

NEWSLETTER

Tamworth Harness Racing Club

May 2020

Board: Chairperson: Julie Maughan, Deputy: Joyce Walsh, Directors: Graham Moon, Scotty-Jon Welsh, Nicholas Walsh

RACING AND TRIALS CONTINUE UNDER REVISED CONDITIONS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDAMIC

With New South Wales now divided into four (4) regions to enable Harness Racing to continue during the Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic, the Tamworth Club has been assigned to the Northern Region with two (2) tracks to race on, being Tamworth and Newcastle. As such, trainers can not nominate outside of their region and nominations from interstate trainers are not being accepted. Owners wishing to move their horses between regions can only do so after notifying and receiving approval from Harness Racing NSW. In so doing, the industry is making every effort to assist in stopping the spread of the coronavirus, while maintaining close-to normal racing activity.

Unfortunately no patrons or owners are allowed access to the Paceway for both Race Days or Trials evenings, nor at any other time. Only Trainers, Drivers and their nominated Stablehand, who have engagements at either Race Meetings or Trials are permitted entry to the Paceway for these events. For those who are permitted entry, they find a stark scene with few people in attendance and no wagering or bar sales occurring on-site and with Social Distancing an essential requirement.

These measures have all been instigated by Harness Racing NSW in order that the wagering which supports the industry can continue to generate the income that is required to supply the prizemoney that will allow horses to be maintained in work and for their health and wellbeing to be looked after.

Trials are still being run at Tamworth each Tuesday evening, the initial restrictions which were applied to limit the number of horses trialing have, as of Monday 27th April been relaxed to allow all horses the opportunity to trial and thus maintain their race fitness. Green trials are however still restricted to named horses only with these being nominated through the HarnessWeb system. Entry restrictions to the Paceway for Trails still apply.

May—June 2020

RACE DATES:

- ♦ Sunday 17th May Twilight
- ♦ Thursday 28th May afternoon
- ♦ Thursday 11th June afternoon
- ♦ Thursday 25th June afternoon

TRIAL DATES: (now weekly)

- ♦ Tuesday 5th May 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 12th May 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 19th May 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 26th May 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 2nd June 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 9th June 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 16th June 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 23rd June 5.45pm
- ♦ Tuesday 30th June 5.45pm



BEST NEW INNOVATION CLUB

Won by Tamworth
HRC for Promotion
and Marketing of the
January 2018
Carnival of Cups.

Awarded by



We accept:



TOM ISON - FIVE (5) WINNING DRIVES

Former local and now Central Mangrove based reinsman, Tom Ison achieved a personal best winning tally when he drove five winners at the Tamworth race meeting on Easter Monday 13th April. Tom's driving achievement on the day were:



- In Race 2 MICKEY RAMONE for trainer Tony Missen in a MR of 1:59.9
- In Race 3 BLACK EIGHT for trainer Roy Roots Jnr in a MR of 2:01.4
- In Race 5 WATCHING YOU DREAM for trainer Roy Roots Jnr in a MR of 2:01.0
- In Race 7 GLENGARRY ROSE NZ for trainer Roy Roots Jnr in a MR of 1:58.4 this being a new Track Record for Open Class Mares over 2360 metres
- In Race 8 BOHANNAN for trainer Roy Roots Jnr in a MR of 2:01.2



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MOBILE BARRIER SPONSORSHIP



The Tamworth HRC Mobile Barrier is now jointly sponsored by:

CARPET ONE TAMWORTH

(Dan & Nadine DALY 12/1A Wirraway St Tamworth 6762 4644)

&

PORTABLE HORSE STABLES AUSTRALIA

(Craig VINCENT 0418 263018)

SARAH RUSHBROOK / ELLY CHAPPLE



SARAH RUSHBROOK:

Well known local trainer and reinswoman, Sarah Rushbrook was this year's North-West Ambassador for the NSW Harness Industry supported Team Teal Fund Raiser promotion which is organised annually by the Australia New Zealand Gynaecological Oncology Group to raise funds for research into Ovarian Cancer.

Sarah's efforts throughout the 6 week promotion raised a credible \$ 2687.00 for the cause, which included running the Trivia Night at the paceway on 7th March.

THE ACCIDENT

Unfortunately Sarah's life then took a rough turn at the Inverell Harness Racing meeting on Sunday 29th March when she and fellow Tamworth lady driver, Elly Chapple were innocently involved in a race accident at the start of Race 6, where the No 1 blundered and went down causing the adjacent horses driven by the two girls to become involved and subsequently seeing both Sarah and Elly being transported to Lismore Hospital for treatment.. Sarah having sustained a broken leg which required surgery and Elly a broken wrist which was subsequently operated on at Tamworth Hospital. Both are now at home recovering from the ordeal.



