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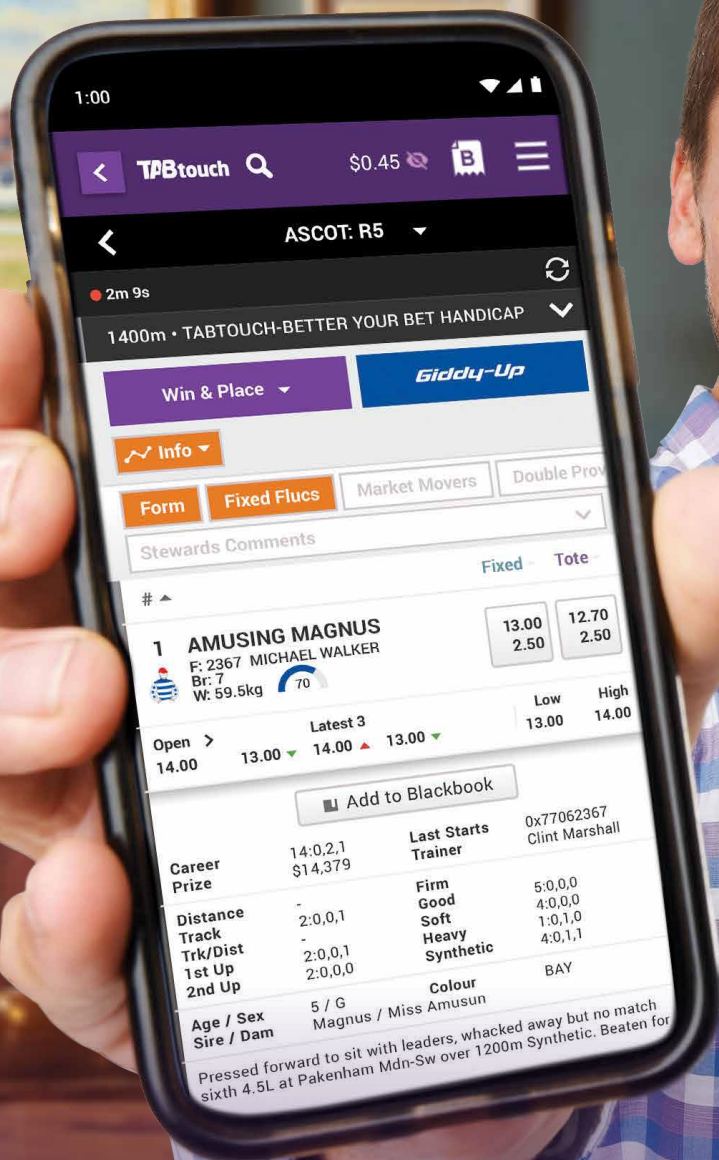
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WA DERBY

MIGHTY RONALDO

PRENTICE'S DERBY DREAM

Gun three-year-old Mighty Ronaldo delivered outstanding young trainer Justin Prentice his 19th Group 1 triumph. It was also his first WA Derby victory, taking out the \$200,000 Classic at Gloucester Park on 30 April 2021.

By Michael Heaton



“ I was just hoping he was right on the night and his work leading into it suggested that he was going to be ”

Already a Group 1 victor after winning the \$100,000 2YO Golden Slipper as a \$26 outsider last year, Mighty Ronaldo again upstaged more-fancied rivals in an incredibly well-hyped Derby edition which was largely built as a match race between star duo Lavra Joe and Jumpingjackmac.

Now a winner at five of 19 career starts, Mighty Ronaldo has accumulated more than 12 times the \$22,000 price tag that he sold to Prentice for at the 2019 Perth APG Sale — however — the Boyanup trainer says the horse easily could have gone home with a different buyer.

“He wasn’t in our first list to look at,” Prentice said.

“When I went down to look at Trevor and Colleen Lindsay’s horses, I saw him in a box and then Trevor got him out and said, ‘have a look at this one because he’s a really nice type’.

“He was a real standout on type, so I went back and sussed it out with John Lohman and we thought he was worth the risk.

“Alta Christiano’s best foal at that stage was Fake News and she was out of a Bettor’s Delight mare as well.

“In the book it said he was double Westbred so we thought that was a bit more of a risk worth taking, but we found out later after purchasing him that he actually wasn’t.

“Lucky we didn’t know that at the time, I don’t know whether that would’ve changed our decision or not.”

Whilst he was a nicely-built type, Prentice says the gelding didn’t set the world on fire through the early stages of his training but made rapid improvement when the bar started to be raised.

“Early on when he was working up, he probably wasn’t the nicest one that I sat behind,” he said.

“He certainly didn’t strike you that he was going to be a real top horse.

“He always had a good attitude towards his work and his trials and all that, but he was just the type of horse that the faster you went, the better he felt.

“Even now, when he goes out there and flops around he doesn’t really feel that great, but when he’s up and going he feels really good.”

After capping off his two-year-old season with a Golden Slipper victory, Prentice hoped Mighty Ronaldo could land him a first WA Derby win after finishing second with stablemate Major Martini in 2020.

Ray Jones’ Lavra Joe went into the 2021 edition a \$2.20 favourite off the back of eight blistering wins from his previous 10 starts, while the Gary Hall Snr-trained Jumpingjackmac had been victorious at six of his eight career outings and occupied the second line of betting at \$2.50, with Mighty Ronaldo a distant third favourite at \$7.50.

Asked if he relished the majority of the focus being on the two main favourites leading into the race, Prentice says it’s certainly how he prefers it.

“It was great the way it was built up to make the race as exciting as it was and I’m always happy to keep our horses out of the spotlight,” he said.

“I definitely thought we were a really good each-way chance, we just needed the right breaks and the race to be run to suit.

“I always thought it was going to be run to suit being high pressure, but it was just the way we were going to drive him and I knew the breaks had to go our way and we thought that the way it would be run, we wouldn’t get the breaks.

“I was just hoping he was right on the night and his work leading into it suggested that he was going to be.”

An aspect of the race that Prentice wasn’t totally comfortable with, however, was having to drive Mighty Ronaldo on the night.

With Gary Hall Jnr committed to Jumpingjackmac, Prentice had to be at his best both in the lead-up and during the race.

“During the week I thought, ‘gee, I wish Junior was on this horse, not me’,” Prentice said.

“All I wanted was my mind to be 100 per cent on getting the horse right during the week and not have to worry about tactics and that sort of thing.

“Obviously not driving as much anymore probably helped a little bit in a way in that my main thing is just to worry about the horse.

“I just tried to forget about it and hoped that I would make the right decisions on the night.”

After drawing barrier two in the feature, Prentice produced a masterful drive to settle Mighty Ronaldo four-back on the pegs before working into the clear and letting rip with a devastating turn-of-foot approaching the home turn.

Despite coming up against two bonafide stars, he says his confidence continued to grow in the final lap.

“They’ve been pretty lucky and hopefully they are good luck and we can continue on”

“Coming down for the bell I could tell they put the speed on but I was a little bit worried it wasn’t quite quick enough with just how well he was travelling,” Prentice said.

“All the horses in the one-wide line started to come off the bit and started to get under a fair bit of pressure and I was just trying to stay patient.

“I didn’t want to come off too early and try make up a fair bit of ground when they were still going that quick but, at the 400 or 500 when I got up on their backs and realised I was only about three lengths off the both of them, I could see Junior was under a fair bit of pressure.

“I couldn’t tell how well Lavra Joe was going but my horse honestly felt like he’d only just joined in and he travelled that good that I thought only bad luck would beat him.”

Asked where the WA Derby win sits in his incredible list of achievements to date, the 32-year-old rates the victory highly.

“It would probably have to go second,” Prentice said.

“When I trained the quinella in the Oaks that was obviously pretty special and, even though it was a fair while ago, it was my first Group 1.

“Obviously the Pacing Cup is at the top and the fact that I drove the Derby win doesn’t make it anymore special, but it would have to be pretty close to second, if not second.”

Also making the win even more satisfying was sharing it with an ownership group Prentice has built a brilliant association with, whilst also doing it with a horse he purchased with his great friend and mentor, John Lohman, who sadly passed away on Christmas Day last year.

“The same owners who bought Major Martini used Major Martini’s money to purchase him and that was 100 per cent John’s idea to do that,” he said.

“Some of the partnership weren’t too sure about it, but I reckon they’d all be thanking John now because it was a pretty good decision.

“They’re a couple of good horses to have in a partnership with people, that’s for sure.

“For some of them, Major Martini was their first horse they’ve ever owned so they’ve been pretty lucky and hopefully they are good luck and we can continue on.”





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A GLIMMER OF HOPE

By Tim Walker



“ I just tried to make the best of it, but as it turned out, it’s been better than that ”

Search the word ‘hope’ in your internet browser. Wikipedia defines the word as “an optimistic state of mind that is based on an expectation of positive outcomes with respect to events and circumstances in one’s life.”

It’s not always the most reliable place for information, but it’s an accurate representation of trainer Michael Cornwall’s journey spanning more than two decades and a journey which may still have an exciting chapter left in it.

When Sheez Our Hope bolted in to take out the Harry Capararo Westbred Pace on the first Friday night in June she announced herself as one of the great hopes for the future.

Trace back through the story of the mare and her trainer Cornwall, hope was the only thing horse and human had at various stages.

Cornwall admitted to being someone who only “pottered around with horses given up on by other trainers” and hoped to have success in turning their fortunes around.

“I never really had an interest in horses because I was bought up in suburbia,” Cornwall said.

“I started out riding at Divine’s riding school, which is in Jandakot.

“Then a friend introduced me to Ray Gould and he had a couple of good horses.

“It started from there and I had some good guidance from Gordon Couper and Dennis Richards.

“I’ve only ever had one or two in work and just broken a few in for other people.”

For someone who admitted to being predominantly self-taught, Cornwall made a good fist of the training and breaking in caper.

One of the highlights was breaking in and training Maybe Matilda to win the 1993 WA Oaks.

He also broke in 2008 Golden Slipper winner Aussie Reactor, who went on to perform credibly at Free-For-All level.

While he has enjoyed the challenge of working in harness racing, Cornwall said his biggest challenge in life came off the track.

“In 1998 I wasn’t feeling too well,” he said.

“My sister called in one day and took me to her doctor, who said ‘get me to Fremantle Hospital straight away’.

“I immediately passed out and they had to zap me back and I ended up in a coma for nearly four weeks.

“As it turned out I had really bad pneumonia and on top of that I had leukemia.”

Again, Cornwall was in a position where he couldn’t do much more than hope he could win the biggest fight of his life.

He was given just a five per cent chance of survival, such was the aggressive nature of his illness.

The then 44-year-old Cornwall had a torrid time trying to defeat the illness.

“It took a while to stabilise me to do the chemotherapy,” he said.

“The chemotherapy was three lots of 24 hours a day, seven days a week treatment.

“Think about the sickest you’ve ever been, this was really bad and made me really crook.

“After the first dose, I got a fungal lung infection which meant they had to cut part of my lung out to remove it.

“Then they gave another three doses, and the leukemia has never returned.

“I’ve known a few people who had leukemia and they were lucky to survive five years, so I thought my life span might be five years.

“I just tried to make the best of it, but as it turned out it’s been better than that.”

While Cornwall was able to survive the gruelling ordeal, he still had his fair share of challenges to face.

The 67-year-old admitted to feeling depressed after the long battle.

He said if it wasn’t for racing, he’s not sure he would have overcome depression.

“There was a trotting trainer Ray Smith that came into the hospital because he had a mate in there,” he said.

“He said to me ‘I think you should come and help me with my horses’.

“The way my depression was, because of all that I had been through, I think that probably saved me.

“I worked there for a couple of years with Carol Rettay’s horses, and she owned Sand Pebbles.

“It took a while just to get her confident, but once she had that she was fine”

“Then I decided I should probably get back to work and do something and I just kept going part-time with my horses.”

Cornwall has continued to train as a hobby since overcoming his illness, but he hasn't had a horse elevate him back into the spotlight like Maybe Matilda.

Black Mana won seven races across 2002 and 2003, while Downtoafineart and Iam The Real Thing both won multiple races over the past five years.

Enter Sheez Our Hope.

As Cornwall explained, the Sheez Our Hope very nearly didn't happen.

“She was advertised on the harness site on Facebook and she was one of 10 that were advertised by John Bell,” he said.

“She was actually advertised as a two-year-old, that turned out to be a three-year-old.

“We thought the horse was in Burekup and I went down there with my friend Bill Hayes.

“As it turned out she wasn't in Burekup and she was another hour away in Donnybrook so we drove down there with John who put his float on.”

There were 50 horses on the property in Donnybrook and it took the three men more than two hours to pick out Sheez Our Hope.

Cornwall paid just \$4000 for the mare, who he said provided plenty of challenges early on.

“She was quite wild as she hadn't been handled for two years,” he said.

“When we got her, she tried to jump out of the yard and I thought ‘do we still buy her’ but she seemed okay.

“When I put her in the cart she had no idea so I really had to start again and re-educate her.

“It took a while just to get her confident but once she had that she was fine.

“Of all the ones John had for sale the mother Easton Swift was the one that caught my eye.





"At the time I had a filly by Alta Christiano that I had to let go when I had radiation on my prostate."

Given the chequered start Cornwall had with Sheez Our Hope, hope was probably the only thing he had left training the mare.

Hoof abscesses plagued her as she had four trials between March and August of last year.

Despite the setbacks, Cornwall knew there was something worth persisting with and that was evident on her race debut.

"She won all four trials, which were good for her education and she kept improving," he said.

"At 66, I wanted to go out a winner and have my last drive so I knew she'd just win (on debut), which she did.

"As it turned out she ended up being sore because the hoof abscesses appeared and we had to work on that for a while."

Sheez Our Hope wasted no time on her return to racing earlier this year, winning her second race start in January by more than 40m.

Kyle Harper had the responsibility of driving her on that occasion and at all of her subsequent starts.

While Harper said Sheez Our Hope's performance the first time he drove her was fair, it was her first defeat at Narrogin, when second to Bee Jays Boy, in February when he realised he was driving a horse with above average ability.

"She was handy without getting me too excited first-up," he said.

"Funnily enough, when I really got the chills about her and felt the X-factor about her was her first defeat.

"Bee Jays Boy led up and when he leads he's pretty good.

"She had to come three-deep around them from the 800m and Bailey (McDonough) saw me coming and put the hammer down in front.

"She just shouldn't have been able to make any ground, given the speed we were running.

"I clocked her in 55.7 off the track at Narrogin and they just don't do that.

"I went and said to Michael 'they just don't run any quicker than that'.

"You could take your Free-For-All class horses down there and they wouldn't run any quicker than that around that track from the position she was in."

Sheez Our Hope then defeated Star Of Diamonds at Bunbury in March before stepping up to take on some of the state's best mares.

She finished third to Star Of Diamonds in the Golden Girls Mile at Pinjarra and fourth to Wainui Creek in the Empress Stakes later that month.

The mare then gave Cornwall his first Friday night Gloucester Park success since 1997 in May, before she was retired out of a Pinjarra race later that month.



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The signs were there a feature win wouldn’t be far away for Sheez Our Hope and it came in the \$30,000 feature in June.

In her customary fashion, Sheez Our Hope settled towards the rear of the field and made her move three-deep over the final 600m and tear away to score an effortless 7.7m win.

Harper said he was confident Sheez Our Hope would be a major player in open mares’ company over the coming seasons.

“I don’t like to get too ahead of myself and put the mocha on myself but everything she’s done for a horse of her experience, it’s probably the best I’ve seen,” he said.

