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## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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Any issues that Greyhound Racing in NSW has can be be directly linked to the Intercode Agreement. It is near impossible for GRNSW to conduct all avenues of its business with the limited funds available. Until Greyhound racing in NSW gets its fair share of the intercode agreement the industry will struggle to survive into the future. The racing participants love the game & their dogs & if the Government can't change the Intercode Agreement then millions of dollars that are put into the economy will be lost & many businesses will close. If the aim of this enquiry is to stop greyhound racing in NSW, then a close look must be made at how many people this will affect. Shows like the 7 30 report only add fuel to the fire into the bad aspects of the game that have been brought forward with "NO EVIDENCE" given.

I have been a Greyhound Trainer in NSW for 7 years & i have not heard of, or witnessed such incidents raised by the 7 30 report. In fact my view is exactly the opposite. I have met many a person involved in this great sport who love what they do & love their racing dogs & treat them like their children. Many trainers are disgusted at how greyhound racing in NSW continually gets its name dragged through the mud by do-gooders with an agenda. Maybe they should turn their attention to the "puppy farm" breeders who do what they do for one reason only & that is MONEY with little thoughts about the dogs welfare.