

INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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I would like to make a submission in regards to greyhound racing in NSW.

I feel that the inter-code agreement is by far the most crippling thing for greyhounds in NSW. If this was overturned we as an industry could fix many of the problems that there are now (welfare) as well as bringing the state of NSW up to par with the Victorians in regards to prize money.

For anyone to sign a 99 year deal with no chance of review is just ludicrous and not in the best interest of the sport. I can not see how anyone with legal advice could sign such an agreement. My wife and I also have alot on the line as we have just invested over 1/2 a million dollars in the greyhound industry setting up our own rearing and Pre Ed establishment in NSW.

What i as a participating member of the industry would like to see is better allocation of funds and one controlling board. NSW is by far left way behind with infrastructure of tracks aswell compared to Victoria where it seems every track is getting a make over and facilities brought into the modern century.

One example that makes me furious as we are situated in Bathurst is that Bathurst greyhound club won club of the year at the recent greyhound awards night and the club gets rewarded by GRNSW now having meeting on the same night at Wentworth Park going into direct competition after they have previously scrapped racing there on a Monday night. Where is the logic in this decision ??? We were also promised 52 TAB class B meetings a year and this is also yet to happen. not much of a reward for winning club of the year.

I strongly feel we need to base ourselves off the Victorian model which would fix all of our problems.

Overturn the inter-code and all of our problems will be solvedMore Money for Welfare..... More Prize money..... Better facilities. its not hard its just common sense !!!!!!!!!!!