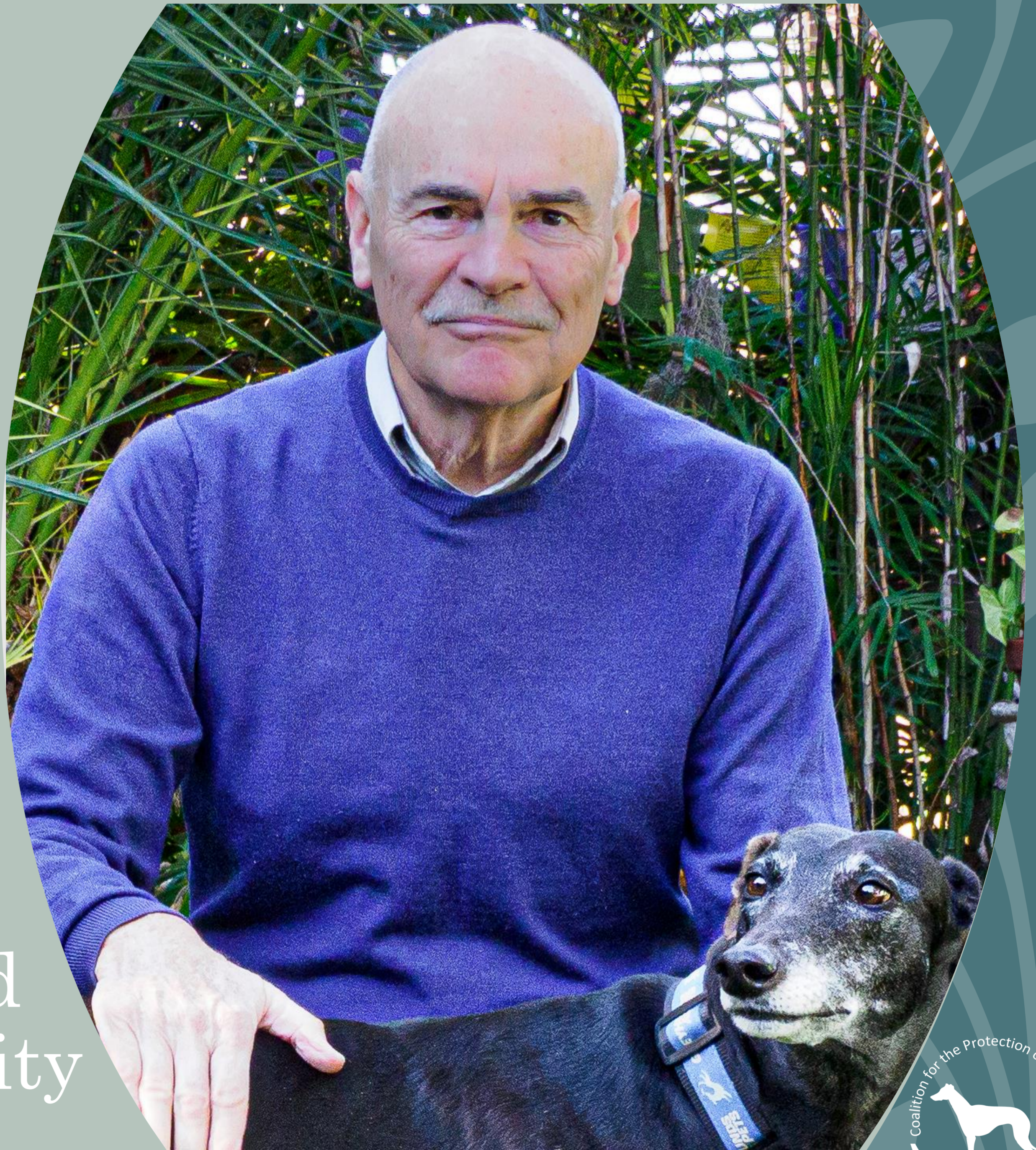


Rest in  
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Dennis

with love  
and thanks  
from CPG  
and the  
greyhound  
community





# VALE DENNIS

## Our farewell to Dennis, 5 December 2021

The CPG team is mourning the loss of Dennis Anderson. Dennis joined CPG as Vice President in 2018 and took on the role of President in 2019 replacing Dr Eleonora Gullone, the founder of CPG.

As with many greyhound advocates and activists, Dennis became involved after investigating the story of his beloved rescue greyhound Comet. As he mentioned in an article he wrote for CPG's Greyhound Life Matters in 2019, his research into Comet's history revealed an industry guilty of "corruption and criminality on an industrial scale". His horror was compounded when he discovered that Comet's sire, Lochinvar Marlow, was exported to the Canidrome hellhole in Macau where he died. Dennis vowed that he would "do my best as long as I can to save these wonderful dogs." And he certainly did.

Dennis brought a wealth of experience to his role as President including management, diplomatic, research, and analytical skills developed during his many years in the air force. During his time with CPG he became a trusted and respected media spokesperson, appeared before parliamentary commissions and spoke compellingly at greyhound protests. Dennis had just the right sort of leadership qualities for a passionate team of animal advocates, he was kind, courteous, fearless and funny.



At heart Dennis was all about collaboration. CPG continued to grow under his leadership, both within the team and in the way we partnered with other groups to achieve our aims. He worked with greyhound rescues and welfare groups including Animal Liberation, GREY2KUSA, Let Greyhounds Run Free, Free the Hounds, and engaged with politicians across the spectrum.

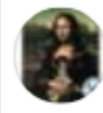
Dennis was passionately committed to banning greyhound racing and protecting greyhound lives until that happens.

**CPG will continue his fight until there is no greyhound racing industry in Australia.**

Our thoughts are with his family and friends and we send them our deepest condolences.

**From everyone at the Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds**





Lisa Ryan

Goodbye for now dearest Dennis. It was an honour to collaborate with you and I, the AL team and so many others will miss you deeply. Your legacy will live on - that is my and AL's commitment.



# ANIMAL LIBERATION



Tamzi Moe Kaur

So so sad to read this. The greyhounds have lost a true friend. My thoughts are with Dennis' family and all of you at **Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds**. Good journey Dennis, rest in peace.



Amanda Wojcik

So sorry to hear. Greyhounds have lost a wonderful advocate



Elizabeth Attard

SO sad and Dennis Anderson, an absolute champion....your so wonderful good work and dedication will be carried on by others. RIP.



Michael Dello-Iacovo AJP Inner West Council Gulgadya Ward candidate · Follow

I'm so sorry to hear this. I didn't know them well but they were an incredible advocate and will be greatly missed.



Rob Calam

A great loss RIP Dennis.



Animal Liberation

December 5 at 11:32 AM · 🌐

🌹 Vale Dennis Anderson

The Animal Liberation team is deeply saddened by the passing of Dennis Anderson who served as the President of the [Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds](#) (CPG).

Our small team has been privileged to enjoy a warm and strong working relationship and bond with Dennis in our mutual love for greyhounds, and our joint efforts advocating for an end to the greyhound racing industry. We will miss this relationship enormously and the strength, wisdom and grace Dennis always brought to everything we jointly engaged in.

We offer our sincere condolences to Dennis's wife and family, his friends, and his colleagues at CPG, who we know are all deeply feeling the loss of this generous, compassionate, and wonderful human being.

We all owe Dennis a huge debt for his unfailing quest for the abused and exploited racing greyhounds, and in his honour and legacy, we will continue the fight and continue working with his CPG team and other colleagues to ensure we do achieve all the goals we all share, without fear or favour, to create a world of compassion without compromise for all beings.

❤️ Rest easy dear Dennis, your work and legacy will live on through us all.

“The purpose of human life is to serve, and to show compassion and the will to help others.”  
Albert Schweizer



Margot Undercliffe

Such sad news. The greyhounds have lost one of their truest friends. RIP Dennis.



Eileen Fletcher

He will be very much missed in the greyhound advocacy field. Condolences to his family



Top fan

Michele Rossetto

Devastating news. Dennis was a true friend of greyhounds. We will miss him greatly but will continue to fight for greyhounds.



