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Artificial lures now mandatory at all trial tracks

The board of Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) has resolved that only artificial materials are permitted for use as a lure for the purpose of training a greyhound. This is effective immediately.

Update: Suspended Persons

Greyhound Racing Victoria (GRV) immediately suspended the registration of the Tooradin Trial Track and the registrations of ten persons on Friday 13 February for alleged live baiting offences at that facility. GRV has today been advised it can name those alleged offenders. The names are as follows; Paul Anderton, Kerry Chalker, Chris Connelly, Laurie Cunningham, Dennis Dean, Neville King, Darren McDonald, Anthony Mills, Stuart Mills, and Bob Smith.

On Wednesday 18 February GRV Stewards received the full video recording of alleged activities at the Tooradin Trial Track from the Racing Integrity Commissioner. Today, following a review of that video and in accordance with the ongoing GRV Stewards inquiry, the Chief Steward provided an update to the GRV board. In accordance with the advice of the Chief Steward, the board resolved to suspend the registrations of an additional five persons for alleged live baiting offenses at the Tooradin Trial Track. Having regard for legal advice received, GRV is unable to name these five individuals at this stage.

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