

## Minutes of GRICG Meeting held Tuesday March 10<sup>th</sup> 2015

### at GRNSW Offices Rhodes

Meeting commenced at 10.05 am

#### **Attendance:**

Ron Arnold (Chairman), Robert Green, Wayne Billett, Richard Bligh, Craig Jackson.

Paul Newson (CEO GRNSW) attended the meeting at 11.00am.

#### **Apologies :** Mark Merlino

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Jackson to the group as the new representative of RGPA as GRICG had received correspondence from both RGPA and Mr Whitelaw to inform of his resignation. The Chairman also provided members of GRICG with a run down on the role of GRICG and the recently formed taskforce in relation to the future direction of the industry in terms of Welfare and Integrity. The Chairman is representing GRICG on this taskforce.

#### **General Business:**

- Mr Paul Newson addressed the group to inform GRICG of their role in the future direction of the industry and that GRICG will be one of the consultative groups used to help formulate discussion and policy around a number of issues the industry addresses as part of the 'task force'.
- GRICG raised the following issues with Mr Newson:
  - 1. Suspended Greyhounds – the effect that this is having on people who have done nothing wrong by the rules of greyhound racing**
  - 2. Resources provided to GRICG. GRICG put forward that a website, email set up and secretarial support be allowed so that this group could run more effectively and more efficiently**
  - 3. Task force / Inquiry cost – GRICG informed that the Government paying for the inquiry**
  - 4. Finish on /lead on trials – There has been confusion over what is the expectation of clubs/trial tracks/participants to what they can/cannot use. Clarification and communication needed with all sectors of the industry.**

Mr Newson left the meeting at 1.00pm.

- The issue of the RGPA was raised and the correspondence received that this group was still in 'dispute'. Mr. Jackson advised that the only issue in 'dispute' was the

Public Officer. Mr Jackson gave the meeting an undertaking that this would be addressed immediately and that GRICG would be informed of the outcome.

The next meeting will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2015 at the Social Club.

Being no further Business the meeting close at 1.45pm