be sent to the trainer.	Wade Birch		
	25/1/2024	Tracking of interstate greyhounds racing in NSW – increased transparency. Discuss with GRNSW	GWIC		
	16/2/2024	Look at the GRNSW form (desexing)	Wade Birch		