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## INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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My name is \_\_\_\_\_ I and I speak from experience as the ex wife of a Greyhound owner. I know that the ex part may carry connotations of bitterness and resentment, but that is far from the truth and I have been a happy ex for more than 30years.

From my experience in the Greyhound industry I found.

Greyhounds were killed in inhuman ways, rarely taken to the vets to be euthanized, rarely shot as "why waste a bullet which costs cents". They were usually hit over the head in some abandoned area, their ears cut off to stop identifying them. Once a colleague hit one over the head and threw it from a bridge into the river. I have had experience with men punching their dogs in the head when they lose a race. I have had experience with a notorious biker gang coming into a Greyhound owners yard and cutting their dogs head off because they lost money on a race.

Greyhound racing is a disgusting sport which attracts the lowest of people.

As long as there is money involved these types of people will abuse all sorts of animals. Because there is no such thing as a Greyhound who has not trained to kill on live bait such as a live rabbit or guinea pig or even a declawed cat or possum.

This does not mean the dog is a killer naturally. I have had dogs who when faced with a live animal on the arm would only flea it and not kill.

I admit to being complicit in these practices by the very nature of being married to a Greyhound trainer and racer. Of that I am ashamed.