



JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK



Here we are, well into January and everyone is back into the swing of things. There has been plenty of industry action relevant to our members since our last newsletter, which covered events in November. Please have a read of the Industry Updates section of the newsletter for some interesting developments both in our home state and Australia-wide.

Of particular interest is Racing Australia's Size & Scope Study. Our industry, both country-wide and NSW state-wide, makes an enormous contribution to the economy.

An interesting announcement for owners is the upcoming launch of an online owner portal which should simplify the paperwork tedium of registering, transferring, leasing and many of the other processes involved in racehorse ownership.

Association-wise, we have not only engaged a new Executive Officer on the retirement of Sharon Hunt, but also moved the office out to Canterbury Racecourse in the past couple of weeks.

Our new Executive Officer, Jane Henning, has introduced herself to you on email (and post for those of you not on email) and we look forward to progressing the profile of NSW Racehorse Owners with Jane's assistance. Jane has had a long career in the racing and breeding industries, focusing on pedigree analysis, racehorse management and promotion. She is a successful owner and long-time Association member herself and is passionate about our sport.

We hope to see you at our first event, a cocktail style function at Royal Randwick on Apollo Stakes Day. Another feature on the day is the commencement of Winx's Autumn Campaign, so it will be an exciting day all round.



NSWROA'S NEW CONTACT DETAILS

We have made some changes to our contact details with the office move, but our previous email address is ongoing and the previous postal address will be redirected for the next few months.

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RACING INDUSTRY UPDATES



John Marshall with Rogan Josh (pic Tony Gough)

Vale John Marshall

Melbourne Cup winning jockey John Marshall, aged 60, passed away before Christmas after a battle with pancreatic cancer.

A leading rider in the 1980's and 90's (included capturing the 1987-88 Sydney premiership with 86 wins), John successfully teamed with champion trainer Bart Cummings as his stable jockey for great effect.

After a stint in Hong Kong, his success culminated in winning the 1990 Melbourne Cup on board Rogan Josh. His other Cummings mounts included Sky Chase, Beau Zam and Campaign King.

Fellow jockey Jim Cassidy commented that, *"(John) was a beautiful rider, very polished and was one of the 'jockey gentlemen' – I wouldn't say there were many in my time, but he was one of them. He was an absolute gentleman off the track, too. I found more drama in one year than John would have found in a lifetime."*

A race at Randwick on Boxing Day was named in his honour, with riders wearing black armbands.

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Mark Webster Stays on as Inglis Managing Director

After most recently overseeing the move of the Inglis complex from Randwick to Warwick Farm, MD Mark Inglis announced his retirement from executive duties, being offered a role in the company as a non-executive director.

After an unsuccessful search for a suitable replacement, Inglis' management requested that Mark stay on for a minimum of two years to allow them to find a worthy replacement.

"Mark will continue to develop and mentor potential successors from within his senior management team, while we remain open to a suitable external candidate if one is identified," said Inglis Chairman, John Coates.

"When I made my decision to stand down as an executive earlier this year it was after a challenging couple of years which were focused on relocating the Sydney business to Warwick Farm and getting the new facility and hotel off the ground," Webster said.

"I felt I had made my contribution to the company and was ready for the next stage of my career. I am now feeling rejuvenated and ready to drive the business forward for the next few years and deliver for our customers."

"There is so much to look forward to, the re-opening of a fantastic renovated sales facility in Melbourne, the launch of the new Inglis Millennium Race Day and largest Classic Sale ever to be conducted."

Racing NSW Announces the \$7.5m Golden Eagle

The controversial timing of an exciting new race for four-year-olds in our state took some of the limelight when Racing NSW announced the creation of Australia's second richest race, the **\$7.5m Golden Eagle for 4-year-olds**, to be run at Rosehill over 1500m on 2nd November 2019, the day of the VRC Derby in Melbourne Cup Carnival week.

The Golden Eagle will be linked with the two other iconic Rosehill races, the G1 Golden Rose, for 3-year-olds, and the G1 Golden Slipper S., for 2-year-olds, as part of the Golden Slam, with a **\$5m bonus** for any horse that can win those three races over consecutive seasons.



