



# 2024/25 THOROUGHBRED OWNERS SEASON GUIDE



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# WESTERN AUSTRALIAN THOROUGHBRED RACING TO BE BROADCAST LIVE AND FREE ON 7PLUS

**Racing WA and the Seven Network have entered a new multi-year partnership to showcase Western Australian thoroughbred racing live and free on the screens of Seven.**

From 16 September 2024, all thoroughbred race meetings in Western Australia will be broadcast live and free on the Seven Network's digital streaming platform, 7plus.

"This partnership with Seven marks a fantastic opportunity for the WA racing industry," Racing and Wagering Western Australia CEO Ian Edwards said.

"We are excited to be partnered with Seven to enhance the visibility of WA racing and further showcase our state's racing to a wider audience than ever before."

In addition to 7plus, Western Australian thoroughbred meetings will also be streamed via [racingwa.com.au](http://racingwa.com.au) and RWWA's TABtouch mobile app.

Coverage of all race meetings will include extensive pre-race coverage and post-race analysis from WA form experts.

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# WELCOME FROM CHIEF RACING OFFICER DAVID HUNTER



## **On behalf of Racing WA, I welcome you to the 2024/25 racing season.**

The 12 months ahead are set to be exciting with a calendar filled with top-quality racing – one that I am now thrilled to say will be broadcast live and free across Australia via 7plus.

This partnership with the Seven Network is a fantastic result for WA racing, elevating the coverage of our sport to a mainstream audience from 16 September 2024.

I look forward to a successful collaboration between Racing WA, the WA racing industry and Seven as we work together to showcase racing from Kununurra to Albany and everywhere in between.

As we enter this exciting new chapter, Racing WA remains committed to recognising and rewarding owners as major investors in our sport – evident through our dedicated ownership team who continually work to enhance the experience.

Despite the economic headwinds we are currently facing, WA racing is holding its ground by continuing to offer some of the best prize money in the country, supported by our outstanding Westspeed bonuses.

Providing additional earning opportunities to qualified thoroughbreds through these bonuses ensures that breeding, owning and racing a Westspeed horse in WA is one of the best value-for-money horse ownership opportunities available in Australia.

The scheme began in the 1999/00 racing season and has grown to now distribute bonuses of approximately \$12 million to owners and breeders annually, on top of the \$94m in prizemoney paid annually

We also strive to provide a fantastic experience for owner's trackside, with a diverse schedule of events offered exclusively for owners.

Our popular owner facility, The Vantage, continues to provide owners with an exclusive and enhanced race day experience when their horse is racing at Ascot or Belmont Park Racecourse.

Other popular events include the Ladies in Ownership Cocktail Soiree in October 2024 and the Owners Only Geraldton Cup Marquee in April 2025.

Before we start the new season, it's worth highlighting a few moments from the season that was. Some personal favourites included:

- The Quokka, our premier slot race won again by Overpass, which returned to Ascot in April and delivered another thrilling spectacle. With an increased prize pool of \$5 million – the largest prize ever offered in a WA race – the race attracted top-quality sprinters from across the nation, elevating its status to one of Australia's most exciting races.
- The farewell of Australian sporting legend Damien Oliver reached the perfect conclusion when Damien won the final three races of the carnival and his career – ending with the \$1.5 million Damien Oliver Gold Rush.
- Racing at Bunbury Turf Club made a triumphant return after its \$30 million redevelopment, now allowing for top-quality racing all year in the South-West.

In the following guide, you will find all the information you need to enjoy the racing season ahead.

On behalf of the racing industry, I thank you for your ongoing support and investment in racing.

Kind Regards,

**David Hunter**  
Chief Racing Officer – Racing WA



# 2024/25 OWNERS ONLY EVENTS

**Owners Only is Racing WA's reward and recognition program tailored for Western Australian racehorse owners.**

This program features exclusive networking events designed to elevate the racing experience for owners. Whether your horse is spelling or competing, take advantage of a year-round event schedule that offers fantastic opportunities to connect with other industry participants. Invites are emailed to owners no less than six weeks before each event.

**Sunday 20 October 2024**



## Ladies in Ownership Cocktail Soiree

**QT Rooftop Bar, Perth**

The Ladies in Ownership Cocktail Soiree is a popular event each spring which celebrates the participation of our women owners.

Prepare for an afternoon filled with laughter, dancing, and the delightful company of fellow owners as we raise our glasses to the true stars of the show – the horses!

Hosted by Brittany Taylor and Alana McLean, this event promises four hours of entertainment, starting with a welcome cocktail and featuring the much-anticipated karaoke session!

It's the perfect opportunity to forge new friendships within our ever-growing ownership community.

**Friday 29 November 2024**



## Owners Only Golf Day

**Maylands Peninsula Golf Course**

What better way to spend a Friday before Perth's premier Group 1 sprint than by gathering your syndicate members for a day of golf at the Maylands Peninsula Golf Course.

Lochie Taylor from The Races WA Podcast will host the event which includes motorised buggies over 18 holes.

There will also be challenges on select holes with fantastic prizes up for grabs.

We'll conclude the day with a delicious buffet dinner and drinks, prize presentations, and an engaging discussion on the Winterbottom Stakes contenders.

**Sunday 16 February 2025**



## Aushorse Yearling Masterclass

**Magic Millions Sales Complex**

Racing WA and Aushorse are thrilled to host an interactive masterclass for all owners, just in time for the 2025 Magic Millions Perth Yearling Sale!

Want to boost your skills in selecting a yearling based on pedigree or conformation? Join us as a team of racing experts and trainers share their top tips on finding the next champion.

Enjoy light refreshments and fantastic door prizes while mingling with syndicators and breeders on-site. A majority of yearlings for sale will be present for inspections throughout the day.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity!

**Saturday 15 March 2025**



## Ascot Owners Luncheon

**The Directors Room, Ascot Racecourse**

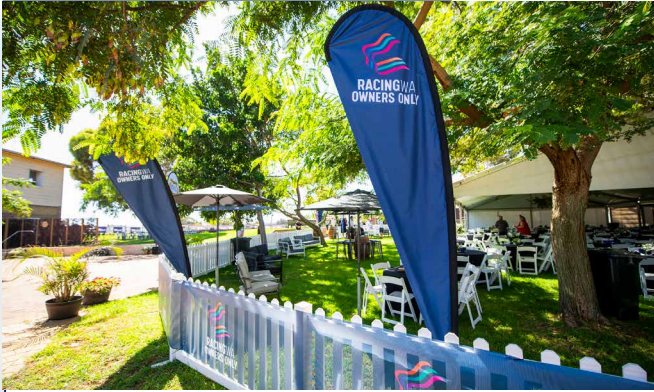
Experience the Owners Only program's latest offering: a premium three-course luncheon in The Directors Room at Ascot Racecourse on Sheila Gwynne Classic Day.

Enjoy an elevated event experience with an afternoon trackside, indulging in delicious food, exquisite wine, and delightful company. The day will be filled with entertainment, prize giveaways, and expert tips to help you choose the winners.

This event provides a refined alternative to our more relaxed gatherings at Belmont Park, making it a perfect way to enjoy a Saturday at Ascot with fellow syndicate members.

The Directors Room features stunning panoramic views of Ascot Racecourse, making it an ideal venue to enjoy a glass of wine on the balcony in the afternoon.

Sunday 6 April 2025



## Geraldton Cup Owners Marquee

**📍 Geraldton Racecourse**

Owners are invited to indulge in a premium marquee experience on Geraldton Cup Day.

This event celebrates and recognises our Mid-West owners, as well as visiting owners from other regions, making it one of the most well-attended marquees in the state.

Savour the finest gourmet food from the region and enjoy an afternoon of great local hospitality.

The all-inclusive marquee package includes gate entry, a racebook, food and beverages, along with numerous prize giveaways, sweepstakes, and losing betting draws.

Interested in this event? Why not extend your stay and explore the many attractions Geraldton has to offer.

June 2025



## Owners Only Appreciation Race Day #1

**📍 Peninsula Room, Belmont Park**

The Owners Only Appreciation Race Days are back for a third season, offering owners a casual, fun-filled race day in a cocktail-style setting in the Peninsula Room at Belmont Park.

Enjoy a thrilling day of racing with plenty of entertainment, tips, and prize giveaways.

The event includes a full hospitality package with a five-hour beverage service and gourmet canapés throughout the day.

This is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate ownership with fellow syndicate members while enjoying live racing action from the best view on course.

July 2025



## Owners Only Appreciation Race Day #2

**📍 Peninsula Room, Belmont Park**

The second of our Owner Appreciation Events provides another exciting race day at Belmont Park.

We'll conclude the series on a high with plenty of entertainment, prizes and guest industry speakers

If you missed the earlier events, this is the perfect chance to make new connections and enjoy exceptional hospitality.

August 2025



## Broome Cup Week Owners Marquee

**📍 Broome Turf Club**

Join us for the inaugural owner's marquee at Broome's stunning Cup Carnival, hosted by Racing WA. Indulge in premium hospitality and entertainment in an exclusive setting brimming with sunshine, music, racing, and prizes.

Your ticket includes gate entry, all-inclusive food and beverages, sweepstakes, entertainment, and seating for the entire day. Get ready to celebrate WA's iconic Broome Cup Carnival in style and embrace the magic of racehorse ownership.

*\*Events and their time & dates are subject to change. Our team will endeavour to communicate any changes as early as possible*

# OWNERSHIP IN WA IS MUCH MORE THAN JUST RACING

by **Julio Santarelli**

**Kylie Shivers is as passionate about racing and horse ownership as anyone. She's an ardent fan.**

It wasn't always the case; from subdued and passive interest she needed coaxing and cajoling.

Helping her take that leap of faith into the thoroughbred world was her husband.

Shivers had reservations, but after a rocky start, racing has brought her unimaginable satisfaction and pleasure.

"My husband's been in horses for a long time, and he wanted to get me involved and get me to the races," Shivers said.

"Because to be honest, I wasn't going, I found it very business-like, but what he did a couple of years ago was buy me a share in a lady's ownership for my birthday.

"I was not happy, I'm going to be honest, but that ownership has now turned into 10 horses and every year at the sales I accumulate another horse.

"It wasn't what I thought it was going to be, but I've become addicted.

"I now have a massive friendship group, many women from all walks of life and I've encouraged so many ladies to come on board.



^ Kylie celebrates another winner.





"I think it's just a wonderful world to bring ladies into and I just love every single minute of it.

"Honestly, I can't tell you how much joy it's given me. I love everything about it.

"I didn't realise how exciting it could be."

Shivers is not alone; her story is not unique. She is part of a growing band of women owners around Australia that have become actively involved in horse ownership

With increased prize money, record yearling sales and the high success of female and syndicate ownership, racing is experiencing a popularity surge.

Validating that interest, Racing WA and Magic Millions introduced a \$75,000 WA Racing Women's Bonus for eligible runners in the \$250,000 Magic Millions WA 2YO Classic held annually at Pinjarra.

The first all-female owned horse past the post collects a \$60,000 cheque in addition of the race prizemoney and a similar bonus of \$25,000 for the Magic Millions WA 3YO Trophy on the same day has also been introduced.

Shivers' engagement in racing is now well and truly cemented and the excitement of attracting new participants and attendees is satisfying.

Shivers and her female owners have experienced a big thrill with their Oratorio gelding, Influencing, handled by brothers, Dan and Ben Pearce.

Influencing hit dynamite form in February and March, racking up four straight wins at Pinjarra, Ascot and Belmont.

With metropolitan Saturday prizemoney of \$80,000 in addition to Westspeed bonuses of up to \$33,000, Influencing has netted a lucrative \$200,000 from just the eight starts.

"When that horse goes past the finishing post, I carry on like I've won the Melbourne Cup," Shivers said.

"Watching the other ladies get the same out of it that I'm getting, oh, my goodness, I didn't realise how exciting it could be.

"The camaraderie is wonderful; I can go there on any given day and see so many people now that have become my friends."

Ripcord has one race credit to his name, but a big one and he went close to taking out Perth's best sprint events: the Winterbottom, Gold Rush and Roma Cup

Ripcord scored an unbelievable win from what appeared to be a hopeless position in the 2023 edition of the Listed Placid Ark Stakes at Ascot.

The Luke Fernie-trained gelding came with a withering run from the back of the field to grab tearaway leader Oscar's Fortune on the line.

Ripcord's win was a shot in the arm and a major dose of confidence for Kim Doak and his partner, Maria Manfredini, justifying their decision to dip their toes into the waters of thoroughbred ownership three years ago.



▲ Maria leads Ripcord back to the Winners' Circle.



▲ Oliver with Magic Millions Director Barry Bowditch after Jericho Missile won the Magic Millions 3YO Classic at Pinjarra Park.

Doak is no stranger to horse ownership, having a brief foray into trotting after being introduced to the sport by his father, but with Manfredini, is now fully immersed in thoroughbreds, building a sizeable and quality team under Fernie's direction.

Aside from Ripcord, Doak and Manfredini's striking hot pink and black leopard print racing colours has been carried to victory by a host of top gallopers including Wild Belle, Big Shots and Shaddow Fear.

Manfredini said owning a horse and revelling in the spoils of victory is an opportunity that she encourages more people to experience.

"When you actually have your horse running it's a whole different level of excitement and is something you cannot share until you experience it for yourself," Manfredini said.

"You just can't convey that unless you have that unique experience.

