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Gippsland Carnival rolls into Warragul

Record crowds are expected to attend the Endeavour Locksmith Group 2 \$67,000 Warragul Cup this Saturday for the second leg of the Gippsland Carnival.

A stellar field will take the track in the Warragul Cup final on Saturday night, with the Gippsland region represented by locally trained dog Super Sook and locally owned greyhound Blazin' Bomber.

The Gippsland Carnival, which was launched in Seaspray last December kicked off with the successful Sale Cup on Boxing Day last year.

There will be an impressive line-up of greyhounds going around this weekend, with plenty of entertainment happening away from the track as well.

A family-friendly zone for the kids will feature Greyhound Adoption Program volunteers and their dogs, Turbo's Trackside corner including a new 10 metre screen game hound and an inflatable slide plus a jumping castle.

Club manager Adrian Scott said up to 1000 are expected to turnout for the twilight meeting, with the first race underway at 5.53pm.

"We are expecting up to 1000 people here at the WGRC this Saturday night for the Endeavour Locksmiths Group 2 \$67,000 Warragul Cup," Mr Scott said.

"The Warragul Cup will make up the second leg of the Gippsland Carnival, a new initiative which will link together the Sale, Warragul, Cranbourne and Traralgon Cups."

Mr Scott said the night would appeal to traditional greyhound racing fans and promised to be a big social occasion for Warragul locals who may not be regular greyhound racing attendees.

"All families both local and from out of the region, are encouraged to come along for a night that will have something for everyone," he said.

"The Warragul Cup boasts a magnificent field, including locally trained dog Super Sook as well as locally owned Blazin' Bomber."

Greyhound Racing Victoria will also put its own spin on Fashions on the Field with the Colours on Course competition returning after a successful launch at the Sale Cup.

The competition gives everyone a chance to win a prize for best dressed, with judges looking for the most stylish representation of the colours and patterns of all eight greyhounds by both men and women at the tracks.

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The carnival's entertainment doesn't stop there, with live bands and food trucks to taste the colours of the world.

Families can also go in the draw to win a trip to Disneyland, by getting their 'passport' stamped at two of the four cups.

For VIP or family packages and more information go to gippslandcarnival.com.au.

Vision of activities and interviews with key officials at Warragul can be provided by GRV's Strategic Communication and Marketing team upon request.

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