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2024

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Nov 16 - Dec 14



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Ascot Racing Carnival

30 Black Type Races



MEETING DATE	TOTAL STAKES	RACE NAME	GROUP	DISTANCE	AGE	SEX	CONDITIONS
Saturday, October 12	\$100,000	Max Simmonds Stakes	OT	1000	3YO		SWP
Saturday, October 19	\$200,000	Eurythmic Stakes	G3	1400	3UP		SWP
	\$125,000	R.S. Crawford Stakes	LR	1000	3UP		SWP
Saturday, October 26	\$125,000	Belgravia Stakes	LR	1200	3YO		SWP
Saturday, November 2	\$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
Tuesday, November 5	\$125,000	Burgess Queen Stakes	LR	1400	3YO	(F)	SWP
Saturday, November 9	\$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
Saturday, November 16	\$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
Saturday, November 23	\$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
Saturday, November 30	\$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
Saturday, December 7	\$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
Saturday, December 14	\$1,500,000	The Gold Rush	G3	1400	3UP		SWFA
	\$125,000	Starstruck Classic	LR	1600	3UP	F&M	SWP
Wednesday, December 18	\$125,000	A.T.A. Stakes	LR	2200	3UP		HCP
Saturday, December 21	\$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
Wednesday, January 1	\$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							
G1	Group One	2YO	Two-year-olds only	O	Open	HCP	Handicap
G2	Group Two	3YO	Three-year-olds only	C&G	Colts and geldings only	SWFA	Standard weight for age
G3	Group Three	3UP	Three-year-olds and upwards	F	Fillies only	SW	Set weights
LR	Listed	OT	Non Black-type Feature	F&M	Fillies and mares only	SWP	Set weights and penalties

Cover Image: Damien Oliver winning the TABtouch Gold Rush on MUNHAMEK (Dec 16th 2023).

The Pinnacles

Supported by TABtouch



BLACK TYPE. BIGGER MONEY. BRILLIANT HOSPITALITY.

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

In excess of \$10.5m is up for grabs across the five days of the carnival this year. The feature races include the Swan Draught Railway Stakes (G1, \$1.5m, 1600m), the Winterbottom Stakes (G1, \$1.5m, 1200m), the TABtouch Northerly Stakes (G1, \$1.5m, 1800m), The Gold Rush (G3, \$1.5m, 1400m), the TABtouch Placid Ark Stakes (Listed, \$500k, 1200m), the WA Guineas (G2, \$500k, 1600m) and the Champion Fillies Stakes (G2, \$300k, 1600m).

The TABtouch Perth Cup (G2, \$1m, 2400m), run on 1st January 2025, is also included as part of the incentive scheme.

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.

We are delighted to invite expressions of interest from trainers and owners for our feature races; Perth Racing and Racing WA have collaborated to offer an incentive scheme for runners participating in our feature events which includes a place on a charter flight from Sydney to Perth (date to be confirmed), a return flight back to the east coast and a generous cash allowance to offset expenses associated with travelling horses interstate.

You'll find all the details in the pages to follow.

Nominations for the feature races close at 12 noon Australian Western Standard Time on Monday 14th October 2024.

To register your interest, please contact either Grant Burns or Vinny Meens. Their contact details are on the last page of this brochure.

Please note that places on the charter flight are limited and subject to approval.

The Pinnacles is designed to be a celebration of racing and the best that WA has to offer – we'd love you to be a part of it.

Perth Racing and Racing WA look forward to welcoming you to the beautiful Ascot Racecourse.

Equine All Stars Incentive Scheme

Subsidised travel for visiting horses

Our acclaimed Equine All Stars Incentive Scheme subsidises the travel costs of selected Group race runners from outside Western Australia and assists visiting horses in other black type races.

The scheme not only provides connections of runners in The Pinnacles (supported by TABtouch) and Perth Cup with effectively risk-free shots at glory in those highly prized contests but also slashes the expenses associated with travelling a galloper to compete in one or more of the 16 black type events – four of which are restricted to fillies and mares – during The Pinnacles.

Participation in the scheme is not compulsory but, to access its benefits, a representative of the incentivised horse must enter into an agreement with Perth Racing and Racing WA before horses depart on the charter plane from Sydney.

