

# NEWSLETTER

Tamworth Harness Racing Club

July 2019

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

## GOLDEN GUITAR ATTAINS GROUP 2 STATUS



25th June 2019—Golden Guitar upgrade to Group 2  
Minister for Better Regulation Kevin Anderson  
HRNSW Chairman Rod Smith  
Tamworth HRC Chairperson Julie Maughan

On Tuesday 25th June, NSW Minister for Better Regulation, Kevin Anderson MP in the company of Rod Smith - Chair HRNSW, John Dumesny - CEO HRNSW, Julie Maughan - Chair THRC and Joyce Walsh - Deputy Chair THRC, announced that from January 2020 the annual Tamworth Golden Guitar Race would carry prizemoney of \$50,000 elevating it to Group 2 status.

The 2020 three (3) meeting Golden Guitar Carnival will see a record quarter-of-a-million-dollars in prizemoney distributed.

Tamworth HRC Chairperson Julie Maughan was thrilled by the announcement, "Absolutely Rapt" Mrs Maughan said.

The Tamworth Harness Racing Club Board gladly received the news that the long standing \$25,000 Listed Classic Golden Guitar Final race has had an injection into the prizemoney purse with the race now offering \$50,000 in prizemoney and also being elevated to Group 2, commencing with the January 2020 running.

The Golden Guitar race itself deserves the recognition with its longevity alone, with it being part of the Tamworth HRC January Racing Carnival, attracting many a fine horse to contest the race over the years and being recognised as the most prestigious harness racing event in the north-west.

Minister responsible for racing and Better Regulation, Kevin Anderson, said the announcement shows that regional racing keeps going from strength to strength.

"We want our regional racing scene to continue to grow, which is why this investment in Tamworth's Golden Guitar Harness Race is so important," said Mr Anderson. "The Country Music Festival in Tamworth is such an iconic event and we can celebrate an iconic harness race as part of it."

The Board of the Tamworth HRC - Chair Julie Maughan, Deputy Joyce Walsh and Directors Graham Moon, Scotty-Jon Welsh and Nicholas Walsh are most certainly ensuring that the Club continues to flourish. After being awarded the HRNSW Award for New Innovation (Promotion/Marketing) last year, the Group 2 Golden Guitar status race is most certainly another indication, that the Country Club is moving forward.

### JULY—AUGUST 2019

#### RACE DATES:

- ◆ Thursday 11th July afternoon
- ◆ Thursday 25th July afternoon
- ◆ Thursday 8th August a/noon
- ◆ Thursday 22nd August night

#### TRIALS:

- ◆ Tuesday 16th July 5.45pm
- ◆ Tuesday 23rd July 5.45pm
- ◆ Tuesday 30th July 5.45pm
- ◆ Tuesday 13th Aug 5.45pm
- ◆ Tuesday 20th Aug 5.45pm
- ◆ Tuesday 27th Aug 5.45pm

## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2019-20

Membership renewals are now being taken for 2019-20 and  
**are due in full by Wednesday 31st July at the latest.**

Full Member	\$55.00
Aged Pensioner Member	\$27.50
Harness Licensed Person	\$33.00

## DIRECTORS NOMINATIONS AGM 2019 to AGM 2021

Directors Joyce Walsh and Scotty-Jon Welsh will complete their current two year terms at the Club's 2019 AGM. Both are able to be re-elected.

As required by the Club's Constitution, nominations are now open to elect two directors to the Tamworth HRC Board for the period AGM 2019 to AGM 2021. Nomination Forms are available from the Club Secretary, and must be submitted by close of nominations at 5.00pm on Thursday 15th August 2019.

