

**Submission
No 476**

INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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Kevin Kingdom

Dear Greyhound Inquiry.

My parents were involved in racehorses and had mixed success. I assisted with the training and mucking out the stables and other farm duties. I played Junior League and grade cricket. Some of friends talked me into having a share in training greyhounds and even though our first two greyhounds were not promising I was hiked for life because with greyhounds you can do all the tasks and not depend on the advice of jockeys etc. My career in active sports playing was cut short due to injury so the greyhounds were a great substitute in a sporting sense.

The family gave up the horses and in last 7 years I started training and owning greyhounds on my own. The family pitches in and helps but I have full control. I still have all the greyhounds I have owned at home including my first dog. I could not bear to part with them. Currently I have my brood bitch and two other retired greyhounds. I have a few greyhound in training.

I work full time in a road base supplier and I also do voluntary work in the kennel block and on the catching gate and any other thing that comes up. I am only to glad to contribute to racing it really has looked after me as well.

The welfare side of things is well looked after in greyhound racing and I wish GAP continued success, they are great people and the Gunnedah Club is doing a lot to progress greyhound welfare as well.

Yours Truly.

Kevin Kingdom.

E-mailed through Gunnedah
Signed submission follows.

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