



MEDIA STATEMENT

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RSPCA criminal charges for live baiting at Tooradin Trial Track

Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) has made it very clear that there is zero tolerance for the barbaric practice of live baiting and that anyone found guilty of such actions can expect to face criminal charges as well as penalties under Local Racing Rules and Greyhounds Australasia Rules.

GRV has been assisting the RSPCA with their investigations into the events captured on video at the Tooradin Trial Track and supports its decision to bring criminal charges under the *Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986*.

The Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board (RADB) has now heard and passed judgements on the 100 charges laid by GRV Stewards against 18 people in connection with live baiting at the Tooradin Trail Track. Penalties imposed by the RADB include lifetime bans and disqualifications of up to 20 years.

As this matter is now before the courts, GRV will not be making any further comment at this time.

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