

GWIC Industry Participant Advisory Council



GIPAC Monthly Meeting Minutes

Date	Thursday 2 February 2023
Time	11:00am - 12:00pm AEST
Present:	GIPAC - Tracy Hindmarsh (Council Chair), Barry Ward, Amanda Ginn, Bryan Young, Ben Talbot, Glenn Midson, GWIC – Steve Griffin, Wade Birch, Matthew Tutt
Apologies:	
Absent:	Gayle Masterson, Martin Hallinan, Mark Bell
Secretariat:	Kylie Forsyth

1. Welcome and apologies

Welcome by Steve Griffin and thank you to returning members

2. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting

- The minutes from the meeting held on 25/11/2022 were formally adopted by the participants.

3. Introduction – Chief Commissioner Alby Taylor

- Commissioner Taylor gives a brief background on his own history
- Commissioner Taylor feels in order to build future of industry there must be some change. Biggest threats are
 - killing of dogs
 - live baiting
 - serious race injuries
- Announcing of the Race Injury Reduction Summit
- Invites GIPAC to the Summit
- Chief Commissioner Taylor confirms he wants to consult with industry on key issues

4. Outstanding action items

- In March GWIC will be going on track visits. Key communications and educational information will be shared and discussed with regards to new local rules and other items of note

5. Feedback in relation to GWIC

- Amanda raises an issue at Timora – 2 dogs that raced that ended up with compound fractures. Meg was the Vet. Dogs were taken off track for treatment. GRNSW made the decision that the dogs were not to be put to sleep, they should be salvaged. Stewards were great. – Glenn responds the number of on track euthanasia have increased, looking to reduce that numbers and get more dogs care where possible.
 - Amanda would like a clear line on what considers an 'event' where a dog needs to be euthanized. The GWIC Vet's position was on track euthanasia to avoid suffering of the animal
 - Glenn talks through the GRNSW care scheme, and it's associated high care foster program
- GWIC CEO Steve Griffin gave feedback last year to the GRNSW care scheme. GWIC has not been engaged.
 - Vets make final decision

- Club managers are encouraged to support owners/trainers to education them on the scheme and how it works
- Discussion on working efficiently and collaboratively with GRNSW, GBOTA on moving forward, including the key education relating to the care scheme
- Steve Griffin reiterates the invitation to the Race Injury Reduction Summit
- GRNSW will look at restructuring GAP to be more effective, GIPAC will be kept up to date as more information comes to hand
- Monitoring of the C5 vaccination.
 - Every racing greyhound must have it. Owner/trainer notifies GWIC on their animals vaccination status.
 - Some comms will go out that will explain the whole process.
 - Owner/trainer uploads vaccination certificate, it will notify AusChase as needed
 - This has been developed on the advice from vets to keep vaccinations up to date. This was nationally consulted on.

6. Emerging Industry issues

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7. Inspection Notice via Text

- Routine inspections that notify participants that GWIC are coming. We would like to introduce notification via text instead of email or call. **Agreed.**
 - This will be sent to the number registered on their profile
- Can GWIC come into the house without a warrant? The cannot, however, kennels and cars (that relate to greyhound racing) can be inspected by GWIC. GWIC need permission to go into the house (or warrant from a magistrate)

8. Local Rule L64A

- Matt Tutt will resend new local rules to GIPAC
- New rule where breeders must provide correct and accurate information on parentage of litters
- This will come into effect 1 May 2023
- New rules will be sent in a pack with some explanation – **feedback requested**

9. Verbal Update from Chair

- Nil

10. eTrac Portal

- Richard gives an overview of the new user portal
- Into development/semi live tomorrow
- Positive feedback from committee
- Glenn is keen to participate in the trial
- An app is in the development timeline

11. Race Injury Reduction

- Discussed earlier in the meeting

12. Other Business

- Agreement for 11am meetings on first Friday at each month

12. Next meeting: Friday 24 February 2023

Action Ref	Meeting date	Action	Person responsible	Due date	Comments
21/16	30/06/21	Race Day Treatments Wade Birch to draft position paper on Race Day Treatments for presentation at the next meeting of this Council.	Wade Birch	May/June This is a significant change in the sport.	This will depend on the new rule

				<p>Education pieces need to be done. Seeking industry feedback. Dogs must freely consume anything. Passable items to abide by the rules to be part of the education piece? GA list to be circulated? Wade instructs on pre-altering the stewards if participant must (due to travel distances etc) carry substances for post race treatments</p>	
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