Racing NSW also confirmed that another new race, the **Bondi Stakes**, will be held the week prior worth **\$1 million for 3-year-olds**, while the existing 2-year-old race, the Golden Gift, will also be worth \$1 million and held a week after the Golden Eagle.

With The Everest being held on October 19 in 2019, the Sydney Spring will now extend to 10 weeks and overlap with the Melbourne Cup carnival at Flemington.

"We believe The Golden Eagle will be attractive in retaining our top 3-year-olds to race on as 4-year-olds and benefit the racing industry," said Racing NSW chairman, Russell Balding. *"The Golden Eagle is the first feature race on the Australian racing calendar exclusively for 4-year-old horses."*

Ten per cent of prizemoney, around \$750,000, will be distributed to charities, with owners nominating the registered charity they wish to support.

Racing NSW CEO Peter V'landys said the location of the new race at Rosehill was part of a concerted push to promote the sport in Sydney's booming western suburbs.



"We want to bring another major event to the western suburbs of Sydney. In the Golden Eagle, we have provided a race that is also a celebration of Western Sydney," he said.

The formation of the Bondi Stakes will provide incentives for horses who come through the feature 3-year-old races of the early Sydney Spring to continue their campaigns in Sydney.

With prizemoney boosted for the 1100m **2yo Golden Gift to \$1m**, it will virtually ensure that the first two horses will qualify for the Golden Slipper and other feature races for 2-year-olds in the Autumn," said Balding.

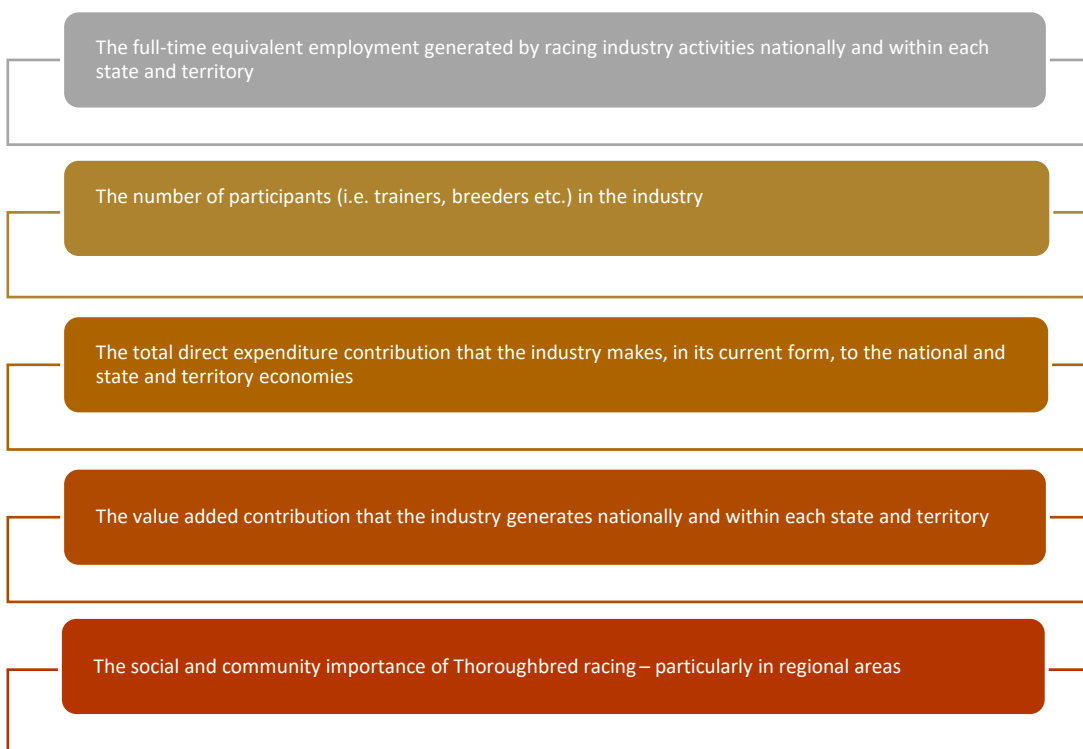
Racing NSW is expected to make further significant announcements regarding spring programming and the funding of the Golden Eagle over the coming months.

Racing Australia Commissions a Size and Scope Study

The Thoroughbred industry plays a huge part in the economy of this country. As racehorse owners, we are the starting point from which multiple professions, businesses and services extend, making a huge contribution to the Australian economy.

