

Submission to allow the Peruvians Hairless Dogs to run as Sighthounds in Lure Coursing.

Peruvians have been Lure Coursing in South Australia since the formation of the South Australian Lure Coursing and Racing Club in 2014. We have been running as CAT dog but have been gaining sighthound scores. We have a Peruvian with a coursing title and plan to take two others to their titles soon. As we believe our breed is a Primitive Sighthound it seems logical to race them as such and enable them to compete and run with other Peruvians in tandem races.

On observation the Peruvian courses in a similar way to other primitive hounds and has exactly the same action and drive that is needed to course over rough terrain that is seen in dogs such as the Afghan and Saluki.



I have spoken to Lure Coursing Judges who have judged Peruvians coursing and below are some of their comments.

*When having the pleasure of judging the Peruvian in Adelaide at Lure Coursing I observed that the breed showed the same tendency as a sighthound both on watching and observing where the lure was going and also the running and speed of this breed. They were very attentive to what was around them when it came to the course. Agility for the speed of the dog was very precise with constant watch on the lure, as a sighthound does.*

*Alison Jarvis*

I submit this letter in regards to discussions in ANKC Lure Coursing ruling about transferal of the breed Peruvian Hairless dog into the sighthound stream from Coursing Ability stream.

In many countries the Peruvian Hairless Dog is considered a primitive sighthound including Country of Origin and the AKC. This breed was created to hunt game from large Alpacas to small rats independently from the handler, hence the three different size varieties.

The ANKC standard clearly shows many similarities to many other sighthound standards in regards to breed build, make up and temperament. The breeds induction into Group 4 Hounds would also indicate and agree with the point I am trying to support.

Having judged this particular breed myself, observed them hunt and also course at fun days along side my own sighthounds I believe they hunt, act, run and think as a sighthound.

In conclusion my opinion is to transfer the Peruvian Hairless Dog to compete in the sighthound Stream of Lure Coursing.

Regards,

Lauren Novak

ANKC Lure Coursing Judge