

The transgender and gender diverse community is celebrating a monumental achievement, after the long awaited and highly contentious issue of gender labelling on birth certificates.

The law came into effect yesterday, which now allows Tasmanian's to amend the gender identification on their birth certificates, without the need for medical intervention. This includes the ability to alter an individual's gender, or simply remove the label entirely.

A total of seven existing laws were overturned, including one such, allowing parents to choose whether or not to display their child's gender upon birth.

Fish farming company Tassal have lodged an application to trial a new fur seal deterrent method in its salmon farming leases in the lower D'Entrecasteaux Chanel and Huon River.

A low pressure, high flow water stream would be tested as a low-risk procedure and alternative to the existing procedures of using beanbag guns, blunt-ended darts and detonating explosive charges under the surface.

The trial will be conducted on 100 Australian fur seals and 100 long-nosed fur seals, and will be open for public comment until September 18.

Tasracing are now desperately looking for any existing kennel facilities to house a number of greyhounds, after a proposed brand-new facility at Pontville was unfortunately abandoned.

The state government announced it had identified an area of Crown Land back in 2017, where a rehoming facility, with a visitor's centre, retraining areas and a 24-hour onsite residency would be constructed.

This notion was scrapped in June this year as Tasracing mentioned the proposal had become too

costly, instead advertising expressions of interest to purchase existing kennels for the retired racing dogs.

Currently, Tasracing's Greyhound Adoption Program seeks to rehome a total of 150 greyhounds each year, and the current rehoming expression of interest's outcome is likely to be resolved in the coming months.

And police are still confident in their search for escapee Jake Mark Pearce as the weeklong manhunt drags on.

Pearce was arrested last Saturday morning in Bridgwater over a breach of bail conditions, and managed to evade police custody while undertaking blood tests at the Royal Hobart Hospital. Police have searched houses quote "in double figures" and are confident he is located somewhere in the area they are pursuing.

To sport now, and in local hockey, the Premier League grand final will take place tomorrow afternoon between minor premiers North-West Grads and their semi-final nemesis Derwent.

This season saw four-time premiership winners OHA unable to scrape their way into the finals and the Grads and Derwent have faced off numerous times this season, amounting to a total of 37 goals combined.

And finally, the Lauderdale Bombers will be without two of its key players in Ryan Wiggins and Josh McGuinness this weekend heading into the TSL semi-finals tomorrow against Glenorchy.

Wiggins will be sidelined due a quad injury from last weeks match, and McGuinness will be unable to take the pitch due to hamstring difficulty.

A third player, Mitch Anderton will also miss tomorrow's match, after being handed a suspension.

And they're the news headlines for the 6th of
September