Racing Australia has commissioned an external consultancy, IER, to conduct a 'Size and Scope Study'. The purpose of the study is to quantify the economic, employment and social contribution the Thoroughbred racing industry generates nationally as well as within each of the states and territories.

Additionally, the report seeks to measure the specific outcomes within metropolitan and regional parts of the economy. The key focus of the study was to investigate the following outcomes attributable to the Thoroughbred racing industry:



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New South Wales' Statistics

The Thoroughbred industry in New South Wales is responsible for generating \$3.5 billion in value added economic contribution.

There are 115 Thoroughbred racing clubs operating in New South Wales (NSW), 3 of which are in metropolitan areas, and 112 in regional areas.

The Thoroughbred racing industry in NSW is responsible for generating more than \$3,581 million in value added contribution to gross state product. This equates to 39.1% of the total impact generated by Thoroughbred racing in Australia.

The economic impact generated by the Thoroughbred racing industry in NSW is responsible for sustaining a total of 27,601 full time equivalent (FTE) jobs in the region.

The Thoroughbred racing industry in NSW generates more than \$1,971.1 million in household incomes for those employed in full-time, part-time and casual work.

More than 49,000 individuals are involved in the Thoroughbred racing industry as a participant, employee or volunteer.

The full report is very interesting reading – <https://ier-study.racingaustralia.horse/> to download.

Dual Jockey/Trainer Licenses Approved in NSW

The Board of Racing NSW has approved the introduction of dual licenses (Jockey/Trainer) in NSW, effective 1 January 2019.

Racing NSW had initially resisted the introduction of the licence type to ensure there were no integrity risks should such licence type be approved. *"Racing NSW considers the integrity of Thoroughbred racing to be paramount at all times and must be always the first factor satisfied before any change,"* said Racing NSW CEO, Peter V'Landys.

"Accordingly, The Board of Racing NSW received a report which provided confidence that any integrity concerns previously raised, had been addressed by the introduction of LR56."

Components of LR56 include:

- A person may not hold a dual licence for more than 5 years to encourage the transition into training;
- A dual licence holder based in NSW must not train more than 5 horses and must have more than 24 race rides each racing season;
- A dual licence holder that is the trainer of a horse entered in a race, may ride that horse but shall not be declared for, or ride, any other horse in that race;
- In the event that a dual licence holder is the trainer of 2 or more horses in the one race, the Dual Licence Holder shall not be permitted to ride in such race, and
- Dual licence holders based interstate may compete in NSW as a jockey/trainer, subject to the terms and conditions set by their interstate licence.

Racing NSW received submissions from several interstate dual licence holders, led by Michelle Payne, who explained the benefits of allowing dual licenses.



“Racing NSW determined that by allowing jockeys to transition into a training career whilst continuing to compete as a jockey, will provide a sustainable business model for these riders and allow them to continue to have a career within the racing industry. Without the determination and drive of Michelle Payne, this may not have come to fruition,” added Mr V’landys.

Hoofnote: Linda Meech became the first dual licence holder to ride in New South Wales, booting home a double at Randwick on 12 January.

A New Online Portal for Racehorse Owners!

As any owner will attest, horse registration, leases, transfers and changes of ownership are a frustrating and onerous part of the experience. Racing Australia has announced the launch of **myhorseracing.horse**, a portal for which owners will be provided with a unique ID, enabling access to online transactions whilst also providing safe engagement with the industry as an owner.

Racing Australia will progressively be in touch with active owners inviting them to validate their account. They have implemented world class security (including two factor authentication) to ensure the accounts are only accessible to you or your authorised agent when conducting transactions as a racehorse owner. Upon confirmation of your owner details you will be able to:

- validate myProfile
- update myDetails (including change of GST and banking details)
- view details of horses you own
- view the nominations, acceptances and scratchings for your horses
- view race results for your horses

In April 2019 the online portal's full capabilities will be fully operational. Until that point Racing Australia will continue to consult with owners to ensure the portal is meeting your needs. It is intended that **myhorseracing.horse** will become owners’ regular site for conducting all industry functions, including:

- myNotifications
- Horse Registration (Naming)
- Transfer of Ownership Unnamed (FOD)
- Change of Location Unnamed (FOD)
- Transfer of Ownership Named
- Leases
- Syndicates (Registration & Renewal)
- Change of Owner Share Percentage
- Change of Manager
- Authority to Sign (Access Delegation)
- Application for a Duplicate Horse ID Document
- Horse Identification

For owners not yet ready for this change, paper-based transactions will continue to be available. However Racing Australia urges owners to make the switch to the online system so the administrative side of owning a horse becomes easier and more efficient for you.