"The buzz you get from winning a race is indescribable.

"It's a buzz that you become very addicted to."

Oliver Kiddie has been hooked on racing for over two decades. His passion continuing a family tradition.

"It pretty much started out with my father who got my grandfather into it," Kiddie said

"He had a very good horse back in the day, Muro Moon, who basically won every Country Cup: Albany, Mount Barker, Bunbury and ran third in a Perth Cup.

"It stemmed from there really and once you get the bug you become addicted."

Kiddie celebrated black-type success with Jericho Missile and Lunar Impact, both horses trained by his good friend, David Harrison.

Jericho Missile showed above average ability as a juvenile by winning the Magic Millions WA 2YO Classic and stormed home from last to win the Listed Belgravia Stakes as a three-year-old.

Lunar Impact scored a surprise victory at big odds (\$51) in the WA Oaks, causing an upset to defeat favourite Devotion in 2021.

As good as the wins have been, Kiddie says his biggest thrill has been the friendships and connections he has made in racing.

"It's one of the big things about it, the friendships you make in the industry," Kiddie said.

"I remember meeting Dave 20 years ago and have bought horse with him ever since.

"I've met so many good people along the way.

"That's one of the things about racing: it brings people together from all walks of life.

"It's a real community sort of feel."

Horse ownership was once a daunting undertaking for the uninitiated, but with record prizemoney, bonuses, and the explosion of syndicates and female ownership, the landscape has changed.

What once was considered unattainable or too expensive, horse ownership and the thrill of winning and creating new friendships is now a unique sporting experience that is available to everyone.





# The Pinnacles

Supported by TABtouch



## BLACK TYPE. BIGGER MONEY. BRILLIANT HOSPITALITY.

Racing WA invites you to be part of The Pinnacles (supported by TABtouch) – Western Australia's premier racing carnival, with four chances to compete for \$1.5 million across consecutive Saturdays at Ascot.

Close to \$11 million is up for grabs across the five days of the carnival this year. The feature races include:

- Group 1 Swan Draught Railway Stakes (\$1.5 million, 1600m)
- Group 1 Winterbottom Stakes (\$1.5 million, 1200m)
- Group 1 TABtouch Northerly Stakes (\$1.5 million, 1800m)
- Group 3 The Gold Rush (\$1.5 million, 1400m)
- Group 2 WA Guineas (\$500,000, 1600m)
- Group 3 WA Champion Fillies Stakes (\$300,000, 1600m)
- Listed Placid Ark Stakes (\$500,000, 1200m)

With sixteen black-type races across the five days of The Pinnacles, there are plenty of options for your champions, whether fillies, mares, colts or geldings, over a significant variety of distances.



# Ascot Racing Carnival

## 30 Black Type Races



MEETING DATE	TOTAL STAKES	RACE NAME	GROUP	DISTANCE	AGE	SEX	CONDITIONS
<b>Saturday, October 12</b>	\$100,000	Max Simmonds Stakes	OT	1000	3YO		SWP
<b>Saturday, October 19</b>	\$200,000	Eurythmic Stakes	G3	1400	3UP		SWP
	\$125,000	R.S. Crawford Stakes	LR	1000	3UP		SWP
<b>Saturday, October 26</b>	\$125,000	Belgravia Stakes	LR	1200	3YO		SWP
<b>Saturday, November 2</b>	\$200,000	Asian Beau Stakes	G3	1400	3UP		HCP
	\$200,000	Prince Of Wales Stakes	G3	1000	3UP		SWFA
	\$100,000	Placid Ark Prelude	OT	1000	3YO		SWP
<b>Tuesday, November 5</b>	\$125,000	Burgess Queen Stakes	LR	1400	3YO	(F)	SWP
<b>Saturday, November 9</b>	\$300,000	Lee Steere Stakes	G2	1400	3UP		SWFA
	\$125,000	Luckygray Stakes	LR	1800	3UP		HCP
	\$125,000	Fairetha Stakes	LR	1400	3YO	C&G	SWP
<b>Saturday, November 16</b>	\$500,000	Placid Ark Stakes	LR	1200	3YO		SW
	\$300,000	W.A. Champion Fillies Stakes	G3	1600	3YO	(F)	SW
	\$200,000	R.J. Peters Stakes	G3	1500	3UP		HCP
	\$200,000	Colonel Reeves Stakes	G3	1100	3UP		SWP
	\$125,000	Jungle Mist Classic	LR	1200	3UP	F&M	SWP
<b>Saturday, November 23</b>	\$1,500,000	Railway Stakes	G1	1600	3UP		HCP
	\$500,000	W.A. Guineas	G2	1600	3YO		SW
	\$125,000	A.J. Scahill Cup	LR	2100	3UP		HCP
	\$125,000	Carbine Club Of W.A. Stakes	LR	1400	3UP		SWP
	\$100,000	Crystal Slipper Stakes	OT	1100	2YO		SW
<b>Saturday, November 30</b>	\$1,500,000	Winterbottom Stakes	G1	1200	3UP		SWFA
	\$125,000	Jungle Dawn Classic	LR	1400	3UP	F&M	SWP
	\$125,000	Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic	LR	1400	3YO		SWP
	\$100,000	Country Championship: Road To Ascot	OT	1200	3UP		HCP
<b>Saturday, December 7</b>	\$1,500,000	Northerly Stakes	G1	1800	3UP		SWFA
	\$125,000	G.A. Towton Cup	LR	2200	3UP		HCP
	\$100,000	Westspeed Platinum Series Final	OT	1400	4UP		HCP
<b>Saturday, December 14</b>	\$1,500,000	The Gold Rush	G3	1400	3UP		SWFA
	\$125,000	Starstruck Classic	LR	1600	3UP	F&M	SWP
<b>Wednesday, December 18</b>	\$125,000	A.T.A. Stakes	LR	2200	3UP		HCP
<b>Saturday, December 21</b>	\$300,000	Ted Van Heemst Stakes	G2	2100	3UP		SWFA
	\$125,000	Westspeed Platinum Cup	OT	2100	4UP		HCP
	\$125,000	Epona Classic	OT	1200	4UP	F&M	HCP
	\$125,000	TBWA Stallion Tender Scheme Trophy	OT	1200	4UP	C&G	HCP
	\$125,000	Westspeed Platinum Sprint	OT	1400	3UP		HCP
	\$125,000	Westspeed Platinum Mile	OT	1600	3UP		HCP
	\$125,000	Westspeed Platinum Sires Stakes	OT	1200	3YO		SWP
	\$125,000	TBWA Westspeed Platinum Plate	OT	1000	2YO		SWP
<b>Wednesday, January 1</b>	\$1,000,000	Perth Cup	G2	2400	3UP		HCP
	\$200,000	La Trice Classic	G3	1800	2UP	F&M	SWP
	\$125,000	Summer Scorcher	LR	1000	2UP		HCP

KEY							
<b>G1</b>	Group One	<b>2YO</b>	Two-year-olds only	<b>O</b>	Open	<b>HCP</b>	Handicap
<b>G2</b>	Group Two	<b>3YO</b>	Three-year-olds only	<b>C&amp;G</b>	Colts and geldings only	<b>SWFA</b>	Standard weight for age
<b>G3</b>	Group Three	<b>3UP</b>	Three-year-olds and upwards	<b>F</b>	Fillies only	<b>SW</b>	Set weights
<b>LR</b>	Listed	<b>OT</b>	Non Black-type Feature	<b>F&amp;M</b>	Fillies and mares only	<b>SWP</b>	Set weights and penalties

# TABtouch-Placid Ark Stakes

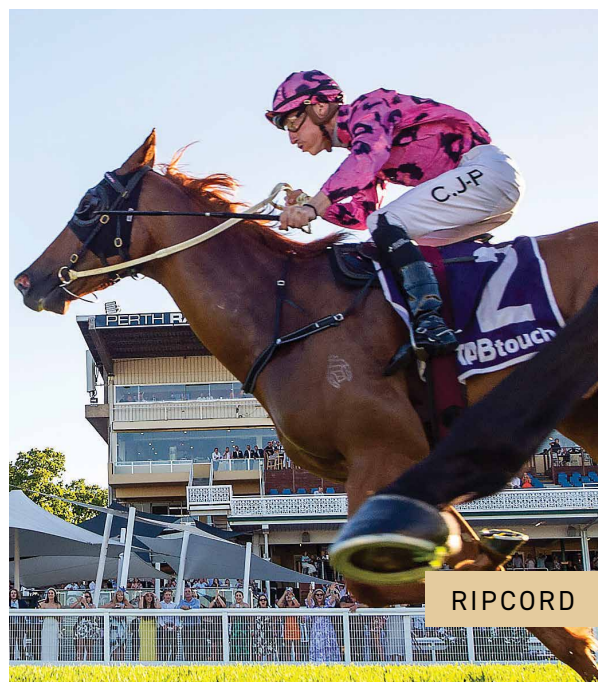
\$500,000 LR 3YO SW (1200m) 16 November 2024



The TABtouch Placid Ark Stakes is a Listed race over 1200 metres exclusively for three-year-old gallopers. The race honours Placid Ark, the first flying machine to complete the Melbourne sprinters triple crown of the Lightning Stakes, the Oakleigh Plate and the Newmarket Handicap in the same year.

A prizemoney boost to \$500,000 for the Placid Ark Stakes attracted one of the hottest fields in recent history. Three of the top four finishers went on to secure lucrative slots in the \$5m Kia Quokka. The talented three-year-olds put on a show and the big crowd at Ascot were treated to a mouthwatering finish by Ripcord, who flew late to grab Oscar's Fortune right on the line.

The pair would reunite a fortnight later in the \$1.5m Group 1 Crown Perth Winterbottom Stakes to place second and third behind defending Quokka champion Overpass.



PRIZE MONEY	
PLACE	PRIZE
First	\$274,000 plus trophies
Second	\$93,000
Third	\$44,000
Fourth	\$19,500
Fifth	\$14,500
Sixth to 10th	\$9,000

HISTORY						
YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)		
2023	Ripcord	56.5kg	LR Belgravia Stakes (8th)	G1 Winterbottom Stakes (3rd)		
2022	My Bella Mae	54.5kg	3YO Graduation (1st)	G1 Winterbottom Stakes (9th)		
2021	Flying Missile	54.5kg	LR Burgess Queen Stakes (3rd)	LR Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic (2nd)		
2020	Chantorque	54.5kg	3YO Plate (1st)	LR Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic (4th)		
2019	Massimo	56.5kg	3YO Plate (1st)	LR Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic (2nd)		
2018	Dance Music	54.5kg	3YO Plate (1st)	3YO Handicap (1st)		
2017	Ocean Jewel	55kg	LR Burgess Queen Stakes (6th)	RTG 72+ Handicap (7th)		

TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 14 October	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 28 October	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Monday 11 November	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$5,500
Monday 11 November	Final declarations close at 12:00 noon	\$2,750
Tuesday 12 November	Final riders close at 10:00am	N/A
Saturday 16 November	Race	N/A

#### LR \$500,000 PLACID ARK STAKES

Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 15 October 2024 and Sunday 10 November 2024 inclusive can enter the Placid Ark before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.

# Swan Draught-Railway Stakes

\$1,500,000 G1 3UP HCP (1600m) 23 November 2024



BUSTLER

The Railway Stakes holds a special place in the hearts of the city's people. It is Perth's oldest Group One race, an illustrious contest with a proud history dating back to Nimrod's 1887 New Year's Eve victory.

The Railway Stakes had eluded the Parnham family until Bustler's victory in 2023. The four-year-old is sired by Playing God, who provided the father-son duo, in Neville and Steven, their first ever Group 1 victory thirteen years ago in the Kingston Town Classic (now Northerly Stakes).

The full field was contested by three interstate raiders, but it would be an all-local affair with Bustler launching from sixth on the turn to defeat in-form mare Alsephina, who nearly provided trainers Grant & Alana Williams with their fifth Railway in just the past six years.

Dom To Shoot produced an eye-catching run to place third with the fastest last 600m sectional of the race.

PRIZE MONEY	
PLACE	PRIZE
First	\$822,000 plus trophies
Second	\$279,000
Third	\$132,000
Fourth	\$58,000
Fifth	\$43,000
Sixth to 10th	\$27,000

HISTORY					
YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)	
2023	Bustler	53kg	G2 Lee-Steere Stakes (5th)	G1 Northerly Stakes (4th)	
2022	Trix Of The Trade	53kg	G3 Asian Beau Stakes (3rd)	G1 Northerly Stakes (6th)	
2021	Western Empire	53kg	G3 Asian Beau Stakes (1st)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (2nd)	
2020	Inspirational Girl	53kg	G3 Asian Beau Stakes (1st)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (2nd)	
2019	Regal Power	53kg	G3 Asian Beau Stakes (2nd)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (6th)	
2018	Galaxy Star	53kg	G3 Asian Beau Stakes (1st)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (3rd)	
2017	Great Shot	53.5kg	G2 Lee Steere Stakes (2nd)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (8th)	

TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 14 October	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 28 October	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Monday 11 November	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$33,000
Monday 11 November	Weights declared	N/A
Monday 18 November	Final declarations close at 12:00 noon	\$8,250
Tuesday 19 November	Final riders close at 10:00am	N/A
Tuesday 19 November	Barrier draw (event details to be confirmed)	N/A
Saturday 23 November	Race	N/A

#### G1 \$1,500,000 SWAN DRAUGHT-RAILWAY STAKES

Winners of the following races shall be exempt from ballot in this race: 2023 W.A. Guineas, 2024 editions of the Epsom Handicap, Toorak Handicap, Eurythmic Stakes, Empire Rose Stakes, Champions Mile, Asian Beau Stakes, W.A. Champion Fillies Stakes, Lee Steere Stakes and the R.J. Peters Stakes. Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 15 October 2024 and Sunday 10 November 2024 inclusive can enter the Railway Stakes before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.

