

## MEDIA RELEASE

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## **GWIC** monitoring weather conditions as heat wave continues in NSW

The welfare of greyhounds is the highest priority for the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission. Commission stewards ensure that racing only occurs when conditions are within its *Race Day Hydration* and *Hot Weather Policy*, which limits racing where temperatures exceed 38 degrees Celsius.

The Commission closely monitored the weather across NSW over the last week due to the hot weather forecast.

As a result, and after consultation with GRNSW, the commencement time for racing at Richmond on 26 January 2021 was moved to start at 9am to avoid racing in the hottest part of the day in line with the Commission's Policy.

Commission stewards continued to monitor the temperature at the track with the meeting finishing before noon, and temperatures remaining below the maximum temperature allowed for racing under the *Race Day Hydration and Hot Weather Policy*.

Commission stewards will continue to monitor temperatures at all race meetings and make arrangements in consultation with GRNSW to move or abandon race meetings where required.

A copy of the Commission's Race Day Hydration and Hot Weather Policy can be found at the Commission's website.

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