“At this stage, I don’t think we’ve really seen the best of her or the bottom of her.

“I think she’s got the potential to go all the way.

“Mike does a really good job with her.”

While Sheez Our Hope has been just that for Cornwall over the past year, her name also carries special significance for his family.

“We’ve got a grandson Ethan James who at 15 months was diagnosed with a brain tumour which was very rare,” he said.

“There’s only 50 cases of it in the world so they don’t know how it’s going to go with him.

“At the local children’s hospital they removed 85 per cent of the tumour.

“He’s now six-years-old and is going quite well.

“The horse is named after the Hope Foundation that Charlie Teo instigated and raises funds for research.”

Sheez Our Hope has already found a special place for Cornwall and his family in her 10 starts to date, of which she has won six.

She has proven to be more than just a glimmer of hope and is showing signs of being a future star of harness racing in Perth.

Now Cornwall has his hopes pinned on her delivering him Group 1 glory in the Mares Classic later this year and said he couldn’t believe the ride she was taking him on.

“It would make me ecstatic really,” he said.

“It’s a bit amazing that she goes as well as she does.

“I was thinking I might have a hobby horse.

“She seems a bit better than that.”



Nominations for Committee

Western Australian Trotting Association trading as Gloucester Park Harness Racing

In accordance with the Western Australian Trotting Association Act 1946, nominations are called to fill three vacancies on the Committee.

Mr J P Burt, Mr R B Gartrell and Mr T A Parker retire at the conclusion of the 2021 Annual General Meeting scheduled to be held on Wednesday, 27th October 2021. Under the provisions of the By-Laws, and in the event that an election is necessary, the three candidates who poll the highest number of votes shall hold office for a three-year term.

Nomination forms are available from the Chief Executive Officer of Gloucester Park Harness Racing (GPHR) and will be accepted from 2nd August until 16th August 2021 at 4.00 pm.

Nominations are to be lodged with the Chief Executive Officer of GPHR at the GPHR Office, Gloucester Park, East Perth.

Ballot for the order of the positions on the ballot paper to be held at 12.00 noon on Tuesday 17th August 2021.

Ballot papers will be posted at least three weeks prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting, which is 27th October 2021.

Close of ballot and full count of the ballot papers 9.00 am 27th October 2021.

Eligibility

In order to nominate for a position on the Committee, a person must:

- (a) be a full member; and
- (b) have paid all subscriptions and other money due to GPHR; or
- (c) be a life member,

before the close of nominations.

Membership

A member shall cease to be a member upon the member's failure to pay the applicable annual subscription on or before 31st August 2021.

Nomination

A person is eligible for election to the Committee if:

- (a) a financial member as at 31st August 2021 and who is a financial member for 2021/22;
- (b) is nominated by two persons who are financial members as at 31st August 2021 and who are financial members of the Association for 2021/22;
- (c) the candidate signifies, by notice signed by him or her, their willingness to accept the office if elected (form available from the Chief Executive Officer GPHR, as above); and
- (d) the nominee has been a financial member of GPHR for not less than 12 continuous months immediately prior to the closing date for election.

**GREG RICKIE
RETURNING OFFICER**

SMOKEY THE BANDIT

By Ashleigh Paikos

The story of how a cheap yearling and a bad knee knocker, turned out to be one of the most celebrated WA bred horses has sadly come to an end. On Saturday the 29th of May, Michael Callegari and connections made the heartbreaking decision to euthanise the much-loved grey horse after a bout of colic.

Smokey The Bandit had a total of 104 starts for 20 wins and 37 placings and stakes of \$287,244. Not at all a bad return for the self-proclaimed 'Battlers from the Bush, mixing it with the big boys.'

Smokey The Bandit truly was what most would have to agree with, the type of horse you can only dream of. Purchased in 2011 at the then Gloucester Standardbreds Yearling Sales, Michael Callegari and his boss Rohan Baillie went halves in the grey for a very modest \$2000.

"I went to the sales just looking for a cheap one and wanted a Jet Laag, so I had bid on a few that went too dear. When Smokey came into the ring, he couldn't even get a bid and my mate said, 'you've bid on every other grey, you might as well bid on this one' so I offered two grand and they sold him to me." Callegari said

As a two-year-old, Smokey as he was affectionately known won his first race that was coincidentally the first two-year-old race for the season. At the time, his owners could only imagine what the gawky youngster would go on to do. As a juvenile, Smokey always showed that he had potential, and although he badly hit a knee, he continued to improve.

Smokey, or Graeme as he was known in the early years, not only formed a professional relationships between Markham and Callegari, but he also helped form a life-long friendship between the two.





"It all started after I returned home from Melbourne. I text Micky for any drives he had, and I ended up going to trials to drive 'Graeme'. He was going awful but showed ability. He always had that funny rock in his gait and when he was at his best, he would shake his head in the run." Markham said.

Smokey won just the one race as a two-year-old but went on to win eight races as a three-year-old including the 2013 Sky Racing WA Derby Consolation.

"The biggest thrill would have to have been running second in the 4YO Golden Nugget. A little runty grey worth \$2000 from Busselton matching it with the best four-year-olds in the country." Callegari said.

Just four weeks later, the then four-year-old gelding went on to claim his biggest victory, taking out the \$50,000 West Australian Nights of Thunder Final at Gloucester Park. Driven by Ash Markham, he settled behind the leader and pushed his way out at the top of the straight to win the feature by 1.6m in a mile rate 1:56:7 over the 1730m journey.

"He made driving races so easy. I just had to get him in the right spot and clear at the right time and he would make me look good,"

"Smokey gave me some of the best nights on the track but also gave me a great mate in Micky (Callegari) and Rohan and his family. I honestly believe he changed my driving career and probably Micky's training as well. We learnt so much and had so many great memories." Markham said.

On November 29, Callegari and Markham teamed up in the MO+ at Bunbury during the 2016 Interdominion Carnival. After drawing barrier two, they found themselves in the one-one position throughout, but after pulling out not far from home, Smokey sustained a fractured back pastern, but after getting back in his gear, he showed nothing but tenacity to flash home to run third.

"We operated to save his life and see if he could make a comeback. We got him back to the races, but he wasn't quite the same, so we decided to retire him and let him enjoy the rest of his life as he had been so good to us,"

"He just lived in the paddock with the mares and foals, we used him as a babysitter. Hence why my current two-year-old is called Smokeys Shadow, because ever since he was a few weeks old he would rather hang out with Smokey than with his mum and would follow him around like his shadow." Callegari said.

During the early hours of Saturday the 29th of May, sadly Smokey went down with Colic and although every attempt was made to clear the blockage, by midnight on the Saturday, the Busselton Bullet was in too much pain that his connections made the heartbreaking decision to end his suffering. Surrounded by the two people who loved the grey horse most, Ash Markham and Michael Callegari, Smokey The Bandit was buried on the farm.

"Smokey meant everything to me. Everything that I've got is thanks to him. I was going to spoil him for the rest of his life, unfortunately it ended a lot sooner than we expected."

DUAL CODE SPECTACULAR OTT CLASSICS 2021

Off the Track WA (OTTWA) sponsors equestrian competitions across Western Australia which encourage the participation of retired racehorses.

Sponsorship is open to events of all disciplines and highlight the many strengths of both standardbreds and thoroughbreds as pleasure and performance horses. OTTWA regularly supports events held by the Standardbred Performance and Pleasure Horse Association Western Australia (SPPHAWA) who host breed show events exclusive to standardbreds and thoroughbreds.

SPPHAWA's most recent event, the Dual Code and Off the Track Classic was held on 23 May and had all the qualities of any group one event.

"There were large quality fields of horses of all ages competing for the rich purses on offer due to the generosity of co-host and major sponsor Off the Track WA, as well as leading trainers in Gary Hall, Debbie Padberg, Sue Wiscombe and Wagin Trotting Club. Long-time supporter of the SPPHAWA events, Western Australian Standardbred Breed Association (WASBA) again were also heavily responsible for the beautiful sashes and prizes awarded throughout the event." Said SPPHAWA Treasurer, Leonie Morrone.

It was fitting that the two main performers over the day were two Double Westbred products sired by Rich and Spoilt (Aspasia) and Yankee Sensation (President Hoylake). The well-bred stars rose to the top in both the led and ridden sections in the morning, to both be victorious in the lucrative OTTWA Classics. President Hoylake won Supreme Led, Supreme Ridden horse for the Intermediate and Open classes (inclusive of canter), and the Open Standardbred Classic. Aspasia won Champion Mare in the Led class, Smartest on Parade in the ridden classes, Supreme Elementary Ridden and the Walk Trot Standardbred Classic for

horses recently commencing their saddle careers to round off the competition in the afternoon.

The only qualification for entry to the event was that all horses were required to have an OTTWA Passport. The OTTWA Passport that has been introduced as an essential traceability path of their journey once retiring from the mainstream part of the racing industry. Age, raced or unraced and amount of prize money won was no barrier with horses as young as four and the likes of the rising 20-year-old Sir Mick Sloy enjoying their new chosen career paths. Norvic Nightowl NZ, now with Alison Senior, was a prolific race performer and stake earner for Gary Hall Snr also competed in the Led section. Norvic Nightowl NZ, affectionately known as Hoots is a fine example of the OTTWA Retraining Program. During his time in the Program Hoots was with OTTWA Official Retrainer Bayley Thomas of Lokenzo Park, who also jumped at the opportunity to join the list of sponsors for the event.

Three Eastern States qualified national standing judges were commissioned by SPPHAWA to oversee the classes on offer. The immaculate curated and picture-perfect setup at the Perth Polo grounds in Guildford show cased these former stoic gaited horses. Their sleek glistening coats were adorned with stylish patterns, make up and plaited manes and tails on show with their equally fashionist handlers and riders accompany them without a hint that they once had a pacing gait.

"It is very different and encouraging times for these horses and OTTWA along with supporters within the Harness industry must be commended in the approach and opportunities that are now available for all horses leaving the racing industry. SPPHAWA wishes to extend our gratitude for enabling us to play a part in the running events of this nature." Said SPPHAWA Treasurer, Leonie Morrone.

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Horses accepted into the program will undergo an evaluation upon arrival at the Estate, before being allocated to an Official Retrainer, where they will commence retraining and education in preparedness for sale.

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HOW TO APPLY

1. Visit offthetrackwa.com.au to view the acceptance criteria and terms and conditions to ascertain whether the program is suitable for your horse.
2. Download and complete the application form, which can be found on the website.
3. Attach recent images of the horse you are applying for before lodging your application via email or post.
4. Allow up to two weeks for your application to be assessed.

For more information about the program, and to view the acceptance criteria, terms and conditions and an application guide, **PLEASE VISIT OFFTHETRACKWA.COM.AU**

WASBA NEWS

ANOTHER STAR IN THE FAMILY



PHOTO: Katie Howlett being presented with the trophy for Star Of Diamonds win in the WASBA Breeders Stakes by WASBA President Jeanine Diederich, Vice President Howard King and GPHR Committeeman Joe Schaper (source WASBA)

It's a good time of year to be racing a mare, with a number of feature races up for grabs. These races augment the October to December calendar when the Norms Daughter Classic, the Mares Classic and the Christmas Belles are all run. That's not counting other events like the Diamond Classics for the fillies, or the Group 3 races for fillies and mares or the WASBA 4YO/5YO race in August.

The first feature mares event this year was the \$30,000 Golden Girls Mile run at Pinjarra and won by Star Of Diamonds (Bettors Delight USA). Next up was the \$50,000 Empress Stakes, won this year by Wainui Creek. The list of placegetters was noteworthy though, with Has No Fear second in front of Star Of Diamonds and Sheez Our Hope. The \$30,000 The Johnson was next with Star Of Diamonds running second, followed by the \$30,000 Laurie Kennedy Race For Roses, won by Star Of Diamonds after qualifying for the stand a month earlier. A week later followed the \$50,000 WASBA Breeders Stakes, won by - you guessed it - Star Of Diamonds.

Star Of Diamonds is the first foal from 100% producer Maddy White (Lombo Mandingo) 1:56.9 \$110,824, with her other foal of racing age being Group 1 Sales Classic winner Floewriter (Sportswriter USA). Maddy White is a half sister to some very nice horses in Handsandwheels (Mach Three CA) 1:53.2 \$666,739 and Rock Me Over (Rock N Roll Heaven USA) 1:53.8 \$325,415. This is of course the family of champion Australian 2YO of the Year and Horse of the Year Lombo Pocket Watch (Jet Laag USA) 1:53.6 \$1,522,638 and his dam Misty Maiden (Windshield Wiper USA), 1992 3YO of the Year and later Australian Broodmare of the Year. Australia does have our own very nice maternal lines.



PHOTO: Katie Howlett and Tim Hiera with driver Chris Voak following Star Of Diamonds win in the \$50,000 WASBA Breeders Stakes

Adding to this year's WA Oaks win is a win in the other peak 3YO event of the year – the \$200,000 WA Derby. Winning the Derby has been elusive for WA horses, with Global Force (2004), Argent Treasure (2008), Handsandwheels (2017) and now Mighty Ronaldo (Alta Christiano NZ) stamping this event with their name. No surprise that it's a tough race to win, with the best of the best being purchased as race horses to seek the spoils. So certainly accolades to Mighty Ronaldo (and breeder Trevor Lindsay) for joining the other 3 geldings as WA bred winners of the WA Derby.

The breeders of both Benesari Lane (Ed Dewar) and Mighty Ronaldo are eligible to receive \$1,000, courtesy of our sponsors Merv Butterworth and APG, for their open Group 1 win, beating all comers. The money and a trophy donated by WASBA are provided to WA bred open Group 1 winners if the breeder is a

member of WASBA, attends the annual APG/WASBA Awards night function to accept the award from our sponsors, and in the case of the boys, is an APG Sales graduate. Further articles on Mighty Ronaldo are elsewhere in the magazine



PHOTO: Mighty Ronaldo's connections after his win in the 2021 3YO Sales Classic (Source RWWA twitter)

THERE IS ALWAYS HOPE

It's not often that a mare doesn't race before the age of 4 and within 9 months she has won 6 races from her 10 lifetime starts, along with 2 places. But it does happen, and perhaps could happen more often with the right approach to some of the unraced horses that are yet to have their opportunity.

Trainer Michael Cornwall, who has had his own health challenges, was familiar with the dam so took the mare, now named Sheez Our Hope (Alta Christiano NZ) as an unbroken 3yo and with patience has turned her into a very, very nice race mare. And that name Alta Christiano has popped up again.

Sheez Our Hope commenced racing in September 2020 as a 4yo mare (she would previously have been classified as a 5yo under the old system) and won her first 3 in a row including her second win by 40m. She was good enough to get into the Empress Stakes in March and ran a credible 4th in only her 7th race start. She followed that with a win at Gloucester Park, before meeting severe interference at her next start. She then stepped out as favourite in the \$30,000 Harry Capararo 4YO/5YO Westbred Mares Final and settled one out 3 back before running home for an easy win by over 7m in 1:56.3, last half 57 flat.

Her dam Easton Swift NZ (Washington VC USA) 1:55.4 \$123,391 was no slouch on the track, winning 13 races, and has produced 2 winners so far. We hope she has more chances to produce more progeny like Sheez Our Hope, who will head for the feature mare's races later in the year.

Perhaps check your paddocks for any of those unraced horses!

