

GWIC Industry Participant Advisory Council



Minutes - GIPAC Monthly Meeting

Date	Friday 28 March 2025
Time	10:00am - 11:00am AEDT
Present:	GIPAC – Bryan Young, Luke Brown, Martin Hallinan, Gayle Masterson, Glenn Midson, Tayt Corless, Brian Barton, Maree Smith GWIC – Alby Taylor, Matthew Tutt, Michael Cooper, Kristy Harper, Craig Townsend, Anya Whitelaw
Apologies:	Nil
Absent:	Nil
Secretariat:	Nina Beeston

1. Welcome and apologies

GIPAC was advised that Tracy Hindmarsh has resigned from GIPAC.

2. Welcome to Members of GIPAC

Chief Commissioner Alby Taylor welcomed GIPAC members, those reappointed and new members. Chief Commissioner Taylor spoke of his background and the role of Commissioners. He acknowledged the important role of the Council in enhancing the Commission's engagement and collaboration with industry participants; to provide feedback as part of Commission stakeholder consultation on particular issues, projects and policy development, and to work together as a Council for the betterment of the industry as a whole rather than any individual interest. The Drake Inquiry has finished hearing evidence. We look forward to the Inquiry's report which is due to be handed down on 30 April.

3. Introduction to GWIC Leadership

• Acting Chief Executive Officer

Matthew Tutt is currently Acting CEO of GWIC following Steve Griffin's move to GRNSW. Recruitment to the CEO role has been deferred and will occur once the Drake Inquiry's report has been handed down as this may affect the scope of the role.

• Acting Chief Operating Officer

Wade Birch resigned and has relocated to Queensland. Michael Cooper, Manager Investigations and Compliance, is currently acting in the COO role. Recruitment to fill the COO role on an ongoing capacity will occur in the coming months.

• Manager Racing Integrity

Chris Psillis is the Commission's Manager Racing Integrity. This role leads the Commission's anti-race fixing compliance programs and undertakes wagering analysis and other intelligence led anti-race race fixing efforts.

• Chief Veterinary Officer

Dr Tony Kuipers is the Commission's CVO and leads a team of on-track veterinarians (OTVs)

• Manager Business Operations

Kristy Harper is the Commission's Manager Business Operations and leads teams undertaking registrations, communications, HR, data analytics and finance functions for the Commission.

4. Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference were noted. Members are invited to provide feedback on the TOR.

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5. Election of Council Chair by Members

Glenn Midson was nominated and elected as Council Chair.

6. Governance of the Committee

- Day and time for meetings
 - Meetings are usually held on the last Friday of each month from 10am. It was agreed that this day and time was generally agreeable
- Attendance and engagement
 - It was agreed that Members should attend all meetings unless attendance for a meeting was not possible, in which case an apology for the meeting should be provided in advance to the Secretariat and/or Kristy Harper.
 - It was also agreed that attendance should be 80% of meetings. Missing three meetings in a row without explanation you may be withdrawn from the Committee.
- Structure of meetings
 - It was agreed that the issues for discussion by GIPAC at its monthly meetings should largely be determined by the members. Commission staff will put matters to GIPAC when consultation and input from GIPAC is needed is needed, but the meetings are primarily intended as an opportunity for Members to engage with each other for the betterment of the industry.
 - A work plan will be developed to facilitate GIPAC's work

7. Adoption of minutes of previous meeting

- The minutes from the meeting held on 28 February 2025 were formally adopted by the participants.

8. Outstanding action items

- Action Items held over till next meeting

9. Feedback in relation to GWIC

- This is an opportunity for GIPAC to provide GWIC with feedback they receive from Participants

10. Emerging industry issues

- This is an opportunity for GWIC and GIPAC to share information on issues of reemerging issues of relevance to the Industry.

11. Other business

- **Nose Print Recognition (NPR) Update**
 - We are continuing to work with IsciLabs on increasing the accuracy of the verification process.
- **Swabbing**
 - Trials of the new electronic/paperless process have been conducted and preliminary results are positive.

12. Record of action items

Action Ref	Meeting date	Action	Person responsible	Due date	Comments
1	25/1/2024	Tracking of interstate greyhounds racing in NSW – increased transparency. M Tutt to discuss with GRNSW offline	GWIC		In progress. GWIC Policy Team to develop a paper. To be raised at the next GWIC/GRNSW meeting

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2	28/2/2025	Issue of Rapid Gel rubbed on a greyhound – allowed to race. GWIC to look into this and respond to Bryan offline	GWIC		Completed. Bryan spoken to.
3	28/2/2025	Participants report of concerns about 'heavy sand' at Gosford. GWIC to look into this and respond to Marty offline	GWIC		