BOBS & BOBS EXTRA UPDATE



By Mark Brassel

QUINTON'S FOUR LENGTH WINNER IMPRESSES AT ROYAL RANDWICK

Trainer Ron Quinton has a tidy youngster on his hands after Ljungberg had demoralised his opponents on Royal Randwick's Kensington Track in early January. Having just his fifth start, Ljungberg (Hugh Bowman) dashed to the lead soon after straightening to score by just under four lengths from Above and Beyond (Jason Collett). But the I Am Invincible gelding was in a class of his own and landed a \$22,500 BOBS bonus on top of the healthy \$58,000 prizemoney cheque for first. That bonus followed hot on the heels of Ljungberg's previous start when he scored an \$11,250 BOBS bonus by winning at the Canterbury Park night meeting on 14 December.

Quinton told AAP following the Kensington win: "He is a nice horse and has always shown he can gallop. "There are plenty of other races for him this preparation. As David Lamond always used to say to me, you run out of horses before you run out of races." Lamond, a long-time friend and owner with the Quinton stable, passed away five years ago. Bowman praised Ljungberg after the victory: "Ron has a very nice horse. There wasn't a lot of pressure in the race and I think he might be even better in a high-pressure race."

Military Zone, Time to Reign, Zalatte and Royal Celebration, are joint leaders in the BOBS title race with \$45,000 in bonuses. Royal Celebration is raced in similar interests to Ljungberg with Quinton also preparing the talented three-year-old colt.



Ljungberg powers away from his rivals at Randwick with Hugh Bowman in charge. (pic Steve Hart)

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BOBS BONUS LEADER BOARD (as at 31 December 2018)

Horse	Sire	BOBS Bonus	Wins
COSMOLOGIST	Uncle Mo (USA)	\$45,000	2
MILITARY ZONE	Epaulette	\$45,000	2
ROYAL CELEBRATION	Excelebration (Ire)	\$45,000	2
TIME TO REIGN	Time Thief	\$45,000	2
ZALATTE (NZ)	Medaglia d'Óro	45,000	3
DIPLOMATICO	Snitzel	\$33,750	2
LJUNGBERG	I Am Invincible	\$33,750	2
NAPOLEON SOLO	Uncle Mo (USA)	\$33,750	2
ROHERYN	Lonhro	\$33,750	2
ROYAL STAMP	Tickets	\$33,750	2
TELL ME	Choisir	\$33,750	3

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THE ATC HERITAGE COLLECTION



By Graham Caves

(NSWROA member and volunteer at the ATC Heritage Centre)

As you have seen from the articles we've done previously, the ATC Heritage Collection is vast and varied.

This month we'll have a look at statues. There is a growing number of racing statues, of horses and people, in all sorts of places around Australia with racecourses being the most prolific location.

The ATC has three open-air statues within its racecourses.

At Randwick, out in the centre of the course in the car park, near the course entry tunnel, is a wonderful statue of **T J Smith** (*top two photos*). Tommy Smith, mercurial personality, game-changing racehorse trainer, 34 times winner of the Sydney Trainers' Premiership, is captured brilliantly. Racebook raised in the air, he's urging home one of his thousands of winners.

Also at Randwick, installed as recently as 2014, is a statue of **Hughie Cairns** (*next page*), a famous jockey of the 1920s who lost his life in a racing accident. It is surrounded by pedestals each containing a plaque on which the names of Australia's Fallen Jockeys are recorded. There are some 850 names on the plaques. This memorial is similar but not exactly the same as its counterpart at Caulfield racecourse in Melbourne.

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At Rosehill in Western Sydney, home of the Golden Slipper, is a statue of the first winner of the famous race, the world's richest race for two-year-olds, **Todman** (*below*). He's been there quite a while now and surrounding his statue is a semi-circle of bronze plaques recording the names of all the Golden Slipper winners from its inception in 1957 to the latest running of the race.



