Submission No 946

INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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I just found out that there is a current inquiry into greyhound racing in NSW, and unfortunately it appears that submissions closed on 6 November. Nevertheless, I wish to make my views known ...

I am aware of the massive number of greyhounds who are killed every year - as I understand it, approximately 3,000 each year in NSW alone. I have also heard a number of horror stories about greyhounds being killed in shockingly inhumane ways so that breeders/racers can save the costs of euthanasia by a veterinarian.

The industry as a whole is sleazy and cruel and should be banned. Frankly, I'm flabbergasted that it has survived this long in a society that considers itself to be civilised. Being civilised means valuing life - all life, not only human life - and accordingly deploring any unnecessary suffering of any living creature. That so many innocent dogs should suffer and die at the hands of heartless breeders/racers to support an industry that adds nothing to society other than gambling addictions is a disgrace.

I have not had time to read every submission but I have found one that I agree with entirely:

http://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/Prod/Parlment/committee.nsf/0/cffd3151af91ce4aca257c0f00069fa1/\$FILE/0147%20Larry%20Hickey.pdf

Please treat this email as a seconding of My Larry Hickey's submission and a vote against greyhound racing in NSW.

Yours sincerely,

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