Sue Skelsey

What a devastating loss of a truly inspirational man. My condolences to his family.



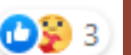
Marguerite Morgan

RIP Dennis. 🙏 Will be very much missed. Thanks for all you did for the Greyhounds XOXOX









Krissoula Vincent



Oh no how incredibly HEARTBREAKING!!! What a tremendous loss for precious greyhound's!!! He was such an amazing advocate for them. My sincerest condolences to his family. R.I.P. dear Dennis...your memory will live on. 🙏❤️🥺❤️🙏







**Justine Curatolo**  
Sorry to hear. I met Dennis at the nsw inquiry into animal welfare. A really great guy.  2

**Kerry Andersen**  
How SUPER SAD is this news! R.I.P. Wonderful Dennis! Huge Love and condolences to family! Thank you SO much for all you did for greyhounds and for being you !!      2

**Free the Hounds**  
Thank you for your compassion and tireless work, Dennis. Rest In Peace, with love from the Free the Hounds team.   5

**Beaver Foster**  
So devastatingly sad to lose such a wonderful human. ...  
Condolences to Dennis' family and friends.  2


**Irene Doel**  
Very sad news thanks for all the work you did for the greyhounds RIP Dennis. ...  3



**Abigail Boyd** · Follow  
Heartbroken. Rest In Peace Dennis. You did so much for so many. Gone, but forever in our hearts.   6

**Jeff White**  
Very sad news for all of us and for the cause of ending greyhound racing. We will keep up the fight in his memory!   5

 Top fan  
**Alicia Law**  
How devastating i was hoping to meet him. What a great man indeed. Rip Dennis and condolences to your family. A great loss to the greyhound fraternity.    2

**Jeroen van Kernebeek**  
Rest in Peace Dennis and thank you for all you have done for greyhounds. Your compassion and kindness is inspirational and we will continue to fight for a better future for greyhounds.  
My condolences to Dennis' family. I am sorry for your loss.   5

**Ani Hart**  
RIP...Deepest condolences to his family. A very sad time for all greyhounds who remain in the racing industry and those who continue to be exploited in so many other ways.  1

**MJ McLelland**  
I'm overcome with grief. Heartbroken, yet still determined to carry on his legacy. May he be welcomed at the bridge by those he fought so valiantly for.   5

Awful news, so terribly sad. Such a lovely, kind man who was a wealth of inspiration, information and dedication in our ongoing mission to end the racing industry for our beloved greyhounds.  
**Annie Hendley, Director, CPG**



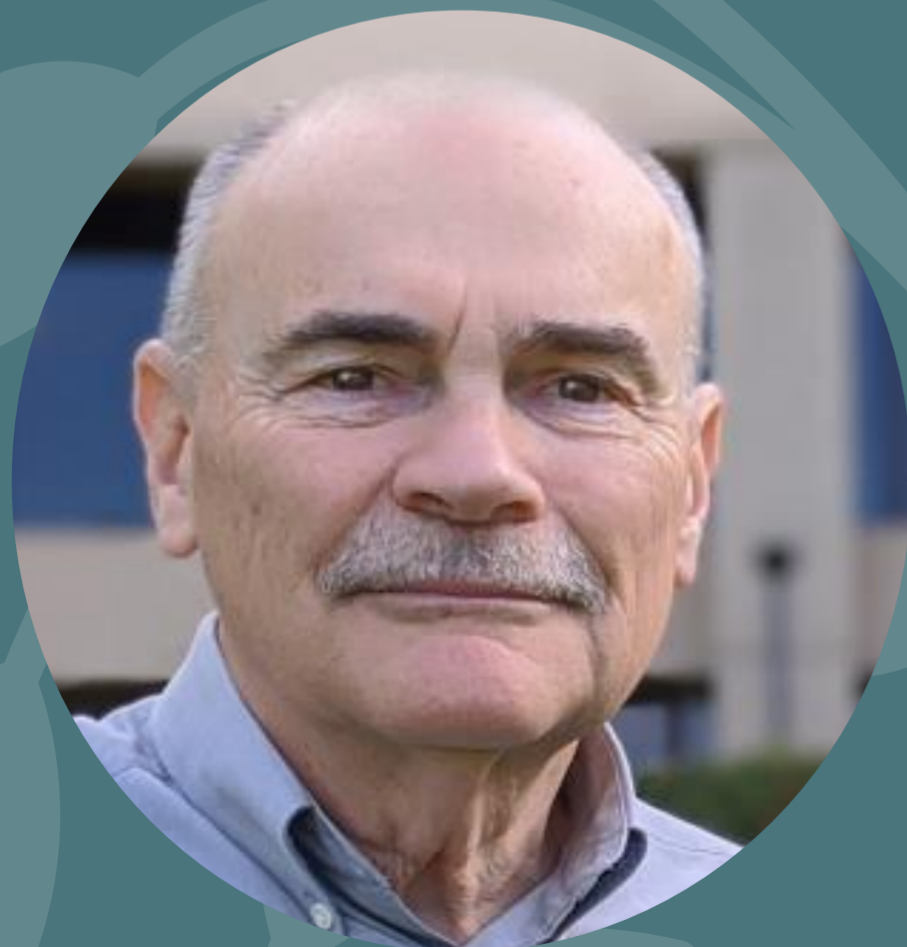


PARLIAMENT OF  
NEW SOUTH WALES

Select Committee on the Greyhound Welfare and Integrity Commission where Dennis was due to appear on 6 December 2021

Before I introduce our witnesses, I would like to express my sorrow and deepest sympathies to the Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds in relation to the recent passing of Dennis Anderson. He was a voice for the voiceless. He has gone but is not forgotten.