The Harry Capararo 4YO/5YO Westbred Mares Final is one of a number of races supported by WASBA with either stakes, trophy or both, and is named after prominent long time breeder Harry Capararo whose legacy continues through many of the "Adda" named horses and the sons and daughters of his foundation sire Rich And Spoilt and his dam Nolas Nuisance. Top flight horses like Shockwave and Double Espresso are the result.



PHOTO: Michael Cornwall, wife Kerry, and friend with Peter Capararo and WASBA President Jeanine Diederich (source WASBA)

APG EXTRA GOLD

There is money for the taking if you have a WA APG Graduate, not just the 2YO and 3YO Sales Classics and the APG events run on the East Coast.

In April and May there was the 2YO \$50,000 Gold Bullion Finals, won by Taking The Miki (Always B Miki USA) and Rock On Top (A Rocknroll Dance USA). The APG \$50,000 4YO Consolation was won by Caveman (Somebeachsomewhere USA) and the \$50,000 3YO APG Consolation was won by Miss Boudica (Mach Three CA). These and other races are advertised as part of the benefits of buying from the annual APG Yearling Sale and its worth keeping an eye out for them by checking the feature race calendar. Some of the races are open to APG graduates from other states, but they have to pass on the eastern states events or do a lot of travelling if they want to try for both, so its well worth targeting some of these races in future years.



PHOTO: Aiden De Campo on Rock On Top winning the Colts and Geldings \$50,000 APG Gold Bullion Final. (Source RWWA twitter)

LOCAL STALLIONS STILL GOING STRONG

It has been a bumper few months for our current or former WA based stallions and for Westbred and Westsired progeny.

In the period January to May, Follow The Stars (Art Major USA) was represented by 22 winners of 34 races. Renaissance Man (Art Major USA) has 13 winners of 21 races, with first season (WA) sire Fly Like An Eagle (Mach Three CA) with 9 2yo winners of 16 races.

While you can earn your First Win Bonus for your first lifetime win in any WA race, the Westbred Bonus is only paid to 2yos and 3yos in WA 2YO and 3YO events under \$20,000, with the Westsired win Bonus double the amount.

If you haven't won as a 2YO or 3YO your first win as an aged horse does still earn the full First Win and Westbred Bonus, so

keep trying and you are sure to get there – for a Westsired horse that's an additional \$11,700 on top of stakes!

Worth noting is that the Westbred and First Win Bonuses paid in the first 5 months of this calendar year (to Westsired and Westbred progeny) are \$400,000 higher than last year! Westbred horses have won 55% of stakes, compared to 50% last year for the same 5 month period.

Some of the standout Westsired horses across the age groups include Papinik and Seven No Trumps (Advance Attack), Black Jack Baby, Bushwacked, Follow The Music and Star Of The Class (Follow The Stars) and 2yos Valhalla Miss, Wonderful To Fly, Eagle Royalty and Extraordinary Mary (Fly Like An Eagle).



PHOTO: Seven No Trumps with Shannon Suvaljko (Source RWWA twitter)

HRNSW HAS UPPED THEIR COUNTRY STAKES

Harness Racing NSW has just announced an increase in stakes for Category A and Category B meetings. The increases are to apply from 1 July and see an increase to around \$8500 and \$6,500 for these races.

Harness Racing NSW state that "Harness The Passion" is a key pillar of their strategy and it guarantees annual increases in prizemoney as part of their Three Year Prizemoney Strategy. They comment that "prizemoney levels at the grass-roots level provide a vital platform for industry sustainability and increasing base prizemoney permits a broader spread of returns to all participants...". In a forward thinking move, the National Rating bands have been changed to accommodate the stakes increases.

In February 2021 WASBA put forward a submission to increase country stakes in WA from July, which would effectively result in an across the board payment of \$150 for 6th to last for all

non-feature races (below \$25,000 in stakes) in WA. Feedback suggests this action would support trainers and owners selecting the right races for their horses, not necessarily the races that pay the most for 6th to last. Under the proposal, stakes for \$4500 races would increase to pay the additional money for 6th to last. Additionally, we requested another \$500 be added to \$7500 races to take the total stakes for these races to \$8250. The result would see a slight increase for placings first to 5th in these races, along with the \$150 payment for 6th to last and no decrease in stakes for any placings. We are firm on our view that winners should never receive less than 50% of net stakes.

We believe the distribution of stakes needs to accommodate increases to stakes in the country, and concur with the HRNSW view about prizemoney levels, knowing that earning sufficient prizemoney is necessary to support the breeding system. Given the stakes increases in country NSW, WA needs to follow suit or it will be more than just horses going east.

HRA PROPOSED STALLION LEVY NOT SUPPORTED BY BREEDERS

Across Australia there has been significant objection to the proposal by HRA to implement a levy on shuttle or overseas owned stallions. The exact nature of what stallions would be subject to the levy was not completely clear, but the response was a resounding "no" regardless. The feedback/consultation

period closed at the end of May. Will HRA support the view of a very significant majority of breeders, owners and clubs? We will find out soon.

WASBA WANTS TO HEAR FROM YOU

If you have any issues around breeding or racing your Westbreds or mares we want to hear about your problems and any ideas you may have to solve them.

Our fantastic sponsors have again stepped up to the plate to provide us with their invaluable support, which helps fund the more than \$20,000 we provide on an annual basis for race stakes, awards, trophies, rugs, garlands and rehoming and off the track support.

Ramsays Horse Transport, Budget Stockfeeds, Decron Horse Care, Milne Feeds (WA made Pegasus products for WA conditions), Pacing WA, PSC Bloodstock Services (for all your horse insurance needs), and the studs Alabar Bloodstock, Allwood Stud, Burwood Stud, Cobbity Equine Farm, Global Breeding Farms, Highlight Lodge, KTC Bloodstock, Lauriston

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WASBA WESTBRED OF THE QUARTER

Having written about outstanding 3YO Lavra Joe last quarter I am this quarter writing about another 2017 Australian Pacing Gold Sale graduate. Both horses are exceptional racehorses but one has a better race earning record with earnings of \$14,472 (Lavra Joe \$8,864) per start and is the winner of not one, but two Group 1s. Mighty Ronaldo was offered as lot 566 by Trevor Lindsay and sold for \$22,000 to top trainer Justin Prentice after Justin noticed what an exceptional yearling he was. To date he has accumulated stake earnings of \$274,980 plus bonuses from his 19 starts. His head-to-head record with Lavra Joe is level at seven each. Mighty Ronaldo was 5/2 in the 2YO season and Lavra Joe is 5/2 for the 3YO season so far.

However, Mighty Ronaldo has two prestigious Group 1's to his credit in the \$100,000 2YO Golden Slipper and the 3YO \$200,000 WA Derby, along with the Group 2 \$50,000 3YO Sales Classic and the \$25,000 2YO C&G Western Crown, which outdoes Lavra Joe's three Group 2's and two Group 3's.

Mighty Ronaldo is a gelded son of Alta Christiano NZ who was really starting to make his mark as a sire before his untimely death. Alta Christiano NZ won nine of his 10 starts in Australia including the 2013 WA Derby on a limited preparation and the \$50,000 Group 2 Western Gateway for 3YO's for the Hall camp. His earnings reached \$309,163 from his 13 wins and 2 placings from his 18 starts.

At stud Alta Christiano NZ (\$1,249,150, 1:54.1) has been a great success and currently has 73 winners, effectively from his first three crops, for 76% winners to starters and average earning of \$31,353 per starter. He has two crops left to race and they are highly sought after by owners and trainers.

His sire is super sire Christian Cullen NZ who has 188 winners from 245 starters for over \$12m in stake-money. Christian Cullen NZ has sired three millionaires in Christen Me NZ, \$2,684,007, 1:49.1, Stunin Cullen NZ, \$1,384,863, 1:54.1 and Gotta Go Cullen, \$1,127,567, 1:58.3, along with 15 over \$500,000 earners. This is the prized Direct Scooter USA line that also gave us super sires Mach Three CA and Somebeachsomewhere USA.

The dam of Mighty Ronaldo is Millwoods Delight NZ by Bettors Delight USA (\$2,581,461, 1:49.8) who herself was a handy racehorse winning six races from 47 starts and \$49,648 in stakes.

Millwoods Delight did not race as a 2YO but won four races as a 3YO and one metro race as an older mare. At stud Millwoods Delight has produced three foals for two winners including Mighty

Ronaldo with the other winner being Major Michelle (by Art Major USA).

The second dam, Gliding By NZ (by Vance Hanover USA) was also a winner and left six winners from six foals including Millwoods Delight NZ. Raptorial NZ (by Falcon Seelster USA, \$1,121,045, 1:51.0) was her best foal earning \$316,088, from 24 wins and taking a winning mile rate of 1:50.2.

Her third dam Significant NZ by Out To Win USA (\$37,675, 1:59.0) was also a great broodmare leaving seven winners from her nine foals to race. Her best was The Unicorn NZ, \$488,524, 1:57.8 and champion mare Pacific Flight NZ, \$562,345, 1:51.2, both by Vance Hanover USA. Pacific Flight raced in the US before producing 3 US born foals, including Bluejeanbabyqueen USA (Jennas Beach Boy USA \$1,972,172, 1:47.6), the granddam of champion Chicago Bull \$2,328,641, 1:51.6.

Black Watch NZ, 1990 NZ Broodmare of the Year is Mighty Ronaldo's fourth dam. She was unbeaten in her first five 2YO starts including the 2YO NZ Championship. All up Black Watch won fourteen races including a 3rd in the 1973 Auckland Cup against the boys Arapaho and Young Quinn. Black Watch by Scottish Command NZ (\$65,854, 2:03.6) out of Rosehaven was the dam of 7 individual winners with 6 taking records inside of 2:00. Rosehaven herself was an outstanding foundation broodmare but that is a story for another day. This branch is one of the finest in the Stud Book and includes millionaire Arden Rooney, \$1,070,230, 1:54.2, Cashnflow, \$574,201, 1:49.0, Lauraella, \$649,946, 1:55.9, Katy Perry, \$517,733, 1:51.1 and WA Pacing Cup winner Rocknroll Lincoln, \$504,991, 1:54.0.

This is the N10 Regina family that includes millionaires Chicago Bull, Il Vicolo, as well as Devendra, Keayang Cullen, Honkin Vision, Smooth Falcon, Trusty Scott and Comedy Lad. WA 2021 2YO Seven No Trumps is also from this family, as is Patrickthepiranha.

Of great interest to breeding purists is the fact that Mighty Ronaldo's fourth dam, Black Watch is also the fourth dam of Alta Christiano.

No doubt Mighty Ronaldo will add to his already outstanding record as the seasons progress proving that Westbreds are as good as the imports.

A detailed story and photos covering Mighty Ronaldo's Derby win appears ealier in the magazine.



Advantages of Racing a Westbred

Regardless of where the sire was located at time of service, a filly or colt foaled, notified, registered and branded in WA is a Westbred and is eligible for all the benefits of the Westbred Bonus Scheme, arguably the best overall Bonus Program currently operating in Australia.

You can breed your own Westbred or buy a Westbred, with the next APG Yearling Sale in February 2021.

Westbred Bonuses are paid EVERY TIME to the (racebook) owner of a Westbred placed 1ST to 4TH in a WA 2YO or 3YO race where the advertised stake is <\$20,000

WESTBRED OWNER BONUS AMOUNT – 2YO and 3YO races

| (Stakes less than \$15,000) | | (Stakes \$15,000 to \$19,999) | |
|-----------------------------|---------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1ST | \$2,550 | 1ST | \$4,250 |
| 2ND | \$675 | 2ND | \$1,125 |
| 3RD | \$338 | 3RD | \$565 |
| 4TH | \$187 | 4TH | \$310 |

If your Westbred is “Westbred” (sired by a stallion based in WA at time of service), he/she wins double (ie \$5,100 or \$8,500) the Westbred Win Bonus when winning the above races.

A first win bonus of \$3,000 is paid to both the breeder and the ‘racebook owner’ of a Westbred on its first WA win, regardless of age or race stakes.

Ie In a 2YO or 3YO race <\$20,000, \$5,550 (\$8,100 if Westbred), up to \$7,250 (\$11,500 Westbred) is paid to the owners for a first win, **plus** race stakes **plus** \$3,000 to the breeder. In other races, Westbred 3yos receive the \$3,000 owner and \$3,000 breeder first win bonus but no Westbred Bonus. For Westbreds over 3, the Westbred Bonus/First win Bonus \$5,550 or Westbred \$8,100 (owner) and \$3,000 (breeder) is paid.

Race winning fillies and mares, also receive an amount equal to 10% of a winning stake, set aside in the Epona Scheme (capped at \$5,000), which is over and above the race stakes and is retained by the mare until used for a stallion service, provided the mare is served in Western Australia.

What Else can you Win?

Unlike Bonus Schemes in other states, the Group 1 WA Sales Races (horses sold at the annual WA yearling sale) and the Pearl Classic and Diamond Classic are the only races requiring nomination and continuation payments to remain eligible. There are separate fillies and colts Sales Finals for 2 year olds (\$100,000) and 3 year olds (\$50,000), with similar stakes for the Pearl (colts and geldings) and Diamond (fillies) races.

As well as 2yo, 3yo and 3yo and over races restricted to Westbreds, the 2 and 3yo calendar is supported by multiple Group races.

IT PAYS TO BE WESTBRED - All up it's around \$4 million annually just for Westbred progeny - \$2 Million in Westbred and First win Bonuses, over \$1 million in normal races restricted to Westbreds, and \$1 million in feature races for Westbreds



Major Group race summary – 2YO and 3YO:

| MAJOR TWO YEAR OLD RACES | MAJOR THREE YEAR OLD RACES |
|--|---|
| \$20,000 Western Crown (c & g) \$20,000 Western Crown (fillies) | \$25,000 Country Oaks (fillies)# \$30,000 Country Derby# |
| \$25,000 Westsired Finals**# | \$50,000 Daintys Daughter Classic (Fillies) |
| \$30,000 Gold Bracelet (Fillies) | \$40,000 Caduceus Club Classic |
| \$50,000 Champagne Classic | \$50,000 Western Gateway Pace |
| \$100,000 Pearl Classic (c & g) | \$50,000 WA Sales Classics ** |
| \$100,000 Diamond Classic (Fillies) | \$50,000 Pearl (c &g) & Diamond (Fillies) |
| \$225,000 Westbred Classics ** # | \$100,000 Westbred Classics ** # |
| \$100,000 WA Sales Classics ** | \$150,000 Oaks (Fillies only) |
| \$125,000 2yo Golden Slipper | \$200,000 WA Derby |
| ** Separate races for each sex, # restricted to Westbreds | |

Not sure if your mare is suitable to breed from? Unraced? Non winner?

Below are some top Australasian horses from mares with limited or no racing success:

| Horse | Earnings | Dam | Dam Earnings |
|-------------------|-------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Bling It On | \$1,836,237 | Allatglittersisgold | Unraced |
| Blacks A Fake | \$4,575,438 | Colada Hanover | \$10,159 |
| Christian Cullen | \$1,249,150 | Pleasant Franco | \$12,703 |
| Im Themightyquinn | \$4,567,456 | Love Sign | Raced, \$0 |
| Maczaffair | \$ 507,497 | Presidential Affair | \$1,356 from 14 starts |
| Our Sir Vancelot | \$2,197,990 | Teeny Teeny | \$10,310 |
| Tiger Tara | \$2,375,065 | Tara Gold | Unraced |
| Vultan Tin | \$ 570,286 | Ellevarrac | \$12,896 |
| Village Kid | \$2,117,870 | Totara Valley | Raced, \$0 |

Super Smooth, unraced, dam of **Scuse Me** 1:53.5 \$126,841 who is the dam of **Adore Me**, **Have Faith In Me**, **Imagine Me** and **Splendid Dreams** (the dam of **Hands Christian**, **Christen Me** and **Our Dream About Me**). Over \$7 million dollars in earnings from just two generations of the progeny of the unraced 1989 mare Super Smooth.