# W.A. Guineas

**\$500,000 G2 3YO SW (1600m) 23 November 2024**

The W.A. Guineas is a valuable feature exclusively for three-year-olds and its winner frequently proceeds to the TABtouch-Northerly Stakes to take on the older horses.

The state's premier three-year-old race at The Pinnacles unites the best of the colts & geldings, and fillies, for a contest over the famous Ascot mile. All eyes were on the \$1.80 favourite Super Smink, fresh off being crowned WA Champion 2YO of the previous season.

The filly turned out to be no match for Zipaway, an impressive winner for father-son combination Neville and Steven Parnham. Super Smink ran well to finish third, behind ultra-consistent galloper A Lot Of Good Men, who would return to Ascot in Autumn to take the G2 Schweppes WATC Derby, whilst Super Smink would go on to secure a slot in the lucrative \$5m Kia Quokka.



PRIZE MONEY	
PLACE	PRIZE
First	\$274,000 plus trophies
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Third	\$44,000
Fourth	\$19,500
Fifth	\$14,500
Sixth to 10th	\$9,000

HISTORY				
YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)
2023	Zipaway	56.5kg	LR Fairetha Stakes (4th)	G1 Northerly Stakes (3rd)
2022	Amelia's Jewel	54.5kg	LR Burgess Queen (2nd)	G1 Northerly Stakes (1st)
2021	Treasured Star	54.5kg	LR Burgess Queen (5th)	RTG 78+ Handicap (8th)
2020	Watch Me Dance	54.5kg	G3 WA Champion Fillies (1st)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (8th)
2019	War Saint	56.5kg	LR Fairetha Stakes (4th)	G2 Lee Steere Stakes (4th)
2018	Arcadia Queen	54.5kg	G3 WA Champion Fillies (1st)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (1st)
2017	Perfect Jewel	54.5kg	LR Burgess Queen Stakes (4th)	G1 Kingston Town Classic (4th)

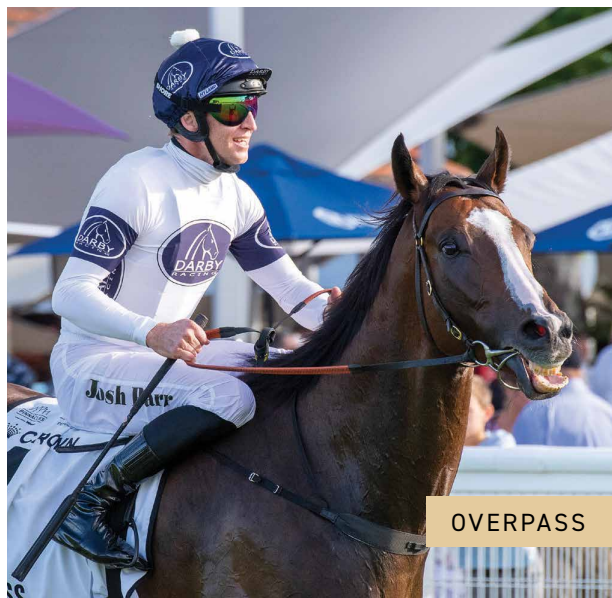
TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 14 October	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 28 October	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Monday 18 November	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$5,500
Monday 18 November	Final declarations close at 12:00 noon	\$2,750
Tuesday 19 November	Final riders close at 10:00am	N/A
Saturday 23 November	Race	N/A

#### G2 \$500,000 W.A. GUINEAS

Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 15 October 2024 and Sunday 17 November 2024 inclusive can enter the WA Guineas before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.

# Winterbottom Stakes

**\$1,500,000 G1 3UP SWFA (1200m) 30 November 2024**



The Winterbottom Stakes is Australia's last Group One sprint of the year, and its past victors include Takeover Target, Ortensia and Buffering, all of whom won at the highest level in foreign lands.

Since Takeover Target's famous victory in 2008, the interstate horses have dominated WA's premier Group 1 sprint eleven times. The NSW trained star sprinter Overpass continued the trend in 2023 with a dominant victory and proved to the locals his win in the inaugural Quokka was no fluke.

Positioned in his familiar role on-pace, Overpass jumped well to sit right on the girth of visiting Territorian Savatoxl. At the 400m, jockey Joshua Parr, who had a lap full of horse underneath of him, steered Overpass to the middle of the course and kicked clear to hold off Oscars' Fortune and Ripcord. The Bjorn Baker trained star would return to Perth for a third time in the autumn to win the 2024 \$5m Kia Quokka.

PRIZE MONEY	
PLACE	PRIZE
First	\$822,000 plus trophies
Second	\$279,000
Third	\$132,000
Fourth	\$58,500
Fifth	\$43,500
Sixth to 10th	\$27,000

HISTORY				
YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)
2023	Overpass	58.5kg	The Everest (10th)	The Quokka (1st)
2022	Paulele	58.5kg	G1 VRC Classic (11th)	G2 Challenge Stakes (8th)
2021	Graceful Girl	56.5kg	G3 - Colonel Reeves Stakes (2nd)	G3 Cockram Stakes (11th)
2020	Elite Street	59kg	Amelia Park Handicap (1st)	G1 Black Caviar Lightning (8th)
2019	Hey Doc	58.5kg	G3 Kevin Heffernan Stakes (4th)	G2 Australia Stakes (2nd)
2018	Voodoo Lad	58.5kg	G1 Manikato Stakes (8th)	G2 Rubiton Stakes (4th)
2017	Viddora	56.5kg	G1 Manikato Stakes (4th)	Magic Millions Snippets (1st)

TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 14 October	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 28 October	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Monday 25 November	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$33,000
Monday 25 November	Final declarations close at 12:00 noon	\$8,250
Tuesday 26 November	Final riders close at 10:00am	N/A
Tuesday 26 November	Barrier draw (event details to be confirmed)	N/A
Saturday 30 November	Race	N/A

#### G1 \$1,500,000 WINTERBOTTOM STAKES

Winners of the following races shall be exempt from ballot in this race: 2024 editions of the Manikato Stakes, Coolmore Stud Stakes, Prince of Wales Stakes, Champions Sprint, Lee Steere Stakes, Colonel Reeves Stakes and Placid Ark Stakes. Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 15 October 2024 and Sunday 24 November 2024 inclusive can enter the Winterbottom Stakes before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.

# TABtouch-Northerly Stakes

\$1,500,000 G1 3UP SWFA (1800m) 7 December 2024



DOM TO SHOOT

The Northerly Stakes is named to honour the WA champion who collected a Caulfield Cup & two WS Cox Plates, plus career prizemoney of almost \$9.5m. The TABtouch- Northerly Stakes is the southern hemisphere's richest Group One event over this distance.

The 2023 Northerly Stakes attracted the Annabel Neasham trained star Zaaki, and all eyes were on the multiple Group 1 weight-for-age champion at his debut in the west. The field of 16 included fellow raiders from the stables of Gai Waterhouse & Adrian Bott, and Trent Busuttin & Natalie Young, who were keen to continue the interstate momentum from Overpass a week earlier.

Front-running stayer Marrocchino wasted no time in getting to the lead and provided Zaaki with a horse to follow, positioning second throughout the fast-paced race. Visiting star rider James McDonald booted Zaaki clear at the top of the straight to the roar of the crowd, however local hope Dom To Shoot would unleash a powerful burst to force a photo on the line.

The numbers went up and Dom To Shoot had got the dive in to provide trainers Sean & Jake Casey, and jockey Jarrad Noske their first Group 1 success.

PRIZE MONEY		HISTORY				
PLACE	PRIZE	YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)
First	\$822,000 plus trophies	2023	Dom To Shoot	59kg	G1 Railway Stakes (3rd)	G3 Gold Rush (9th)
Second	\$279,000	2022	Amelia's Jewel	50kg	G2 WA Guineas (1st)	G3 Roma Cup (1st)
Third	\$132,000	2021	Regal Power	59kg	G2 - Lee Steere Stakes (4th)	G2 Ted van Heemst Stakes (1st)
Fourth	\$58,500	2020	Truly Great	59kg	G1 Railway Stakes (7th)	G2 Ted van Heemst Stakes (1st)
Fifth	\$43,500	2019	Kay Cee	50kg	G2 WA Guineas (2nd)	Raconteur Stakes (1st)
Sixth to 10th	\$27,000	2018	Arcadia Queen	50kg	G2 WA Guineas (1st)	G2 Theo Marks Stakes (1st)
		2017	Pounamu	59kg	G1 Railway Stakes (6th)	G2 Ted van Heemst Stakes (1st)

TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 14 October	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 28 October	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Monday 2 December	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$33,000
Monday 2 December	Final declarations close at 12:00 noon	\$8,250
Tuesday 3 December	Final riders close at 10:00am	N/A
Tuesday 3 December	Barrier draw (event details to be confirmed)	N/A
Saturday 7 December	Race	N/A

#### G1 \$1,500,000 TABTOUCH-NORTHERLY STAKES

Winners of the following races shall be exempt from ballot in this race: 2024 editions of the Epsom Handicap, Toorak Handicap, Eurythmic Stakes, Empire Rose Stakes, Champions Mile, Asian Beau Stakes, W.A. Champion Fillies Stakes, Lee Steere Stakes, Railway Stakes and the W.A. Guineas. Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 15 October 2024 and Sunday 1 December 2024 inclusive can enter the Northerly Stakes before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.

# The Gold Rush

\$1,500,000 G3 3UP SWFA (1400m) 14 December 2024



Perth Racing's latest \$1.5m race, The Gold Rush, is the culminating event of The Pinnacles. An opportunity for winners of the previous sprint and distance events to come together and settle who really is the 'best in the west'.

The 2023 edition was renamed the Damien Oliver Gold Rush, supported by TABtouch, in a gesture for the retiring jockey who made this race his final ride. Damien was winless throughout The Pinnacles until Day 5, and as if Hollywood was watching, would ultimately provide a script for the ages.

Munhamek weaved his way through traffic to the eruption of the crowd and won the \$1.5m race which provided Ascot with post-victory celebrations unseen in the modern era. The crowd witnessed racing history and remained on course to thank Ollie for his contributions to racing.

In second place was the gallant three-year-old Ripcord whose lead-up runs included a victory in the TABtouch Placid Ark Stakes and second placing in the Group 1 Winterbottom Stakes.

PRIZE MONEY	
PLACE	PRIZE
First	\$822,000 plus trophies
Second	\$279,000
Third	\$132,000
Fourth	\$58,500
Fifth	\$43,500
Sixth to 10th	\$27,000

TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 14 October	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 28 October	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Monday 9 December	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$33,000
Monday 9 December	Final declarations close at 12:00 noon	\$8,250
Tuesday 10 December	Final riders close at 10:00am	N/A
Tuesday 10 December	Barrier draw (event details to be confirmed)	N/A
Saturday 14 December	Race	N/A

#### G3 \$1,500,000 THE GOLD RUSH

Winners of the following races shall be exempt from ballot in this race: 2024 editions of the Toorak Handicap, Placid Ark Stakes, Eurythmic Stakes, Manikato Stakes, Coolmore Stud Stakes, Asian Beau Stakes, Champions Sprint, Champions Mile, Lee Steere Stakes, W.A. Champion Fillies Stakes, Railway Stakes, the W.A. Guineas and the Winterbottom Stakes. Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 15 October 2024 and Sunday 8 December 2024 inclusive can enter the The Gold Rush before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.



# TABtouch-Perth Cup

\$1,000,000 G2 3UP HCP (2400m) 1 January 2025



CASINO SEVENTEEN

Included in our Equine All Stars Incentive Scheme for the second time this season, The Perth Cup is one of Western Australia's premier race meetings. Traditionally held on New Year's Day, the Group 2 boasts a total prize pool of \$1m.

The first \$1m edition of the Perth Cup attracted a quality line up of stayers which included interstate talent from the yards of Annabel Neasham and Gai Waterhouse/Adrian Bott.

However, victory went to favourite Casino Seventeen, providing superstar WA hoop William Pike his fourth victory in the Cup, and trainers Grant & Alana Williams their fifth. Always well positioned, and backed by punters like defeat was out of the question following a solid third in his lead up race, the G2 Ted Van Heemst Stakes nine days earlier, Casino Seventeen just held off the late dive of Kalgoorlie Cup-winning mare Be Optimistic, to the delight of a packed grandstand at Ascot.