The agreement empowers Racing WA to rebate agreed monies if the incentivised horse places first to tenth inclusive in the Railway Stakes, the WA Guineas, the Winterbottom Stakes, the Northerly Stakes, The Gold Rush and/or Perth Cup.

Rebates do not apply to other races, but the scheme delivers fewer benefits to incentivised horses which do not run in the Railway Stakes, the WA Guineas, the Winterbottom Stakes, the Northerly Stakes, The Gold Rush or Perth Cup.

BENEFITS TO RUNNERS IN RAILWAY STAKES, WA GUINEAS, WINTERBOTTOM STAKES, NORTHERLY STAKES, THE GOLD RUSH AND/OR PERTH CUP	
INTERSTATE-BASED HORSE	HUMAN
Charter flight from Sydney to Perth **	\$5,000 travel/accommodation allowance (GST inclusive) per incentivised horse in the Railway Stakes final field ****
Quarantine inspection at Perth Airport	\$5,000 travel/accommodation allowance (GST inclusive) per incentivised horse in the WA Guineas final field ****
Transport from Perth Airport to stabling ***	\$6,000 travel/accommodation allowance (GST inclusive) per incentivised horse in the Winterbottom Stakes final field ****
Return Flight to East	\$7,000 travel/accommodation allowance (GST inclusive) per incentivised horse in the Northerly Stakes final field ****
	\$8,000 travel/accommodation allowance (GST inclusive) per incentivised horse in the Gold Rush final field ****
	\$10,000 travel/accommodation allowance (GST inclusive) per incentivised horse in the Perth Cup final field ****

** Perth Racing will organise a charter flight from Sydney to Perth (date to be confirmed) *** Perth Racing will assist with meeting stabling requests but its Equine All Stars Incentive Scheme does not cover any stabling costs; **** Perth Racing will assist with travel bookings, particularly those pertaining to hotel accommodation; only one travel/accommodation allowance per incentivised horse will apply in the event of that galloper making the final field of more than one of the Railway Stakes, WA Guineas, Winterbottom Stakes, Northerly Stakes, The Gold Rush and/or Perth Cup.

REBATES FROM RAILWAY STAKES, WA GUINEAS, WINTERBOTTOM STAKES, NORTHERLY STAKES, THE GOLD RUSH AND/OR PERTH CUP	
PLACE	INTERSTATE-BASED HORSE
First	\$35,000
Second	\$20,000
Third	\$15,000
Fourth	\$10,000
Fifth	\$5,000
Sixth to 10th	\$2,500

Racing WA will deduct the agreed rebate(s) from the ownership group's share of the prizemoney; multiple rebates will apply in the event of an incentivised horse placing first to 10th inclusive in more than one of the Railway Stakes, the WA Guineas, the Winterbottom Stakes, the Northerly Stakes, The Gold Rush and/or Perth Cup. Total rebate reclaimable per horse is capped at \$35,000.

BENEFITS TO RUNNERS IN RACES OTHER THAN RAILWAY STAKES, WA GUINEAS, WINTERBOTTOM STAKES, NORTHERLY STAKES, THE GOLD RUSH AND/OR PERTH CUP	
INTERSTATE-BASED HORSE	
Charter flight from Sydney to Perth **	
Quarantine inspection at Perth Airport	
Transport from Perth Airport to stabling ***	

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TABtouch-Placid Ark Stakes

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

TABtouch
Better your bet

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.



RIPCORD

PRIZE MONEY		HISTORY				
PLACE	PRIZE	YEAR	WINNER	WEIGHT	PREVIOUS RACE (RESULT)	NEXT RACE (RESULT)
First	\$274,000 plus trophies	2023	Ripcord	56.5kg	LR Belgravia Stakes (8th)	G1 Winterbottom Stakes (3rd)
Second	\$93,000	2022	My Bella Mae	54.5kg	3YO Graduation (1st)	G1 Winterbottom Stakes (9th)
Third	\$44,000	2021	Flying Missile	54.5kg	LR Burgess Queen Stakes (3rd)	LR Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic (2nd)
Fourth	\$19,500	2020	Chantorque	54.5kg	3YO Plate (1st)	LR Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic (4th)
Fifth	\$14,500	2019	Massimo	56.5kg	3YO Plate (1st)	LR Sir Ernest Lee-Steere Classic (2nd)
Sixth to 10th	\$9,000	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



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		
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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
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	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)	

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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.