Go have a look next time you are there.

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NEW TAX CASE GIVES HOPE FOR HIGH INCOME EARNERS



By Paul Carrazzo

Amidst the season of Xmas festivities, goodwill and hope for a prosperous 2019, I'm in no mood to be a sad sack and update you on negative tax issues currently relating to the breeding and racing industry.

Accordingly, I've reached deep into my sack of tax cases and found a recent one that gives hope for high income earners being able to claim their losses immediately under the 'Non-Commercial Loss' (NCL) rules.

What's really interesting about this tax case is that it questions the previous negative AAT judgement in this NCL case that I brought to your attention in April 2015.

This case involves a high income earning Arabian Horse Breeder based in WA who, via the lodging of a private ruling, attempted to have her horse tax losses deducted for the 2012/13 to 2017/18 tax years.

The significance of this case was that the breeder tried to argue that she had started a '**new business**' in 2008, as by successfully arguing this she would 'reset' the time from when her breeding activities had to be viable within a commercially accepted industry time frame. By doing this, it increased her chances of *immediately* deducting losses from 2008. She had made breeding losses since her start-up in 2000, but she and her advisers would argue that her "current business" started under a new model in 2008, an argument the AAT ultimately rejected.

The breeder in this case subsequently appealed the decision to the Federal Court, arguing that the ATO's original logic in considering whether a 'new business' had started was flawed and thus should be sent back to the ATO for review.

For the sake of the breeder, let's hope she is successful after her ruling request is reconsidered (I'll certainly update you on this outcome), but regardless it's a positive that the Federal Court has made the ATO reconsider the manner in which it determines what is a 'separate business activity', as its application was found to be too limiting in its original objection decision.

Facts

To give the new case decision some context, a revisit of the facts is necessary.

The breeder (hereafter referred to as "HVZZ") commenced owning and operating a horse breeding business in the 2000 income year. The ATO examined her activities in the 2005 and 2006 income years and, after initially concluding that they did not constitute carrying on a business, conceded that her activities constituted carrying on a business for tax purposes.

In 2008, HVZZ expanded her horse breeding activities in ways that included significant capital investment, starting a breeding program and hiring a farm manager.

As the adjusted taxable income of HVZZ now exceeded \$250,000 p.a., the only way she could have her horse losses *immediately* deducted for the 2012/13 to 2017/18 tax years was by way of seeking a successful private ruling with the ATO.



HVZZ duly applied to the ATO for a private ruling in relation to the 2011/2012 to the 2017/2018 income years (though 2011/12 was later removed by HVZZ) Under the NCL rules, the ATO may decide that the NCL loss deferral rule does not apply to a business activity for one or more income years if it is satisfied that it would be unreasonable to apply the rule because the business activity has started and:

- it has not produced, or will not produce tax profits in relevant years, and
- there is an objective expectation, based on independent evidence, that the activity will produce a tax profit within a period that is commercially viable for the industry.

Note – if losses are ‘deferred’ under the NCL rules, they are carried forward and cannot be used until a later year when a profit is derived.

The ATO issued a ruling that it would **not** allow the losses to be deducted in the relevant years. HVZZ objected to the ruling, the ATO disallowed the objection and HVZZ applied to the AAT for a review of the decision.

HVZZ contended that the ATO should allowed the losses because she had commenced a new ‘business activity’ from the 2008 year onwards, having expanded in it as described above. She said the business activity would not produce a tax profit in each of the relevant years but there was an objective expectation that it would do so within the ‘commercially viable period for the industry’, based on evidence from independent sources.

Original AAT decision – not a ‘new business’

The AAT affirmed the ATO’s decision not to grant relief from the non-commercial loss deferral rule. It found that the scheme, as identified by the ATO in the private ruling did not include a ‘new business activity’ commenced in 2008 and there was no objective expectation as to when the business activity, even if it did commence in 2008, would produce tax profits for an income year.

What was the ‘new business activity’ being argued?

For reference purposes, HVZZ contended that from 2008 she had a “new business activity”, primarily as a result of:

- (i) an investment of significant capital (approximately \$6.9 million);
- (ii) the introduction of new stock (i.e. a switch to the international bloodline Arabian horses), the commencement of an international marketing program and the commencement of a breeding program; and
- (iii) the employment of an expert farm manager.