PRIZE MONEY		HISTORY				
PLACE	PRIZE	YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)
First	\$548,000 plus trophies	2024	Casino Seventeen	53kg	G2 Ted Van Heemst Stakes (3rd)	LR Detonator Stakes (3rd)
Second	\$186,000	2023	Buster Bash	56kg	LR GA Towton Cup (1st)	N/A
Third	\$88,000	2022	Midnight Blue	53kg	LR ATA Stakes (3rd)	Michael Grumley Hcp (4th)
Fourth	\$39,000	2021	Neufbosc	54kg	LR ATA Stakes (1st)	Seppelt Wines Plate (9th)
Fifth	\$29,000	2020	Mississippi Delta	53kg	G2 Ted Van Heemst Stakes (4th)	G3 Belmont Sprint (7th)
Sixth to 10th	\$18,000	2019	Star Exhibit	55kg	G2 Ted Van Heemst Stakes (5th)	LR Detonator Stakes (1st)
		2018	Material Man	56.5kg	G2 Ted Van Heemst Stakes (2nd)	G3 Belmont Sprint (1st)

TIMETABLE		
DATE	EVENT	FEE (GST INCLUSIVE)
Monday 25 November	Nominations close at 12:00 noon	\$275
Monday 2 December	First late entries close at 12:00 noon	\$550
Thursday 19 December	Second late entries close at 9:30am	\$22,000
Thursday 19 December	Weights declared	N/A
Friday 27 December	Final declarations close at 10:00am	\$5,500
Friday 27 December	Final riders close at 12:00 noon	N/A
Wednesday 1 January	Race	N/A

## G2 \$1,000,000 TABTOUCH PERTH CUP

Winners of the following races shall be exempt from ballot in this race: 2024 Matriarch Stakes, Queen's Cup, Ballarat Cup, AJ Scahill Cup, ATC Cup, Zipping Classic, Sandown Cup, Pakenham Cup, GA Towton Cup, Christmas Cup, ATA Stakes & Ted Van Heemst Stakes.

The winner of the 2024 Ted Van Heemst Stakes will not incur a weight penalty for the 2025 Perth Cup.

Horses which place first, second or third in any Group One race run in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, Japan or Singapore between Tuesday 26 November 2024 and Sunday 15 December 2024 inclusive can enter the Perth Cup before the closing of the second late entry stage upon payment of the first late entry fee.



## THE VANTAGE - TAKING YOUR RACE DAY TO THE NEXT LEVEL

**The Vantage is Racing WA's premier facility for owners with a horse racing on the day at Ascot and Belmont Park Racecourse.**

It's the perfect place for connections to relax and enjoy the race day experience.

The facility is open every Saturday, with invitations sent via email two days prior. Owners are treated to a complimentary beverage courtesy of Racing WA, and light refreshments are served throughout the afternoon.

At Ascot, The Vantage is split across two levels. The upper deck offers a premium view of the course and mounting yard, providing an excellent vantage point for owners. The lower deck resembles a beer garden, offering a relaxed alternative for those visiting Ascot Racecourse.

The Vantage at Belmont Park is located on the ground floor next to the Old Mates Bar. This cosy setting features plenty of large screens to watch races from around the country and AFL during the winter months, ensuring owners can enjoy the action in comfort.

Both venues include an owner's concierge service where owners can collect their wristband and beverage token upon arrival. Racing WA's friendly staff are always ready to offer a warm welcome to all owners, ensuring they have a great time, whether their horse wins or not. We hope you enjoy your time at The Vantage and experience the best of race day hospitality with Racing WA.

### **Entry to the racecourse:**

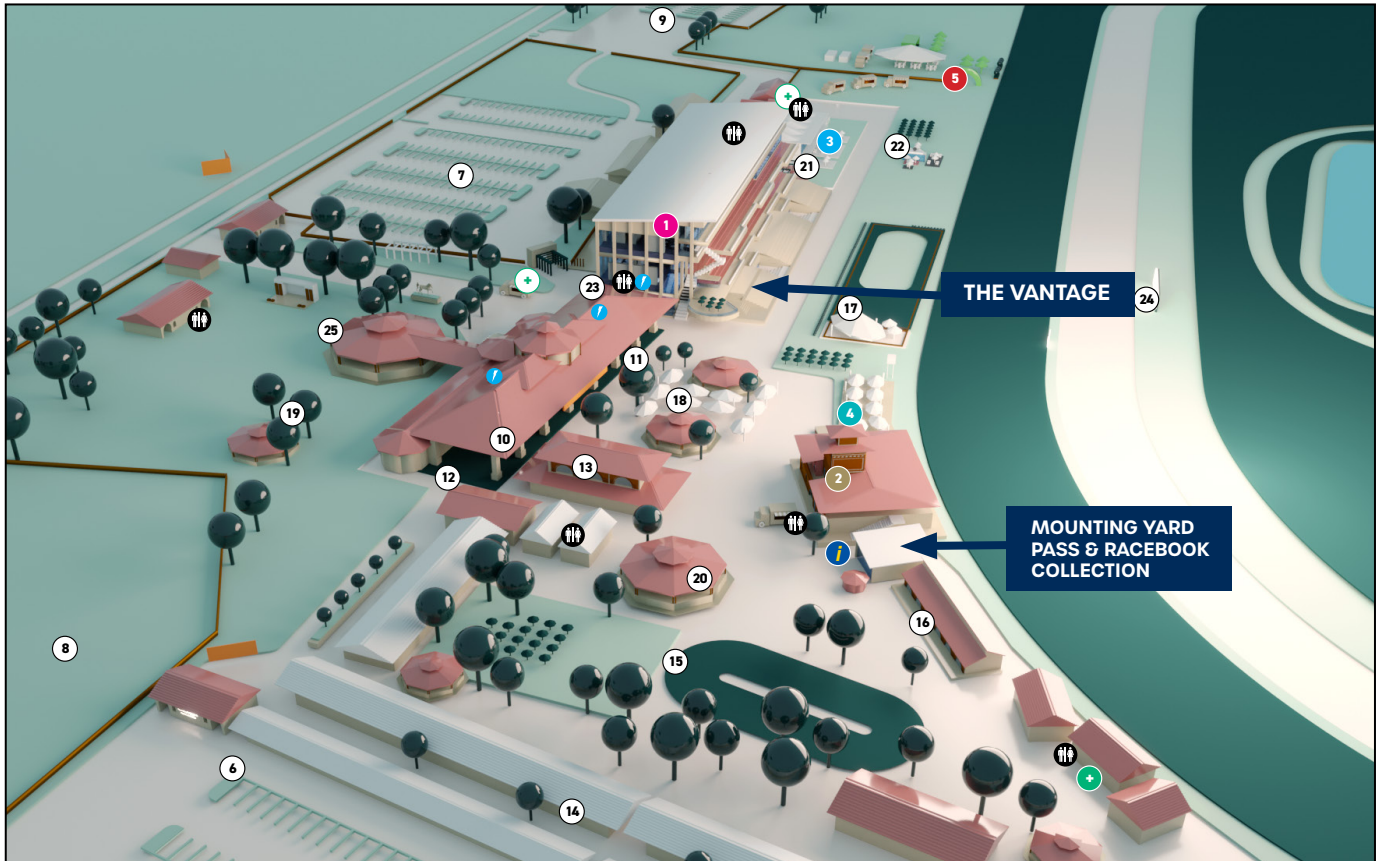
Owners with a horse racing at Ascot receive free entry with compliments from Perth Racing. Please display your photo ID to the gate staff to access the course. Entry to Belmont Park is free.

### **Winners' Bar:**

Winning connections will be escorted by a Perth Racing host to the Winners' Bar following their race, or trophy presentation for feature races. Connections are invited to enjoy a celebratory drink and refreshments with fellow owners while watching the race replay of their success.



# MAP OF ASCOT RACECOURSE



- 1 GRANDSTAND**
  - Lower Ground Level**
    - Stone Motherless Bar
    - The Trophy Room Bar
    - Winners' Circle
    - Yarradale Room
  - Ground Level**
    - Customer Service Desk
    - Cloakroom
    - Lavazza Coffee House
  - Level 1**
    - Sports Bar
    - Bookmakers
    - Grandstand Bar & Bistro
    - Ponytails
    - Terrace Restaurant
    - The Vantage
    - The Members' Loft
  - Level 2 - Member Floor**
    - Flying Colours
    - Mumm Champagne Bar
    - Champions Bar
    - The Brasserie
- Northerly Bar
- Horizons
- Directors' Lounge
- Mezzanine Level - Corporate Suites**
  - 1848 Lounge
  - The Super Box
  - Chairman's Suite
  - Eurythmic Suite
  - Scenic Blast Suite
  - Miss Andretti Suite
  - Aquanita Suite
  - Jolly Beggar Suite
  - Placid Ark Suite
- 2 DAMIEN OLIVER STAND**
  - Ground Level**
    - Ollie's Bar
  - Level 1**
    - 1900 Bar & Lounge
- 3 MARQUEE**
  - Ground Level**
    - Leger Lawn Marquee
  - Level 1**
    - Sky Villa
- 4 THE DECK**
- 5 SPECIAL EVENT AREA**
- 6 MATHESON RD PUBLIC CAR PARK**
- 7 MEMBER CAR PARK NO.1**
- 8 MEMBER CAR PARK NO.2**
- 9 LEGER GATE PUBLIC CAR PARK**
- 10 BOOKIES PAVILION**
- 11 GH MUMM CHANDELIER BAR & DECK**
- 12 FLOWER WALL**
- 13 MAIN BAR & CORNER GRILL**
- 14 HORSE STALLS**
- 15 PARADE RING**
- 16 THE LODGE**
- 17 MOUNTING YARD**
- 18 HEINEKEN PAVILION BAR**
- 19 FLAMETREE LAWN & BAR**
- 20 SUNSPED BAR**
- 21 BYRON BAY BEER GARDEN**
- 22 LEGER LAWN**
- WHITE CLAW BEACH CLUB (14 OCT - 1 JAN)**
- 23 ICE CREAMERY**
- 24 SUPERSCREEN**
- 25 FLAMETREE STAGE POPUP**

## Contact information

If you have not received an email prior to your race day, please contact the Racing WA ownership team at [owner@rwwa.com.au](mailto:owner@rwwa.com.au)





# PRIZEMONEY IN WA

**There has never been a greater time to get involved in racehorse ownership in Western Australia with incredible prizemoney and Westspeed Platinum bonuses on offer. Check out the prizemoney below:**

## Metro Saturday

Ascot, Belmont

UP TO

**\$80,000**

BONUSES UP TO

**\$33,000**

+ placings

## Midweek + Inner Provincial

Ascot, Belmont, Bunbury,  
Northam, Pinjarra

UP TO

**\$35,000**

BONUSES UP TO

**\$16,500**

+ placings

## Outer Provincial

Albany, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie,  
Mount Barker

UP TO

**\$24,000**

BONUSES UP TO

**\$8,300**

+ placings

## Country

Broome, Esperance

UP TO

**\$22,000**

BONUSES UP TO

**\$8,300**

+ placings

## Country Other

Carnarvon, Narrogin, York,  
Port Hedland, Roebourne

UP TO

**\$17,000**

BONUSES UP TO

**\$4,200**

+ placings

# WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GROUP & LISTED RACES 2024/25

## GROUP ONE

Saturday, November 23, 2024	<b>RAILWAY STAKES</b>	1600	\$1,500,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, November 30, 2024	<b>WINTERBOTTOM STAKES</b>	1200	\$1,500,000	3UP	SWFA	Ascot
Saturday, December 07, 2024	<b>NORTHERLY STAKES</b>	1800	\$1,500,000	3UP	SWFA	Ascot

## GROUP TWO

Saturday, November 09, 2024	<b>LEE STEERE STAKES</b>	1400	\$300,000	3UP	SWFA	Ascot
Saturday, November 23, 2024	<b>W.A. GUINEAS</b>	1600	\$500,000	3YO	SW	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>TED VAN HEEMST STAKES</b>	2100	\$300,000	3UP	SWFA	Ascot
Wednesday, January 01, 2025	<b>PERTH CUP</b>	2400	\$1,000,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, April 19, 2025	<b>W.A.T.C. DERBY</b>	2400	\$400,000	3YO	SW	Ascot
Saturday, April 26, 2025	<b>KARRAKATTA PLATE</b>	1200	\$500,000	2YO	SW	Ascot

## GROUP THREE

Saturday, October 19, 2024	<b>EURYTHMIC STAKES</b>	1400	\$200,000	3UP	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 02, 2024	<b>ASIAN BEAU STAKES</b>	1400	\$200,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, November 02, 2024	<b>PRINCE OF WALES STAKES</b>	1000	\$200,000	3UP	SWFA	Ascot
Saturday, November 16, 2024	<b>COLONEL REEVES STAKES</b>	1100	\$200,000	3UP	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 16, 2024	<b>R.J. PETERS STAKES</b>	1500	\$200,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, November 16, 2024	<b>W.A. CHAMPION FILLIES STAKES</b>	1600	\$300,000	3YO (F)	SW	Ascot
Saturday, December 14, 2024	<b>THE GOLD RUSH</b>	1400	\$1,500,000	3UP	SWFA	Ascot
Wednesday, January 01, 2025	<b>LA TRICE CLASSIC</b>	1800	\$200,000	2UP F&M	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, April 05, 2025	<b>W.A. OAKS</b>	2400	\$300,000	3YO (F)	SW	Ascot
Saturday, April 12, 2025	<b>GIMCRACK STAKES</b>	1100	\$200,000	2YO (F)	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, April 12, 2025	<b>ROMA CUP</b>	1100	\$200,000	2UP	SWFA	Ascot
Saturday, May 10, 2025	<b>W.A. SIRES' PRODUCE STAKES</b>	1400	\$200,000	2YO	SW	Ascot
Sunday, May 11, 2025	<b>NORTHAM STAKES</b>	1300	\$200,000	2UP	SWP	Northam
Saturday, May 24, 2025	<b>BELMONT SPRINT</b>	1400	\$200,000	2UP	SWFA	Belmont
Saturday, June 07, 2025	<b>HYPERION STAKES</b>	1600	\$200,000	2UP	SWFA	Belmont
Saturday, June 21, 2025	<b>STRICKLAND STAKES</b>	2000	\$200,000	2UP	SWFA	Belmont

