



## NSW RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

# AUG 2004

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### NEW CONTACT DETAILS

The Association has recently moved offices and the new details are as follows:

Level 9  
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Tel: 9299 4299  
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Our postal address remains unchanged (GPO Box 1506, Sydney NSW 2001) as does our email address  
nswroa1@ozemail.com.au.

### RACING'S NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS

The NSW Racehorse Horse Owners Association's "Racing's Night of Champions", held on Thursday 5 August 2004 and sponsored by Network Ten, Emirates Airline and Sydney City Lexus, was a magical night and certainly the best racing industry awards evening in the country.

In the presence of Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC, Governor of New

South Wales, awards for the best performed thoroughbreds of the previous season were presented. **Lonhro** scooped the pool for the second year taking out the awards for the Best NSW Sprinter/Miler sponsored by Macquarie Funds Management and Best NSW Middle-Distance Runner sponsored by Emirates Airline, as well as the overall title of the ING NSW Champion Horse of the Year.

Lonhro's awards were accepted by John and Walter Ingham, who both made moving speeches, dedicating the prizes to the late Jack Ingham, who, with his brother Bob - father of Walter and uncle to John - bred the magnificent black stallion.

**Dance Hero**, took out the STC's Best NSW 2 Year Old award; **Exceed and Excel** the AJC's Best NSW Three Year Old award. **Makybe Diva** was the Best NSW Stayer. It was a pity that David Choy could not be present to accept his award for **Grand Zulu**, winner of the BMW and the racenet.com.au NSW Country Champion Horse of the Year. Grand Zulu is now in Hong Kong and being aimed at its Derby later in the year.

The monster auction was a great success as always, including two masterpieces from Australia's leading equine artists, Alister Simpson and Joseph Zbukvic, a Lexus RX330 and the Ultimate European Holiday for two flying first class to Europe with Emirates and a week aboard the cruise ship, The World.

As always, many thousands of dollars were raised, through the generosity of those present, for the Matthew Talbot Hospital Appeal.

Entertainment was provided by The Seekers, featuring Judith Durham and they were sensational. Sydney's top party band, Jellybean Jam, then kept guests dancing to the midnight cut-off but wanting more.

The continued support of our principal sponsors Network Ten, Emirates Airline and Sydney City Lexus and our other major supporters such as ING, Macquarie Funds Management, Hillross and Allianz Dresdner together with all our other donors and supporters helped make the evening a great success.

### RACING NSW STRATEGIC PLAN

The Strategic Plan unveiled by Racing NSW adopts the majority of the recommendations made by the Association. The Plan is focused on the issue of increased returns to owners and appears to be a rational, well-thought out, response to the problem of declining participation and re-investment by owners in NSW racing.

The Strategic Plan recognises the importance of country owners to the health of the industry and the threat that is posed to returns to owners from betting exchanges.

The Strategic Plan is regarded by Racing NSW as a "work in progress", reviewed and updated on a quarterly basis.

Further details and a comparison of the NSWROA Submission with the Strategic Plan may be viewed on our website.

**NEW LOOK FOR THE NSWROA WEBSITE**

The Association's website has become increasingly important part of communication with our members. The site was revamped in 2002 and has now undergone another update. The new look site will be launched on 1 September 2004.

Members will now need a username and password to access the site so please call Caroline Fara, Executive Officer on t: 9299 4299 to obtain your username.

The website address remains unchanged.

**HAWKESBURY TRAINERS ASSOCIATION AWARDS NIGHT**

NSW Racehorse Owners' members may be interested in the tenth Annual Awards night of the Hawkesbury Trainers Association coming up on 11<sup>th</sup> September. This is a very enjoyable night, as many members of our Board have found. Awards are presented for various categories, plus the Hawkesbury Horse of the Year. There is a three course

meal, plus dancing. Tickets for the dinner are \$70 for a single and \$130 for a double. If you are interested please ring Gabrielle Wilkins (0419 607 121) for further information or to buy a ticket.

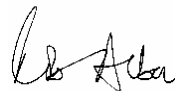
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**FREE ENTRY - AUG**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Muswellbrook
- 5<sup>th</sup> Hawkesbury
- 6<sup>th</sup> Goulburn
- 7<sup>th</sup> Broadmeadow
- 9<sup>th</sup> Bathurst
- 10<sup>th</sup> Taree
- 12<sup>th</sup> Wyong
- 13<sup>th</sup> Canberra, Scone
- 14<sup>th</sup> Broadmeadow, Tamworth
- 17<sup>th</sup> Muswellbrook
- 19<sup>th</sup> Gosford
- 20<sup>th</sup> Taree, Wellington
- 21<sup>st</sup> Ballina, Kembla Grange, Narrandera
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Taree
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Tamworth
- 26<sup>th</sup> Hawkesbury
- 27<sup>th</sup> Canberra
- 28<sup>th</sup> Kembla Grange, Lismore, Moree, Moruya

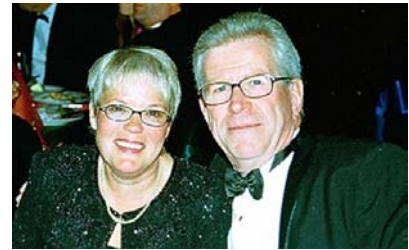
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**Rob Albon**  
President



L to R: Sally & Reg Richardson, Ros Packer, Jane Douglass, Her Excellency Professor Marie Bashir AC, Governor of NSW, Sir Nicholas Shehadie, Rob Albon and his wife Carrie Kablean



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