Professional Lass, born in WA, won \$2,430, dam of **Bonnie Blue Eyes** \$87,565 the dam of **No Blue Manna** \$628,157, **Black And Blue** \$212,495 etc family of **Cott Beach** and **Longreach Bay** etc.

Amarillen, born in Tasmania, won \$50, dam of **Villagem** 1:52.1 \$626,585, **Nostra Beach** 1:53.5 \$266,190, **Miss Graceland** 1:54.0 \$244,658 and the unraced **Pixel Perfect** who is the dam of **Soho Tribeca** 1:53.8 \$1,103,854 and **Carlas Pixel** \$480,128.

Hold Tight (unraced) is the dam of **Like A Dame** 2:02.0 \$10,312, the dam of **David Hercules** 1:52.7 \$1,263,159. Hold Tight is also the dam of the unraced **Gaetana Nicole** the dam of **Major Martini**.

STEWARDS NOTICES

NOTICE TO HARNESS TRAINERS - TRIALLING AFTER A LENGTHY SPELL

In order to properly assess and demonstrate the fitness of a horse after having not started in a race or trial for an extended period of time, as of the 1st January 2021, except with the permission of Stewards, any Standardbred horse which has not started in a race or trial for a period of 12 months, must first trial to the satisfaction of the Stewards before being permitted to race.

Trainers are advised that any nomination made for a horse to enter a race, that does not meet the above requirements, will be refused.

NOTICE TO HARNESS TRAINERS - HARNESS FREQUENT STARTS POLICY

Controlling bodies are responsible for upholding a higher level of supervision, welfare/veterinary checks, and regulation in respect of horses that race on frequent occasions in a short period of time.

A policy addressing frequency of starts in Harness racing has been developed by RWWA in consultation with industry and has been endorsed by the RWWA Integrity Assurance Committee.

The following policy will apply to all Harness racing horses in Western Australia from 1 January 2021.

A Standardbred horse will only be permitted to start in a maximum of 6 races and/or official trials in any 28-day period.

Any horse nominated for a race or official trial that has reached the maximum number of starts through races and/or official trials, (i.e., Nominated to start for a 7th time in any 28-day period) will have this nomination refused.

LOCATION OF HORSES - STABLE RETURNS

Trainers and owners are reminded that RWWA and the Stewards must at all times know the whereabouts of registered horses. This is done by the lodgement of a stable return.

Rule 25(1) states:

A stable return containing true and correct particulars must be lodged with the Controlling Body by the connections of a horse within the time and in the manner and form determined by the Controlling Body and the connections shall ensure that all particulars on the stable return are true and correct.

Please note this rule means that once a registered horse enters or leaves the care of a Trainer, a stable return (or amendment) must be lodged. The rule makes no reference to whether the horse is named or un-named and does not specify that a stable return is only lodged for horses being prepared to race.

Therefore, a trainer must lodge a stable return for any registered horse in their care (named or un-named) regardless of whether the horse is being prepared for racing, is being pre-trained, being broken in or being spelled under the care of the trainer.

The above rule makes reference to a stable return being 'lodged within the time determined by the Controlling Body'. Please note this timeframe is:

- Once a registered horse enters or leaves the stable - within 48 hours.
- If the horse is engaged to race - immediately.

Please also note that Rule 119B states:

Unless the stewards otherwise approve, a horse shall not be eligible to be nominated for a race unless the horse has been trained by a licenced trainer for not less than 28 days immediately prior to the date fixed for nomination.

Stewards will use stable return information to determine if a horse has been trained by a licenced trainer for not less than 28 days prior to nomination. Stewards continue to monitor nominations and stable return information and any trainer that fails to lodge a stable return and/or amendment within the timeframe detailed above will be penalised.

DEREGISTRATION

Rule 96A (3) Where a registered horse has been retired from racing or a decision has been made to not race the horse, the owner or trainer of the horse at the time of its retirement must, within one month of the horse's retirement, notify the Registrar by lodging the relevant form prescribed by the Registrar.

There have been a number of instances where horses have been re-homed by connections, post racing or breeding careers, in good faith - only to learn that the horses have actually been acquired by persons who have on-sold them via horse sales where, unfortunately, their destiny is not always assured.

These horses had not been deregistered and subsequently continue to be registered with the last known owner who maintains responsibility under the Australian Harness Racing Rules - subjecting the connections to potential disciplinary action.

The traceability of horses throughout their lifecycle is an important element of the harness racing industry's equine welfare reform agenda and it is in everyone's best interests to know where our Standardbred horses are at all times, as well as being aware of the various options which exist post racing or breeding. Deregistration provides crucial information about when the horse left the racing pool that will assist in future program planning and also in welfare initiatives to develop positive outcomes for horses that have exited the industry.

While connections are reminded to deregister their horses once retired from racing and or breeding, it is important to note that this deregistration does not alter the horse's status or inclusion in the Stud Book. Further, it does not adversely affect their eligibility to participate in any other equestrian disciplines, including shows and non-racing competitions.

Deregistration Form R25-A should be completed and sent to State Controlling Bodies as soon as the decision to retire a horse is made, or a horse leaves your care, so that an accurate record is kept of the horse's movements and whereabouts at any given point.

STEWARDS NOTICES

PRIORITIES REGARDING HORSES TO BE DRIVEN

Rule 152 provides that a driver (who is also an owner or trainer) shall not drive any other horse in a race except with the permission of the stewards.

If a driver owns or trains more than one horse in a race (and wants to drive in that race), they must observe the following order of priority:

1. The person shall drive the horse the person owns and trains
2. The person shall drive the horse which the person owns but which is trained by someone else
3. The person shall drive the horse trained but not owned by the person.

Please note that if a driver is temporarily in charge of a horse in a trainee's absence on raceday, that driver is deemed to be the trainer and if they wish to drive in the race in which that horse is engaged, they will be required under the Rules to drive that horse.

TEMPORARILY IN CHARGE OF A HORSE

Rule 119A(1) states:

Where a trainer intends to leave his horse with another licensed trainer or another person the trainer must obtain approval from the Stewards prior to doing so.

The trainer must also provide a written authorisation to be submitted to the stewards at the race meeting.

Therefore, if trainers are unable to attend a race meeting and they wish to leave their horse with a licenced trainer or driver, they must seek permission from the stewards prior to the race meeting. Trainers should not assume that permission will automatically be granted as stewards will take into account a number of factors including whether the licenced person is connected to the stable, the other commitments of the licenced person at the races, the age and licence category of the licenced person. Trainers who fail to seek prior permission may be subject to fines.

Please note if permission is granted and the person in charge is a driver, and they wish to drive in the race in which that horse is engaged, they must drive that horse, as per Rule 152 (detailed above).

TRAINERS OBLIGATIONS

TRAINERS WITH MULTIPLE RUNNERS IN ANY ONE RACE

Trainers with multiple runners in any one race are required to attend the stewards' room upon arrival on course to advise the intended driving tactics to be adopted for their runners.

HORSE UNATTENDED

Horses are not to be left unattended at any time on a racecourse. Rule 211 states:

A trainer or other licensed person for the time being in charge of a horse shall not leave the horse unattended at a racecourse whether in a stable or elsewhere.

An unattended horse is a welfare issue. If a horse is selected for pre-race swabbing and is unattended, it can interfere with the timing of that swab sample which may result in the horse having to be detained on course two hours post race for the sample to be obtained.

OBLIGATION TO REPORT

Participants are reminded of their obligation under Rule 89(1) which states:

After the running of any race and for a period of 7 days thereafter if the owner, trainer, driver, stable hand or any person in charge of a horse is aware of or has knowledge of anything which may have affected the horse's performance in that race, he or she shall report it immediately to the Stewards.

Things that may have affected the horse's performance can include:

- Casting a plate
- Broken gear
- Flat tyre
- Gear that is not activated
- Contacting its own sulky wheels
- Poor post race recovery
- Injury or illness post-race

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The presence of prohibited substances in racehorses is viewed very seriously and punishments in this area are generally severe. Therefore Racing and Wagering WA would like to draw the attention of trainers to Harness rule of Racing 190, which states in part: "A horse shall be presented for a race free of prohibited substances".

All trainers are reminded of the strict provisions of HR 190 and of their responsibility for not only the condition, but also the care of their horses, especially in the period leading up to racing. Therefore trainers are urged, in their own interests and in the interests of racing, to take proper precautions in regard to the feeding and safeguarding of horses that are to race, and to ensure that any person having contact with these horses is fully aware of the serious consequences that could flow should a 'positive' sample be returned.

For advice on the use of products that may contain prohibited substances trainers should consult their veterinarian, or contact the RWWA Veterinary Department on (08) 9445 5459 or (08) 9445 5305 or vets@rwwa.com.au

NOTICE TO HARNESS TRAINERS – INTRA-ARTICULAR INJECTIONS STAND-DOWN PERIOD

Harness trainers should note the introduction of a new Rule of Racing HR196D, that prohibits the intra-articular administration of any substance to a Standardbred racehorse within 8 clear days of racing. This Rule is effective from 4th December 2020.

Harness Racing Australia has made this decision in the best interests of the welfare of the horse and safety of drivers, whilst being cognisant of Australian racing conditions.

HR 196D reads as follows;

(1) A person shall not within eight (8) clear days of the commencement of a race administer, attempt to administer or cause to be administered an intra-articular injection to a horse nominated for that race.

(2) A Steward shall order the withdrawal or disqualification of a horse that has been either the subject of an administration or an attempted administration of an injection in breach of subrule (1).

(3) A person who fails to comply with sub-rule (1) is guilty of an offence.

(4) For the purposes of this Rule "one clear day" means the twenty four (24) hour period from 12.01 a.m. to midnight.

A "Clear Day" is defined within the Rule to mean a twenty-four hour period from 12:01 a.m. to 12 midnight. For practical purposes, a clear day restriction means that the calculation of the number of days for which the procedure/treatment is banned does not take into account the day of treatment nor the day of racing.

As such a stand down time of 8 clear days equates to 10 regular days when including the day of administration and the

day of racing.

In applying HR196D and by example, a horse subjected to an intra-articular administration with any substance on the 1st day of the month, is ineligible to race until the 10th day of the month.

Trainers are referred to the RWWA Harness Clear Day Rule chart available under veterinary notices on the RWWA website to further assist with the application of clear day principles.

Trainers are advised to contact the RWWA Veterinary Department for further advice on this matter 08 9445 5459 or 08 9445 5305.

INDUSTRY NOTICE – THRESHOLDS FOR COBALT

Cobalt is a naturally occurring trace element which may normally be present in horses at very low levels as a result of the ingestion of feedstuffs that contain it in trace amounts. Cobalt is also present in the structure of vitamin B12 (cyanocobalamin). However, it is known that excessive amounts of cobalt have an effect on the blood system and therefore it can also be considered as a prohibited substance according to the Rules of Racing when it is at levels above those naturally occurring or as a result of routine nutritional sources, thus a threshold level was introduced into the Rules of Harness Racing to control the use of cobalt in race horses.

Please be aware that:

In the RWWA rules of Harness Racing the current threshold for cobalt is 100 micrograms per litre (µg/L) in urine and 25 µg/L in plasma.

Therefore trainers are advised:

- That a normal racing diet is more than sufficient to meet a horse's nutritional requirements for cobalt and vitamin B12.
- That registered injectable cobalt supplements offer no nutritional advantages because incorporation of cobalt into the vitamin B12 molecule occurs within the horse's gut.
- To consult with their veterinarians to ensure that their oral supplementation regimen provides only the amount of cobalt necessary to meet the scientifically established nutritional requirements of the horse for cobalt.
- To administer only nutritional supplements that are manufactured or marketed by reputable companies and to administer such supplements only at the manufacturer's recommended dose and frequency of administration.
- To avoid the simultaneous use of multiple supplements containing cobalt and vitamin B12.
- That administering products that are inadequately labelled, that make claims to enhance racing performance or to be 'undetectable', or which are marketed over the

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internet is extremely unwise.

- To comply with the one clear day restriction on the injection of any substance prior to racing.

Whilst the threshold has been set at a level to allow for normal levels of cobalt supplementation through routine nutritional sources, trainers are advised that the administration of certain registered vitamin supplements, particularly by injection, close to racing may result in a level of cobalt in a subsequent sample that exceeds this threshold. Trainers are therefore advised to avoid the use of these supplements close to racing.

Examples of injectable vitamin supplements that contain cobalt and/or vitamin B12 include, but are not limited, to V.A.M. injection, Hemo-15 and Hemoplex.

Please direct any inquiries to the RWWA Veterinary Department or the Stewards.

RWWA HARNESS INDUSTRY NOTICE – RULE HR 196B

Trainers and other Harness racing industry participants should be aware of Australian Harness Rule of Racing 196B that became effective in Western Australia from 1st September, 2015. This Rule prohibits the use of injections of any type in horses during the One Clear Day prior to racing.

Implications of HR 196B

This rule makes it an offence for any person (including a trainer, anyone else in charge of a racehorse or a veterinarian) to insert a hypodermic needle into a horse within the one clear day prior to a race.

By way of example, if a horse is racing on a Friday, the last time that the horse may be injected is midnight on the Wednesday prior to the race. The horse must not be injected on the Thursday or at any time on the Friday prior to the running of the race. For the purpose of proving a breach of HR 196B, it is not necessary to establish what (if any) substance was injected, or was attempted to have been injected, into the horse.

The one clear day ban on injections prior to competition includes, but is not limited to, the administration by injection, whether intravenously, intramuscularly, subcutaneously or any other route, of the following medications and substances:

- intravenous infusions, fluids and electrolytes;
- vitamin and mineral supplements;
- all Schedule 4 Prescription Animal Remedies and Prescription Medicines for injection, including those specified in AR 178B(2) such as antibiotics, mucolytic agents and anti-arthritis agents; and
- any other agents for administration by injection.

For the purpose of this rule “injection” means, but is not limited to, the insertion of a hypodermic needle into a horse. Under the amended rule, a person also must not insert a needle into a horse for the purpose of blood sampling for

health and fitness assessment during the one clear day prior to competition. The obvious exception to the Rule is the collection of official pre-race or out of competition blood samples at the direction of the Stewards for the purpose of drug analyses.

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR HARNESS TRAINERS AND VETERINARIANS REGARDING THE DETECTION OF THE CORTICOSTEROID DRUG DEXAMETHASONE

Harness trainers and Veterinarians should be aware that the screening limit applied for the corticosteroid drug dexamethasone changed in Western Australia as of the 1st May 2015, and this will result in a longer detection time for the drug in urine.

Background

The Australian Racing Board (ARB) notified RWWA that as of the 1st May 2015 the Thoroughbred Rules of Racing were amended in order to adopt the new International Screening Limit (ISL) for dexamethasone of 0.2ng/mL in urine. This new screening limit was implemented by Australian racing laboratories for samples from Thoroughbred horses with effect from 1 May, 2015.

In the interest of consistency across both horse racing codes within Western Australia, Racing and Wagering WA have advised the ChemCentre WA that as of the 1st May 2015, this new International Screening Limit for dexamethasone of 0.2ng/mL in urine must be applied to all equine samples collected during competition from both Thoroughbred and Standardbred horses.