## LISTED

Saturday, August 10, 2024	<b>BELMONT NEWMARKET</b>	1200	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, August 24, 2024	<b>IDYLIC PRINCE STAKES</b>	1300	\$125,000	3UP	SWFA	Belmont
Saturday, September 07, 2024	<b>FARNLEY STAKES</b>	1400	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Sunday, September 22, 2024	<b>BOULDER CUP</b>	2100	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Kalgoorlie
Saturday, September 28, 2024	<b>BLACK HEART BART STAKES</b>	1200	\$125,000	3UP	SWP	Belmont
Wednesday, October 02, 2024	<b>HANNANS HANDICAP</b>	1400	\$150,000	3UP	Hcp	Kalgoorlie
Saturday, October 05, 2024	<b>KALGOORLIE CUP</b>	2300	\$150,000	3UP	Hcp	Kalgoorlie
Saturday, October 19, 2024	<b>R.S. CRAWFORD STAKES</b>	1000	\$125,000	3UP	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, October 26, 2024	<b>BELGRAVIA STAKES</b>	1200	\$125,000	3YO	SWP	Ascot
Sunday, October 27, 2024	<b>NORTHAM CUP</b>	1600	\$150,000	3UP	Hcp	Northam
Tuesday, November 05, 2024	<b>BURGESS QUEEN STAKES</b>	1400	\$125,000	3YO (F)	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 09, 2024	<b>FAIRETHA STAKES</b>	1400	\$125,000	3YO C&G	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 09, 2024	<b>LUCKYGRAY STAKES</b>	1800	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, November 16, 2024	<b>JUNGLE MIST CLASSIC</b>	1200	\$125,000	3UP F&M	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 16, 2024	<b>PLACID ARK STAKES</b>	1200	\$500,000	3YO	SW	Ascot
Saturday, November 23, 2024	<b>A.J. SCAHILL CUP</b>	2100	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, November 23, 2024	<b>CARBINE CLUB OF W.A. STAKES</b>	1400	\$125,000	3UP	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 30, 2024	<b>JUNGLE DAWN CLASSIC</b>	1400	\$125,000	3UP F&M	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 30, 2024	<b>SIR ERNEST LEE-STEERE CLASSIC</b>	1400	\$125,000	3YO	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, December 07, 2024	<b>G.A. TOWTON CUP</b>	2200	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 14, 2024	<b>STARSTRUCK CLASSIC</b>	1600	\$125,000	3UP F&M	SWP	Ascot
Wednesday, December 18, 2024	<b>A.T.A. STAKES</b>	2200	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Wednesday, January 01, 2025	<b>SUMMER SCORCHER</b>	1000	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, January 11, 2025	<b>MISS ANDRETTI STAKES</b>	1100	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, January 25, 2025	<b>SCENIC BLAST STAKES</b>	1200	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Sunday, February 02, 2025	<b>WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BREEDERS' CLASSIC</b>	1200	\$125,000	3YO	SWP	Bunbury
Saturday, February 08, 2025	<b>CYRIL FLOWER STAKES</b>	1200	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, February 22, 2025	<b>CHALLENGE STAKES</b>	1500	\$125,000	3YO	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, February 22, 2025	<b>DETONATOR STAKES</b>	1800	\$125,000	2UP	SWP	Ascot
Sunday, February 23, 2025	<b>PINJARRA CLASSIC</b>	1300	\$150,000	2UP	Hcp	Pinjarra Park
Saturday, March 08, 2025	<b>BUNBURY CUP</b>	2000	\$150,000	2UP	Hcp	Bunbury
Saturday, March 08, 2025	<b>BUNBURY STAKES</b>	1400	\$150,000	2UP	Hcp	Bunbury
Sunday, March 09, 2025	<b>ASCOT 1000 GUINEAS</b>	1800	\$125,000	3YO (F)	SWP	Ascot
Sunday, March 09, 2025	<b>LEX PIPER STAKES</b>	1600	\$125,000	3YO C&G	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, March 15, 2025	<b>SHEILA GWYNNE CLASSIC</b>	1400	\$125,000	2UP F&M	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, March 22, 2025	<b>GRANDSTAND CUP</b>	1500	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, March 22, 2025	<b>J.C. ROBERTS STAKES</b>	1800	\$125,000	3YO C&G	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, March 22, 2025	<b>NATASHA STAKES</b>	2200	\$125,000	3YO (F)	SWP	Ascot

# WESTERN AUSTRALIAN GROUP & LISTED RACES 2024/25

Sunday, March 23, 2025	<b>PINJARRA CUP</b>	2300	\$150,000	3UP	Hcp	Pinjarra Park
Saturday, March 29, 2025	<b>SUPREMACY STAKES</b>	1000	\$125,000	2YO	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, April 05, 2025	<b>MELVISTA STAKES</b>	2200	\$125,000	3YO C&G	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, April 05, 2025	<b>OLD COMRADE STAKES</b>	1600	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, April 12, 2025	<b>PERTH STAKES</b>	1100	\$200,000	2YO C&G	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, June 14, 2025	<b>RACONTEUR STAKES</b>	1400	\$125,000	3YO	SWP	Belmont
Saturday, June 28, 2025	<b>BELMONT GUINEAS</b>	1600	\$125,000	3YO	SW	Belmont
Saturday, July 05, 2025	<b>BEAUFINE STAKES</b>	1000	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Belmont
Sunday, July 06, 2025	<b>SOUTH WEST CUP</b>	2200	\$125,000	3UP	SWP	Bunbury
Saturday, July 12, 2025	<b>AQUANITA STAKES</b>	2000	\$125,000	3YO C&G	SW	Belmont
Saturday, July 12, 2025	<b>BELMONT OAKS</b>	2000	\$125,000	3YO (F)	SW	Belmont
Saturday, July 19, 2025	<b>H.G. BOLTON SPRINT</b>	1200	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, July 26, 2025	<b>BELMONT CLASSIC</b>	2200	\$125,000	3YO	SW	Belmont

## RESTRICTED

Saturday, February 15, 2025	<b>MAGIC MILLIONS WA 2YO CLASSIC</b>	1200	\$250,000	2YO	SW	Pinjarra Park
Saturday, February 15, 2025	<b>MAGIC MILLIONS WA 3YO TROPHY</b>	1200	\$250,000	3YO	SW	Pinjarra Park

## OTHER

Saturday, August 03, 2024	<b>JOCKEY CELEBRATION DAY STAKES</b>	1400	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Sunday, August 11, 2024	<b>PORT HEDLAND CUP</b>	2200	\$60,000	3UP	Hcp	Port Hedland
Saturday, August 17, 2024	<b>BLUE SPEC STAKES</b>	1600	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, August 24, 2024	<b>BROOME CUP</b>	2200	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Broome
Saturday, August 31, 2024	<b>JOLLY BEGGAR STAKES</b>	1000	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Sunday, September 08, 2024	<b>COOLGARDIE CUP</b>	1760	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Coolgardie
Saturday, September 14, 2024	<b>CARNARVON CUP</b>	2000	\$60,000	3UP	Hcp	Carnarvon
Saturday, September 14, 2024	<b>NICOPOLIS STAKES</b>	1200	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, September 21, 2024	<b>TABTOUCH STAKES</b>	1600	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, October 05, 2024	<b>RON SAYERS SPRINT</b>	1100	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Kalgoorlie
Saturday, October 12, 2024	<b>MAX SIMMONDS STAKES</b>	1000	\$100,000	3YO	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, November 02, 2024	<b>PLACID ARK PRELUDE</b>	1100	\$100,000	3YO	SWP	Ascot
Sunday, November 10, 2024	<b>YORK CUP</b>	1920	\$70,000	3UP	Hcp	York
Sunday, November 17, 2024	<b>BATAVIA SPRINT</b>	1200	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Geraldton
Saturday, November 23, 2024	<b>CRYSTAL SLIPPER STAKES</b>	1100	\$100,000	2YO	SW	Ascot
Saturday, November 30, 2024	<b>COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP: ROAD TO ASCOT</b>	1200	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 07, 2024	<b>WESTSPEED PLATINUM SERIES FINAL</b>	1400	\$100,000	4UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>EPONA CLASSIC</b>	1200	\$125,000	4UP F&M	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>TBWA STALLION TENDER SCHEME TROPHY</b>	1200	\$125,000	4UP C&G	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>TBWA WESTSPEED PLATINUM PLATE</b>	1000	\$125,000	2YO	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>WA WESTSPEED PLATINUM MILE</b>	1600	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>WESTSPEED PLATINUM CUP</b>	2100	\$125,000	4UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>WESTSPEED PLATINUM SIRES STAKES</b>	1200	\$125,000	3YO	SWP	Ascot
Saturday, December 21, 2024	<b>WESTSPEED PLATINUM SPRINT</b>	1400	\$125,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Thursday, December 26, 2024	<b>BOXING DAY DASH</b>	1300	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Pinjarra Park
Saturday, December 28, 2024	<b>MANDURAH CUP</b>	1400	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Pinjarra Park
Saturday, January 04, 2025	<b>EASINGWOLD STAKES</b>	1400	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Sunday, January 05, 2025	<b>FITZPATRICK PLATE</b>	1230	\$125,000	2UP	Hcp	Albany
Saturday, January 18, 2025	<b>CELEBRATION OF LIFE DAY TROPHY</b>	1500	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Sunday, January 19, 2025	<b>MT. BARKER SPRINT</b>	1300	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Mt Barker
Saturday, February 01, 2025	<b>ASCOT MILE</b>	1600	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, March 01, 2025	<b>MARJORIE CHARLESON CLASSIC</b>	1200	\$100,000	2UP F&M	SWP	Ascot
Sunday, March 02, 2025	<b>ESPERANCE CUP</b>	2000	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Esperance
Saturday, March 15, 2025	<b>NARROGIN CUP</b>	1900	\$70,000	2UP	Hcp	Narrogin
Sunday, March 16, 2025	<b>THE BLUFF KNOLL</b>	1099	\$350,000	2UP	SWP	Albany
Saturday, March 29, 2025	<b>ROCK MAGIC STAKES</b>	1000	\$100,000	2UP	SWP	Ascot
Sunday, April 06, 2025	<b>ABROLHOS PLATE</b>	1400	\$50,000	2UP	Hcp	Geraldton
Sunday, April 06, 2025	<b>GERALDTON CUP</b>	2100	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Geraldton
Friday, April 18, 2025	<b>GOOD FRIDAY STAKES</b>	1800	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Ascot
Sunday, April 20, 2025	<b>ALBANY CUP</b>	2100	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Albany
Saturday, April 26, 2025	<b>THE JOEY</b>	1200	\$200,000	2UP	SWFA	Ascot
Saturday, April 26, 2025	<b>THE QUOKKA</b>	1200	\$5,000,000	2UP	SWFA	Ascot
Sunday, April 27, 2025	<b>THE JERICO CUP QUALIFIER</b>	3100	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Albany
Saturday, May 03, 2025	<b>ROGAN JOSH STAKES</b>	2100	\$100,000	3UP	Hcp	Ascot
Saturday, May 17, 2025	<b>SKYRACING.TV-PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL</b>	1400	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Belmont
Saturday, May 31, 2025	<b>WESTSPEED PLATINUM AUTUMN FINAL</b>	1400	\$100,000	4UP	Hcp	Belmont
Monday, June 02, 2025	<b>W.A. DAY CUP</b>	1600	\$100,000	2UP	Hcp	Northam
Saturday, July 26, 2025	<b>ROEBOURNE CUP</b>	2200	\$50,000	3UP	Hcp	Roebourne

# REAP THE LUCRATIVE WESTSPEED BONUSES



**By purchasing a Westspeed Platinum Yearling, you're opening up a world of bonus opportunities.**

Bonuses Payable		WESTSPEED PLATINUM			WESTSPEED		
TIER	ADVERTISED STAKES	BREEDER	OWNER	PLACINGS	BREEDER	OWNER	PLACINGS
1	\$50,000 - \$125,000	\$7,700*	\$33,000	2 <sup>nd</sup> \$6,600 3 <sup>rd</sup> \$3,300	\$5,500	\$16,500	2 <sup>nd</sup> \$3,300 3 <sup>rd</sup> \$1,650
2	\$30,000 - \$49,999	\$2,750	\$16,500	2 <sup>nd</sup> \$3,300 3 <sup>rd</sup> \$1,650	\$2,750	\$8,250	2 <sup>nd</sup> \$1,650 3 <sup>rd</sup> \$825
3	\$17,000 - \$29,999	\$1,400	\$8,300		\$1,400	\$4,150	
4	Less than \$17,000	\$700	\$4,200		\$700	\$2,100	

\* Includes \$2,000 Magic Millions Perth sales credit which must be redeemed within 18-months of the race meeting the credit was accrued at. NB. The above amounts are inclusive of the jockey/trainer portions (total 11.1% deduction), as such Breeders and Owners receive 88.9% of the amount noted above.

**It pays to be Westspeed...  
but it pays more to buy platinum**







^ The happy ladies of Sinful Living have \$10,000 to use towards a service fee as part of Westspeed Epona Credits.

