



2nd December 2008

Mr Darren Beavis
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Dear Darren,

At a meeting of the Gold Coast Greyhound Racing Club held on the 1st December 2008, it was resolved that the committee approach Greyhounds Queensland and request that we be reallocated out Tuesday and Wednesday race meetings and that the Club be permitted to negotiate one day each week to race at Capalaba with TAB prize money and one day with either Ipswich or the Brisbane Club.

The committee wishes to retain race dates and identify its race dates and identity within the industry and initial approaches to the other clubs have been favourable.

There are a number of advantages to this proposal.

- It gives the opportunity for the Gold Coast Club to resurrect itself to a level of relevance instead of existing in name only over the next two years.
- It gives the committee an opportunity to expand its membership by offering free entry to Gold Coast meetings.
- It gives the committee credibility which it will need when Logan opens as a committee that has been operational for the past two years with a healthy membership than a committee that exists in name only.
- It provides an opportunity for one turn track dogs to remain in Queensland and earn a return on investment for their owners and trainers by earning TAB level prize money. The funding of racing at Capalaba can come from the money saved this financial year by the closure of the Gold Coast track. The proposal is therefore self funded out of the allocation which was technically the right of the Gold Coast Club to receive.
- It provides an extra opportunity for dogs returning from injury that would be placed at risk on a two turn track.
- The expenditure needed to race at Capalaba and on SKY is paid for by the savings in administration costs to the industry by the closure of Parklands. Therefore there are no added costs to the industry as this was money that was previously earmarked for administration.
- Whilst not providing the ideal solution, it will create incentive for those on the verge of leaving the industry to remain long enough to still be active when a new track is functional.

We request that Greyhounds Queensland look favourably on our request and the committee looks forward to your reply.

Kind Regards

Lyn Snow
Honorary Secretary