**Abigail Boyd, Greens MP, NSW**



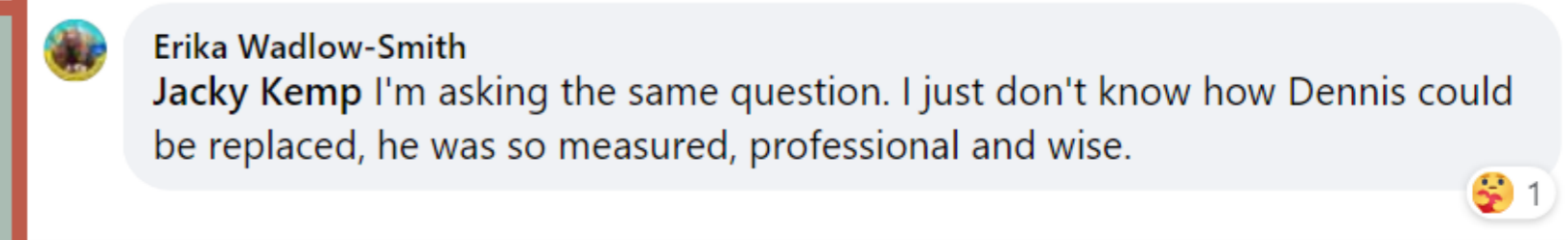
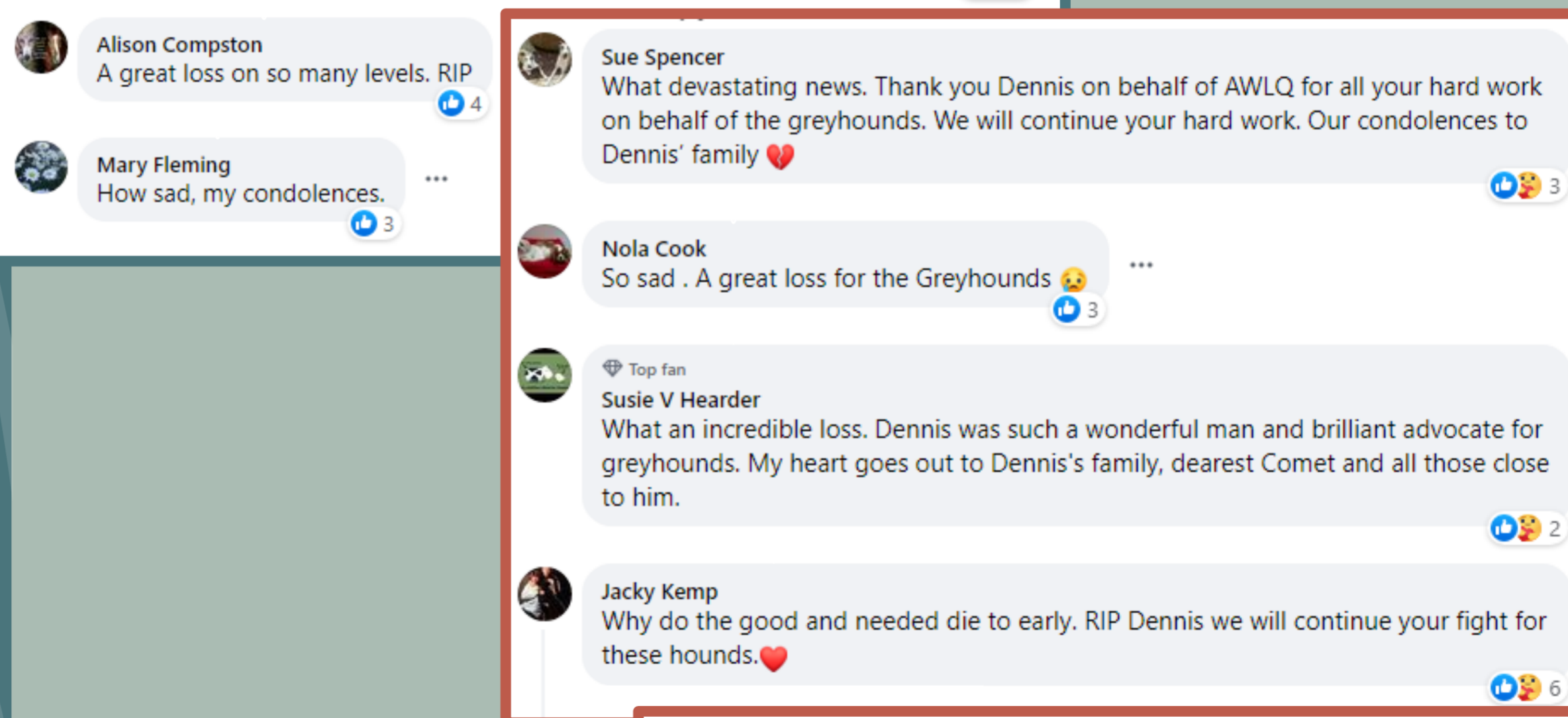
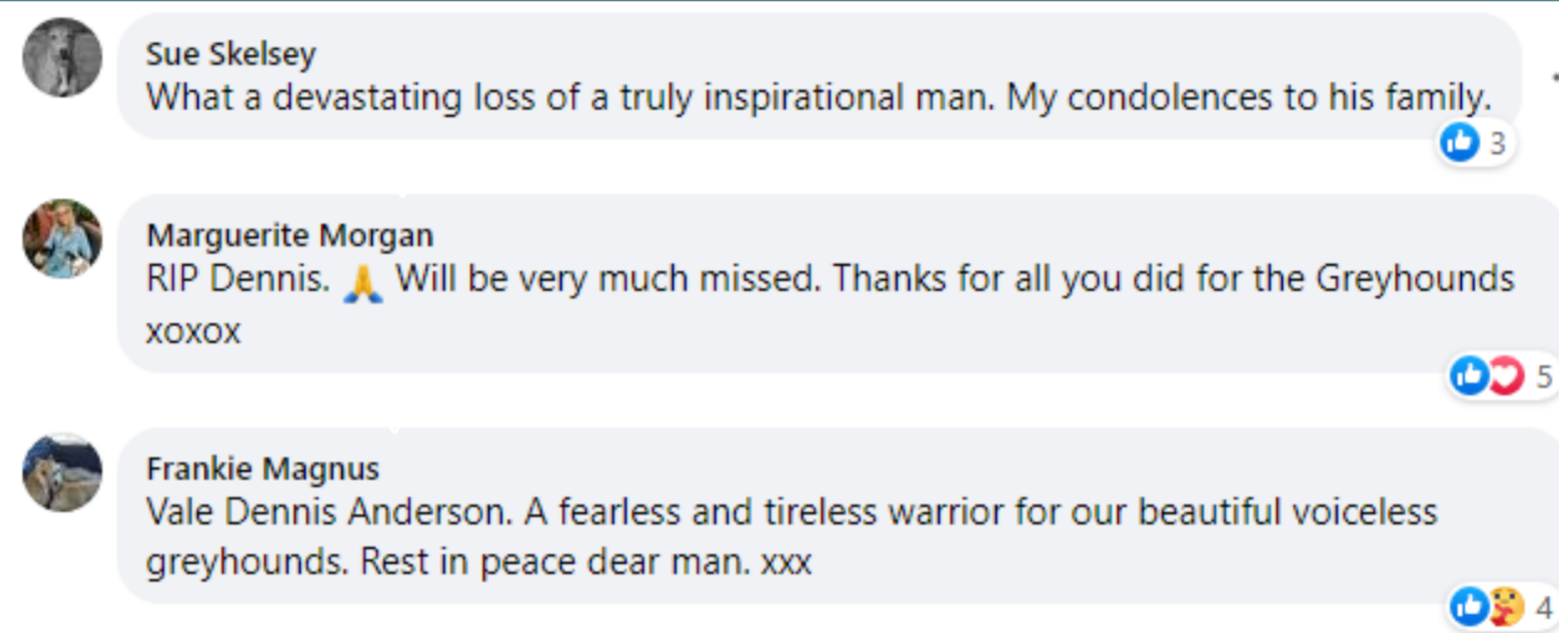
Dennis was an absolute powerhouse – an extraordinary and passionate man who was such an effective advocate for the greyhounds. He will be so missed, but the work he has done will live on.

Abigail and I would like to move a condolence motion when Parliament resumes in February, to honour Dennis and his incredible work.

**Alysha Hardy, Office of Abigail Boyd, Greens Member of the NSW Legislative Council**



Abigail Boyd with CPG team member Tiny.







It was an honour to be led by Dennis, a tireless advocate for greyhound welfare and an inspiration.

He will be sorely missed, yet the legacy he has created in greyhound welfare lives on forever. Vale, Dennis.

**Natasha Langridge, Director, CPG**

**Liz Holworthy**  
With respect to a true animal activist. 🙏❤️ 3

**Humane Society International Australia**  
We are so saddened by this news. Dennis was an incredible advocate for greyhounds and will be greatly missed. 1

**Lisa White**  
I am so sorry to hear this! This man was an incredible advocate for Greyhound welfare - truly inspirational. ❤️

**WillyWillshire Neeta**  
What a huge loss. Thank you Dennis for all your hard work ❤️ 1

**Warren Young**  
I never met Dennis but was totally inspired by his passion for greyhound welfare. So sad about this news. He has left a great legacy 1

**Glo Fo**  
Such a loss. Thoughts are with all who loved him. Remembering the man and his work. Rest well. 😭  
Photo Paul Croes



**Massimo Greco**  
Sad news, condolences from Pet levrieri 🙏 2


**Robyn James**  
Such a sad loss. Much respect to him, and sincere condolences to his loved ones 🙏 1


**Carey Theil**  
I am crushed to hear this news. Dennis was a great man, and a powerful voice for the dogs. 1

**Dorlene A Haidar**  
That is very sad news rip 😭🙏 2


**Hilary Koppen**  
Condolences to Dennis's family and all at this sad loss 1



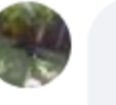
 Julie Neubauer  
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 Pamela Lonnon  
I am devastated by this news. Dennis was friend as well as a neighbour. I introduced him to the beautiful greyhound breed when he met my first beautiful girl, Twiggy. We would often meet in the street walking the dogs. Comet would bounce with delight at the sight of myself and Bandit. My deepest go out to Lyn and Comet. Dennis, you will be dearly missed 💔

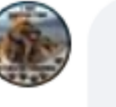
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 Kim Eldridge Nakajima  
Hugs and strength to his family and friends

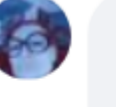
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 Kerree Gioiello  
One great man list. May his legacy continue and fight for the banning of this horrific sport of cruel entertainment.