## WESTSPEED EPONA – HOW IT WORKS?

**Racing WA (RWWA) is supporting race winning mares in Western Australia through Westspeed EPONA, a credit scheme designed to enhance the local thoroughbred breeding industry in WA.**

### How it works?

- 10% of winning prizemoney will be accumulated as a line of breeding credit,
- Local breeders and owners can redeem credits once \$2,500 worth has been accumulated,
- Payment is made by Racing WA directly to the Stud upon attainment of a positive 45-day pregnancy test.

### What horses are eligible?

Any filly or mare who wins a WA race, excluding community meetings.

### How much can my horse earn?

Credits can be redeemed once \$2,500 worth has been accumulated, up to a maximum of \$10,000.

It is important to note that the credits are 'attached' to the mare who earned them and not transferrable. If you sell your mare who has EPONA credits, the new owner will be able to use these within the mares first two seasons at stud.

## CASE STUDY

Sinful Living has earned over \$100,000 in prizemoney and with 10% accumulated towards EPONA credits, has already reached the maximum amount of \$10,000. If connections wish to breed from her after retirement, they can redeem the credits towards a Westspeed Platinum sire. Alternatively, if the owners wish to sell her, can promote the fact she comes with \$10,000 in EPONA credits.



# A MESSAGE FROM THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS WA PRESIDENT DR FIONA LACEY BSC BVMS

**On behalf of Thoroughbred Breeders WA, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing commitment and support of our thoroughbred racing industry here in WA. As breeders we strive to produce top quality yearlings with the aim of continually improving the quality of our racing stock here in WA.**

Most breeders are also owners, and whilst we all love the sport, a return on investment is still important. The strength of our Westspeed Bonus Scheme has seen returns for locally bred horses increase dramatically over the last five years, with added bonuses for winning fillies increasing their post-racing value.

Some recent data compiled by Racing WA analysing sales figures and earnings, evidence significantly higher returns on Westspeed Platinum and Westspeed eligible purchases than those not eligible for either scheme. Westspeed Platinum remains the best bonus scheme in the country, so be sure to consider this when making your next investment.

We are looking forward to a busy 12 months and have great confidence in the strength of our local industry. Perth is arguably one of the best places to race a horse, and with our racing so strong, the breeding industry is in a great position to continue improving year upon year.

Your ongoing commitment to ownership and investment in the WA thoroughbred industry is sincerely appreciated by all involved in this wonderful sport. From breeders to trainers and all industry participants, know that we value your support and look forward to another successful season.

Kind Regards,

**Dr Fiona Lacey BSc BVMS**

President

Thoroughbred Breeders WA





# THE QUOKKA

TABtouch WESTERN TRILOGY

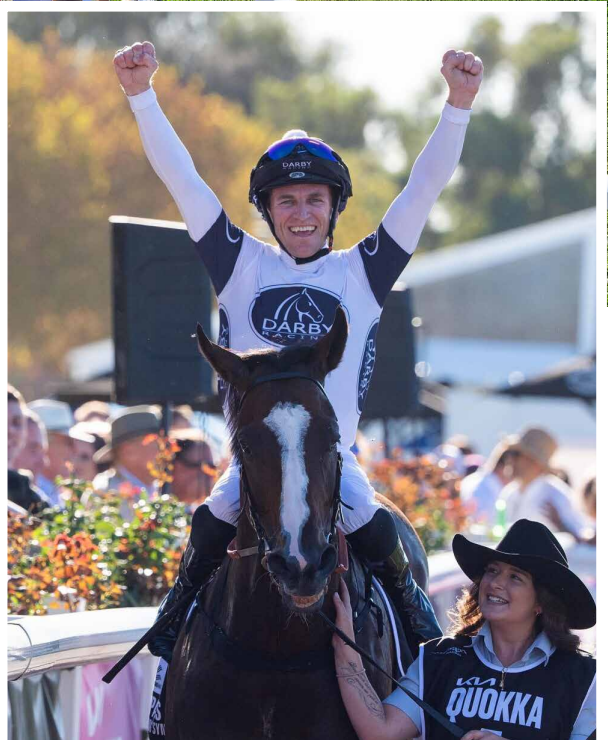
SATURDAY 26 APRIL 2025  
**ASCOT RACECOURSE**

**The Quokka is the fourth equal richest thoroughbred race in Australia**

With \$5 million up for grabs, slot holders are keen to secure the best sprinters in the land to contest Perth's richest race. The Quokka forms part of the world's first tri-code slot race series that includes The Nullarbor for pacers, and The Sandgroper for greyhounds.

Think you have a horse worth negotiating with a Slot Holder? Here are the 14 slot holders locked in until 2026:

- JACK LEE-STEERE THOROUGHBREDS
- LADBROKES
- LINDSEY SMITH RACING
- MAGIC BLOODSTOCK RACING
- MORTON RACING
- PETERS INVESTMENTS
- RAM RACING SYNDICATE
- RAPID EQUINE BREEDING
- SEACORP / HALLOWELL
- SKY RACING
- SPORTSBET
- TABTOUCH
- THE CHIEF RACING SYNDICATE
- TRACKSIDE NZ / PERTH RACING



^ Josh Parr celebrates a second Quokka victory

**Prizemoney:**

Total prizemoney for the Race will be not less than A\$5,000,000. Subject to the Rules, the allocation of prizemoney by finishing position will be determined by RWWA and notified to the Slot Holder. The prizemoney for each finishing position will be finalised in the following allocation, subject to RWWA's determination and the Rules:

**Finishing position Prizemoney**

<b>1st</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>
2nd	\$600,000
3rd	\$400,000
4th	\$250,000
5th	\$190,000
6th	\$180,000
7th - 10th	\$175,000
11th - 14th	\$145,000





# COWBOY HATS AND HIGH STAKES THE RAM RACING WAY

by Steve Butler

**The COVID lockdown was in full swing across the globe in 2020 ... and in the Perth suburb of Malaga, some restless cowboys were becoming increasingly desperate for a bit of fun.**

So, in a makeshift home bar known as "Hammers", a plan to lock into a lucrative new series for Western Australia's three racing codes was hatched and would ultimately deliver the sport some money-can't-buy promotion of extraordinary scale.

Put simply, when the Western Trilogy - the world's only tri-code slot race series - was devised to include The Quokka (thoroughbreds), The Nullarbor (harness) and The Sandgroper (greyhounds), few people would have picked a motley mob of mates gallivanting around WA race courses under black cowboy hats as a key to launching the annual events.

But under the umbrella of the RAM Racing Syndicate, the group of members who have owned gallopers and pacers and even a former Perth chaser named Overbite not only claimed the first two Quokka titles with Sydney galloper Overpass, but also the Albany Racing Club's inaugural The Bluff Knoll slot race earlier this year with Gemma's Son. They even wiggled their way into a slot to take Overpass to the \$20 million The Everest at Randwick in October last year.

And while the wild ride has been every bit unscriptable to say the least, even those who set up the RAM syndicate can barely believe what they have been through together in what could only be described as a racing ownership fairytale.

"We just wanted to get people like us - punters, drinkers, owners and breeders - all together in a conglomerate to racehorses with the big boys and take on the corporates ... that was basically our story," RAM syndicate co-founder Cameron Byers said.

"There are a few of us who have spent a fair bit of time in the United States being village idiots and we always have cowboy hats on, so we kind of thought it went with the theme. We managed to get the syndicate filled really quickly and then more people wanted to come in.

"What it guarantees you is that you get a top-line horse in a top-line race and you get something back for your money even if you run last. And the network of people we've met has been unbelievable.

"What I'm most proud of is that we've been able to put that group of people together and share an unbelievable time. Not in my wildest dreams would I have thought all this could happen ... and I still pinch myself."

When stunning Choisir colt Starspangledbanner won the 2009 Caulfield Guineas, it sparked celebrations rarely - if ever - before seen at a major racecourse as the horse's long list of owners came from everywhere to clamber over the rails into the usually far more sedate winner's enclosure to create a rapturous scene that had to be seen to be believed.





▲ Cameron Byers, second from right, with trainer Bjorn Baker (centre), co-founder Stuart Campbell third from right, and syndicate members of RAM Racing at Ascot.

But when Overpass just outlasted WA's turf darling Amelia's Jewel to win the first edition of the Quokka in 2023, those scenes may well have been surpassed as the horse's ownership syndicate rammed into every nook and cranny of the Ascot presentation area.

"I had a massive pain in my chest, and I actually thought I was going to have a heart attack when he won," Byers recalled.

"If I wasn't around hundreds of people, I might have fallen over because it felt like my body had just stopped. We never seriously thought we were going to win the race, but to actually win was just wow and I don't really know the right words to describe that kind of thrill.

"It was like David and Goliath and I still watch the replays now. We won and it started something great, mate."

The RAM syndicate forked out about \$345,000 to secure slots for all three code races in the first year of the Trilogy. It was named after the Rockingham RAM vehicle dealership, which gave the syndicate some corporate branding and invested \$40,000 into the mission.

Some 40 members joined the founders and snipped shares costing between \$3000 and \$30,000.

They also built up a dedicated "piss-up fund", which would see them gather at a handful of other racing, pacing and chasing events in the lead-up to the main events.

It all fitted the theme based around exactly what racing ownership is all about - having a bit of fun in a robust social setting and trying to find a winner.



"We're all small-time horse owners and horse lovers - good mates who like a drink and a good time and who played footy together," co-founder Stuart Campbell told The West Australian in 2022.

"Worst-case scenario, if you came last in each race, you'll still get back a bit less than a quarter of your money, but basically it's a good time and that's what we're about. Most of us are between 40 to 65, the kids have all grown up and there are no more school fees and we can't play footy any more.

"The next best thing is doing the hard yards and having a beer with our mates."

And winning ... which, to date, has been a regularly - and wildly - celebrated occurrence.





# RACING FILLED VOID FOR HALL OF FAME FOOTBALL STAR

by **Julio Santarelli**

## **How do you replace the adrenaline-filled emotion, energy and atmosphere when your sporting career comes to an end?**

How do you replicate the intoxicating feeling of playing in front of a packed arena in pursuit of individual and team success?

How can you repeat the spoils of victory and share the camaraderie with your teammates?

It's a burning question that most athletes have to answer and stare down when their playing days are finally over.

Some athletes find the transition difficult and many turn to high adrenaline activities in pursuit of a competitive rush.

For Tony Buhagiar, following a decorated and distinguished football career in WA and Victoria, he chose horse ownership

The thoroughbred and football community have always had strong links, there's warm affinity between the sporting codes.

Many former and current players are often seen enjoying a day at the races in their spare time and some take their passive interest further.

Buhagiar inherited his love of racing from a couple of

good mates and said it helped fill an important void after his playing days ended.

"I ended up with a share of a horse called Sizzling Snippets," Buhagiar said.

"That horse did very well and then through my association with Craig Yeo and Neil Pinner we had amazing success with Ellicorsam.

"Before that I had no interest at all, and it was all football; I never even had a bet.

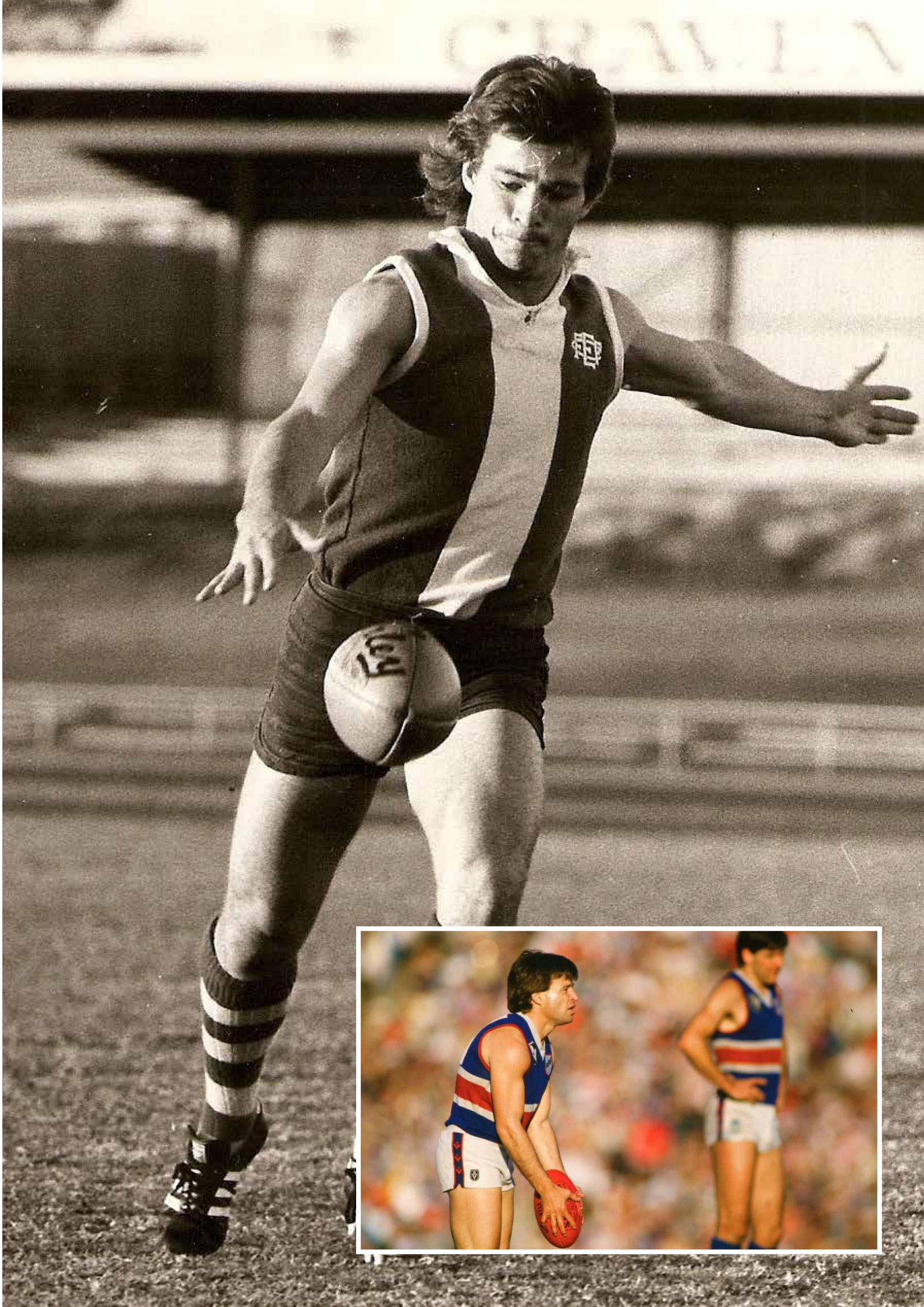
"I suppose what got me interested in racing, it was the closest thing I could get to the adrenalin of a game of footy.

