Submission No 1014

## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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To: <u>greyhoundracing</u>

Subject: End greyhound racing

Dear Director,

Hi. I am a volunteer at greyhound rescue nsw. The amount of dogs we are called to rescue or they will "get a bullet" or needle if they are lucky is impossobly depressing and never ending. There is simply nit enough space to save ebery dog. 24,000 greyhounds go missig each year.. please explain that. Greyhound racing is barbaric and outdated. I beg of you to end it.

Sincerely

Tiarne allen.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into this important inquiry into greyhound racing.

I am very concerned about the treatment of greyhounds in the racing industry in NSW. I feel that current regulations allow unacceptable abuse of these beautiful dogs.

These are the main points I believe should be considered by the Committee:

- 1. The need for better management of the sale and over-breeding of greyhounds.
- 2. The need for measures, such as financial incentives, to reduce the high numbers of greyhounds euthanased each year.
- 3. Allegations of the 'doping' of dogs (as I saw on ABC).
- 4. Concern about the welfare of animals in the industry and the conflict of interest represented by Greyhound Racing NSW's role in establishing and enforcing standards for the treatment of animals in the industry.
- 5. The need for prosecution where animal cruelty is found.
- 6. The inadequacy and questionable integrity of data collection in the industry: including the number of pups born, the number of dogs euthanased and injury rates.
- 7. The ongoing export of greyhounds to countries where there are no effective animal cruelty laws, like Macau.

I urge you to take these issues into account and I hope this Inquiry leads to strong recommendations which will improve the treatment of these dogs.

Sincerely,

Tiarne Allen