PAM VERNING



After suffering a Heart Attack during February and being transferred to John Hunter Hospital for treatment, Pam has returned to the Rehabilitation Ward at Tamworth Base Hospital to continue her recovery. Husband Spud (Ian) reports that Pam is itching to get home as there is no Sky Channel available on the TV's at the hospital to watch the harness racing. The board wishes Pam, a regular race meeting spectator, a speedy recovery and eventual return to the enjoyment of Harness Racing.

The Club has sent Pam flowers as a cheer-up.

PREMIERSHIPS UPDATE

PREMIERSHIPS 2019-20

Updated to 30th April 2020

MULTIQUIP DRIVERS PREMIERSHIP:

1. Blake Hughes 29
2. Tom Ison 28
3. Brad Elder 23

HYGAIN TRAINERS PREMIERSHIP:

1. Clayton Harmey 29
2. Greg Coney 22
3. Jarred Hetherington 14

SAUERS GLASS OWNERS PREMIERSHIP:

1. Marion Weidemann 45
2. GSM Racing Pty Ltd 38
3. R J & D L Hazell 27

JOHN'S AUTO SERVICE LOCAL FEMALE

DRIVERS PREMIERSHIP: (revised Scoring System)

1. Sarah Rushbrook 46
2. Jemma Coney 44
3. Maddison Simon 19

KTR STANDARD BRED STUD HORSE OF THE YEAR:

1. Believe in Heaven 18
1. Fantasy Money 18
1. White Wash 18
2. Point Oh Five/Harbour Town 17

PETERMAC PHOTOGRAPHY LOCAL HORSE OF THE YEAR:

1. Believe in Heaven 18
1. Fantasy Money 18
1. White Wash 18
2. Point Oh Five/Harbour Town 17

PETER JACKSON MARE OF THE YEAR:

1. Fantasy Money 18
2. Queens Angel 16
2. Capital Collect 16

Peter & Shirley Hillam Junior Under 23 Drivers Premiership:

1. Jemma Coney 9
2. Maddison Simon 3
3. Scotty-Jon Welsh 1
3. Elly Chapple 1

JUDY GRANT



The Board would like to convey best wishes to regular harness enthusiast, JUDY GRANT who is currently recovering in Tamworth Regional Hospital after undergoing emergency surgery last week. Celebrating her 82nd Birthday whilst in hospital, Judy is now on the road to recovery and

looking forward to returning to the harness meetings along with husband Toby Grant.

ANZAC RACE MEETING THURSDAY 23rd APRIL 2020



WET TRACK RACING



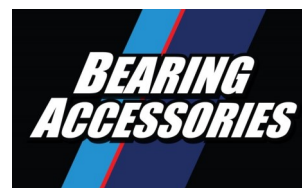
It takes a lot to stop racing at Golden Guitar Paceway Tamworth with the race meeting on Thursday afternoon 5th March conducted under showery skies, with a total of 12mm of rain received during the race meeting. The track held-up and the program was completed on time, although with slightly slower mile rates than normal.



Then as if one wet race meeting wasn't enough for the drought that we are in, again on Thursday 30th April, the rain came in before the first race and by the time the meeting was completed, 25mm had fallen into the paceway gauge, with the meeting again completed on time.



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DEATHS

Condolences are conveyed to the family of former Harness Racing Owner, Trainer and Driver and all round harness enthusiast:

MILTON MUGGLETON

Who passed away after a long battle with cancer on the 18th March aged 78 years. To his wife and daughters Therese and Lisa our condolences are conveyed. A donation on behalf on Members and the Board was presented to the Westpac Rescue Helicopter as per the family request.

Condolences are conveyed to the Parris family following the loss of their daughter:

KIM PARRIS

Kim, daughter of Eddie and Betty sadly passed away on the 9th February aged 51 years. Our condolences are conveyed to Eddie, Betty & family on the sad loss of Kim. Flowers were sent to the family on behalf of the Members and Board.



THE BOARD OF THE

TAMWORTH HARNESS RACING CLUB

VALUES THE SUPPORT OF OUR SPONSORS AND ENCOURAGES YOU TO SUPPORT THESE SPONSORS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

TO OUR MEMBERS AND GUESTS WE HOPE THAT YOU ARE ENJOYING HOW THE CLUB IS EVOLVING IN SUCH A POSITIVE MANNER WITH NOW 30 RACE MEETINGS PER YEAR AND THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE ELEVATION OF THE GOLDEN GUITAR TO GROUP 2 STATUS WITH PRIZEMONEY OF \$50,000.

IT IS HOPED THAT YOU ENJOY THE HIGHLIGHTS OF HARNESS RACING OUTLINED IN THIS NEWSLETTER

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GOLDEN GUITAR PACEWAY



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