This screening limit has since been adopted into the Harness Rules of Racing in 2019.

This will have important implications for the detection of dexamethasone following its administration to racehorses, and will lead to a prolongation of detection times for this corticosteroid drug.

By way of an example, the ISL was applied to the analysis of samples collected during an administration trial involving a short-acting dexamethasone preparation (dexamethasone sodium phosphate) given intravenously and conducted as part of the Equine Therapeutics Research Australia (ETRA) project and published by the Rural Industries Research Development Corporation (RIRDC). The published ETRA data sheet for dexamethasone reports a detection time of three days for the dosage regimen and pharmaceutical preparation used in the ETRA trial, and is valid for the new ISL to be applied by the Australian racing laboratories.

It should be noted that this three day detection time for dexamethasone sodium phosphate is longer than the detection time of 48 hours previously reported in the Australian Equine Veterinary Association (now Equine Veterinarians Australia – EVA) publication ‘Detection of Therapeutic Substances in Racing Horses’ (‘The White Book’), using the analytical methodology at that time.

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Therefore veterinarians are advised that recommended withdrawal periods for treatment with dexamethasone sodium phosphate (for example, in products including Colvasone, Dexadrenon, Dexapent, Dexason, Dexol-5, Dexone-5) must be based on the new ETRA data sheet detection time of three (3) days and not on the previous advice provided in the EVA publication, and that trainers are warned accordingly.

It is important to note that a withdrawal (or withholding) period is not the same as a detection period. Any withdrawal period should be calculated based on the published detection time, with the addition of a suitable safety margin based on the circumstances of the administration, including dose, route of administration, preparation administered.

There have been no studies conducted on the detection of long-acting forms of injectable dexamethasone in relation to the ISL, and due to their long and unpredictable excretion, their use in racehorses should be avoided.

TESTING OF NON-RACE DAY (ELECTIVE) SAMPLES

Trainers should be aware that unpredictable and prolonged excretion times can result from the therapeutic use of certain, specific prohibited substances including long-acting corticosteroids (particularly Depo-Medrol - methyl-prednisolone acetate) and procaine, from the use of procaine penicillin.

Elective testing is strongly recommended for the above medication categories as reliable detection times are difficult, and in some cases impossible, to provide.

Through the Stewards, the ChemCentre will analyse non-race day elective urine samples for certain long-acting therapeutic medications, to determine the suitability for racing after treatment.

The following long-acting medications can be tested for under the program:

- Corticosteroids (i.e. Depo-Medrol)
- Procaine (from procaine penicillin)

Trainers and veterinarians are encouraged to use this service; however, it does not remove the responsibility, under the Rules of Racing, for a trainer to present all animals under their control free of any prohibited substances on race-day.

a) Sample Submission

1. Urine is required for testing unless specified otherwise.
2. Samples are submitted through the RWWA Stewards or Veterinary Department.
3. Stewards/RWWA Veterinarians must be advised prior to sample submission.
4. Trainers will be charged through the RWWA accounting system.
5. Samples should be submitted in a clean jar/container with lid or a urine collection bottle available from the Stewards.
6. The following details must be supplied when samples are submitted.
 - Animal name and sex.
 - Medication name/s for which the sample is to be tested.
 - Treatment details i.e. medication/dose/date administered.
 - Trainer's name and contact details

7. Stewards will advise trainer when results are received

Cost of sample analysis (all prices include GST)

- \$200.00 per medication category
- Results will be available approx. 7 working days after sample submission to the ChemCentre.
- For further information contact the RWWA Veterinary Department 9445 5459 or Stewards

SCREENING LIMITS

For the purpose of Thoroughbred Rule AR 257 and Harness Rule HRR 188B, it is hereby notified that screening limits applicable to the following therapeutic substances, as approved by Racing Australia and Harness Racing Australia, are set out as follows;

- acepromazine - 0.02 nanograms per millilitre (ng/mL) in plasma
- acepromazine - 10ng/mL of the 2-(1-hydroxyethyl) promazine sulphoxide metabolite in urine
- betamethasone - 0.20ng/mL in urine
- butorphanol - 0.01ng/mL in plasma
- butorphanol - 1ng/mL in urine
- carprofen - 100ng/mL in plasma
- carprofen - 100ng/mL in urine
- dantrolene - 3ng/mL of 5-hydroxydantrolene in unhydrolysed urine
- detomidine - 0.02ng/mL of the 3'-hydroxydetomidine metabolite in plasma
- detomidine - 2ng/mL of the 3'-hydroxydetomidine metabolite in urine
- dexamethasone - 0.2ng/mL in urine
- diclofenac - 50ng/mL in urine
- dipyrone - 1000ng/mL of the 4-methylaminoantipyrine metabolite in urine
- eltenac - 50ng/mL in urine
- firocoxib - 2 ng/mL in plasma
- flunixin - 1ng/mL in plasma
- flunixin - 100ng/mL in urine
- frusemide - 0.1ng/mL in plasma
- frusemide - 50ng/mL in urine
- hyoscine butylbromide (or n-butylscopolammonium) - 0.05ng/mL in plasma
- hyoscine butylbromide (or n-butylscopolammonium) - 25ng/mL in urine
- ipratropium - 0.25ng/mL in urine
- ketoprofen - 100ng/mL in urine
- ketoprofen - 2 ng/mL in plasma under the condition of a single IV or oral dose
- lignocaine - 0.05ng/mL in plasma
- lignocaine - 10ng/mL of the 3'-hydroxylignocaine metabolite in urine
- meclofenamic acid - 5ng/mL in plasma
- meclofenamic acid - 250ng/mL in urine

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- medetomidine – 0.02ng/mL of 3'-hydroxymedetomidine in plasma
- medetomidine – 5ng/mL of 3'-hydroxymedetomidine in urine
- meloxicam – 1ng/mL in plasma
- meloxicam – 10ng/mL in urine
- mepivacaine – 0.05ng/mL in plasma
- mepivacaine – 10ng/mL of the 3'-hydroxymepivacaine metabolite in urine
- methocarbamol – 100ng/mL in urine (when restricted to a single oral or IV treatment of no more than 5 grams of methocarbamol)
- naproxen – 250ng/mL in urine
- phenylbutazone – 100ng/mL in plasma
- phenylbutazone – 100ng/mL in urine
- romifidine – 1ng/mL in urine
- salbutamol – 0.5ng/mL in urine
- triamcinolone acetonide – 0.5ng/mL in urine
- vedaprofen – 50ng/mL in urine
- vedaprofen – 5 ng/mL in plasma

Screening limits do not affect liability

The implementation of screening limits in racing is not intended and

does not operate to mean that for the purpose of the Rules of Racing the therapeutic substance only becomes a prohibited substance if and when the screening limit is exceeded.

It shall not be a defence to any charge under the rules of racing that the result of any initial screening test should have been below the screening limit for the therapeutic substance in question."

Advice of detection periods

Industry participants are advised that more information on the detection periods for many of the therapeutic drugs assigned screening limits is available on the Agrifutures

website: agrifutures.com.au/rural-industries/thoroughbred-horses/

In making any decision regarding the administration of a prohibited substance to a horse that is entered to race, industry participants are reminded of their responsibilities in undertaking the appropriate level of due diligence and risk analysis in researching the available information on detection periods, including the seeking of veterinary advice and adding an adequate safety margin. Participants are advised to take a conservative approach, and consider all variables such as dose, length of treatment and route of administration, when calculating withdrawal times for therapeutic substances where information on detection times is available.

Participants are also advised that a best-practice approach would dictate that no medication, irrespective of its detection period, should be given within 2 clear days of racing.

OFFICIAL RACING LABORATORIES

"Official Racing Laboratory" means an analytical racing laboratory which is approved by Racing Australia.

Note: The following have been approved by Racing Australia as Official Racing Laboratories:

Australian Racing Forensic Laboratory, Sydney

Queensland Racing Integrity Commission - Racing Science Centre,

Brisbane

Racing Analytical Services Limited, Melbourne

Racing Chemistry Laboratory, Chemistry Centre (W.A.), Perth

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Racing Laboratory, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

New Zealand Racing Laboratory Services Limited, Avondale, Auckland, New Zealand

Sport and Specialised Analytical Services, LGC, Fordham, Ely, Cambridgeshire, United Kingdom

Australian Sports Drug Testing Laboratory, Sydney ChemCentre, Western Australia

National Measurement Institute (NMI), Sydney (trace element analysis)

Institute of Biochemistry, German Sport University, Cologne, Germany

Laboratory of Racing Chemistry, Tochigi, Japan (reserve portion/B sample analysis)

ARSENIC - NOTICE TO HORSE TRAINERS

Trainers and industry participants are reminded that Arsenic is a prohibited substance under both the Harness and Thoroughbred Australian Rules of Racing, when found at a level above the threshold value of 0.30 milligrams per litre in urine.

Arsenic is a chemical element which occurs in many minerals and trace amounts may be present commonly in feeds and in groundwater in the environment.

Registered veterinary products that contain Arsenic -based compounds include:

- Arcyl Solution for Injection
- Ferrocyll injection
- Troy Invigorate Injection
- Jurocyll Injection.

Horse trainers are therefore reminded to avoid using these preparations close to racing, and a useful guideline is not to administer them following a single dose within a 5 clear day period before racing. Multiple administrations will prolong this period, so extreme caution must be exercised if administering them on consecutive days. The administration of any of these preparations must be recorded as treatment in a trainer's medication log book.

A recent Australian study concluded that it is possible that Arsenic levels in horse urine may be elevated following the ingestion by a horse of Chromated Copper Arsenate (CCA) treated pine timber, a common component of horse stables and paddock fencing.

Consequently, RWWA Stewards advise that it would be prudent for trainers and industry participants to conduct an environmental audit of their facilities to ensure they eliminate access of the racehorses in their care to CCA treated pine timber products, or any other product that may present a similar risk of an elevated arsenic level in any race day sample.

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RWWA Stewards recently concluded several inquiries into matters relating to the presentation of horses by trainers with Arsenic levels above the threshold. In those matters a conviction without penalty was recorded and the horses concerned were disqualified. RWWA provides notice to trainers and industry participants that future action taken by RWWA Stewards, in matters relating to the presentation of horses with Arsenic levels which exceed the threshold, may result in penalties being imposed, regardless of any evidence relating to ingestion of CCA treated timber products or any other source.

Queries can be directed to your Veterinarian or the RWWA Veterinary Department on (08) 9445 5459.

22 February, 2018.

NOTICE TO TRAINERS RE ALTRENOGEST PRODUCTS

RWWA advises WA horse trainers and veterinarians to take note of the following information concerning potential contamination of certain batches of altrenogest products;

It has been recently discovered that certain batches of altrenogest products may contain low level traces of trenbolone and/or trendione.

Trainers and veterinarians should avoid using injectable products containing altrenogest, and as a precaution, should not administer oral altrenogest products within at least one clear day prior to racing.

Trainers are reminded of the requirement for all treatments to be recorded by midnight on the day on which the treatment was given.

HARNESS RULE OF RACING - ADMINISTRATION OF ALKALINISING AGENTS

Trainers should take particular note of Harness Rule of Racing 196C that bans the administration of alkalinising agents to a horse, both on the day of a race and during the one Clear Day prior to the day of the race.

The purpose of this notice is to explain the rule and to assist trainers and veterinary practitioners in managing compliance.

This rule makes it an offence to administer, attempt to administer or cause to be administered, both on the day of a race and during the one clear day prior to a race, any substance that meets the below definition of an alkalinising agent.

For the purposes of Rule 196C, an alkalinising agent is defined as any substance that may elevate the plasma total carbon dioxide (TCO₂) of a horse when administered by any route.

One Clear Day is defined within the Rule to mean a twenty four hour period from 12:01 a.m. to 12 midnight. For practical purposes, a clear day restriction means that the calculation of the number of days for which the procedure/ treatment is banned does not take into account the day of treatment nor the day of racing.

For example, the restriction on the administration of alkalinising agents is one clear day. This means that if a horse is racing on a Friday, the last time it may be administered alkalinising agents, is midnight on the Wednesday. In this case, the Clear Day is the Thursday

A clear day is not the 24 hour period prior to the time of racing.

Alkalinising agents that must not be administered either on the day of the race or within the one clear day prior to racing include, but are not limited to; bicarbonates, citrates, succinates, acetates, propionates, maleates, lactates and trometamol (e.g. THAM, tris buffer or trometamine) and also include products marketed as urinary alkalinisers and hind gut buffers. Products that contain alkalinising agents and which fall within this definition include proprietary formulations such as: Sodium Bicarbonate ("bicarb"), sodium citrate, Baladene®, Lang's Solution® for intravenous use, Neutra-Syrup®, Neutralka®, Neutrolene®, Neutrolene Plus® and Neutradex® and any other products that are marketed as lactic acid buffering or neutralising products. These products must not be administered to a horse on the day of the race prior to racing, or within the one clear day prior to race day.

This rule does not prohibit the use of balanced, commercial electrolyte supplements or feeds which may contain some alkalinising agents, but which can be demonstrated to have negligible effects on plasma TCO₂ when administered in feed according to the manufacturer's recommendations for normal daily use. These commercial balanced electrolyte supplements may be fed in normally recommended amounts within the one clear day. Examples of normal balanced electrolyte products would include such proprietary preparations as; Applyte Gel®, Electromix®, Electro Paste®, Electrovite Paste®, Equilyte®, Endura-Max®, Endura-Max Paste®, Equicharge®, Horsport®, Humidimix®, KelatoLYTE Electrolyte Replacer®, Ranvet Electrolytes®, Recharge®, Restore®, Salkavite® and Vetsense®.

Regardless of the operation of this rule, in the event that an elevated level of TCO₂ beyond the threshold is detected from any sample taken by the Stewards, the rule does not provide a defence to a charge laid against a person under the Rules. Consequently even if a product that is described or may be described as a 'balanced electrolyte supplement', such as the examples above, is fed/administered and a horse returns an elevated level of TCO₂ greater than 36.0mm/L, the absolute and strict liability operation of the 'presentation' rule remains and an offence is committed.

CONTROL OF RACE DAY TREATMENT/MEDICATION OF RACEHORSES

With a number of Rules now restricting medication and treatments of various kinds before competition, the following are guidelines regarding medications/treatments that may be approved by the Stewards on veterinary advice when a request is made to the Stewards for permission to treat a horse on race day.

Guidelines for treatments/medications that can be permitted on race day prior to the race – prior approval of the Stewards

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not required

Topical application of hoof oils/dressings/grooming products

The application of routine, non-medicated hoof oils/dressings is permitted on the day of racing. The exception is those products that contain medications or herbs that claim therapeutic effects such as analgesia or anti-inflammatory actions.

The application of commercial baby oil or petroleum jelly preparations to lubricate/prevent chaffing of a body area, or a grooming product, is permitted to be applied pre-race. Any product so used must be kept in its original container that has applied to it the original product label, must not be altered or modified by the addition of any other substance/s, and must be available for inspection by the Stewards and official veterinarian. The Stewards may take possession of any such preparation for testing for prohibited substances.

Shampoos and fly sprays

Shampoos, including those that are antiseptic or contain an anti-fungal agent, are permitted to be used on race day prior to racing. Fly sprays are permitted to be used on race day prior to racing.

Physical therapy as treatment

Vibratory massage systems may be used in the stable on the morning of the day of the race but are not permitted on the racecourse.

The application of ice/cold water to musculoskeletal structures

The application of ice or chilled water to, or the use of whirlpool boots or systems such as "Game Ready" on musculoskeletal structures are permitted in the trainer's stables on the morning of race day but are not permitted to be used pre-race in the race day stalls on-course.