👍 1

 Colleen Anne Collier  
Thankyou to a wonderful human being who has been the voice for greyhounds the past few years . Devoted in his work to bring an end to an industry that claims so many many innocent lives . My heartfelt condolences to Dennis's family and Comet on hearing this news . RIP Dennis

👍 1

 Cate Taylor  
Dennis was such a lovely man and a strong advocate for greyhounds. I'm so sorry to hear of his passing. Condolences to the Anderson family and Coalition for the protection of greyhounds. Vale.

👍 1

 Patricia Wallace  
Rip you great man

Thank you so much 🙏

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Dennis' inspiring work for greyhounds is what drew me to CPG, along with the adoption of my own beautiful brindle Sal, who has been the best greyhound foster sister ever.

I believe the collaborative relationships he worked tirelessly to develop are what is needed to end the suffering and exploitation of these wonderful dogs.

**Steph Tapply, Researcher, CPG**





Anyone who met Dennis would feel the warmth, kindness and quiet strength that emanated from him, much like a gentle greyhound.

Mark Pearson MP, Animal Justice Party



Mark Pearson ✓

December 6 at 10:47 AM · 🌐

Today is another hearing for the inquiry into the Greyhound Welfare Integrity Commission, an independent regulator that oversees animal welfare in the NSW greyhound racing industry.

Today we will be hearing from a number of expert witnesses, including Fiona Chisholm, director at the [Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds](#). Over the weekend, my office found out about the recent passing of the president of CPG, Dennis Anderson, pictured here with his rescue greyhound Comet who inspired him to start advocating for greyhounds. Dennis was a true hero for all greyhounds, working tirelessly toward an end to the greyhound industry. Dennis spoke up for greyhounds publicly at events and in the media, and anyone who met him would feel the warmth, kindness and quiet strength that emanated from him, much like a gentle greyhound.

Today we want to extend out deepest sympathy to Dennis's family, friends, and colleagues and supporters at CPG



Ljubica Petrovic

Mark, we at Free The Hounds are absolutely devastated at the news of Dennis' passing. He has left a lasting legacy, and we will do our bit in WA to ensure that his dream is realised one day and that greyhound racing is banned forever ❤️



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Rosalie Saville

Ljubica Petrovic ditto from Tasmania 🙏



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Author

Mark Pearson ✓

Ljubica Petrovic his loss is being felt by many, and that's a testament to the kind of person Dennis was.



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Lorraine Ramsay

A huge loss of an amazing person in Dennis Anderson. We will keep up the fight in his memory and the thousands of greyhounds who suffer in this cruel and heartless industry.



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Top fan

Christine Dorchak

Lorraine Ramsay Right on!

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Author

Mark Pearson ✓

Well said Lorraine.

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Dennis was so lovely, I really admired him and thought he was a wonderful person and leader. Really thought the world of him. What a legacy to leave and a champion for greyhounds. Rest In Peace dear Dennis.

**Jessica Paul, IT Manager, with CPG team members Michel and Puddles**



**Christine Jeboult**

Absolutely tragedy,Dennis was one of the best,Wonderful Advocate for Greyhounds ,he will be missed  
He helped me enormously and was 100%,supportive with One Jacobs untreated Injury and following through,He wanted Justice for Jacob .  
I'm sorry for Jan and his families loss,Dennis was a Great Man.  
And he took care to ensure his work Continued ,RIP Dennis. 🥺💙



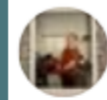
**Jodie Callcott**

How incredibly sad. What a devastating loss for his family, friends and CPG. He was such a kind and intelligent man. Rest In Peace Dennis.



**Susan Berryman**

We've lost a great advocate. Very sad. ...



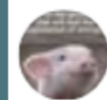
**Matthew Rex**

Very sad, Dennis was a tireless campaigner for the hounds. He will be missed. ...



**Belinda McPherson**

The saddest of news. How he will be missed. May Dennis rest in peace. ...



**Top fan**

**Ellie Robertson**

How absolutely devastating! My heart is broken with this sad news. Dennis was one of the most kindest, gentlest beautiful man I have ever known. I will always remember the beautiful lunch we had together at Parliament House. You are an absolute legend Dennis and I will never forget you. RIP Dennis 🥺🥺💔



**Deedee Dillingham**

Rest in power. We will continue the fight everywhere. ...

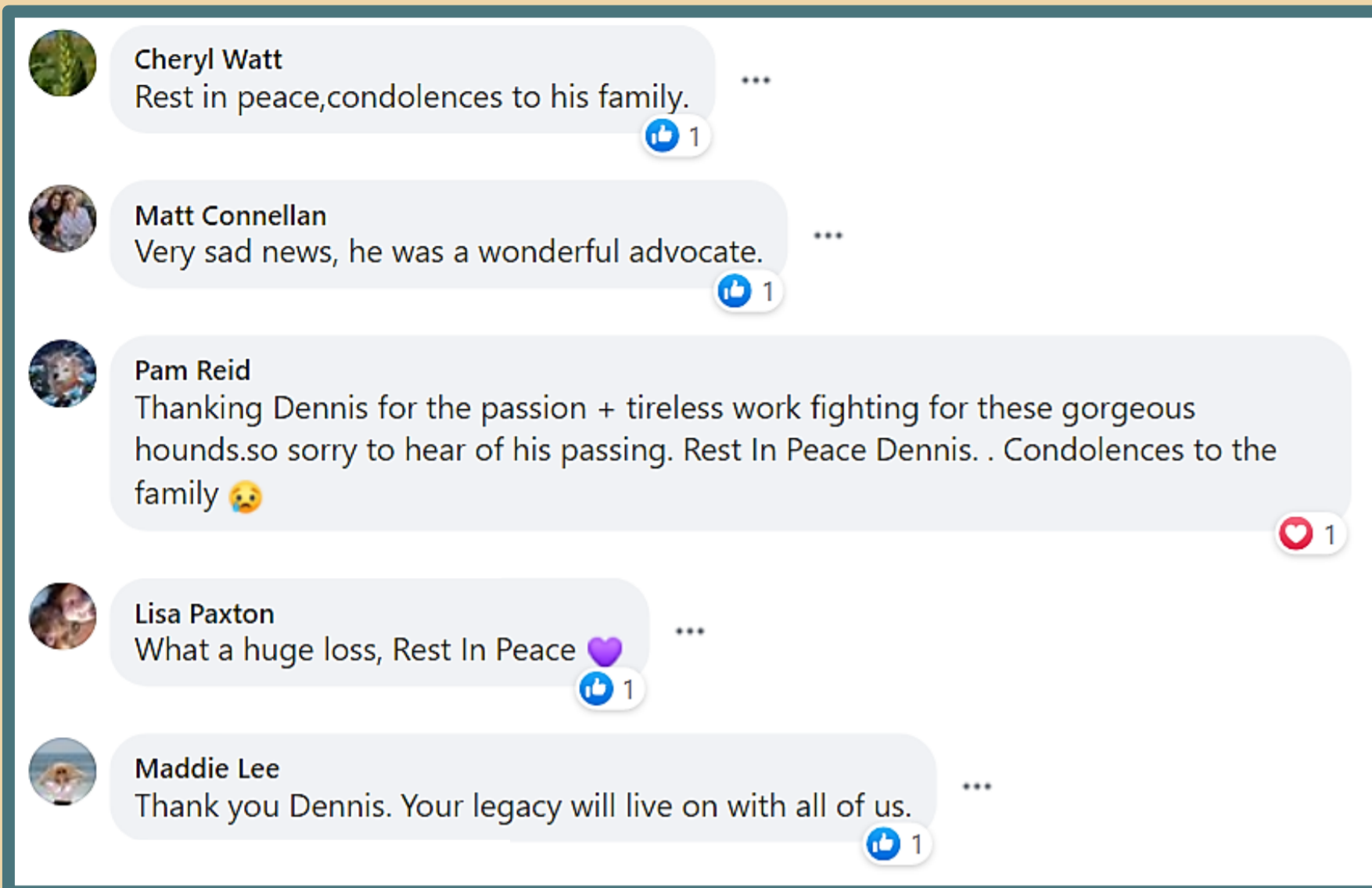


**Shirley Boyd**

He will be so missed . We will never give up until his wishes become reality ...