New appeal decision gives hope!

Without delving too far into the technicalities, the primary case of HVZZ in this appeal was that in the original ATO Objection Decision the ATO had asked the ‘wrong question’ about the identification of the ‘business activity’ in question. In simple terms, it was contended that the decision-maker had misconceived his or her statutory task.

The main issue the Federal Court had with the original ATO objection decision (this adverse decision being the very reason HVZZ went to the AAT in the first place) was that two business activities carried on by a taxpayer may be the **same** but nonetheless be **sufficiently distinct**, so that each is a **separate business activity**, if, for example, one follows the other sequentially, as they did in the HVZZ case.

For these reasons, the Federal Court held that the Objection Decision should be set aside, and the ruling application should be forwarded to the ATO for re-determination in accordance with law. It will be for the ATO to determine, in accordance with these reasons, whether, on the facts, a business activity **separate** from that commenced in the 1998 income year, started in the 2008 income year. In other words, it is still open for the ATO to hold that the new 2008 business was, indeed, a **new** ‘business activity’.



This Federal Court finding reflects the reason why the NCL rules uses the phrase "business activity" instead of the word "business". Tellingly, earlier paragraphs in the ATO's original ruling decision directed at identifying what constitutes a "separate business activity" were neither referred to, nor reproduced in the Objection Decision.

If you wish for me to clarify or expand upon anything mentioned in this article, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



This is a brand new section of the newsletter which will feature a member (or members) who have had a winner in the preceding month.

If you have had a winner in January and have a story to tell about it, please contact Jane at our office!

Our spotlighted members this edition are **Meagan and Colin Branthwaite**. Their horse Bad Boy for Love (*Wanted – Ready for Love*) won at Hawkesbury on 16 December at only his third race start. Trained by Matthew Vella, he has since run second at Nowra in January. The Branthwaites bought him as a weanling and decided to race him themselves.

Colin Branthwaite has a long history in the racing industry. He owned his first horse at aged 18. *"Reach for Success was trained by Syd Brown and won at Kembla Grange with Mark Folley on board,"* said Colin. Gaining his own trainer's licence in 1989, Colin trained for 14 years, during which time he put the finishing touches on nearly 200 winners. He then worked as foreman for Clarry Connors for two and half years before meeting Meagan while both were working at Shipton Lodge. They decided to purchase their own property and start an agistment and rehabilitation farm on 75 acres at The Oaks. Called Jazcom Thoroughbreds, their regular clients now include Joe Pride, Gary Portelli, Jarrod Austin, Carmel Begg, IRT, Ron Quinton, Kerry Parker and many others.



NSWROA members, Colin and Meagan Branthwaite

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As racehorse owners, Colin and Meagan have had winners at a multitude of tracks from Gunnedah, Mudgee and Forbes, through Hawkesbury, Kembla, Gosford and Nowra, and metro success at Warwick Farm and Rosehill (with Magnajoy). They have had plenty of winners, but are still waiting for that elusive Group horse!

Jazcom has been going for 10 ½ years and in the last four, the Branthwaites have been pinhooking weanlings as another string to their bow. At the recent Magic Millions Yearling Sales, their Brazen Beau colt made \$230,000 and was in the Top Ten Pinhookers of the sale. They have at total of 22 yearlings going into several more sales this season, the next one being the Inglis Classic Sale.

Currently with shares in ‘about ten racehorses’, the Branthwaites are a great example of dedication to our industry. They suggest you keep an eye on their horses Bad Boy for Love and We Can’t Be Beaten at Bathurst on Tuesday 29 January!

MEMBERS’ BLACK TYPE HONOUR ROLL

The 2018 – 2019 racing season is at the halfway mark and our members have had plenty of black type wins to celebrate.

Below is a list of all black type races won by our members from 1st August 2018 up to 31st December 2019. Additions during December are highlighted in red.