Treatments/medications permitted on race day before the race – prior approval of the Stewards required

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While creams, ointments and powders for topical use are considered to be medications, circumstances may arise when a horse suffers a minor wound that does not affect its suitability to race but would benefit from the application of a topical antibiotic or antiseptic treatment. Such a preparation must be a registered veterinary preparation or human therapeutic good which contains only an antibiotic or antiseptic as its active ingredient, and which is clearly stated as such on its product label. Any product so used must be kept in its original container that has applied to it the original product label, must not be altered or modified by the addition of any other substance/s, and must be available for inspection by the Stewards and official veterinarian. The Stewards may take possession of any such preparation for testing for prohibited

substances.

Trainers must apply to the Stewards for permission to administer a topical antiseptic/antibiotic preparation before a race on race day. Horses having received such permission for the application of a topical medication must be inspected by an official veterinarian on arrival at the racecourse.

Treatments/medications prohibited on race day prior to the race

Routes of administration

Unless excepted in the guidelines above, any substance administered by injection, by stomach tube, by paste, by dose syringe, by topical application or by inhalation will be considered to be a treatment and must not be administered on race day prior to the race. Furthermore, there are other pre-competition restrictions on certain treatments/procedures imposed within the Harness rules that trainers must be aware of.

Clay poultices

Clay poultices may be applied to the legs no later than the day before racing but must be removed the morning of the race and must not be re-applied on race day before the race. All traces of clay poultices must be removed prior to arrival on-course.

Glycerine and Vicks Vaporub®

The application of Glycerine and/or Vicks Vaporub® by any means is not permitted prior to racing on race day.

Physical therapy as treatment

The following physical treatments are not permitted to be used at any time before racing on the day of a race:

- acupuncture
- laser and infra-red treatments
- chiropractic manipulations
- magnetic field therapy
- transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS) and any other form of electrical stimulation

Extra-corporeal shock wave treatment (ESWT)

Shock wave treatment of racehorses is prohibited for seven clear days prior to racing.

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CONTROL OF RACE DAY MEDICATION INFORMATION

A FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF AUSTRALIAN RACING IS THAT HORSES MUST RACE FREE OF THE PHARMACOLOGICAL (OR TOXICOLOGICAL) EFFECT OF DRUGS OR OTHER SUBSTANCES.

TO ASSIST IN MAINTAINING THIS PRINCIPLE, IT IS **NOT PERMITTED TO ADMINISTER ANY MEDICATION TO A HORSE ON RACE DAY PRIOR TO IT RUNNING IN A RACE**

"MEDICATION" MEANS ANY TREATMENT WITH DRUGS OR OTHER SUBSTANCES.

AS A GENERAL PRINCIPLE, ANY SUBSTANCE ADMINISTERED WITH THE INTENT OR HOPE OF ACHIEVING A PHARMACOLOGICAL EFFECT / THERAPEUTIC EFFECT WILL BE CONSIDERED AS A MEDICATION UNDER THE RULES.

PRODUCTS THAT CLAIM TO PROVIDE PHARMACOLOGICAL EFFECTS AND TO BE UNDETECTABLE.

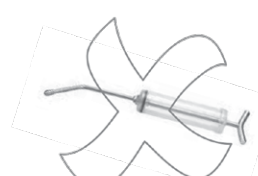
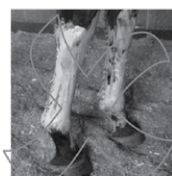
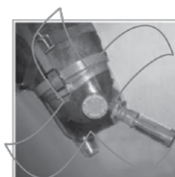
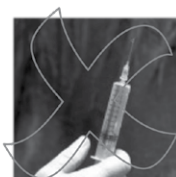
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THESE TYPES OF PRODUCTS FALL WITHIN THE DEFINITION OF A MEDICATION AND ARE NOT ALLOWED TO BE ADMINISTERED TO A HORSE ON RACE DAY PRIOR TO A RACE.

ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION NOT PERMITTED ON RACE DAY

ANY SUBSTANCE ADMINISTERED TO A HORSE ON RACEDAY PRIOR TO RACING BY INJECTION, STOMACH TUBE, PASTE, DOSE SYRINGE, TOPICAL APPLICATION OR BY INHALATION, AMONGST ANY OTHER ROUTES OF ADMINISTRATION, **WILL BE CONSIDERED A MEDICATION.**

ONLY NORMAL FEEDING AND SUPPLEMENTATION, ACCORDING TO MANUFACTURE'S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR NORMAL DAILY USE, THAT CAN BE ACHIEVED BY THE HORSE VOLUNTARILY EATING OR DRINKING THE FEEDSTUFF CAN BE CONSIDERED ACCEPTABLE ON THE DAY OF RACING.



PHYSICAL THERAPIES NOT PERMITTED ON RACE DAY

THE FOLLOWING PHYSICAL TREATMENTS ARE **NOT** PERMITTED, BY ORDER OF THE STEWARDS, TO BE USED AT ANYTIME BEFORE RACING ON THE DAY OF RACING.

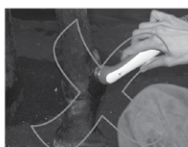
PHYSICAL TREATMENTS WHICH ARE NOT TO BE GIVEN ON RACE DAY INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

ACUPUNCTURE (INCLUDING LASER AND INFRA-RED TREATMENT)
TRANSCUTANEOUS ELECTRICAL NERVE STIMULATION (TENS)

MAGNETIC FIELD THERAPY
AND ANY OTHER FORM OF ELECTRICAL STIMULATION

THERAPEUTIC ULTRASOUND

EXTRA-CORPOREAL SHOCK WAVE (ESWT) TREATMENT OF RACEHORSES IS PROHIBITED FOR **SEVEN (7) CLEAR DAYS** PRIOR TO RACING.



PERMITTED ON RACE DAY

APPLICATION OF ICE / COLD WATER TO MUSCULOSKELETAL STRUCTURES

THE APPLICATION OF ICE OR CHILLED WATER, WHIRLPOOL BOOTS OR SYSTEMS SUCH AS 'GAME READY', TO MUSCULOSKELETAL STRUCTURES IS PERMITTED ON THE MORNING OF RACE DAY IN THE STABLES BUT IS **NOT PERMITTED ON THE RACECOURSE PRIOR TO A HORSE RUNNING IN A RACE.**



SEEK PERMISSION — TOPICAL APPLICATIONS

WHILE TOPICAL APPLICATIONS ARE CONSIDERED TO BE MEDICATIONS, CIRCUMSTANCES MAY ARISE WHEN A HORSE MAY SUFFER A MINOR INJURY, THAT DOES NOT AFFECT ITS SUITABILITY TO RACE BUT WOULD BENEFIT FROM THE PROPHYLACTIC APPLICATION OF A TOPICAL ANTIBIOTIC OR ANTISEPTIC.

IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, A **TRAINER MUST APPLY PRIOR TO THE STEWARDS** FOR PERMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE MEDICATION.



THE APPLICATION OF HOOF OILS

THE APPLICATION OF ROUTINE HOOF OILS IS PERMITTED ON THE DAY OF RACING, EXCEPT IF THAT PRODUCTS CONTAINS MEDICATIONS OR HERBS THAT CLAIM THERAPEUTIC EFFECTS SUCH AS ANALGESIA OR ANTI-INFLAMMATORY ACTIONS.



BABY OIL & PETROLEUM JELLY

BABY OIL & PETROLEUM JELLY ARE PERMITTED.



SHAMPOOS & FLY SPRAYS

SHAMPOOS & FLY SPRAYS ARE PERMITTED.



VIBRATORY MASSAGE E.G. EQUISSAGE

VIBRATORY MASSAGE SYSTEMS MAY BE USED IN THE STABLE ON THE MORNING OF THE RACE DAY BUT ARE **NOT PERMITTED ON THE RACECOURSE.**



IF YOU ARE UNSURE PLEASE CONTACT RWWA VETERINARY DEPARTMENT (08) 9445 5459 OR STEWARDS (HARNESS (08) 9445 5157) (THOROUGHBRED (08) 9445 5570)

This should not be regarded as a substitute for a comprehensive study of the Australian and WA Local Rules of Racing which are available at <http://www.rwwa.com.au/home/industry/rules-policies.html>

HARNESS RACING CLEAR DAY RULE CHARTS

THE CHARTS BELOW RELATE TO HARNESS RULES OF RACING WHICH PROHIBIT THE ADMINISTRATION OF SUBSTANCES OR TREATMENTS FOR A NUMBER OF DAYS AND/OR CLEAR DAYS PRIOR TO A RACE OR OFFICIAL TRIAL.

THESE CHARTS SEEK TO ASSIST THE TRAINER BY VISUALLY SHOWING THE DAYS ON WHICH SUBSTANCES OR TREATMENTS CANNOT BE ADMINISTERED.

THE YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS REPRESENT **CLEAR DAYS** ON WHICH THE SUBSTANCE OR TREATMENT CAN NOT BE ADMINISTERED. THE GREEN HIGHLIGHTS REPRESENT THE DAY OF THE **RACE OR OFFICIAL TRIAL**. THE RED HIGHLIGHTS REPRESENT THE **LAST DAY THE SUBSTANCE OR TREATMENT CAN BE ADMINISTERED**. SUBSTANCES OR TREATMENTS CANNOT BE ADMINISTERED ON THE DAY OF A RACE OR OFFICIAL TRIAL, PRIOR TO THAT RACE OR OFFICIAL TRIAL.

8 CLEAR DAYS — INTRA-ARTICULAR (IA) ADMINISTRATION OF ANY SUBSTANCE (196D)

| WED | THURS | FRI | SAT | SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT | SUN | MON |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|
| IA ADMIN | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | RACEDAY TRIAL | | | |
| | | | IA ADMIN | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | RACEDAY TRIAL |

7 CLEAR DAYS — SHOCK WAVE THERAPY (HR 213B)

| WED | THURS | FRI | SAT | SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT | SUN | MON |
|-----|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|------------------|-----------|-----------|------------------|
| | SHOCK WAVE | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | CLEAR DAY | RACEDAY OR TRIAL | | | |
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1 CLEAR DAY — INJECTIONS (HR 196B) & ALKALINISING AGENTS (HR 196C)

| SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT |
|---|-----------|----------|---|-----------|----------|-----|
| ALL INJECTIONS ALKALINISING AGENT ADMINISTRATION | CLEAR DAY | RACE DAY | | | | |
| | | | ALL INJECTIONS ALKALINISING AGENT ADMINISTRATION | CLEAR DAY | RACE DAY | |

48 HOURS (FROM THE COMMENCEMENT TIME OF RACE) — STOMACH TUBING & ATOMISERS/FACE MASKS (HR 193)

| SUN | MON | TUES | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT |
|--|-----------|----------|--|-----------|----------|-----|
| STOMACH TUBING TREATMENT ATOMISER OR FACE MASK USE (with prohibited substances) | CLEAR DAY | RACE DAY | | | | |
| | | | STOMACH TUBING TREATMENT ATOMISER OR FACE MASK USE (with prohibited substances) | CLEAR DAY | RACE DAY | |

EXEMPTED SUBSTANCES (HR 188A (3))

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THURS | FRI | SAT |
|-----|---------------------|----------|-----|---------------------|----------|-----|
| | EXEMPTED SUBSTANCES | RACE DAY | | | | |
| | | | | EXEMPTED SUBSTANCES | RACE DAY | |

THE FOLLOWING ORALLY ADMINISTERED SUBSTANCES ARE EXEMPTED FROM THE PROVISIONS OF RULE HR188A, AND MAY BE ADMINISTERED UP TO BUT **NOT INCLUDING THE DAY OF A RACE**

ANTIMICROBIALS (ANTIBIOTICS) - BUT NOT PROCAINE PENICILLIN

RANITIDINE (E.G. ULCERGUARD®)

BROMHEXINE

DEMBREXINE

ALTRENOGEST WHEN ADMINISTERED TO FILLIES AND MARES (E.G. REGUMATE®)

ANTIPARASITICS APPROVED AND REGISTERED FOR USE IN HORSES

OMEPRAZOLE (E.G. GASTROZOL®, OMOGUARD®)

CHONDROITIN SULPHATE (E.G. COSEQUIN EQUINE®)

GLUCOSAMINE (E.G. JOINT GUARD®)

IF YOU ARE UNSURE PLEASE CONTACT RWWA STEWARDS (08) 9445 5110 OR VETERINARY DEPARTMENT (08) 9445 5459 OR (08) 9445 5305

AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF RACING

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO RWWA RULES OF HARNESS RACING

In accordance with Section 45 (1) (b) of the Racing and Wagering Western Australia Act 2003, notice is hereby given that the Board of Racing and Wagering WA has resolved that the RWWA Rules of Harness Racing be amended as follows;

Local Rule amendment applicable 1 June 2021

Add Local Rule 156A(2)

LR156A. Approved Whip

(1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Rule 156A, the approved whip may be any approved by the Controlling Body in its absolute discretion.

(2) For the purposes of Rule 156, the following whips are approved by the Controlling Body for use in races, official trials, and trackwork. (added 1/6/21)

(a) Walsh

(b) Finntack

(c) Yonies

(d) Harness Special

The current Harness Rules of Racing (HRR156) prescribe that a driver shall only use and be in possession of a whip approved by the Controlling Body which has not been modified in any manner and that is maintained in satisfactory condition.

Rule 156A prescribes the specification of such whip as being "The approved whip is a flexible whip of black or dark tan colour with a core of fibreglass with a handle base and shaft and either a leather keeper to a maximum of 60 millimetres in length and 20 millimetres in width or a non rigid tip amounting to a maximum overall length of 1600mm".

Whilst work is ongoing by Harness Racing Australia in assessing various whip types, the absence of prescribed manufacturers raises difficulties in identifying potentially unsuitable whips that otherwise appear to conform with the specifications set out in Rule 156.

Local Rule 156A(2) has been adopted to specify that only whips made by reputable and identifiable manufacturers are approved to prevent the construction of alternative whips that at face value conform with specifications but potentially have greater potential to cause welting. This will ensure better control of the type of whips being used by limiting them to industry acceptable manufacturers.

The addition of this rule involved consultation with BOTRA, Senior Drivers and the Harness Racing Consultative Group.

Stewards will be inspecting whips and it will be expected that all Drivers whips are confirmed as compliant with the new rule by 1 June 2021.

Whips that cannot be identified or confirmed as being produced by the listed manufacturers will not be allowed to be used after 1 June 2021.

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO RWWA RULES OF HARNESS RACING APPLICABLE 1 AUGUST 2020

In accordance with Section 45 (1) (b) of the Racing and Wagering Western Australia Act 2003, notice is hereby given that the Board of Racing and Wagering WA has resolved that the RWWA Rules

of Harness Racing be amended as follows;

Harness Racing Australia advised of amendments to the National Rules which are applicable in Western Australia as from 1 August 2020. These rule changes have also resulted in some amendments to Local Rules as mentioned below.

Rule amendments

Amend definition of "Racing Year" in Schedule 1 Dictionary

"Racing year" means the period commencing 1st January in a calendar year and concluding on 31st December in the same year.