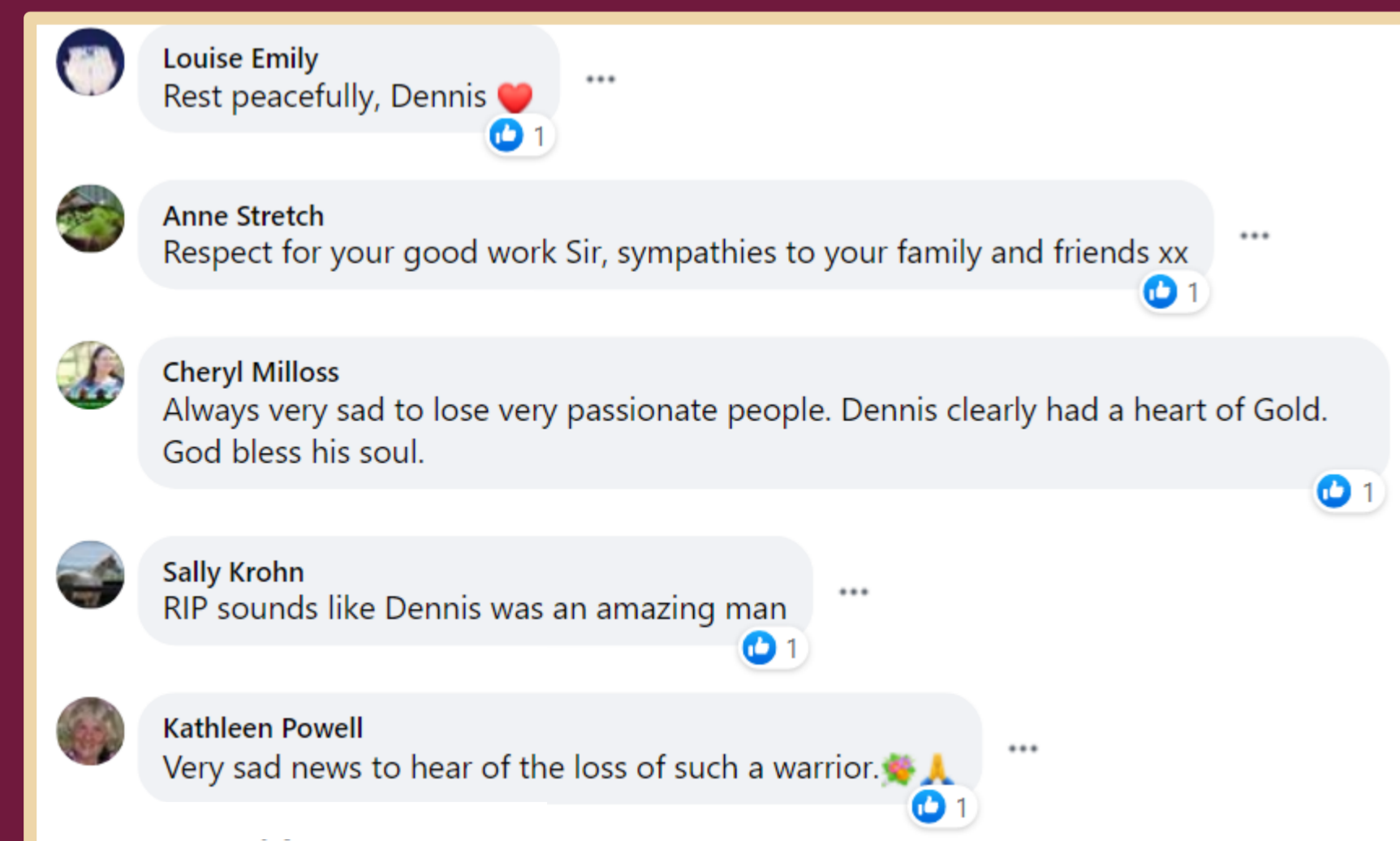
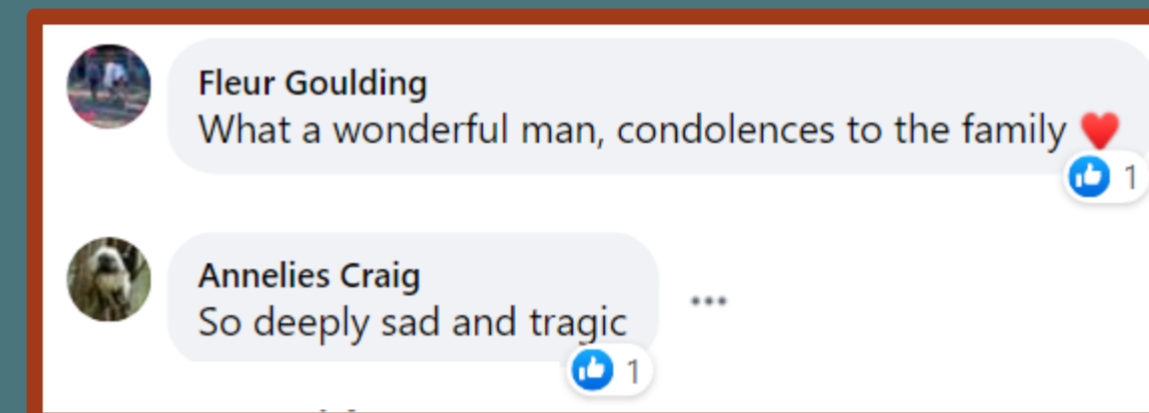
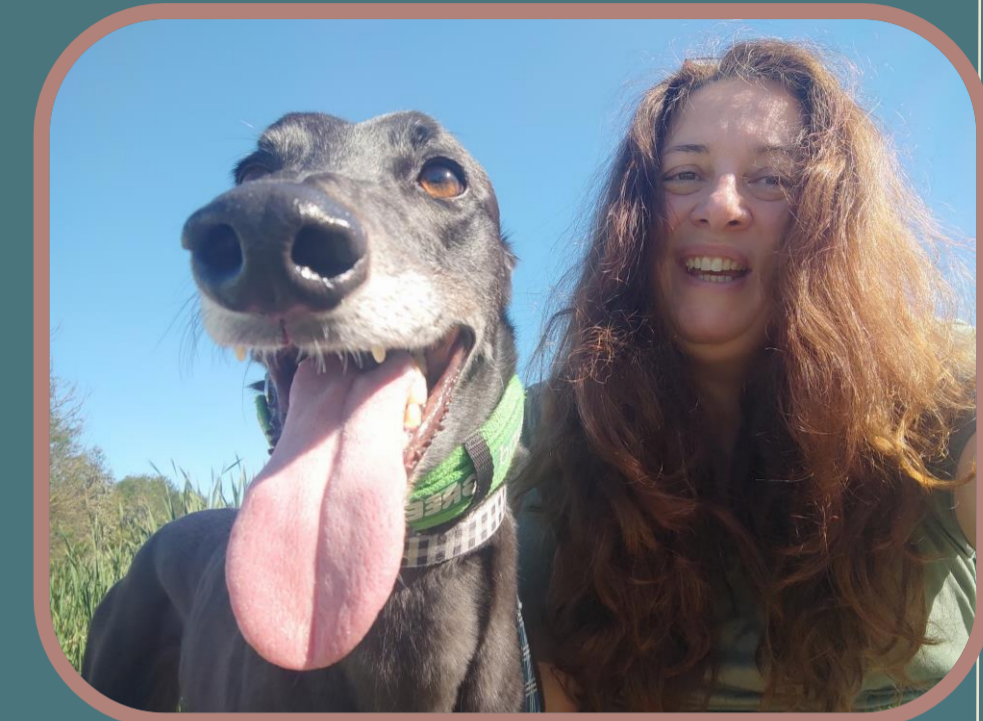






This has stopped me in my tracks. Truly devastating news, personally and for all who fight for basic animal rights to be afforded to these beautiful and gentle greyhounds. I am truly devastated; what a great man; what a loss.

