

## **GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA**

## **CRITERIA GUIDELINES**

# GREYHOUND RACING VICTORIA 2022 CEO WELFARE AWARD

- 1. The GRV CEO Welfare Award acknowledges the overriding priority of the welfare of greyhounds in the industry. This award aims to recognise those who have demonstrated a commitment to animal welfare and will be awarded to a person for a special or outstanding contribution to the welfare of greyhounds in Victoria.
- 2. The GRV CEO Welfare Award is not limited to persons registered with Greyhound Racing Victoria. Any person is eligible for nomination if they meet at least 2 of the following criteria:
  - a. Volunteered over 50 hours to GAP (Seymour or Mt Mercer) within the year
  - b. Volunteered for at least 4 GAP or GRV events (such as an Adoption Day, Royal Melbourne Show, GAP Cafe) within the year
  - c. Success rate of 95% through GAP when an owner or trainer presents their greyhound for GAP testing
  - d. Failure of testing at GAP resulting in a 100% turnaround rate (ie taking the greyhound back and re-homing or re-preparing for GAP testing)
  - e. Proactive behaviour within the community to support the promotion and the breed of greyhounds
  - f. Fostered more than 8 greyhounds within the racing calendar, which is around half the year spent fostering
- 3. Nominations should be made online or in writing, marked confidential, and submitted to:

Chairperson - GRV CEO Welfare Award c/o- Event and Marketing Coordinator, GRV offices, Level 3 [46-50 Chetwynd St, West Melbourne VIC 3003]

4. Those eligible shall be forwarded to the Board and CEO of GRV for their selection.



## **Presentation of Award**

5. The award recipient will be announced, and award presented at the Greyhound of the Year Award event.

## Revocation

- 6. The GRV CEO Welfare Award is presented at the complete discretion of the Greyhound Racing Victoria Board and may be revoked by the Board.
- 7. The Board will automatically consider revocation of an Award if the Board forms the belief that a recipient has engaged in conduct that may bring discredit to the Award, Greyhound Racing Victoria or the sport of Greyhound racing.
- 8. The Greyhound of the Year Panel may also seek revocation of the Award by the Board, if the majority of the Panel believe that the recipient has engaged in conduct which may bring discredit to the Award. The Panel will form its own view and make a recommendation to the Board as to whether the Panel believes the Award should be revoked.
- 9. Where the Board or Panel is considering revocation, the Chief Executive Officer of Greyhound Racing Victoria will notify the recipient. That person will be offered an opportunity to make a written or oral presentation to the Panel or Board, whichever is relevant, as to why the Award should not be revoked.
- 10. In making its decision the Board may consider any information including recommendations of the Panel, if any, and any information provided by the recipient. The decision of the Board is final.
- 11. If the Board revokes an award of the GRV CEO Welfare Award, the recipient will be notified and must return the Award (including all components) as soon as practicable and not more than 30 days after receiving the notification.