"When you see a horse and think you're a chance in the straight, it gives you a similar buzz to footy and it got me hooked.

"It's been about 20 years of involvement now; I've always had a few horses but probably more now than before.

"It's a great sport to be involved in and the friendships you form can't be understated."

Buhagiar, a pint-sized rover, celebrated playing football at the elite level for 13 years.





▲ Tony (fourth from right) with fellow connections after Ellicorsam won the Hannans Hcp.

A dual premiership player for East Fremantle, he played 108 VFL games for Essendon and Footscray.

He earned All Australian selection in 1979 and served as a Fremantle board member for a decade.

Buhagiar's services to the game were recognised in September when he was inducted into the West Australian Football Hall of Fame.

Buhagiar has no regrets in a notable football career, but laments Ellicorsam being cut down in her prime.

Unlike Buhagiar's footy tenure, her career was short, retiring after 10 wins and two placings from 20 starts in 2006.

The Fimiston mare won five stakes' races in Perth but reached a career peak in Adelaide, winning the Group 1 Sangster Stakes (1200m) at Morphettville.

Buhagiar says Ellicorsam was the best horse he's owned.

"Absolutely, without question," Buhagiar said.

"After winning the Hannans, her feet were never the same.

"She was amazing and gave us all such a great thrill; it was sensational, fantastic.

"We stuck with a fair few of the family, who also did very well."

Buhagiar continues to do well as co-owner of Alsephina, who went close to Group 1 glory in last year's Railway Stakes (1600m).

The Star Turn mare has finished no further back than sixth in her career, winning nine races and placing five times from 15-starts.

The Grant and Alana Williams-trained six-year-old is in the midst of gearing up for another Ascot Pinnacles carnival assault this year.

If Alsephina can reproduce her best, Buhagiar will celebrate his second Group 1 triumph as an owner.

He says he's fortunate to have been involved with a host of top line horses in his racing journey.

"Hopefully she (Alsephina) can be my next Group 1 winner," Buhagiar said.

"We've had some rippers along the way, like Snipparoochy, who could have been anything,

"We had a fair bit of luck with Miss Copycat, that's going back a while.

"Rokanori is another main one, now with Stephen Miller.

"I've been involved in horses for a while now, but it still gives me the same buzz and thrill as when I first started."



▲ Ellicorsam under William Pike wins the 2004 Winterbottom Stakes at Ascot.



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# A MESSAGE FROM MAGIC MILLIONS WA MANAGER DAVID HOUSTON

**On behalf of the entire Magic Millions team, we take this opportunity to welcome you to the new 2024/25 racing season.**

We are proud to work alongside Racing WA to develop, grow and promote thoroughbred breeding and racing in WA.

We recognise how important you, our racehorse owners, are to the sustainability of the industry and sincerely wish you much success and enjoyment on the track during your ownership journey this current season.

We thank you for your support of Magic Millions WA and the thoroughbred auctions we conduct at our purpose-built Swan Valley sales complex as well as the annual Magic Millions Raceday we sponsor at Pinjarra Park.

There has never been a better time to race a horse in WA, with strong base-prizemoney levels supported by lucrative bonuses on offer through the Westspeed breeder scheme, an incentive scheme that is the envy of all throughout Australia.

We extend you a warm invitation to the 2025 edition of the Magic Millions Perth Yearling Sale (20-21 February) to experience the excitement of an auction and look for your next racetrack star.

Join us for Magic Millions WA Raceday at Pinjarra on Saturday 15 February 2025, with \$500,000 in prizemoney on offer across two feature races exclusively for nominated horses purchased at Magic Millions Yearling Sales. Plus \$100,000 in WA Racing Women's Bonuses to be won by all-female owned thoroughbreds in the Magic Millions 2YO and 3YO events.

Thank you again for your investment in racehorse ownership and we look forward to seeing you at the races and at our sales during 2024/25.

Kind Regards,

**David Houston**  
Manager - Magic Millions WA





^ Sheer elation for Craig and Brett as they lead Buckets Ridge back to the Winners' Circle at Ascot

# THE ULTIMATE TRIBUTE TO DAD

by Josh Miller

**The name Buckets Ridge is starting to rise in notoriety in WA's racing community to brothers Craig and Brett Ridge - along with the rest of the large ownership group - it's not just the name of their horse, but a living tribute to their late father and friend, Graeme.**

Graeme, affectionally known as Buckets to family and friends, had a love for racing. A regular attendant of different courses in WA and a Perth Racing member, Graeme never owned a horse but lapped up the chance to enjoy a day with his friends and family on course.

After his passing in August 2020, his sons Craig and Brett saw it as a great opportunity to bring Buckets' closest friends and family together and purchase a horse to honour his legacy.

"We named him Buckets Ridge after Dad, and we thought if it could get out there and get a run and have his name announced at Ascot or Belmont one day he'd be thrilled," Craig Ridge said.

Fast forward to 2024 and the Grant and Alana Williams-trained gelding has exceeded all expectations, winning the Listed Melvista Stakes (2200m) and finishing a gallant second to A Lot Of Good Men in the Group 2 WATC Derby (2400m).

After finishing second last in his previous outing at Ascot, the Ridge brothers were optimistic, but not overly confident in their chances the day the \$14 priced Buckets Ridge shocked everyone in the Melvista Stakes.





"It was just me and my brother on course that day and it was like we won the Melbourne Cup," Craig said.

The day was an emotional one for the Ridge brothers, accepting the cup and realising a great moment to pay tribute to their dad.

"It's progressed to something we never really expected, but it's amazing for the entire family, it brings us all together and is a great way to honour Dad," Craig said.

Bucket Ridge was bred by Amelia Park, with owner-breeder Peter Walsh who is within the ownership group and a friend of the Ridges.

After a successful three-year-old campaign, the large ownership group now have sights set on the 2025 Perth Cup.

"Perth Cup Day would always be Dad's day every year, he loved it, so if Buckets Ridge was able to get into

the race and do alright that would be the absolute fairytale," Craig said.

The brothers were ecstatic that Buckets Ridge had won a feature race, and are excited for the future, but also the momentum their story has received and the chance for Buckets Ridge to be featured in the Owner Season Guide.

Craig and his family have enjoyed the journey so far and have been riding the waves of ownership, saying they support from the racing community has been fantastic.

"It didn't take long for everyone to jump on and embrace us and the story," he said.

"It's surreal knowing that every time we are looking at what Buckets is doing, it's a great reminder of Dad."



OWN THE DREAM 2025

# SHARE YOUR PASSION OF OWNERSHIP WITH MATES

**Own The Dream is Racing WA's annual racehorse ownership competition, offering teams the chance to win up to \$45,000 in prizes towards their very own yearling at the Magic Millions Perth Sale.**

The competition features exclusive behind-the-scenes events, where teams gain access to the state's leading trainers, breeders, and industry participants. By attending these events, teams accumulate tokens towards the major prize barrel.

The first-place prize is a \$20,000 voucher to redeem towards a Westspeed Platinum yearling at the sale.

In addition to the grand prize, there are significant rewards for runner-up teams and consolation vouchers for those who meet the competition eligibility but do not win.

This competition is an excellent introduction for first-time owners, providing insights into ownership costs, timelines, training methods, and the overall ownership experience.

Teams must consist of at least 50% first-time owners to participate. Each team needs a captain to recruit members, with a minimum of four and a maximum of eight members per team.

If you know anyone interested in becoming an owner, encourage them to join Own The Dream. More information will be available on [racingwa.com.au](http://racingwa.com.au) in November 2024.



# OWN THE DREAM 2025 EVENTS



## STABLE TOURS

Teams are offered exclusive access to view the properties of some of WA's leading trainers and gain an insight into their daily operations. Plus, you'll meet the stable staff and get up close to the stars of the show, the horses!



## STUD FARM TOURS

For most team entrants, a tour of a stud farm is a first-time experience. Here you'll get up close to the mares, foals, yearlings and stallions. Your team will learn what it takes to breed a champion racehorse, and what to look for in the conformation of a yearling.



## RACE DAY EXPERIENCES

And they're off! A day at the races is an exhilarating experience for teams who can enjoy a fun day trackside competing in mini challenges on the day. Teams will enjoy exclusive access to a marquee, as well as the opportunity to meet trainers, jockeys, and fellow owners.



## MASTERCLASS

The masterclass is hosted by Aushorse as is available to all owners and Own The Dream contestants. This is a great event for those looking for more information before making the choice to purchase a share in a racehorse. Listen to industry experts as they answer all your questions while providing you an insight into what to look when selecting a yearling

# OWN THE QUEEN THE NEW PIN-UP GIRL

**The Own The Dream competition has introduced hundreds of first-time owners to their very first starter and winner.**

In 2023, Super Smink was the promotional horse, having introduced 10 team entrants to ownership and going on to win the triple crown for juveniles; Magic Millions 2YO Classic, Karrakatta Plate and WA Sires' Produce Stakes.

Then came Own The Queen, a filly whose name is inspired by the competition. The 2022 winning team, 'Golden Sixty,' used their first-place voucher to acquire her, and their dream began.

Own The Queen broke her maiden at just her second start and went on to win four more races consecutively, including three at black-type level: the Listed 1000 Guineas, Listed Natasha Stakes, and G3 WA Oaks.

"There are a lot of first-time owners and some long-time owners who have never had a horse this good," said Own The Dream entrant Greg Browne after her Oaks win. "You're just lucky, you just enjoy it."

After the WATC Derby, Own The Queen headed for a well-earned rest, having recorded five wins from seven starts and over \$440,000 in prize money, including \$110,000 in Westspeed bonuses.

Other notable Own The Dream horses include Esperance Cup winner Soviet Spy and city winners Rejuva King, Alotofbanter, Manhattan Strip, Snippenova, Hostile Talk, Mia Gusto and Keep Ita Mystery.

The competition returns in 2025 for its eighth year, aiming to introduce a new group of people to thoroughbred ownership and, hopefully, find them a horse to take them on the ride of a lifetime, just like Own The Queen has for her owners!



# CLUB MEMBERSHIPS AROUND WA

Keen to enhance your race day experience around the state? Check out some of the memberships on offer:



## Kalgoorlie-Boulder Racing Club

### Membership Types:

Season memberships - Adult (Over 25), Colts and Fillies (under 25) & Seniors (Over 65 - must have seniors' card)

### Perks

- Free entry to all race meetings
- Access to the Members Bar on race days
- Discounted Beverages in the Members Bar & Blue Spec Bar.

### Fees

\$290 - Adult Full Membership (2 x cards)

\$100 - C&F Membership

\$145 - Senior Membership

### Best Contact

admin@kbrc.com.au - 9021 2303



## Northam Race Club

### Membership Types:

Season membership

### Perks

- 2 x badges (member + guest)
- Free entry to all race meetings
- Entry into Members Lounge
- Discounted Beverages in Members Lounge
- Complimentary tea & coffee
- Reciprocal gate entry midweek to all other provincial race club members

### Fees

\$100

### Best Contact

9622 7765 or info@northamraceclub.com



## Bunbury Turf Club

### Membership Types:

Season membership (includes annual guest card)

### Perks

- Free entry to all race meetings
- Exclusive access to the Member area
- Members parking
- Discounted beverages
- Reciprocal rights with other WA race clubs

### Fees

\$200 - Full Membership

\$20 Passes are available for Members to purchase throughout the season (excludes Bunbury Cup Day)

### Best Contact

racing@bunburyturfclub.com.au or bunburyturfclub.com.au



## Pinjarra Race Club

### Membership Types:

Day Memberships

### Perks

- Access to fully serviced members area
- Airconditioned enclosed member's lounge
- Discounted beverages

### Fees

\$15 per person on weekdays and non-feature weekends.

\$65 per person Magic Millions Day and Pinjarra Cup Day.

