

MEDIA STATEMENT

Friday 28 February 2020

Following concerns from a number of trainers ahead of tonight's race meeting at Richmond, the Commission's Stewards have made contact with all trainers with greyhounds nominated in the Oaks and Derby heats that have come from affected regions.

So far there have been no reports of gastrointestinal disease in any kennels represented.

The Commission has extra hygiene measures in place at the meeting including hand sanitation between all greyhound examinations and the immediate removal of faeces from common empty out areas.

Trainers are urged to monitor their own greyhounds and scratch immediately if they have cases of gastrointestinal disease on their property. Avoid contact with greyhound faeces in communal areas and observe good hygiene of boots, hands, leads, muzzles and other equipment.

In consultation with the Commission's veterinarians, the Stewards are satisfied that no increased risk of transmission of Canine Coronavirus is anticipated at Richmond tonight.

A fact sheet on the Canine Coronavirus and how to prevent transmission of the infection can be found [here](#).