INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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My submission is based on facts. Facts that are correct because I work at one of the many veterinary hospitals around NSW that specialises in greyhounds. I have seen these facts with my own eyes so no one is going to sway me in another direction. The thing about seeing things with your own eyes, you can't convince that person its different.

At my hospital alone we euthanise over 100 greyhounds a year usually between the age of 2-4 because they suffer from either SLOW RUNNERS OR NON CHASERS disease. This is what they call it. I do know that some of the other greyhound hospitals PTS even more then us for excastly the same reasons.

This DOES NOT include all the greyhounds that come in with horrific injuries. Injuries accrued usually from running at the track or dog fights that happen because a lot of these greyhound owners aren't doing the right thing and have to many dogs on one property. And the conditions they live. Shocking. Some so disgusting.

Have you ever been hit by a car going at 60km an hour? Have you ever seen one of these dogs fall at that speed? It's shocking to say the least and will make you instantly sick to your stomach. The industry is saying, that most of these dogs are being rehomed. This is simply not true. It's a lie. Plain and simple...a lie. A lie they want you to believe. If this were true, then we would not be euthanising young healthy greyhounds every week at our hospital. Of course, this doesn't include all the other hospitals around the state and country.

The over breeding of these dogs is another huge problem. As most just continue to breed and breed just to get one winning dog that most of the time never comes. We do FSI (Frozen Implant insemination) on greyhounds. We can do as many as 10 per week. Our success rate is over 90% you do the math? Most of these greyhound bitches will have caesarians and have 8-12 puppies that will NEVER be that one champion racer. Most won't even see the age of 3 because as soon as the owner realises they can't make any money on the dog they kill it. These are the facts. I see this everyday WITH MY OWN EYES.

Most of these greyhound trainers/owners are dishonest. The whole industry is based on human greed. It's hard to shallow isn't it? That are awesome country can be so swayed by money and greed and be so cruel to these dogs.

Keep in mind that these are just my facts from my work not other hospitals around the state or the country for that matter. That is so many wasted greyhounds. I call it the "Poor mans racing game" As these people can't afford horses. They think greyhounds are more disposable if they aren't winners and sadly it's true. This is how most of the greyhound industry thinks. These facts are based on the majority of the real greyhound trainers and owners because I see and hear them chatting with one another. Most are not famous high powered people you read about that want you to believe its all good and fair. Most of these greyhound people are dodgy dishonest human beings that don't work and just want to make money from these dogs. I see them each and everyday.

How can Australia be the most beautiful country in the world and still have legalised greyhound racing? How can so many other countries and states around the globe get it right and have BANNED this horrible industry and Australia get it so wrong?

GREYHOUND RACING IS LEGALISED ANIMAL ABUSE.

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