



THE MAIN STREAM

# Group tries to shut down greyhound racing

Posted: Feb 18, 2011 10:32 PM

Updated: Feb 19, 2011 12:30 PM

+ Share f Share 82 Tweet 6

Rating: ★★★★★ 5.0 (2 votes)

TUCSON - Arizona is one of seven states in the country that allows dog racing.

Of those states there are 23 tracks currently operating.

However, Grey2K USA is trying to shut down the remaining tracks. They have video from the Tucson Greyhound Park where animals have died during races, according to Christine Dorchak, founder of Grey2K USA.

Dorchak founded the company to educate the public about the cruelty of dog racing.

"When the dogs are living at the kennels they are kept inside warehouse kennels in small cages that are barely large enough for them to stand up and turn around," said Dorchak.

According to Tucson Greyhound Park CEO Tom Taylor the dogs are left outside for at least six hours a day. They are also treated with the best care receiving 18 hours of attention from trainers a day. He also says they like their cages.

"They're bigger than what's required, the state requirement our cages are bigger than that," said Taylor. "These are like cave dogs they feel protected in their cage. That's where they feel safe."

According to Dorchak, the video from the Tucson Greyhound Park proves dogs are dying from being run too hard.

"In April 2009 Oxbo Savage fell cracked his skull and died in his last race," said Dorchak. "His injury record reads that his brain tissue was falling out of his head."

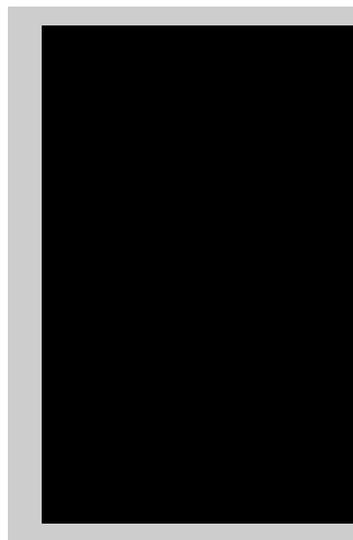
Sometimes injury and death happen according to Taylor.

KVOA.COM IS SOCIAL



CONTESTS »

Mouse over to see all contests



MOST POPULAR

VIEWED

COMMENTED

"Unfortunately I don't like seeing those but it does happen I am just glad it doesn't happen as often as what you might think," said Taylor.

Records from the Arizona Department of Racing show that from 2007-2009 nearly 1,000 dogs at Tucson Greyhound Park suffered injuries, according to Dorchak.

"We've seen reports of cracked skulls, broken backs, and broken necks. This is cruelty that has to end," said Dorchak.

Taylor, on the other hand, disagrees.

"If I thought her cause was just and right I wouldn't work here," said Taylor. "But I know better because I am here. I see the dogs I see what they get the attention they get," said Taylor.

## LOCAL NEWS

- Accenture Advantage: Hol
- Ian Poulter's first round ou
- Legal loophole could allow 
- Another round of "Cardiac
- Kids put snack foods to the
- Weather looks good for pr
- Entertainment News with L

All content 2000-2011 [KVOA.com](http://KVOA.com) - Tucson, AZ. All Rights Reserved.

For more information on this site, please read our [Privacy Policy](#) and [Terms of Service](#).

Search Yellow Pages:

[Popular Searches](#) | Powered by [Local.com](#)