Amend Rules 92(1), 92(2)

92. Age

1. *Save and except for sub-rule (2), provided that the service date of the foal is on or after 1st September the age of a horse shall be reckoned as beginning on 1st January in the next but one racing year.*
2. *If a horse is foaled in New Zealand between 1st August and 31st August inclusive its age shall be reckoned as beginning on 1st January in the next but one racing year.*

Amend listing of Local Rule 35A to be re-listed as Rule 35A. Repeal Rules 35A(1), 35A(2). Add new Local Rule 35A

35A. Conditions and Restrictions (listing amended 1/8/20 formerly LR35A)

1. *(Repealed 1/8/20)*
2. *(Repealed 1/8/20)*
3. *A horse shall not compete in a trial before it attains the age of 2 years. LR 35A Yearlings*

LR35A Yearlings

If a horse is a yearling:

(a) the horse is ineligible for; and

(b) a person must not enter or start the horse in, any race or official trial

to be conducted prior to the 1st of September.

Advice from HRA in relation to these amendments;

The Executive of Harness Racing Australia wishes to advise that the current 2019/20 racing season has been extended to 31 December 2020.

Following the determination of the Executive and approval of the HRA Members, the racing season has been extended to the calendar year end. The HRA Executive determined that the extension of this season allows the various State Controlling Bodies time to consider the reprogramming of various Feature and Futurity Races which have been, or will be, impacted by the direct or related effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The extension to the season is for the current 2019/20 racing season only and does not alter the breeding season. From a racing perspective, all Standardbreds will keep their current age through to 31 December 2020.

For further information, contact Harness Racing Australia by email to: hra@hra.com.au

With regard to National rule 35A in WA this rule currently appears as Local Rule 35A but the wording is identical to that of the pre 1

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August 2020 National Rule. Local Rule 35A is therefore amended so that it is listed as a National Rule rather than a Local Rule.

The amendments to these rules will result in the commencement of two year old racing in January 2021. To be able to race as a 2 year old it will need to have trialed but Rule 35A(3) states;

“A horse shall not compete in a trial before it attains the age of 2 years”.

Due to the change in racing season we need to allow yearlings to trial prior to turning two year old on the 1st January 2021 as they will not be eligible to qualify to race as a 2 year old unless they have trialed. Under the current rule 2 year olds can trial from 1st September and a new local rule has been added, under the exceptional circumstances presented to us by the change of season, to allow yearlings to trial to ensure we can start 2 year old racing in January. The above new Local Rule 35 therefore needs to be added to allow yearlings to trial leading up to the 1st January 2021.

Delete and replace the Australian Handicapping Rules

The current Australian Handicapping Rules have also been deleted and replaced. These rules have no current effect in Western Australia due to RWWA's Conditioned Racing System which came into effect on 16 November 2018, however they are updated within our rule book as they are used by the RWWA Racing Department when re-handicapping interstate horses that are to race in WA.

Harness Racing Australia (HRA) advised of amendments to the National Rules which are applicable in Western Australia as from 1 September 2020.

NOTICE OF AMENDMENTS TO RWWA RULES OF HARNESS RACING APPLICABLE 1 SEPTEMBER 2020

Harness Racing Australia advised of the below amendments to the National Rules which are applicable in Western Australia as from 1 September 2020.

A HRA news article in relation to the below whip rule and an educational video appear on the HRA website.

Rule amendments

Add definition:

“Breeding Season” means the period commencing 1 September in a calendar year and ending 31 August in the following calendar year.

Whip rules amendments

Amend Rule 156(2)(a),(b)

- (2) (a) A driver shall only apply the whip in a wrist only flicking motion whilst holding a rein in each hand with the tip of the whip pointed forward in an action which does not engage the shoulder.
- (b) For the purposes of sub-paragraph (a), **“wrist only flicking motion”** means:-
- (i) Ensuring no force is generated by the use of the elbow or shoulder when applying the whip.
 - (ii) The forearm is not raised beyond forty-five degrees relative to the racing surface.
 - (iii) Not applying the whip with overt force.

Add new Rule 156(4)(d)

(4) For the purposes of sub-rule (3) a driver shall be deemed to have used the whip in an unapproved manner in the following circumstances which are not exclusive:-

- (d) If the whip is used in a prodding or jabbing fashion.

The Harness Racing Australia website contains a news article in relation to these whips rules and an educational video.

Sire summary sheet and related matters

Renumber existing Rule 275(6) to 275(8) and existing Rule 275(7) to 275(9)

Add new rules 275(6) and 275(7)

275.(6) (a) Subject to paragraph (b), in a breeding season the total number of mares bred in accordance with Parts 18 and 19 of these Rules to a sire registered in Australia including free returns from a previous breeding season shall not exceed 150.

(b) In the breeding season commencing 1 September 2020 and ending 31 August 2021 the total number of mares bred to a stallion registered in Australia may exceed 150 to a maximum of 170 provided that:

- (i) each additional foal is the progeny of a free return to that sire; and,
- (ii) the free return must be to the same mare and that sire; and,
- (iii) the studmaster has made written application to HRA to use the free return and the application has been approved.

(7) A horse that is foaled in contravention of sub-rule (6) shall not be eligible for registration.

(8) The Controlling Body may from time to time change the information required to be recorded under this rule, the way in which it is recorded and the manner, form and time in which information is to be supplied, materials or documents lodged or issued, or application made to the Controlling Body or other person.

(9) A person who fails to comply with any provision of this rule is guilty of an offence.

Transported Semen

Add new Rule 285A(1) and 285A(2)

285A.(1) (a) Semen from an Australian registered sire which has died or disappeared or been gelded shall, subject to sub-paragraph (b) only be used in the breeding season in which the sire has died or disappeared or been gelded or the next breeding season.

(b) If a broodmare has been inseminated by the sire which has died or disappeared or been gelded and that insemination did not produce a live foal then the progeny of a subsequent insemination of the same broodmare by the same sire shall be eligible for registration in the second breeding season following the death or disappearance or gelding of the sire.

(2) The provisions of sub-rule (1) do not apply to a registered standardbred which has prior to 1 September, 2020 died, disappeared or been gelded.

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NEW PROCEDURE FOR THE MICROCHIPPING OF STANDARDBRED FOALS IN WA - DISCONTINUANCE OF FREEZE BRANDING

Following a decision by Harness Racing Australia (HRA) in September 2020 all foals born in WA during the forthcoming foaling season will only be microchipped as a means identification.

Freeze branding will therefore be discontinued for any foals born from then onwards.

In WA the procedure of microchipping can only be carried out by a veterinary surgeon or by a veterinary nurse under the direct supervision of a veterinary surgeon i.e. the veterinary surgeon has to be present at the time for direct supervision.

Since 2017 the veterinary costs of microchip insertion in standardbred foals has been borne by the breeder, however with the new "microchip only" process the current RWWA foaling registration fee will remain stable and it will include the veterinary costs of microchipping, i.e. breeders will no longer have the Veterinary charges they are currently paying to have a microchip applied.

As from the coming foaling season RWWA has contracted a veterinarian who will travel around the state microchipping foals and collecting DNA samples in the same manner that the freeze branding contractor does at present.

Breeders continue to be responsible for notifying RWWA of the birth of a foal, within the required 21 days of foaling. As is currently the case, penalties apply for late notification of foaling.

There are no issues with breeders applying their own shoulder freeze brands should they choose to do so. Any brands applied must be promptly notified to the RWWA Licensing & Registrations (L&R) department.

Foals born before this coming foaling season that have not been microchipped will still be subject to the previous process.

Breeders are reminded;

- The notification of the birth of a foal (completed Certificates of Service) must be lodged with RWWA within 21 days of foaling, late lodgements fees apply.
- Entitlements to Breeders Bonuses

Within the RWWA Rules of Harness Racing a "Breeder" is;

(a) In the case of a foal which is the result of an embryo transfer, the registered owner or lessee of the donor mare at the time the embryo is flushed from such donor mare and impregnated into a recipient mare.

(b) In all other cases, the registered owner or lessee of the dam at the time of last date of service.

The RWWA L&R department receives many queries from participants in regard to Breeders Bonus payments. For clarification, in relation to future entitlements to Breeders Bonus payments, the Owner or breeding lessee of the dam at the last date of service is deemed to be "the breeder" of a foal. It is therefore essential for Breeders to lodge all transfers of ownership, or breeding leases, of a dam with RWWA prior to any last date of

service (mating/insemination) being completed.

Any queries can be directed to the RWWA L&R department on 9445 5507.

RACING COLOURS WITH LOGOS

Applications for registration of Racing Colours with Logos may be lodged provided they comply with the following strict criteria.

The use of numerals, letters, words, offensive motifs and use of commercial property or logos promoting or displaying a company, business or commercial undertaking are restricted.

The use of a business/company logo (with or without the display of its business name) may be used under the following circumstances:

- ***That the logo design does not resemble any registered Trade Mark.***
- ***That the logo design is solely associated with a harness racing-related business/company. ie; Racing Stable, Public Syndicator of Race Horses, Stud farm etc, (excluding any wagering operators).***
- ***That the business/company must be registered with an active ABN/ACN, and in the case of a Public Syndicator of Race Horses, a Dealer's Licence and Registration must have been issued by ASIC/RWWA.***
- ***That any wording is specifically that of the registered Business/Company name.***
- ***That the logo is not offensive, or in breach of standards of good taste (exercised by RWWA in its discretion).***
- ***That the logo does not breach any Australian laws in relation to advertising.***
- ***That once approved the logo cannot be altered in any way without the prior permission of RWWA.***

Any application for the registration of colours using a business/company logo, must contain all documentation required to substantiate the criteria contained in the regulations.

RWWA reserves the right to refuse any application that does not satisfy the specific criteria listed in the Regulations.

Application forms are available to download from the RWWA Website. Please direct any queries to the Licensing & Registration Department on 9445 5558.

NOTICE TO ALL RACING PARTICIPANTS

Transfer of Ownership

Funds are often withheld at the request of the 'new' owner when a transfer of ownership has taken place, as the outgoing owner has not submitted the paperwork within the correct time. There are specific rules that apply to each code in the treatment of transfers. These being;

Harness Rule 109 - the paperwork must be submitted within 7 days of entering into a lease or prior to the horse next racing, whichever is earlier and Rule 111 in respect to a transfer of ownership.

Thoroughbred AR.34 - in respect to a lease the Principal Racing Authority may refuse to accept for registration any lease, and may insist on the inclusion in a lease of provisions it considers essential.

Greyhounds R117 - within ten (10) days lodge a prescribed transfer

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of ownership form and Rule 119 in respect of a lease.

These rules will now be enforced so that the owner recorded with RWWA at the time of racing will be paid any monies earned. Payments will no longer be held due to paperwork not being lodged within the required time.

REGISTRATION CERTIFICATES

Trainers are advised not to lodge a Stable Return for a horse unless they are in possession of the horse's Registration Certificate or have access to the electronic certificate in HarnessWeb.

The brand on the Registration Certificate should match the brand on the horse and should be the brand written on the Stable Return or appearing on the HarnessWeb site.

NAMING POLICY - HARNESS

Following queries regarding the existing policy requiring that only original documents as being acceptable in relation to transacting Harness registration, a review has been conducted of the existing protocols in this regard. As a result the following amendment has been made to internal policy in relation to the naming of Standardbred horses. Unless indicated to the contrary, RWWA will now accept electronic documents for all transactions.

This policy also relates to the naming of Standardbred horses, and the relevant documentation submitted by applicants. RWWA now accept clear copies of the application to name a standardbred.

Once a foal is branded by the RWWA contracted freeze brander, microchipped, and the subsequently collected hair sample has been processed and the parentage confirmed, Licensing and Registrations will prepare and issue a Branding Notification Advice / Application for Naming - Harness form to the owners/managing owner of the foal. This form must be retained until the owners wish to name the horse.

When making application for naming, the issued Branding Notification Advice / Application for Naming - Harness form must be correctly completed, signed and returned to RWWA with the correct fee. Licensing and Registration will accept a correctly completed electronic copy of both sides of the form with accompanying credit or debit card payment details as a means of commencing the naming process. Please contact RWWA Licensing & Registration department on 9445 5558 to obtain details of current fees.

In all circumstances, applicants are advised to allow at least 10 working days for the processing of a valid naming application. At any time there are a number of applications received daily which require some time to properly validate and process, which includes reference to the HRA. Applications will be processed as expeditiously as possible as they are received but will not be elevated in priority under any circumstances. Person's expecting to make application and have the transaction completed on the same day or similar are advised that such event is highly unlikely and staff will not circumvent protocols or afford any individual applications amended priorities ahead of earlier received applications.

ATTENTION ALL BREEDERS/STUD MASTERS LATE FEES

There is currently a range of fees relating to late notifications with respect to the timely submission of documents to RWWA relating to Breeding. The failure to lodge many of these documents in the manner prescribed does constitute a breach of Rules, in some cases National Rules.

Mares that are not properly identified prior to being served will incur a penalty fee of \$150.00 for each unregistered Mare served appearing on the Stallion Summary Sheets, or on related paperwork submitted to RWWA.

Persons potentially affected by the increases or application of the prescribed late fees can avoid them entirely by ensuring they lodge their documentation and conduct their activities in accordance with the Rules.

Where events beyond a person's control arise that may cause a late notification, prior notice to RWWA Registrations may lead to the late fee being waived. Each application of a late fee will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

CLEARANCE OF HORSES - DOCUMENTATION AND FEES

Where a horse requires clearance into WA, all relevant documentation and fees must be lodged and processed by RWWA before any transaction for the horse will be processed (Documentation includes ownership transfers, GST/Banking details, Stable Returns and Gear Notifications etc. Leases from interstate Controlling Bodies are NOT accepted).

21. NOTIFICATION OF GELDING OF A HORSE

1. No person shall geld or cause to be gelded a horse without the prior written consent of the owner.
2. A person who has a horse gelded shall notify the Controlling Body of that fact in accordance with the provisions of Rule 100. Such notification shall be by way of the lodgment of a fresh Gear Notification Form indicating the date of gelding.
3. A person who fails to comply with any provision of the rule is guilty of an offence.

NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE OWNERS

"APPROVED PROMOTERS"

The following named persons are the only persons approved by RWWA and licensed by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) to promote ownership shares in horse racing schemes.

Prospective owners should be mindful that any person promoting shares in a racehorse must hold a current Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL) with the *conditions shown below.

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| Person | Name | AFSL No: | *Conditions |
|-------------------------------------|---|----------|-------------|
| P V Morley | Belhus Racing Stables Grand Syndicates | 226693 | 1 (a) & (b) |
| B E Saxild | OZ Racing Pty Ltd | 269277 | 1 (b) |
| WATA | TrotSynd Pty Ltd | 269076 | 1 (a) & (b) |
| D. Connell (contact – M. Cullen) | Thoroughbred Trainers Service Centre Ltd. | 288213 | 1 (a) & (b) |
| T. Johnson | Stable Connect Pty Ltd | 336964 | 1 (a) & (b) |
| J V O'Neill | Prime Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd | 226395 | 1 (a) & (b) |
| R J Slade | Slade Bloodstock Pty Ltd | 226373 | 1 (a) & (b) |

Australian Financial Services Licence *Conditions

1. This licence authorises the licensee to carry on a financial services business to:
 - (a) provide financial product advice for the following classes of financial products:
 - (i) interests in managed investment schemes limited to:
 - (A) horse racing schemes only; and
 - (b) deal in a financial product by:
 - (i) issuing, applying for, acquiring, varying or disposing of a financial product in respect of the following classes of financial products:
 - (A) interests in managed investment schemes limited to:
 - (1) horse racing schemes only; to retail clients.

GUIDELINES TO APPLY FOR A TRAINERS LICENCE

Please read this information carefully

TRAINER'S LICENCE GRADES

Grade "A" is licensed to train any horse.