### Erika Wadlow-Smith and Whisper (the inappropriately named greyhound)





A number of you may have seen we lost an amazing and inspiring greyhound welfare activist today, Dennis Anderson.

Our account wishes everyone who knew Dennis personally their condolences, as we know he will be greeted famously in the next life by so many of the greyhounds he fought for who died in the industry. ♡

@soda.poppy.belle



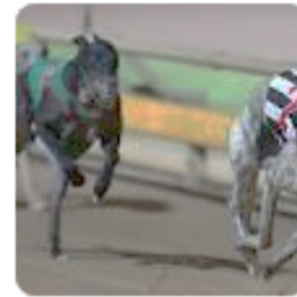
Soda, Poppy & Belle

GA Geelong Advertiser

### Dog deaths fuel call to end 'barbaric' sport

Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds (CPG) president Dennis Anderson said greyhound racing was "barbaric and must be banned."

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### Greyhound racing activists call to close Goulburn's oval track

CPG president Dennis Anderson said it would be "obscene" for the NSW Government to keep Goulburn's curved track open when University of...

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### Gunnedah Greyhounds boss Geoff Rose defends track's ...

CPG national president Dennis Anderson said the NSW government "should not be giving taxpayers' money to an industry which causes so much animal...

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### Greyhounds still disappearing in NSW as Integrity Commission tries to seal cracks

... for the Protection of Greyhounds (CPG) president Dennis Anderson said. ... Mr Anderson said it was a clear case of the NSW Government...

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### Greyhound industry races to head off mandatory reporting laws

CPG national president Dennis Anderson said: "This must be a public ... CPG says 18 racing greyhounds died in SA while hundreds more were..."

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Central Coast Community News

### Dog 'Life Tracking' introduced by Greyhounds NSW - Central

Dennis Anderson cites the Greyhound Racing Act of 2017 as the reason for ... He also expressed the CPG's concern that dogs who are handed to...

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### NSW government accused of undermining greyhound racing regulator

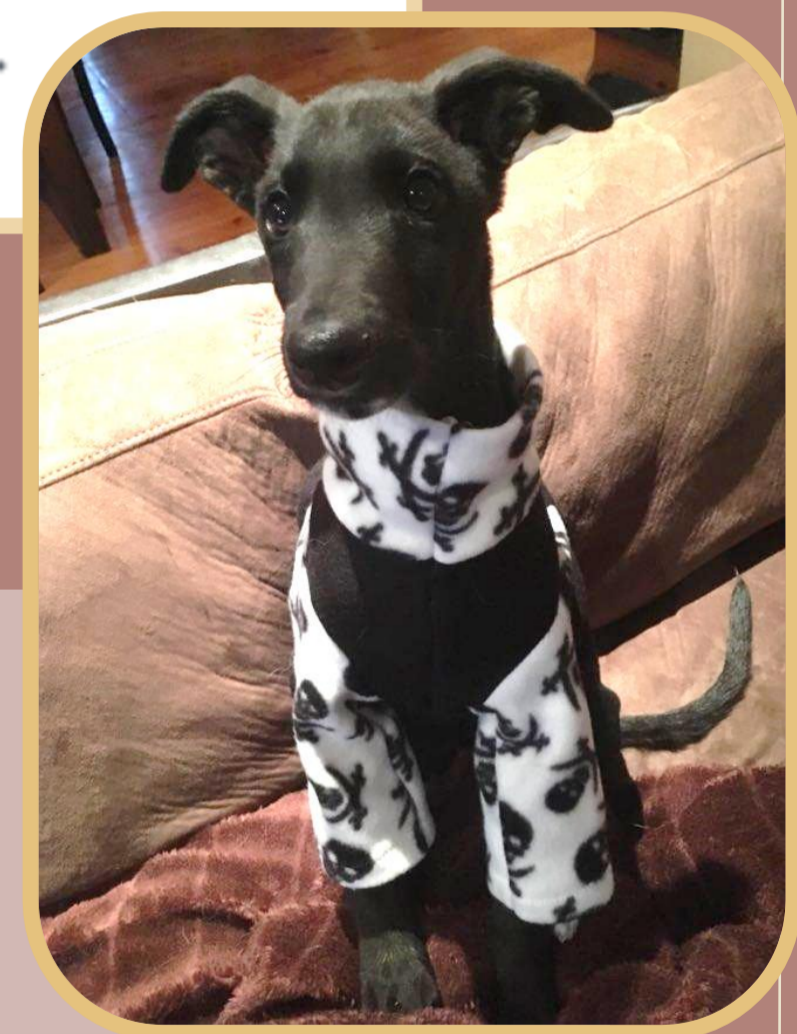
Dennis Anderson and the CPG also this week alleged that more than 2,300 former racing greyhounds that were supposed to be rehomed had...

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Vale Dennis – when this awful industry is finally shut down, yours will be a name we will all remember.



Dennis was a true fighter for the greyhounds and I am honoured to have had the opportunity to work by his side.

His valiant, courageous determination aiming for a world where greyhounds can live free will serve as an ongoing inspiration for us all, until his dream is a reality.

**Belinda Oppenheimer, Veterinary Adviser, CPG  
(seconded by the beautiful Zenith)**



Christine  
with Brooklyn



## GREY2K USA WORLDWIDE

I am heartbroken to hear this terrible news about Dennis. He let me know how sick he was and to have no hope, but of course I did. Please accept sincere condolences from me and Carey and also from Jeroen, whom you may know as our Australian board member. With love.

Christine Dorchak, President, GREY2K USA WORLDWIDE









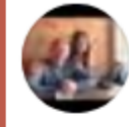



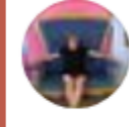



Carey with Gina

This is such a loss. It was an honor to know Dennis, and I am awe of how much he contributed to the fight for greyhounds.

Carey Theil, Executive Director, GREY2K USA Worldwide



-  **Michelle Koorn**  
Just heartbreaking! Thoughts are with his loved ones at this heartbreaking time x  1
-  **Alyssa van Jaarsveld**  
How sad 😞 sorry to lose a warrior for greyhounds  1
-  **Greta Young**  
Rest In Peace 😞  1

-  **Robyn Mickan Downs**  
RIP you sounded like an amazing human 🌈🦋💙🙏  1
-  **Steph Tapply**  
I wish I'd been able to meet such an inspiration ❤️  1
-  **Julie Neubauer**  
So sorry for your loss.  1
-  **Jen Kay**  
Rest easy now, above with all the dear hounds, who without you had no chance of ever knowing love. One day there will be kinder world for these beautiful souls.  1





Farewell to my colleague and friend, Dennis. Not only have the greyhounds lost a strong and passionate advocate, but the world has lost a kind and compassionate soul.

It was wonderful working with Dennis at the Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds, specifically on our eMagazine Greyhound Life Matters.

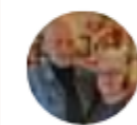
Dennis was always funny, kind, and supportive, and his passion for righting the wrongs of the Greyhound racing industry was inspirational.

Rest in peace, dear friend.  
**Dr Victoria Sublette, CPG**



Susie V Header

Such a tragic loss. Thankyou for all your amazing efforts Dennis. You will be greatly missed.

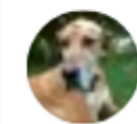


Anita LaMonte

RIP 🙏 .



