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INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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I will not be creating a formal paper as a submission but I am attaching a copy of my past articles published on the Australian Racing Greyhound website. These offer a selection of items that are material to how greyhound racing is run in NSW and elsewhere – ie they paint a picture of good and bad, but often bad.

However, one point is abundantly clear. The attention to dog welfare and supervision of drugs and drug abuses is more thorough than it has ever been and arguably better than in virtually any other competitive sport. In that context, the complaints which prompted this inquiry are poorly based.

The underlying issue is that GRNSW, like all other racing jurisdictions, is structured so as to operate under management by committee (by a ministerially appointed board), together with a bureaucracy to support it. This is primarily why racing has been progressively losing its market share over the last 20 years or so – ie the system is inefficient and fails to compete in the modern world.

I have over 50 years experience as a fan and a punter and more recently as a marketer of computer form analysis programs for Australian greyhound racing. I have contributed to half a dozen greyhound publications over the last 20 years, as well as to several other racing inquiries.

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