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NEW PRESIDENT FOR NSWROA

It was with great reluctance that the Committee of the New South Wales Racehorse Owners Association (NSWROA) accepted the resignation of Mr Stephen van Eyk as President of the Association, due to the current economic climate and his work commitments in the financial field.

Mr Ray McDowell, the Vice President of the Association was unanimously elected to “take the reins of NSWROA”.

Mr McDowell, a respected and successful racehorse owner for over 35 years, is probably best known for his ownership of the wonderful galloper Intergaze.



Mr McDowell has served on the NSWROA Committee since 2005 and was the Association’s representative on the Racing Industry Participants Advisory Committee (RIPAC) at Racing NSW.

In accepting the position Mr McDowell said “I am honoured to have been chosen by the Committee to undertake this challenging role. I thank my predecessor Stephen van Eyk for the tremendous service he has given the Association and I look forward to working with all participants in the industry”.

WORLD YOUTH DAY COMPENSATION TO OWNERS

Great news for owners.

As you may be aware, former President, Mr Stephen van Eyk, had been negotiating on behalf of your Association with Racing NSW for compensation to be made available to owners for disruption to their horses training schedules during World Youth Day. This was as a result of the move from Randwick to other training tracks and then back again.

I am pleased to advise that approval has been given for payment of an allowance, from the World Youth Day compensation fund administered by Racing NSW, to Randwick trainers who will credit or pay the allowance onto the owners of the affected horses.

The allowance being paid is:

- \$700 (being approximately one week’s training fees and expenses) for each horse which was in work at Randwick and was relocated by a Randwick trainer to the Randwick trainer’s primary alternative training venue (i.e. Warwick Farm, Rosehill, Hawkesbury or Sunshine Coast) on or about 13 June 2008 at the start of the World Youth Day relocation period;



- \$700 for each horse which was in work at the Randwick trainer's primary alternative training venue and which was relocated with the trainer back to Randwick in late August 2008 at the end of the World Youth Day relocation period.

If a horse falls in both categories (i.e. it was relocated from Randwick at the start of the relocation period and back to Randwick at the end) the allowance is payable for both relocations, making the total allowance for that horse \$1,400.

In general, other than stable ponies (in respect of which no allowance is payable), a horse will be eligible for the allowance if, but only if, the Randwick trainer was reimbursed by Racing NSW from the World Youth Day compensation fund for the transport costs of relocating the horse.

Payments are now being paid to the Randwick trainers who must credit or pay the allowance to owners within 1 month after receiving payment from Racing NSW. Members are requested to contact the NSWROA office if they encounter any problems receiving the allowance.

2009 RACING NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS

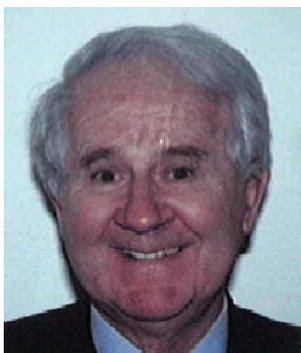
Advance diary notice.

The 2009 Racing Night of Champions will be held on Thursday, 13 August 2009.

The organising committee are back "hard at it" – some would say "*no rest for the wicked*" – with preliminary meetings having already been held.

VALE – GRAEME PASH

The NSW racing industry has lost one of its finest with the passing of Mr Graeme Pash.



NSW Racehorse Owners Association (NSWROA) President Mr Ray McDowell, the NSWROA Committee and members of the Association, extend their sincere sympathy to the Pash family.

Mr Pash was a true devotee of the industry and was highly respected by all. He was a past Chairman of the Sydney Turf Club, a past Deputy Chairman of the Sydney Swans, former board member of Racing NSW as well as a longstanding member of NSWROA.

NSWROA Committee member and former President Mr Max Whitby fondly recalls his time with close friend Mr Pash at the Sydney Aussie Rules Social Club (the forerunner to the Sydney Swans). "Graeme was a man of his word who loved our industry with a passion. He will be sorely missed."

NSWROA MEMBER RACING TOURS WITH AMBASSADOR TRAVEL SERVICES

I am delighted to advise that as an added membership benefit NSWROA will be commencing racing tours from 2009.

The tours will be conducted by our good friends at Ambassador Travel Services.

Ambassador Travel, who are longstanding supporters of the Racing Night of Champions, have an abundance of ideas for tour locations for NSWROA members.

The first NSWROA tour will be to Hong Kong in late April 2009 culminating at our attendance at Sha Tin Racecourse for Group One racing at the Audermars Piquet Queen Elizabeth Cup meeting.

Details for the tour are currently being finalised – so watch this space for updates. In the meantime, if you would like to register your interest in the tour, simply email us at nswroa1@ozemail.com.au.

Information on other services provided by Ambassador Travel can be found on their website www.ambassadortravel.com.au.



Yours in Racing

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