

GIPAC Monthly Meeting Minutes

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| Date | Friday 29 April 2022 |
| Time | 1:00pm-2:00pm AEDT |
| Present: | GIPAC - Tracy Hindmarsh (Council Chair), Jenny Barnett, Jason Lyne, Martin Hallinan GWIC – Steve Griffin, |
| Apologies: | Bruce Williams, Barry Ward, Gayle Masterson, Amanda Ginn, Wade Birch, Matthew Tutt |
| Absent: | |
| Secretariat: | Matthew Larnach |

1. Welcome and apologies

2. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting

- The minutes from the meeting held on March 25 were formally adopted by the participants.
Attachment 1 [GIPAC Meeting Draft Minutes - 20220325.docx](#)

3. Outstanding action items

- Action Items held over till next meeting

4. eTrac check in Review with Timelines [Check In Review with timeline.xlsx](#)

- Noted that scanning is most crucial for non-racing greyhounds to determine their status. Racing greyhounds will be scanned so frequently naturally that follow ups are seldom likely to be required
- Under the Act greyhounds retired into the possession of participants will be required to be scanned
- Discussion of time periods for scanning of pups
- Noted that it will only be necessary to scan greyhounds registered in NSW. Interstate greyhounds will only be subject to requirements if their ownership is transferred to an NSW participant
- Noted that the GWIC Reconciliation Program cleansed a lot of the legacy data received from GRNSW. The first year of eTrac will further improve this data set, providing a baseline of all Greyhounds in the state.
- Noted that current whelping numbers are increasing. Discussed capacity for rehoming to increase on par with this rate. Noted that private syndicates, under the new rules, may provide a new pathway for rehoming

5. Breeders Incentive Program - [Feb 22 Breeders Incentive Discussion Paper.docx](#)

- Noted that first stagers are a good place to start. Provides an initial platform to build on

- Discussed that it was best to get something setup now which could be further developed over time.

Action – Breeders Incentive Program to be presented to GBOTA and GCNSW to seek their approval before it is presented to GRNSW

6. Feedback in relation to GWIC

- Discussed rationale behind introduction of dedicated ear branding officers
 - Noted that it is a more efficient way of working and allows a greater use of steward resources in other roles, such as handling disciplinary matters allowing for quicker resolution of race day issues
 - Noted that further stewards, including cadet stewards, are being brought on board
 - Further noted that GWIC is taking steps to reduce requirement for issuing of notice in writing, adopting a less legalistic/informal manner of managing disciplinary processes that will be less intimidating for participants
- New Steward Report format discussed. Some participants have raised concerns regarding loss of previous 'narrative'. Noted the new format is orientated towards providing information in a more efficient manner, and that links to the race replay are included for anyone who wants them.

7. Emerging Industry issues

- Discussed lighting issues at the Gardens, also the obscured camera angle for the 500m start boxes
- Discussed efforts to manage injury reduction, including exploring the use of GWIC vets at trials (currently exploring feasibility) and greater integration with the Greyhound Care Scheme
- Discussed means of reducing race day injuries. Use of Double Arm Lure is one avenue GWIC are exploring.

8. Other Business

- Future meetings of GIPAC will be rescheduled to Friday mornings to allow greater participation of members

9. Next meeting: 27 May 2022

| Action Ref | Meeting date | Action | Person responsible | Due date | Comments |
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| 22/3 | 29/4/22 | Breeders Incentive Program Breeders Incentive Program to be presented to GBOTA and GCNSW to seek their approval before it | GWIC | | |



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| | | is presented to GRNSW | | | |
| 22/2 | 25/2/22 | Stewards Form Template GIPAC members to provide any feedback on the proposed Stewards Report Template | GIPAC Members | 3/3/2022 2 nd round 15/6/22 | Update 25/3 New report template will commence from April 4 th . More efficient format, enabling Stewards to focus more on integrity matters. Will gather participant and industry feedback. Comms to shortly be released to provide rationale behind changes |
| 22/1 | 25/2/22 | Group Ownership Policy GIPAC members to provide any feedback on the proposed policy | GIPAC Members | 3/3/2022 | Final draft is attached to these minutes. GWIC encourages feedback. |
| 21/9 | 26/02/21 Item 16 | Introduce Breeder incentives Barry Ward to provide Steve Griffin a note in relation to this and once provided, Steve Griffin to raise topic with GRNSW. | Barry Ward | | Ongoing |
| 21/11 | 26/03/21 Item 3 | Breeding Lease Agreements GWIC to reconsider Breeding Lease Agreement and conditions under which females are bred, due to a recent case with a non-compliant breeding facility. | Michelle Ledger | | Update 30/7 – Review of breeder registrations planned Update 25/3 - On hold. To be addressed as part of the eTrac system |
| 21/13 | 26/03/21 Item 6 | Portable produce purchase centres GWIC to consider a portable GWIC veterinary trailer and report back to the council | Michelle Ledger | | Update 29/10 – Raised possibility of vaccination mobile clinic, available at track in concert with ear branding, i.e. during trial days, or to visit participant homes Update 25/3 Transferred to Tony Kuipers, Chief Veterinary Officer |
| 21/14 | 26/03/21 Item 10 | First Starters and Trials Council and GWIC to bring together options and forward to GRNSW, GBOTA and the broader industry. | Wade Birch | | Update 25/6 - Transferred to Wade Birch. Further consultation required. Performance trials not supported by Council. Update 29/10 – Raised regional program for conducting clearance trials as 12 race meets make it hard to otherwise accommodate. Rotating fortnightly or monthly program, with vet and steward in attendance, supported. Possible issue in addressing marring penalties. Update 25/3 |



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| | | | | | Discussed possibility of 6 dog maidens being introduced. |
| 21/16 | 30/06/21 | Race Day Treatments Wade Birch to draft position paper on Race Day Treatments for presentation at a subsequent of this Council. | Wade Birch | | WB is consulting with other jurisdiction Chief Stewards to ensure consistency Update 25/3 Deferred until resumption of new rules |