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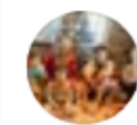


Philip Colebrook

You do a wonderful job



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Jen Dee

Thanks for being a voice for these beautiful Greys. Your silence will be felt. RIP.

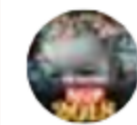


Olive Green

.. Vale Dennis ..



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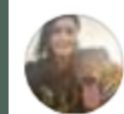


Jacinta Phillips

Heart & Soul, God loves you & so do I



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Tracy Donadel

This man did SO much for the plight of greyhounds. He will be very much missed!

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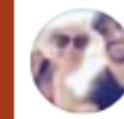


Rosemary Austen

so sad -such a loss



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Lilly Jean

Very sad, rest in peace dear Dennis



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## Farewell dearest Dennis

Dennis brought such a wealth of skills and experience to his crusade against greyhound racing. He was fearless in his defence of greyhounds and longed for them to be free from exploitation with all his heart.

And he extended this compassion and generosity to people as well. His ability to listen and respond thoughtfully was evident every time you spoke to him. There was such strength in Dennis but very little ego. He was a very good man and we, and the greyhounds, could ill afford to lose him.

Love you Dennis, rest in peace.

**Madeline Burton, Website and Social  
Media Manager, CPG**

**John Papanidis, PR Manager, CPG**

**Alfie & Max, greyhound cheerleaders**



GREYHOUND WELFARE &  
INTEGRITY COMMISSION

“On behalf of the Commission I also wanted to pass on my condolences to the Coalition in relation to Dennis’ passing.

We were all saddened to hear of his passing. I had many meetings and discussions with Dennis and he was always a pleasure to deal with.

Dennis was effective in his pursuit of the highest standards of welfare for greyhounds across Australia and has left behind a lasting legacy.

Could you please pass on our condolences to Dennis’ family.”

**Steve Griffin,  
Chief Executive Officer**





Dennis was an extraordinary champion of greyhounds, and a beautiful human being whose voice and work have helped these greyhounds more than he will ever know. He will always be remembered and his work will live on.

**Julia Cockram, Behaviour/Foster Co Ordinator, Gumtree Greys and CPG team member**



Henry bids Dennis a fond greyhound farewell



**Vale dear Dennis**

A beautiful soul. You were, and will continue to be, a great inspiration to all of us. Thank you for your tireless advocacy for the greyhounds.

With heartfelt thanks and love.  
RIP dear man.

**Fran Chambers, Let Greyhounds Run Free.**



**Mandy Nolan**

What a wonderful man. How sad to lose him. ...



**Terri Blake**

A tremendous loss. Rest well, my friend. Peace and prayers to his family. ...



**Stacia Pride**

This is very sad news. Much Respect to Mr. Anderson for all his Love, Care & Tireless Work to Help & Save Racing Greyhounds! ...







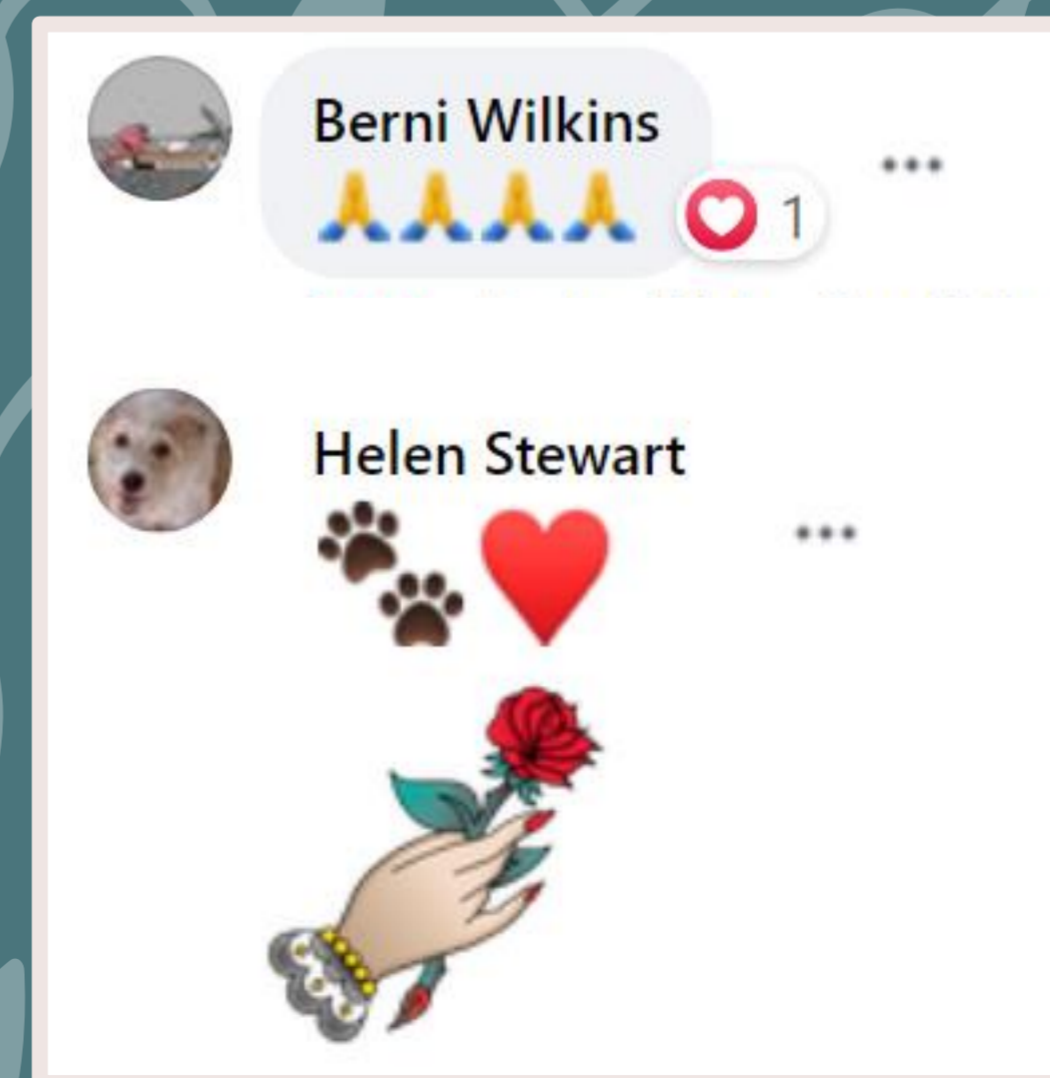
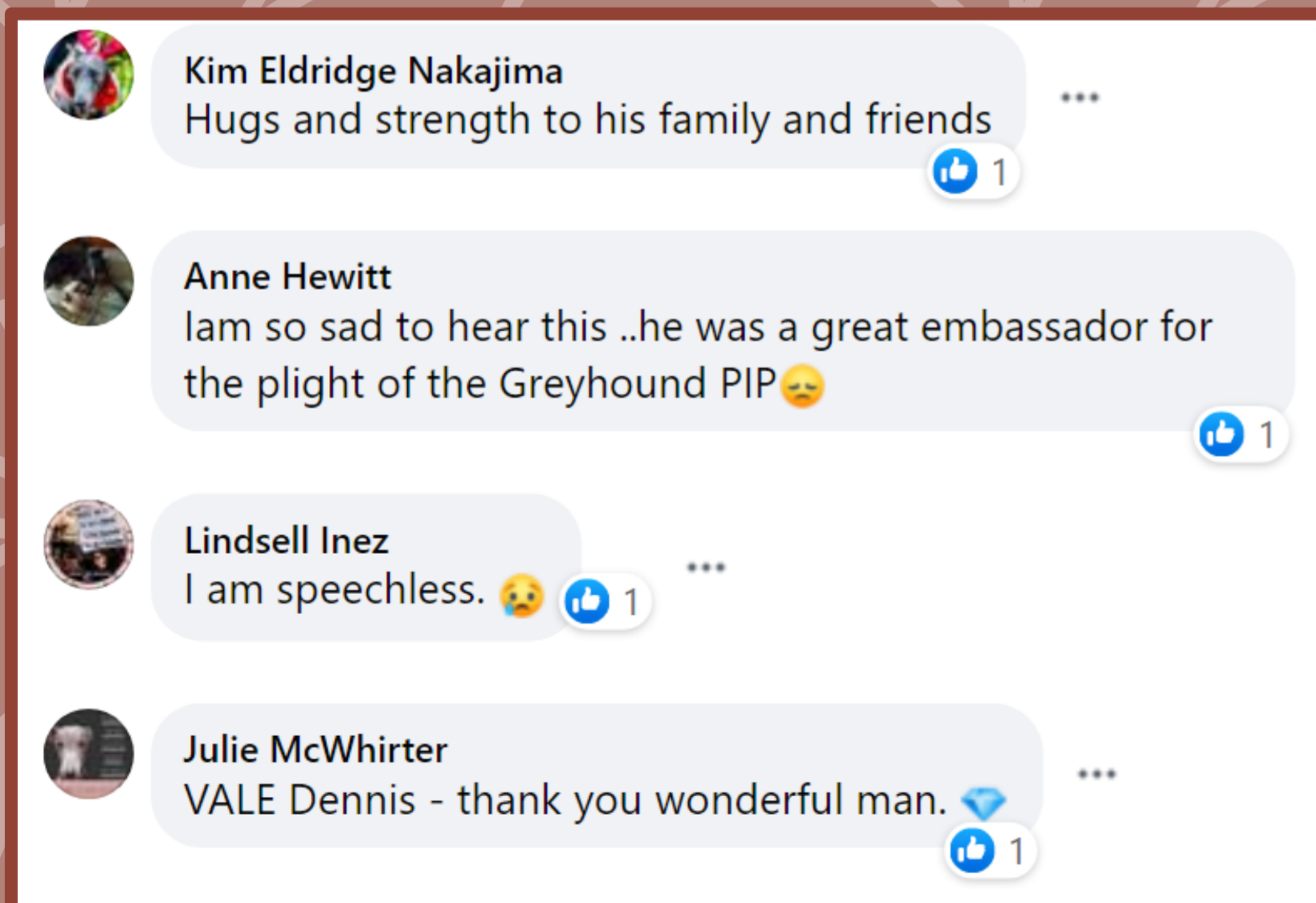
## Vale Dennis Anderson.