Relevant GA fee of day is also applicable payable at the gate prior to collection of members day passes

### Best Contact

Office@pinjarrapark.com.au - 95311956 pinjarrapark.com.au





## Esperance Bay Turf Club

### Membership Types:

Season memberships, Member for Day (excluding Boxing and Cup Day), Corporate Cup Day Member (Cup Day Only)

### Perks

- Free entry to all race meetings
- Voting rights
- Access to exclusive members area
- Discounted beverages
- Complimentary tea/coffee/biscuits

### Fees

\$120 - Single Membership  
 \$230 - Double Membership  
 \$70 - Pensioner Membership  
 \$40 - Day Membership

### Best Contact

admin@ebtc.com.au - ebtc.com.au



## Broome Turf Club

### Membership Types:

Season Membership

### Perks

- Free entry to all race meetings
- Access to Members areas
- First access to marquee ticketing on Cup Day

### Fees

\$200

### Best Contact

office@broometurfclub.com.au - (08) 9192 2085



## Toodyay Race Club

### Membership Types:

Day memberships

### Perks

- Free gate entry to Cup Day.
- Exclusive access to the members area and amenities

### Fees

\$80 - Day Membership

### Best Contact

info@toodyayraceclub.com.au



## Geraldton Turf Club

### Membership Types:

Full Membership (1 x members badge + 1 guest badge)  
 Single Membership (1 x members badge)  
 Aged Pension Membership

### Perks

- Free entry to all race meetings
- Members pen & voucher
- Discounted drinks at Members Bar
- Free tea and coffee
- Access to Complimentary Day passes (conditions apply)

### Fees

\$200 - Full Membership  
 \$150 - Single Membership  
 \$100 - Aged Pension Membership

### Best Contact

9921 8366 - gtnturf@westnet.com.au  
 geraldtonturfclub.com.au



## Kununurra Race Club

### Membership Types:

Season memberships

### Perks

- Free entry to all both race meetings
- KRC Cap
- KRC Rugby Shorts
- Stubby Cooler
- Wine Glass & Cooler Bag
- Race Book

### Fees

\$140 - Membership

### Best Contact

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Double Bangers dress to the occasion for Pinball Player's first race at Belmont.

# LIFE AFTER RACING PINBALL PLAYER

by Josh Miller

**Calm, easy to handle, and with a love for work – Jasper is the ideal equestrian horse, according to rider Suzie McLean.**

Known as Pinball Player during his racing days with Belhus Racing, Jasper is now thriving in his new eventing career.

The son of Magnus had 16 career starts, breaking his maiden status at Albany in May 2023. Despite only one career victory, Suzie says Jasper is flourishing off the track.

"I chose him because I wanted to do some low-level jumping and I like the forward energy of thoroughbreds," Suzie told Racing WA. "He has a really nice aura and a lovely temperament. He's very gentle, easy-going, and loves having a job to do."

In 2019, the Double Bangers team won Racing WA's Own The Dream competition. They named their team after their punting formula of selecting horses with two words starting with the same letter, making Pinball Player the perfect choice. Although he didn't meet their expectations on the track, the experience he provided as their first horse was unforgettable.

Through Racing WA's Off the Track WA (OTTWA) program, Jasper is now enjoying clinics that educate both horse and rider in new disciplines. OTTWA supports retired thoroughbred and standardbred horses, promoting their value for performance, pleasure, or companionship homes.

Suzie, who has a strong involvement in the industry, praises OTTWA for helping these athletes transition to life after racing. "I have shares in racehorses and have had off-the-track horses in the past, so I'm familiar with the program. I was really happy when it started and for all it offers," she said.

OTTWA provides clinics for retired racehorses to retrain and compete in their second careers. These clinics are exclusive to horses with an OTTWA Passport, a traceability initiative launched in 2020.

The OTTWA Passport grants access to clinics with accredited equestrian coaches, eligibility to compete in sponsored events, and discounts on products and services from partnered businesses through OTTWA Herd Heroes. The program also sponsors around 150 events, offering prizes and support for specific OTT classes.

Pinball Player is a regular at OTTWA clinics. "OTTWA Clinics are great because you can continue his re-education and get exposure to different instructors," Suzie said.

Now enjoying life on Suzie's property, Jasper is preparing for a future in cross-country and low-level jumping events. "I'd absolutely recommend acquiring an off-the-track horse," Suzie said. "OTTWA is creating a career path for these retired horses beyond racing. It's such a great initiative, providing structure and support for their retirement or further careers."



# SUPPORTING RETIRED RACEHORSES

# RACING WA'S COMMITMENT TO WELFARE

**Racing WA's Off the Track WA (OTTWA) program support horses after they leave the care of the racing community. OTTWA have a range of initiatives in place to help retired racehorses make the transition to life as companion, pleasure or performance horse.**

## **What are my options when my horse retires?**

There are many options to choose from when it's time for your racehorse to retire. OTTWA can support you with the rehoming process through:

- The OTTWA Buy and Sell Webpage.
- Funding for approved OTTWA Network re-trainers.
- The OTTWA Retraining and Rehoming Program.

Horses may also be rehomed privately through word-of-mouth, online platforms or racing connections.

## **What are re-trainers?**

Re-trainers are members of the equestrian community who have the experience and skills to help transition racehorses into their next pursuit. They have often worked in racing and have a unique understanding of how to transition a racehorse into their next stage as a companion, pleasure or performance horse.

## **What is the OTTWA Estate?**

The OTTWA Estate is a multi-purpose racehorse welfare facility, providing retirement services and emergency care for WA racehorses. The Estate is the first stage in the OTTWA Retraining and Rehoming Program, where horses are assessed before beginning their retraining process.

## **What is the day-to-day work for the OTTWA Team?**

Racing WA's OTTWA team members work to support retired racehorses in their new lives. Their focus is on rehoming and supporting retired racehorses, from the post-racing traceability initiative, the OTTWA Passport, to the OTTWA Retraining Program. They also sponsor riders, events and competitions, run clinics for new and experienced owners of retired racehorses and support community groups that utilise retired racehorses in their programs. OTTWA is proud to have created a solid community among equestrians who value and promote owning a retired racehorse.

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**I can't thank you enough for what you do for the sport and supporting us in making these off the track horses into something special after they finish racing. It is very much appreciated to be able to showcase these amazing creatures.**

- Sarah, owner of retired racehorses, Lune De La Terre, and Move on Notice.



[offthetrackwa.com.au](http://offthetrackwa.com.au)



# RACING WA COMMUNITY FUND

**From Kununurra to Albany - and all communities in between - racing has a presence throughout Western Australia.**

The vast and diverse communities connected to racing guides our giving, with the Racing WA Community Fund established to serve as a driving force for positive change in areas linked to racing, where our presence is deeply felt.

Through the fund, we will nurture and develop the connections between racing and the wider community by supporting programs and initiatives aligned with connection, wellbeing and sustainability.

We work closely with our primary partners, Blue Tree Project and Solaris Cancer Care, as well as supporting projects through our grant rounds.

Visit the Racing WA website for more details.





**Western Racepix proudly provides a variety of photography services to the WA horse racing industry. We cover all thoroughbred race meetings at Ascot, Belmont, Albany, Broome, Bunbury, Carnarvon, Geraldton, Mount Barker, Narrogin, Northam, Pinjarra, York, as well as selected interstate and international meetings.**

We also specialise in yearling and stallion photography, as well as providing photographic coverage of numerous industry events.

Our photographs have appeared in a variety of local and national publications and websites, with major clients including The West Australian Newspaper, The Sunday Times, TABform, Racing WA, Perth Racing, Magic Millions, TABtouch, Ladbrokes, The Thoroughbred Report Aus & NZ, ANZ Bloodstock News, Aushorse, Inglis, Thoroughbred Breeders WA, News Corp and many others. We also provide social media photos for many leading trainers and race clubs.

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Owner/Operator Simon Merritt has worked as a horse racing photographer for over 18 years. He is extremely passionate about the industry and is involved in the ownership of several racehorses.

If there is anything we can help you with, please don't hesitate to contact us at [simon@westernracepix.com](mailto:simon@westernracepix.com)



^ Simon Merrit | Western Racepix

## THE MAN **BEHIND THE CAMERA**

### **How did you get involved in racetrack photography?**

Photography and horse racing were my two biggest hobbies, so I just figured it would be my dream job if I could combine them! So I contacted the previous photographer Scott Hollands and I'll be forever grateful that he gave me a chance.

### **How did you go when you first started?**

I had zero experience with the professional cameras, it actually took me several meetings to figure out I could hold the camera trigger down and the camera would keep shooting.

### **What has been your biggest thrill trackside to capture?**

2008 Winterbottom Stakes Day was the first Saturday race meeting I covered by myself and I was extremely nervous, then the roar from the crowd as Takeover Target and Apache Cat went head-to-head is something I will never forget.

### **When did you start Western Racepix?**

My first official meeting at Belmont was 19th July 2014. We started with a contract just at Perth Racing, but the rest of the race clubs soon followed, and we now cover Ascot, Belmont, Albany, Broome, Bunbury, Carnarvon, Geraldton, Mount Barker, Narrogin, Northam, Pinjarra, York and heaps of the once-a-year clubs.

### **Where is your favourite track to shoot?**

Broome, because well, it's in Broome!

### **Which race win have you captured that has given you the greatest buzz?**

Damien Oliver's last ride in the Gold Rush last year. Still can't believe that happened to be honest!

### **Who is the best horse you have captured in the flesh?**

Winx.

**What is the most difficult part of your job?** The hours and hours of editing after a big day.

### **Outside of WA, what other major events have you photographed?**

I have photographed at most metro tracks in Australia, the Magic Millions Sales on the Gold Coast and Adelaide. Also Royal Ascot in 2016.

### **Is there another photographer in the world you admire?**

I think Alex Evers and Vince Caligiuri are up there with the best in the business.

### **Which horse victory has resulted in the most frames ordered?**

Is there one that stands out? The Quokka's have been great! Massive prizemoney with not only many owners, but a heap of slot holders too.

### **Do you have an interest in ownership?**

Yeah I've had very small shares in many horses over the years with the Gangemi stable, but down to only two horses at the moment. Time to get some more I think!

# A MESSAGE FROM WAROA PRESIDENT MARK LUZI

**On behalf of WAROA a warm welcome to all existing and future racehorse owners within the Western Australian thoroughbred industry.**

We appreciate the ongoing support of our vibrant community of members who are dedicated to the passion and excitement of racehorse ownership. At WAROA we strive to support and advocate for our members, ensuring you have the best possible experience in the world of thoroughbred racing.

Whether you are a seasoned owner or new to the exhilarating world of horse racing, our association provides valuable resources, networking opportunities and expert advice to help you navigate every aspect of racehorse ownership.

From exclusive events and industry updates to member benefits and support, WAROA is here to champion your interests and celebrate your successes. We continue to look to value add to your membership with the cornerstone being free access to all racecourses in our great state, other than black out days.

WAROA is your independent voice for owners in Western Australia, the larger our member base the stronger our voice becomes, and we invite all owners to join our association.

We extend our best wishes to all owners for an enjoyable and successful ownership journey in the coming season and thank our members for being part of our association. Together, we will continue to foster a thriving and dynamic racing community in Western Australia, and we look forward to sharing in your racing journey and celebrating the thrill of the track with you

Kind Regards,

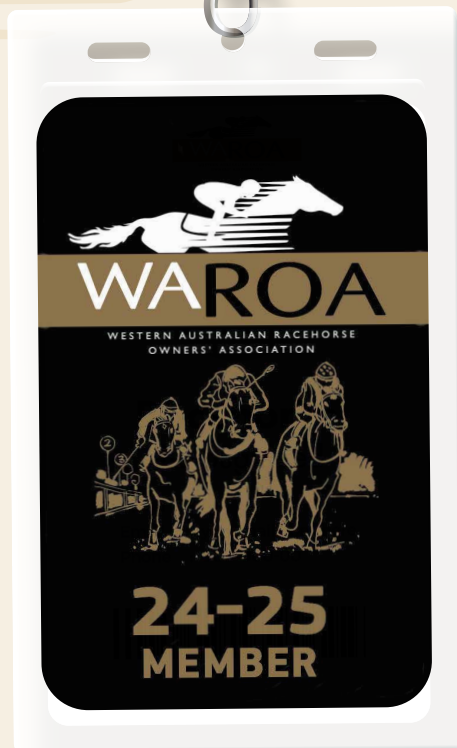
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^ Mark Luzi, far right, with the connections of Marocchino



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## August

- 11 Port Hedland Cup
- 24 Broome Cup
- 31 Kununurra Cup
- 31 Newman Cup

## September

- 7 Junction Cup
- 14 Carnarvon Cup
- 21 Mount Magnet Cup
- 22 Toodyay Cup
- 30 Landor Cup

## October

- 5 Kalgoorlie Cup
- 5 Moora Cup
- 12 Leonora Cup
- 19 Leinster Cup
- 26 Collie Cup
- 27 Laverton Cup
- 27 Northam Cup

## November

- 10 York Cup

## February

- 9 Mount Barker Cup
- 15 Kojonup Cup

## March

- 2 Esperance Cup
- 8 Bunbury Cup
- 15 Narrogin Cup
- 22 Pingrup Cup
- 23 Pinjarra Cup
- 29 Mingenew Cup

## April

- 6 Geraldton Cup
- 19 Dongara Cup
- 20 Albany Cup

## July

- 5 Marble Bar
- 19 Derby Cup
- 26 Roebourne Cup



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