“ Our first experience of the Perth Carnival was exceptional. The team at Perth Racing, the track conditions and hospitality were second to none. Our horses and travelling staff were very well looked after, and we’re already looking forward to coming back.

Annabel Neasham, Trainer of ZAAKI & NUMERIAN

“ Perth Racing have been outstanding and made the trip a seamless exercise. The facilities and tracks have been excellent and the hospitality even better. My team, my clients and I can’t wait to get back!

Bjorn Baker, Trainer of OVERPASS

“ We galloped on it this morning and it was beautiful - it just looks perfect - no one should be worried about bringing horses to Perth because the track would be too firm for their Carnival.

James Cummings, Head Trainer, Godolphin*

“ Thank you – you guys have been amazing! There are many clubs that should be taking a leaf out of your book.

**Troy Corstens, trainer of THE ASTROLOGIST
(sent before he won The Gold Rush!)**

“ The biggest and the best happens in the West and The Pinnacles carnival has taken Australia by storm. The quality of racing along with the prizemoney on offer and the wonderful hospitality of Perth Racing makes it a very attractive carnival for Adrian and I to target.

**Gai Waterhouse, Waterhouse/Bott partnership,
Trainers of ZOOMON**



*Source: TABradio interview
**Source: <https://horsebetting.com.au/will-clark-keats-calls-on-sa-government-to-increase-prizemoney/>

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		
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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 GI 3UP SWFA (1800m) 7 December 2024

TABtouch
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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)

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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

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Better your bet

\$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 Schahill 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.

Around the Turn

Autumn 2025 Highlights



The Perth Autumn Racing Carnival takes place from April-May each year and is headlined by events such as WATC Derby Day, The Karrakatta Plate and the \$5m Quokka, the richest race in WA. With a chartered flight now available for interstate travelling horses who are targeting the carnival, why not be part of Perth's ultimate autumn celebration?

Schweppes - WATC Derby - Saturday 19 April 2025

The WATC Derby is the finale for three-year-olds in the autumn and is run over 2400m at set weights. First run in 1888, the classic offers \$400,000 in prize money. The race has a history of interstate winners, most recently in 2023, when the John O'Shea trained Awesome John scooped the WA riches back across the Nullarbor.

Karrakatta Plate - Saturday 26 April 2025

The Karrakatta Plate is Western Australia's crown jewel of two-year-old races and is run at Ascot Racecourse in April 2024. The 1200m sprint offers \$500,000 in prize money at set weight conditions. Recent winners include superstar mare Amelia's Jewel, and WA boom galloper Bustling who was sold to interstate interests to target the \$20m Everest slot race.

The Quokka - Saturday 26 April 2025

The \$5m Quokka is a slot race, run at weight-for-age conditions at Ascot Racecourse in April 2025. The 1200m sprint offers 14 Slot Holders the chance to secure a horse to compete for glory in the highlight of Perth's transformed Autumn Racing Carnival. The inaugural race was won by the New South Wales trained Overpass, who held off the fast-finishing Amelia's Jewel to the roar of the Ascot crowd – a result that was then repeated twelve months later. The Quokka forms part of Racing WA's Western Trilogy Slot Race Series, with harness and greyhound races taking place in the days prior.



BJORN BAKER
The Quokka



AWESOME JOHN
WATC Derby



BUSTLING
Karrakatta Plate



OVERPASS
The Quokka

Ascot Racecourse

Join us for The Pinnacles



Plan your trip

While here for The Pinnacles (supported by TABtouch), why not take time to experience Perth, Australia's only state capital where you can enjoy the beach lifestyle, relax in natural bushland, sample local wines and watch an ocean sunset within 30 minutes of the city centre.

Perth has it all, relaxed cafés and elegant restaurants, designer shopping and unique local labels, set alongside the beautiful Swan River.

Ascot Racecourse

Perth Racing's premier venue comes to life with colour and action during the five days of The Pinnacles.

With exciting nine-race programs on each day, visitors to the ground-breaking sports event can enjoy beautiful spring weather, outstanding entertainment, live music and a range of hospitality options to suit every budget.

Each day of The Pinnacles boasts a unique theme – we open with all the colour and fun of Champion Fillies Day, then it's quality racing for the purists at Swan Draught-Railway Stakes Day, high fashion with the WA Fashions on the Field at Winterbottom Stakes Day, TABtouch-Northerly Stakes Day is themed as gentlemen's day, and we finish with a live band and a roaring party at The Gold Rush.

