

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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Dear Select Committee,

I have compiled a few points for your discussion;

Point 1.

The governing bodies of Greyhound Racing should make it mandatory that all pups get the 6 week needles. I have been in the game for nearly 30 years, and have always given brood bitches the Parvo Vaccine needle when in pup, at 6 weeks, 12 weeks and the 12 month needles. This year Parvo is at it's worst, make people get the 6 week needles.

Point 2.

You talk about animal welfare, 400 mtr starts (like at the Gardens), are too dangerous - why not make them 272 mtr starts and jumping into a straight line, so they don't come together in the first corner?

Point 3.

They have to prepare sand tracks better, using proper preparation. Teach the grounds staff how to pack the track, you just can't put someone on a tractor and slurry it up.

Point 4.

Cessnock has one of the best grass tracks in Australia for greyhounds, that can't handle sand. A large facility with a secondary income, with a large big one turn track. They waste too much money on the Gardens and Maitland. Come and look at Cessnock you could make it into a premier track.

Point 5.

As a Greyhound participant, it is too expensive to be a trainer or owner and the prize money is crap. Stop letting the TAB Corps rule our sport!

Point 6.

P.T Trials are a waste of time for the owner they spend all they're money whelping rearing and buying a greyhound and getting them to the track, and the grubs are on them before you - most people pull them up anyway.

Point 7.

Then to euthenize greyhounds because they can only run 300mtr, why not put 280mtr races on TAB tracks, like Gosford, The Gardens and Wentworth. They had run these previously at these tracks. Give our greyhounds a chance, as it costs as much to get them to the track as well.

Thank-you,
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