

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO GREYHOUND RACING IN NSW

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I have two rescue Greyhounds, one an ex racer who wasn't really 'very good', he injured his leg in racing trials and thankfully his trainer decided to put him into the adoption program, my Washington is one of the lucky few. Our Grey girl Nala was the result of an irresponsible owner who because of failure to desex allowed an unplanned, unwanted litter. It is estimated that around 20,000 Greyhounds are euthanised each year in Australia, most of these dogs are perfectly healthy, others have only minor injuries that could easily be treated. Greyhounds are seen by most trainers and owners as a commodity to do as they please with, when the dog becomes useless to them they kill it and get another. They put their dogs into the unusual and unnatural arena that is the racing track where they are muzzled, forced into boxes and enticed to race to catch a lure that is going faster than they can causing them to frequently lose their footing, collide with other dogs, break bones, die or be euthanised.

The Greyhound industry and the people in it are selfish and corrupt, anyone who supports this industry is in my opinion also selfish and corrupt.

I look forward to the day Greyhound racing is a thing of the past and these wonderful animals are appreciated for the right reasons.