Category	Race Name	Horse	NSWROA Owner
G1	ATC Winx Stakes	Winx	P & Mrs P Tighe, Mrs D Kepitis
G1	ATC George Main Stakes	Winx	P & Mrs P Tighe, Mrs D Kepitis
G1	VRC Makybe Diva Stakes	Grunt (NZ)	R Legh
G1	ATC Epsom Handicap	Hartnell (GB)	Godolphin
G1	VRC Turnbull Stakes	Winx	P & Mrs P Tighe, Mrs D Kepitis
G1	MVRC W S Cox Plate	Winx	P & Mrs P Tighe, Mrs D Kepitis
G1	VRC Cantala Stakes	Best of Days (GB)	Godolphin
G1	WATC Winterbottom Stakes	Voodoo Lad	K Maloney
G2	ATC Silver Shadow Stakes	Fiesta	D Henderson
G2	ATC Chelmsford Stakes	Unforgotten	P & Mrs P Tighe
G2	ATC Theo Marks Stakes	Home of the Brave	Godolphin
G2	ATC The Shorts	Ball of Muscle	N B Couper
G2	VRC Danehill Stakes	Encryption	Godolphin
G2	ATC Shannon Stakes	Noire	D & Mrs M McLeish
G2	ATC Golden Pendant	Shumookh	Emirates Park

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G2	ATC Hill Stakes	Ace High	J Cordina
G2	ATC Roman Consul Stakes	Sesar	J & Mrs A McDonnell
G2	MRC Schillaci Stakes	Ball of Muscle	N B Couper
G2	MRC Tristarc Stakes	Shumookh	Emirates Park
G2	MVRC Moonee Valley Gold Cup	Ventura Storm (IRE)	R Legh
G2	VRC Linlithgow Stakes	Osborne Bulls	Godolphin
G2	MRC Sandown Guineas	Ringerdingding	W & Mrs R Mula, K Maloney
G2	ATC The Villiers	Sky Boy	Think Big Stud
G3	VRC Aurie's Star Handicap	Voodoo Lad	K Maloney
G3	ATC Show County Quality	Le Romain	A Carusi
G3	SAJC Spring Stakes	Dollar for Dollar	R Legh
G3	MRC The Heath 1100	Ball of Muscle	N B Couper
G3	ATC Concorde Stakes	Redzel	J N Allen
G3	NJC Spring Stakes	Aramayo	Godolphin
G3	NJC Newcastle Gold Cup	Carzoff (FR)	N & Mrs A Vass, D & Mrs K Ackery
G3	ATC Kingston Town Stakes	Avilius (GB)	Godolphin
G3	MRC How Now Stakes	Winter Bride	K Maloney
G3	ATC Colin Stephen Quality	Miss Admiration	K Maloney
G3	VRC The Bart Cummings	Avilius (GB)	Godolphin
G3	MRC Northwood Plume Stakes	Winter Bride	K Maloney
G3	MRC Coongy Cup	Best of Days (GB)	Godolphin
G3	ATC The Nivison	Resin	Godolphin
G3	VRC Carbine Club Stakes	Ranier	Godolphin
G3	VRC Ottawa Stakes	Bella Rosa	K Maloney
G3	VRC Maybe Mahal Stakes	Cool Passion	J & Mrs A McDonnell, Ms J Henning
G3	MRC Eclipse Stakes	Tally	Godolphin
G3	MRC Kevin Heffernan Stakes	Cool Passion	J & Mrs A McDonnell, Ms J Henning
G3	Gosford Belle of the Turf Stakes	Sexy Eyes	P & Mrs P Tighe
G3	BRC BT McLachlan Stakes	Sun City	Mrs A McDonnell, Mr J S McDonnell

