



10 July 2009

Mr. Dave Irwin
President
Gold Coast Greyhound Racing Club Inc.
C/- 108 Bromley Street
CORNUBIA QLD 4130

Dear Mr. Irwin,

The Board is to consider whether your club's licence should be renewed in accordance with Greyhounds Queensland Licencing Clubs Policy.

BACKGROUND

The Gold Coast Greyhound Racing Club (GCGRC) was established in the early 1970's and conducted racing at the Queen Street venue at Southport until 1988 when it relocated to the Queensland State government owned Parklands Complex at Southport. It continued racing at this venue until the end of July 2008 when it ceased racing by virtue of the Queensland Government decision to construct the new Gold Coast University Hospital upon the Parklands Complex.

The Queensland Government has committed \$10Million to Greyhounds Queensland as compensation for the loss of the Parklands venue. The compensation is conditional on the development of a new greyhound facility.

The GCGRC's club's race dates and funding were reallocated to Brisbane and Ipswich Clubs.

In early December the GCGRC submitted a proposal to conduct TAB meetings at the Capalaba Greyhound Racing Club. The proposal was considered by the Board and determined as not being viable.

Set out below are the reasons why the Board considers that the GCGRC licence should not be renewed.


Issues:

- *The club has not conducted racing since the end of July 2008.*
- *To date the club has not presented an alternate proposal to conduct racing in the Gold Coast region.*
- *At this time GQL does not see an imperative for racing to recommence on the Gold Coast.*

Accordingly the Board is to consider the non-renewal of your club's licence. Before making such a decision, the Board invites written submissions as to why your club's licence should be renewed. **Written and emailed submissions will only be accepted and are to be marked Private & Confidential and addressed to the Chair by close of business on Friday 7 August 2009.**

I appreciate your responses to this proposal.

Yours faithfully,


Ms. Kerry Watson
Chair