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GRV Media Release - The TAB Great Chase Community Days: supporting the disability community

Thirteen Victorian greyhound racing clubs will host The TAB Great Chase Community Days to support local disability organisations during August, September and October.

The series culminates in the TAB Great Chase Final which will be held at The Meadows in Melbourne on October 25.

Organised in partnership with the TAB, The TAB Great Chase has been conducted every year since 2003. Since then, more than \$500,000 in much needed funds have been donated to groups in the disability care sector.

Disability groups, including staff, clients, their families and carers, are invited to a day or night out at the races to enjoy entertainment, prizes, lunch or dinner.

To add to the excitement, each community group will be randomly assigned a number of greyhounds on the day which will gain virtual points according to wins and placings. The groups with the most virtual points at the end of the day will win cash prizes.

In previous years community groups have used prize money to buy computers, equipment and to pay for excursions and activities.

Organisations are then invited to attend the final event on October 25, where eight community groups will be randomly selected to vie for a share of \$24,000. The group with the winning dog will take away the grand prize of \$10,000.

Greyhound Racing Victoria has allocated nearly \$50,000 for the series - almost \$20,000 of which will go to clubs to help cover the cost of catering and giveaways, plus the \$24,000 in prize money on October 25.

GRV CEO Alan Clayton said the main aim of the day was to provide an enjoyable, social day out.

"The Great Chase is about inclusion and supporting the local community – and groups also appreciate the opportunity to raise some funds," Mr Clayton said.

"People who have attended in previous years say they really enjoy the day, that it's exciting to watch the races live and to cheer on the dog that's been allocated to their group.

"People who work at the greyhound clubs get behind this year after year to make sure the groups enjoy themselves. We're very happy and proud to be part of it."

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To be involved, community group simply contact their local greyhound local club to register their details. The series kicks off on August 2 at the Warrnambool Greyhound Racing Club.

CLUB	DAY	DATE
Warrnambool	Wednesday	2 August 2017
Geelong	Tuesday	8 August 2017
Healesville	Friday	11 August 2017
Traralgon	Monday	21 August 2017
Sale	Thursday	24 August 2017
Bendigo	Friday	1 September 2017
Ballarat	Monday	11 September 2017
Horsham	Tuesday	12 September 2017
Shepparton	Thursday	14 September 2017
Cranbourne	Saturday	16 September 2017
Sandown	Sunday	17 September 2017
The Meadows	Wednesday	4 October 2017
Warragul	Thursday	12 October 2017
FINAL – The Meadows	Wednesday	25 October 2017

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