Perth Racing looks forward to welcoming you to Ascot Racecourse, our superb riverside track for The Pinnacles and five Saturdays of thrilling thoroughbred racing.

The Owners Experience

We love to see owners enjoying the raceday experience and the team at Perth Racing and Racing WA are happy to provide support, handle hospitality bookings and answer queries.

Owners with a runner on the day will have exclusive access to The Vantage, a venue for owners and trainers to enjoy. Located adjacent to the Mounting Yard offering premium views of the course, owners can expect first-class hospitality, light refreshments and a complimentary drink on arrival. The venue includes a private bar and tote facility, replay channels and the Winner's Enclosure for successful owners to enjoy after their race.

The Racing WA Ownership team is available for your owners to contact and will ensure the warmest welcome to Perth.

General admission	Prices from*
Champion Fillies Day	\$20 pp
Swan Draught-Railway Stakes Day	\$25 pp
Winterbottom Stakes Day	\$20 pp
TABtouch-Northerly Stakes Day	\$20 pp
The Gold Rush	\$20 pp
TABtouch-Perth Cup	\$30 pp
* Early Bird Pricing	

Flying Colours Restaurant - plated luncheon	Prices from
Savour a four-course plated luncheon and a bespoke beverage package at Ascot Racecourse's fine dining restaurant. Inclusions include waiter service to your table, a television on your table, access to a private wagering facility and a racebook.	
Champion Fillies Day	\$265 pp
Swan Draught-Railway Stakes Day	\$395 pp
Winterbottom Stakes Day	\$265 pp
TABtouch-Northerly Stakes Day	\$265 pp
The Gold Rush	\$265 pp
TABtouch-Perth Cup	\$395 pp

Terrace Restaurant - buffet luncheon	Prices from	
Enjoy a four-course luncheon and a premium beverage package at Ascot Racecourse's buffet restaurant. Inclusions include waiter service to your table, a television on your table, access to a private wagering facility and a racebook.		
	Lower	Upper
Swan Draught-Railway Stakes Day	\$260 pp	\$250pp
Winterbottom Stakes Day	\$200 pp	\$190 pp
TABtouch-Northerly Stakes Day	\$200 pp	\$190 pp
The Gold Rush	\$200 pp	\$190 pp
TABtouch-Perth Cup	\$260 pp	\$250 pp

The Pinnacles (Supported by TABtouch) travel and hospitality

This year's regional and interstate visitors can go to perthracing.com.au/season/the-pinnacles/ to find out everything about The Pinnacles and take a look at the options and accommodation.

Alternatively, you can contact Perth Racing by emailing restaurants@perthracing.com.au or calling +61 8 9277 0760.



Visiting Perth

Things to see & do



KINGS PARK AND BOTANIC GARDEN

With weather as welcoming as its friendly locals, Australia's sunniest capital city of Perth (Boorloo) offers adventures for everyone. Framed by the Swan River (Derbarl Yerrigan), the city boasts 19 pristine beaches, each blessed with dreamy Indian Ocean sunsets. Never has there been a better time to explore Perth and wider Western Australia.

Unique flora and stunning views

Kings Park (Kaarta Koomba) — one of the world's largest inner-city parks — is yours to enjoy. Tour its botanic gardens with an Aboriginal guide or picnic among its wildflowers and native plants.

Island escape

Rottneest Island (Wadjemup) — or 'Rotto' as it's affectionately known — is a little pocket of paradise, jam-packed with adventure and a favourite local getaway. You'll be greeted by 63 stunning beaches, 20 beautiful bays, an abundance of spectacular marine life, and the world's happiest animal, the adorable quokka.

The Sunset Coast

With 19 stunning beaches within easy reach of the city, relaxing by the ocean is never far away. While you're there, sip a cool drink or savour delicious local seafood as the sun sinks dreamily into the Indian Ocean.

Wine and dine

Home to more than 40 wineries and 70 restaurants and cafes, the Swan Valley is both rich in history and contemporary, with much to offer curious eaters and drinkers. Thriving in its Mediterranean-style climate, this is Western Australia's oldest wine region and Australia's second oldest — the first grapes were planted in 1829.



ROTTNEEST ISLAND



COTTESLOE BEACH



SWAN VALLEY

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