Grade "B" is licensed to train a horse which the person owns or partly owns or which is owned by the person's spouse, other domestic partner, parent, sibling or child.

A probationary B grade trainer's licence is the starting point for a person wishing to train horses to trial and/or race. After a person has held a current B grade licence for 12-months they may make application for the licence to be upgraded to an "A" grade licence.

Grade "C" is licensed to prepare, educate and exercise a horse but cannot trial or nominate it to race. (Referred to as Breaker's Licence)

To qualify for registration as a trainer the applicant must have at least 6 months experience in the racing industry and hold a current licence at the time of application.

Furnish copies of three (3) months of Bank Statements with a consistent minimum, each month, of \$3,000 in savings.

Furnish three references from industry participants.

Furnish two credit references from suppliers (preferably from within the racing industry ie; Feed Merchants, Veterinary Surgeons etc)

Provide evidence of suitable stabling arrangements. (Stables will be inspected by the Stewards to ensure suitability)

Provide a valid National Police Clearance dated no later than 2 months prior to application.

Furnish a Medical History and RWWA Medical Examination Report

Complete a theoretical test of the applicant's horse knowledge and understanding of the RWWA Rules, Regulations and Policies.

Provide a sample of urine for testing for Drugs of Abuse.

If required submit to an interview with the Licence Application Review Sub-Committee.

Should you have any other queries regarding your application please contact Licensing and Registrations (08) 9445 5558, or email licreginfo@rwwa.com.au.

GUIDELINES TO APPLY FOR A HARNESS RACING DRIVER'S LICENCE

Please read this information carefully

DRIVER'S LICENCE GRADES

(a) Grade "C" is licensed to drive at trials and to carry out track work on registered tracks including pre race warm ups.

(b) Grade B has the driving licence rights mentioned in (a) and is licensed to drive at graduation meetings and other than in races of metropolitan class at country or provincial meetings, including country or provincial class meetings at metropolitan sites;

(c) Grade A has the licence mentioned in (a) and (b) and is licensed to drive at any meeting.

The driver's licence issued to a first time applicant is a Grade "C" driver. A Grade "C" driver's licence shall not be granted to a person younger than 15 years old.

Holders of a Grade "C" driver's licence are required to complete at least 30 satisfactory trial drives at official trials and enrol in and complete the relevant units from the Racing Training Package as prescribed by RWWA.

Upon application for any driving permit/licence, if a period of 12 months has elapsed since last providing a RWWA Licence/Permit – Medical Examination Report the applicant must submit a new medical report.

To qualify for registration as a 'C' class driver the applicant must

1. Have at least 6 months experience in the racing industry and have held a current driving stable hand licence for at least 6 months unless otherwise waived by the Stewards.
2. Provide a written curriculum vitae detailing experience within the industry including racing industry employment history.
3. Complete a theoretical test of the applicant's horse knowledge and understanding of the RWWA Harness Rules, Regulations and Policies.
4. Undergo a driving assessment by the RWWA Driving Master or Steward
5. If required, submit to an interview with the licensing steward.

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6. Enrol in the required units from the Racing Training Package as specified by RWWA
7. If a period of 12 months has elapsed since last providing a sample of urine for testing for Drugs of Abuse the applicant may be requested to submit a further sample.

Requirements upon Approval being granted:

1. Upon notice of approval being forwarded to Licensing and Registrations by the Stewards, the driver is approved as a "C" grade driver and eligible to drive in trials. During this time the driver must maintain a Trial Driving Record to be signed by RWWA Driving Master or Stewards.
2. In any circumstance, the maintenance of a Grade "C" driver licence requires the holder to complete 10 satisfactory trial drives per year, signed by the RWWA Driving Master or Stewards, evidence to be forwarded at the time of renewal.
3. A minimum of 10 satisfactory Trial drives must be completed within a 12-month period as part of the required minimum 30 satisfactory trial drives in order to be eligible to apply for upgrade of licence to Grade 'B'. Satisfactory trials constitute driving a variety of horses in both stand and mobile trials demonstrating competence in applying race driving techniques to the satisfaction of the Driving Master and Stewards.
4. Grade "C" drivers designated as trainees are required to wear a reflective vest (supplied upon granting of license) in all trials and also attend RWWA Driving Master review and education sessions as required.
5. It is necessary for at least 4 drives on 4 separate occasions to be at Byford unless otherwise directed by the Stewards.
6. Grade "C" drivers designated as trainees are required to have attended to the satisfaction of the Stewards during their time of such registration as indicated:
 - (a) Observed Stewards race related Inquiry and/or Protest
 - (b) Observed starts with starter for standing and mobile
 - (c) Observed race with Judge
 - (d) Witnessed equine sample collection process and procedure
 - (e) Driven in a number of pre race warm-ups

To qualify for registration as a 'B' grade driver the applicant must

1. Have satisfactorily met all the requirements outlined above in relation to requirements of Grade "C" drivers within 12-months of commencing such registration.
2. Have held a Grade "C" drivers licence for a minimum of 6-months, or received approval for variation from the Chief Steward (Harness).
3. Applications for upgrade in excess of 12-months from commencement may be granted at the discretion of the Stewards, but will require a stewards interview and may require the resitting of the theoretical test.

4. Submit a fully completed and signed application "Application for Upgrade to Grade "B" Driver and relevant fee.
5. If a period of 12-months has elapsed since last providing a sample of urine for testing for Drugs of Abuse the applicant may be requested to submit a further sample. (The cost of analysis must be paid at the time the application is lodged.)
6. If required, submit to an interview before the Licensing steward to assess suitability for approval to Grade "B". Assessment to include knowledge of race driving, relevant rules etc.

To qualify for registration as a 'A' grade driver the applicant must

1. Have completed a minimum of 100 Satisfactory race drives and have driven in at least 25 races in the previous racing season.

Should you have any other queries regarding your application please contact:

RWWA Driving Master 0434 609 604

Licensing and Registrations 9445 5558

GUIDELINES TO APPLY FOR A STABLEHANDS LICENCE

Please read this information carefully

The holder of a stablehands licence allows the licensee to perform duties related to the every day care of the stables and horses. It also allows them to drive track work on any registered training track

STABLEHANDS LICENCE GRADES

(a) STABLEHAND DRIVER is licensed to drive track work on any registered training tracks and perform regular stable duties

(b) STABLEHAND NON-DRIVING is licensed to perform regular stable duties but is not permitted to drive at any registered training track

(STABLEHAND DRIVING) applicant must

1. Be employed by a licenced trainer and hold a current licence to work in the Racing industry
2. Provide a National Police Clearance dated no later than 6-months prior to applications
3. A signed parent consent form If under 18 years of age
4. Furnish a Medical History and Examination Report.
5. Complete a practical test of the applicant's horse handling competency.
6. Provide a sample of urine for testing for Drugs of Abuse (The cost of the analysis must be paid at the time the application is lodged).

(STABLEHAND NON DRIVING) applicant must

1. Be employed by a trainer
2. Provide a National Police Clearance dated no later than 6-months prior to application

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3. If under 18 years of age a signed parent consent form

If you have any queries regarding your application please contact:

(08) 9445 5558 (Harness Licensing Officer)

LICENSEES AND CLUBS

Details of the Australian Harness Racing National Risk Protection Program (Insurance) may be accessed on the HRA web site at the following address:

<http://www.jltspport.com.au/harnessracing/index.aspx>

TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OR LEASE AGREEMENTS - CONTINGENCIES

The current practice of denoting contingencies upon transfers with the intent that the controlling body thereafter shall take steps to ensure such contingencies are fully discharged is not a practice that is recognised in either of the other codes nor the majority of other racing jurisdictions.

These agreements between buyers and sellers, eg \$2000 to be paid from the first win, are only agreements between the two parties and it is inappropriate for RWWA to adjudicate on what is in essence a contractual dispute between the parties should such an event arise. Effected parties should appreciate that RWWA does not recognise a contingency clause on horse ownership notification of transfer documents and will not become involved in a dispute which arises out of a contingency contained in a previously notified transfer of ownership.

Whilst the recording of such contingencies is provided as a means of ensuring a written record between the parties, it does not extend to RWWA enforcing in any way the terms of the clauses nor is any assessment made by RWWA with regard to the legality of the clauses. Any and all such questions that may arise are civil matters between the parties that must be determined accordingly.

TRANSFER'S OF OWNERSHIP - POLICY ADVICE

It is a requirement under the Rules of Racing for the name or names of every person or persons having any share or interest in the ownership or lease of a horse to be declared to RWWA prior to racing. Back-dating transfers or similar where such dates retrospectively affect the ownership of a horse in a race already run is therefore contrary to these principles. Furthermore once payments have been correctly made by RWWA based on recorded ownership details, it is impractical to attempt to re-allocate stakes to revised owners after the event.

Industry participants, in particular those involved in horse ownership, are therefore advised when completing the required Application to Transfer (or similar document that alters the official recorded ownership,) the Date of Transfer cannot be dated prior to the horse's last race start. The practice of back-dating the Date of Transfer so as to include dates where the horse has already raced will not be accepted and instead the Date of Transfer will be given the effective date of processing. Where race starts are not included in any back-dating then the indicated Date of Transfer will be recorded. This policy shall be consistently applied across all codes.

In circumstances where the ownership of a horse already engaged to compete is subject to change prior to racing, then the onus is on the incoming owners to advise RWWA Racing Accounts of

the impending change so that monies are not released until the transfer is completed. Payments will no longer be held pending the processing of the Transfer or Lease. RWWA will not be liable for retrieval or re-allocation of stake money already paid where adequate notice to RWWA Racing Accounts of the impending change of ownership has not occurred.

PHOTOS TO BE PROVIDED

All licensee's new and existing have been asked to provide a photo for our records and the upgraded licence card.

Headshot from the shoulders up on a white background. The photo can be taken with your phone and text to 0418 104 309 with your name or emailed to licreginfo@rwwa.com.au.

ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS FOR TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP & LEASES

RWWA will now accept the submission of scanned/emailed or faxed copies of Harness Horse Registrations, however we remind participants that it is a requirement that any changes to the documents must be initialed by all parties in relation to transacting Harness Namings, Transfer of Ownerships or Lease Agreements. Transactions will not be processed without the correct paperwork received into our offices, and all documents should be sent and received at RWWA's offices in sufficient time to allow the transaction to be processed. No exception shall be made to this rule and all documents must be submitted prior to a horse being nominated to trial or race.

STANDARD BRED RACEHORSE SYNDICATION

Any person wishing to promote or buy shares in the syndicated ownership of a racehorse should refer to the PUBLIC PROMOTERS OF SYNDICATION section on the RWWA website.

This section has details of the obligations of persons wishing to promote the syndication of racehorses. Prospective buyers of syndicate shares should read the documents in this section before buying a share in a syndicate.

OWNERS NOTE SYNDICATES & PARTNERSHIPS

All current and prospective syndicate or partnership members should be aware of the ramifications of buying shares in a racehorse.

The promotion of a scheme which sells shares in a racehorse is subject to Corporations Law and there are significant penalties for schemes that are found to be operating contrary to the law.

Importantly the laws are in place to provide protection for persons who may purchase an ownership interest in a racehorse which is offered in such a scheme.

A horse racing syndicate must be registered with the Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) before it can operate if it is a "managed investment scheme" (MIS) for the purposes of the Corporations Act. This will generally be the case if the syndicate: has more than 50 members; or is promoted by a person in the business of promoting syndicates unless the investors in the scheme are "wholesale clients" for the purpose of the Corporations Act.

The promoter is required to have an Australian Financial Services Licence (AFSL).

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A promoter of a syndicate can avoid the requirement to register a managed investment scheme with ASIC if it registers as an approved promoter with RWWA. Once approved by RWWA, the promoter can then apply to ASIC for an AFSL.

RWWA is a Lead Regulator and as such is required;

- (a) to keep a register of all promoters of horse racing schemes to which the co-regulation arrangements applies;
- (b) to register schemes which the lead regulator has agreed to regulate;
- (c) to ensure that a promoter's disclosure statement or offer document contains sufficient information to allow investors to make an informed decision and to check the accuracy of this information;
- (d) to approve the agreements which establish the scheme;
- (e) to approve advertising in relation to the scheme;
- (f) to ensure that promoters and managers of schemes lodge the reports and accounts which they are required to lodge with the lead regulator;
- (g) to deal with any complaints;
- (h) to implement adequate surveillance, enforcement and disciplinary procedures;
- (i) to refer cases which may involve breaches of the Law or of licence conditions to the ASC;
- (j) to discipline promoters for failure to comply with the lead regulators' rules;
- (k) to remove from its register any promoter who fails to comply with the lead regulator's rules relating to the promotion and operation of horse racing schemes and to remove any person from its register if so requested by the ASC; and
- (l) to advise the ASC of the name of any promoter who has been removed from the register of promoters.

ASIC Client Contact Centre's Enquiry Line 8.30am to 7pm Eastern Standard Time on weekdays. Closed on weekends and national public holidays.

Email info.enquiries@asic.gov.au, Phone 03 5177 3988

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REPLACEMENT LICENCE CARD

A replacement card will only be issued where the licensee provides a statutory declaration detailing the circumstances in which the original card was misplaced. Such declaration must also be accompanied by a card replacement fee.

NEW WA LICENSES

When applying for a new licence in WA, participants must complete an application form. A GST Declaration Form is not always completed as part of the application process. As a result, this leaves RWWA unable to make payments or calculate GST.

It will be required that a correctly completed GST Declaration Form be submitted as part of the licence application process. This will ensure that any payments due are made on time to the licensee.

These changes are planned to be introduced 1st August 2012.

RECORD OF GEAR

Trainers are advised that it is their responsibility to ensure that the Record of Gear displayed in the race-night office is correct for each horse engaged at a meeting. Any discrepancy must immediately be advised to the stewards

Horses must not be presented in the parade ring with or without any gear contrary to that published in the official race day gear sheets unless specifically approved by the stewards

CHANGES TO LICENCE APPLICATION CHECKLIST FOR TRAINERS

Following a review of licensing criteria the RWWA Stewards have introduced some changes to the Licence Application Checklist which are applicable for all Trainer licence applications

These changes being that the following must be lodged with any application;

- A copy of three (3) months of Bank Statements with a consistent minimum, each month, of \$3,000 in savings
- Three references from industry participants
- Two credit references from suppliers (preferably from within the racing industry ie; Feed Merchants, Veterinary Surgeons etc)

The current Harness Licence Application Checklist can be viewed in the Harness Licensing and Registration section of the RWWA Website.

FOALING NOTIFICATION FEES FOR 2021/2022

Correct payment MUST accompany the Foaling Notification for the document to be processed. Please remember that the lodgement of a Foaling Notification later than 21 days after the birth of the foal will incur a late Foaling Notification fee which comprises the normal cost of the Foaling Notification, plus an additional fee of \$50 for each month elapsed after the birth of the foal.

For foals born in the 2021/22 season that are notified after 31st August 2022, an additional fee of \$1000 will apply to the normal Foaling Notification fee. Once a foal reaches the age of 2 years without having its Foaling Notification lodged with RWWA with the appropriate fee and a Statutory Declaration (on RWWA's website), the registration of that horse may not be approved.

Please note that Licensing & Registrations department have a new fax number 08 6314 4792.

All L&R documents can also be sent via email to RWWA Licensing Registrations & Stakes licreginfo@rwwa.com.au, via post, dropped in the mailbox at Gloucester Park or Ascot Offices (internal courier service daily), or through reception at Head Office 14 Hasler Road, Osborne Park.

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