Our thoughts are with Dennis' family, friends and the Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds team. A strong and compassionate greyhound welfare activist was taken too soon, leaving a legacy of activism behind. Thank you for your relentless fight. We know you will be greeted warmly by so many greyhounds over the rainbow bridge.

The team at Free the Hounds have always looked up to Dennis in our activism, hoping to do as he did and inspire others to be the voice for greyhounds. Many greyhounds are alive and in loving families today because of his fights. When Free the Hounds end greyhound racing in WA, we will have the help and advice Dennis provided us to thank. We will continue his legacy and honour all his research and hard work. We know Dennis are cheering us all on from above.

Rest peacefully, Dennis.

**With love, the Free the Hounds team**







It was a true privilege to be replaced as president of the CPG by Dennis. From the very first conversation I had with him, it was clear that he was a no nonsense guy with a giant heart. Having recently retired, he had become aware of the cruelty and corruption within the greyhound racing industry.

He wasted no time in leaping to action. He was not involved with the CPG very long when I asked him to take the top job. He did not hesitate. I knew that the industry would not know what was about to hit it. It was not long before he was making detailed submissions, fronting the media, organizing rallies, and meeting top officials in the industry as well as Members of Parliament.

It is a major tragedy that his life was cut short so quickly. I was informed in December that Dennis was gravely ill and that he would not see Christmas. That was indeed what came to pass. Poor Comet has lost his best friend and protector and so have all of the greyhounds who continue to be exploited by this blatantly exploitative and cruel industry – in relation to dogs and humans alike (with Australia leading the world in gambling addiction).

But for those spiritually minded among us, I believe that Dennis, having crossed the rainbow bridge and having become united with the hundreds of thousands of greyhound spirits exploited by the industry, will continue his mission to end the industry. Indeed, he will do so perhaps even more powerfully now than when in human form.

Rest quietly and feel his energy. I'm sure the greyhounds can.

**Eleonora Gullone**  
**Founder of the Coalition for the Protection of Greyhounds**

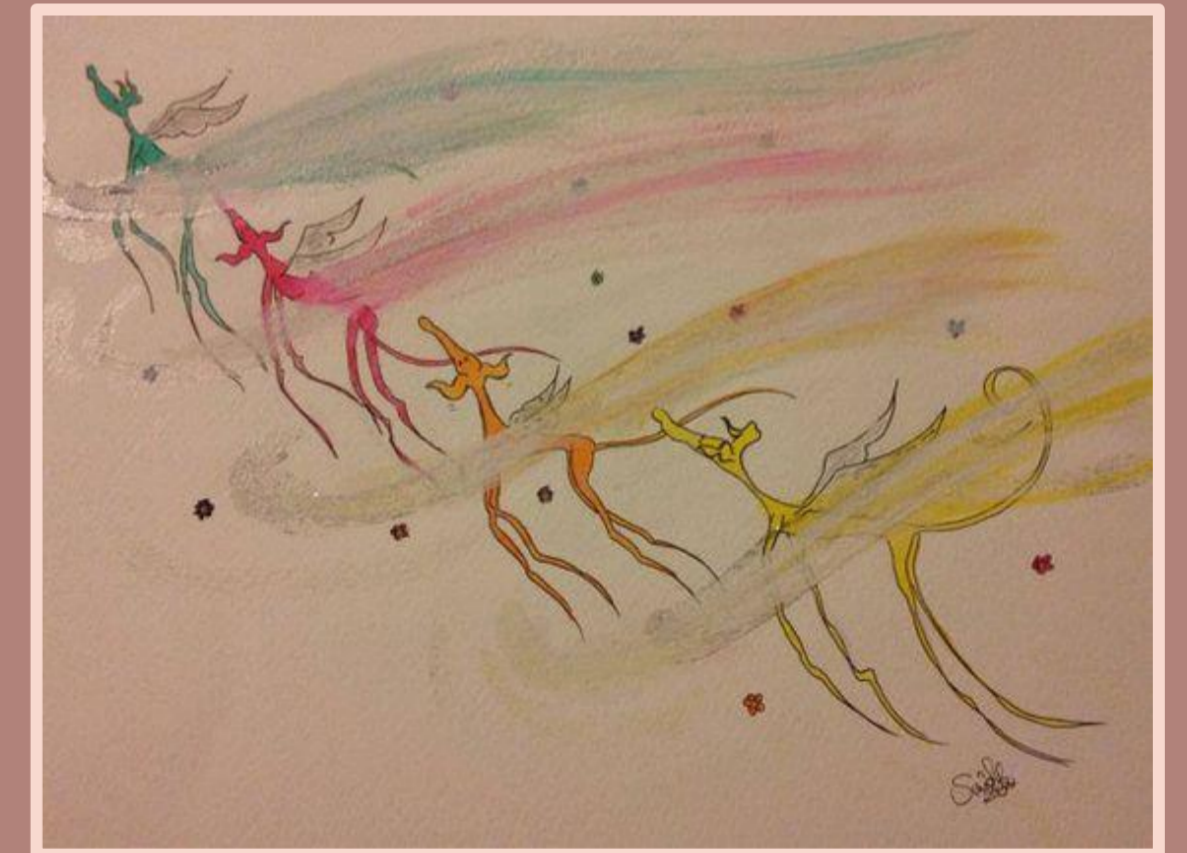


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<https://etsy.com/au/shop/NellieDoodles>



“I will certainly do my best as long as I can to save these wonderful dogs”

The CPG team mourn an inspirational leader and a dear friend.

**REST IN PEACE**



**DENNIS IS PICTURED WITH CPG TEAM MEMBER LEO, ALSO FAREWELLED WITH LOVE IN 2021**