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LR	ATC The Rosebud	Sandbar	N & Mrs A Vass
LR	MRC Regal Roller Stakes	Osborne Bulls	Godolphin
LR	HRC Rowley Mile	Mister Sea Wolf (IRE)	P & Mrs P Tighe
LR	MVRC Mitchell McKenzie Stakes	Brutal (NZ)	R Legh
LR	ATC Premier's Cup	Avilius (GB)	Godolphin
LR	WRC Mona Lisa Stakes	Savatiano	Godolphin
LR	WRC Wyong Gold Cup	Carzoff (FR)	N & Mrs A Vass, D & Mrs K Ackery
LR	SAJC Morphettville Guineas	Fiera Vista	J Camilleri
LR	VRC Exford Plate	Brutal (NZ)	R Legh
LR	VRC Testa Rossa Stakes	Trekking	Godolphin
LR	VRC Poseidon Stakes	Wild Planet	R Legh, M Crismale
LR	VRC Paris Lane Stakes	Eckstein	A M Cardy
LR	MRC Gothic Stakes	Ranier	Godolphin
LR	ATC City Tattersalls Cup	Exoteric (GB)	K Pryke, P & Mrs P Tighe, D & Mrs K Ackery
LR	VRC Jim Beam Stakes	Pohutukawa	Godolphin
LR	VRC MSS Security Sprint	Teleplay	M Crismale
LR	VRC Springtime Stakes	Ringerdingding	W & Mrs R Mula, K Maloney
LR	Tatts Qld Legacy Classic	Stella Victoria	W & Mrs R Mula
LR	ATC Starlight Stakes	Invincible Star	D & S Lilley
LR	BRC Nudgee Quality	Manicure	Godolphin
LR	ATC Cup	Exoteric	K Pryke, P & Mrs P Tighe, D & Mrs K Ackery
LR	ATC Christmas Classic	Alizee	Godolphin
RL	MVRC Inglis Banner	Espaaniyah	Emirates Park

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COUNTRY SHOWCASE MEETINGS



Showcase meetings offering a minimum of \$30,000 per race in prizemoney are staged at various racecourses throughout NSW. In many instances, Showcase meetings are often held on Country Cup or Feature meetings and provide a much needed boost to country racing in our state.

Here are the meetings which will be held in February:

SAPPHIRE COAST **Sunday 3 February**

The program features the **\$50,000 Bega Showcase Cup** 1600m and is supported by the **\$40,000 Bega Showcase Sprint** 1200m, with the **\$35,000 Sapphire Coast Cup** 2200m the other race with prizemoney greater than the minimum of \$30,000. Nominations close 29 January.

QUIRINDI **Friday 15 February**

Heading north west, Quirindi hosts a big day of racing headlined by the **\$50,000 Akubra Quirindi Showcase Cup** 1600m. The **\$40,000 Quirindi RSL Lightning Showcase** 1100m, **\$40,000 Peel Valley Group Country Showcase Maiden** 1200m and **\$35,000 River Ridge 2 Year Old Hcp** 1000m are on the race card, along with a further four \$30,000 events. Nominations close Monday 11 February.

PORT MACQUARIE **Sunday 17 February**

Wow – this meeting is headed by the **\$150,000 MNCRA Country Championships Qualifier** 1200m for horses trained on the Mid North Coast only. The **\$40,000 Country Only Showcase Maiden Plate** 1500m, for country trained horses only (minimum 3 months with a country trainer), is the other above-minimum prizemoney race. Nominations close Tuesday 12 February.

ALBURY **Saturday, 23 February**

Back down south, we have another **\$150,000 race** – the **SDRA Country Championship Qualifier** 1400m for horses trained in the Southern Districts only. A **\$40,000 Country Only Showcase Maiden Hcp** over 1175m is supported by a further six races worth \$30,000 each. Nominations close Monday 18 February.

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BITS AND PIECES



Early Bird Renewals Are About to Fly Away!

Once again, we are offering three great prizes for new and current members who pay their memberships before 1 February 2019. A reminder that the prizes are:

- 1st** Two tickets to attend NSWROA's Racing's Night of Champions in August 2019
- 2nd** Two tickets to attend the NSWROA Cocktail Function on Apollo Stakes Day 16 February 2019
- 3rd** A free membership subscription to NSWROA for the 2020 year.



NSWROA Sponsors the 'Off The Track' Classes at SIEC



NSWROA is again sponsoring the **Thoroughbred Classic Off The Track Classes** at the Southern Cross Show Horse Spectacular held at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre, Horsley Park from 12-14th April. Our classes will be held on Friday afternoon 12th April starting around 3.00pm with the "New Stars" Class then followed by the "All Stars" class. Libby Hopwood from Sky Racing is confirmed as one of the judges.

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Apollo Stakes Day Cocktail Function at Royal Randwick – 16 February 19



With **WINX** being the headline act on the day, our guests will have a first class view of the finishing post. Tickets are **\$155 per person**. If you didn't receive your invitation and booking form, please don't hesitate to contact us. Space is limited, so get in early!



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