GWIC Industry Participant Advisory Council



Minutes - GIPAC Monthly Meeting

Date	Friday 25 October 2024		
Time	10:00am -11:00am AEDT		
Present:	GIPAC - Tracy Hindmarsh (Council Chair), Barry Ward, Martin Hallinan, Bryan Young, Glenn Midson, Luke Brown GWIC – Wade Birch, Matthew Tutt, Kristy Harper, Anya Whitelaw		
Apologies:	Steve Griffin		
Absent:	Amanda Ginn, Gayle Masterson		
Secretariat:	Siobhan White		

1. Welcome and apologies

2. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting

• The minutes from the meeting held on 27 September 2024 were formally adopted by the participants.

3. Outstanding action items

a) Compile a list of tracks with shade sails and cool pools:

Dr Kuipers is working on publications & policy around new hosing techniques for dogs post race and the implementation of cold water immersion tubs. Ms Ellen Harris from GCNSW has recently written to all clubs regarding installation of these tubs and providing a gold standard in cooling. Updated hot weather policy will be released in the coming weeks. Item has been closed.

b) Look into eTrac functionality and whether notification of a swab result can be sent to the trainer:

Ongoing, in development with the new eTrac swabbing module. Wade Birch to provide an update at the next meeting after confirming with Chris Psillis.

 c) Tracking of interstate greyhounds racing in NSW – increased transparency. Matt Tutt to discuss with GRNSW offline:
Preliminary conversations inhouse around introducing a one month rule, whereby idf an interstate deg moves to a different address for a month, it needs to be petified. Siebban to

interstate dog moves to a different address for a month, it needs to be notified. Siobhan to add to next agenda for GWIC/GRNSW meeting

 d) Share the video of nose print technology being demonstrated and the Power Point: Video shared via teams chat. Anya and Kristy to send video & powerpoint to GIPAC members via email. Close item

4. Feedback in relation to GWIC

 Nose Print Recognition – send feedback to GWIC regarding fee per pup rather than a flat fee. More consultation required. Consideration to be given to costs being covered by GWIC/GRNSW.

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5. Emerging industry issues

- Maiden dogs speed at Wentworth Park being monitored. Hair testing and OOC testing to be increased.
- Keeping an eye out for rocket (steroid)

6. Verbal update from Chair - NIL

7. Consultation - Participant Registration Enhancement Proposal

- Feedback requested by 22nd November
 - More rigorous testing/criteria for entry level participants
 - Requirement to hold attendants licence for a certain period of time before being allowed to apply for OTR/OBR
 - Formal training and modules through TAFE, professionalise the sport
 - Tiered rego process (outlined on pg4 of attachment)
 - Entry level tier has no financial testing & a 10 greyhound limit
 - Opportunity to remove OTR/PTR classification
- Financial testing,
 - GWIC needs feedback if pricing not correct or an accurate reflection of costing. Worked out based on \$90/wk to care for a greyhound
 - Based on dogs in a trainer's care & custody
 - Does not remove any responsibility owner from care of greyhounds
- 1 July 2025 implementation date. All current licenced participants will be grandfathered but
 - movement between licence types & new applications will fall under new policy.

Action:

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1. Add to agenda as standing item

8. Other business

• GIPAC representation term ending at the close of this year. GWIC will be contacting current members regarding nominating again & calling for new nominations if required.

9. Next meeting: Friday 29 November 2024

10. Record of action items

Meeting date		Person respons ible	 Comments
15/12/2023	Look into eTrac functionality and whether notification of a swab result can be sent to the trainer.	Wade Birch	Currently in development. Will be ready for use ~ Aug – Nov 24 WB to provide update at Nov GIPAC meeting
25/1/2024	Tracking of interstate greyhounds racing in NSW – increased transparency. M Tutt to discuss with GRNSW offline	GWIC	In progress. GWIC Policy Team to develop a paper. To be raised at the next GWIC/GRNSW meeting