### BEST NEW INNOVATION CLUB

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

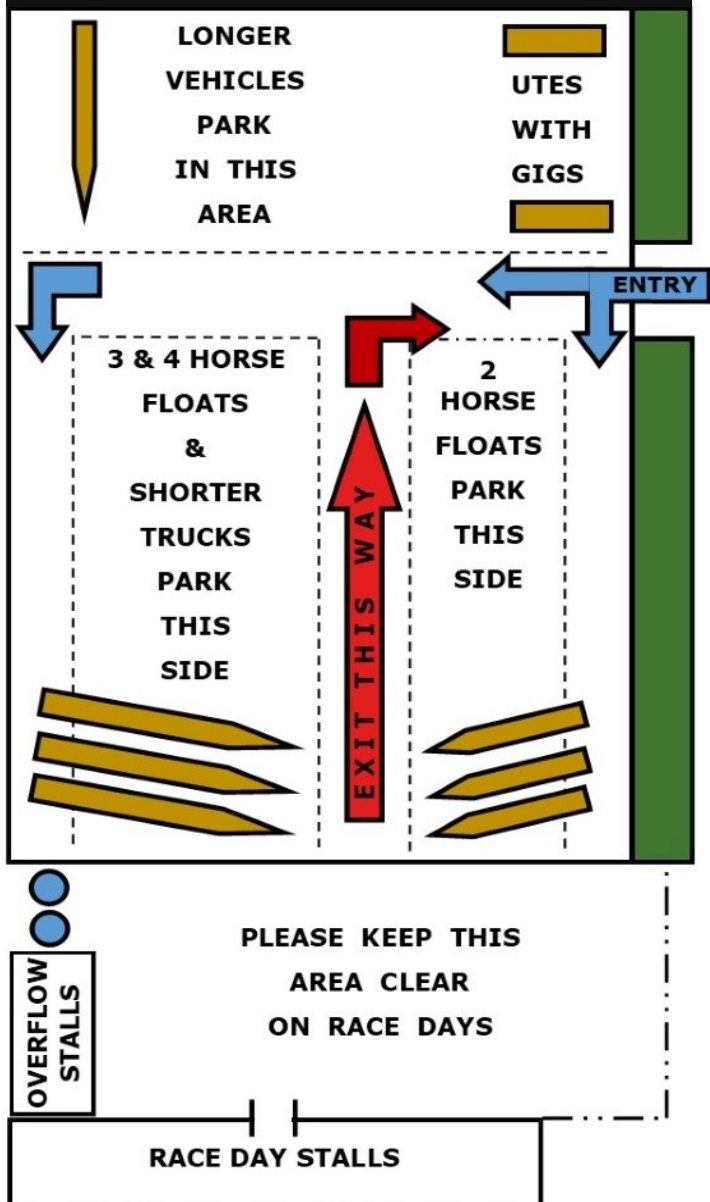
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## FLOAT PARKING AREA



On Race and Trial days the new horse float parking area is in use. All vehicles carrying horses and/or gigs must enter into the float parking area which is accessed at the top of the main drive then via the entrance way between the two sets of green timber stables. This parking area is fenced off from the remainder of the paceway for security and safety.

Please observe the arrows on the adjacent schematic, following the blue arrows to enter and the red arrows to leave, always leaving the central area marked by red post traffic bollards free for exiting vehicles. All vehicles should park facing the central exit road.

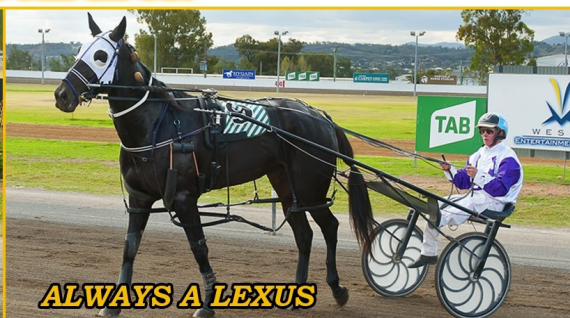
## A Dead Heat for Tom and Emma Ison in Race 7 on Thursday 27th June 2019

With Tom driving the Dwayne Brown trained **WHAT A FLIGHT** and Emma the Andy Ison trained **BAILEES GIRL**, the brother and sister took the win by 3.7m with a MR of 2:01.1



## FOUR WINNERS FOR TOM ISON

16th May 2019



## Four Winners for TOM ISON one race meeting

On Thursday 16th May Tom Ison drove four winners for four different trainers:

- Race 1: Smooth Dakota for Barry Matterson
- Race 2: Always A Lexus for Greg Coney
- Race 3: Bailees Girl for Roy Roots jnr
- Race 9: Lexy Can Wait for Jarred Hetherington

Photos courtesy  
**PeterMac Photography**  
 0429 687312





## Race Day Stalls TVs

To further enhance the Race Day Stalls, the Club has installed six 40 inch TVs to provide live race action, race replays and Sky coverage for participants on race days.

The Tamworth regional Mini Trot Association helps the younger generation to train and race their ponies, thus learning the horse skills needed to move into driving standardbreds when they reach 16 years of age.

## Tamworth Regional Mini Trot Association Inc



13th June 2019



**Jake MITCHELL**

**FIRST TRAINING SUCCESS  
FIRST RACE DRIVE**

**Won DRIVE OF THE DAY Award  
DESTINY WARRIOR**



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**HYGAIN**  
FEEDING CHAMPIONS SINCE 1983

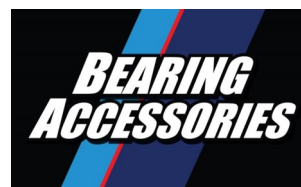


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**CARPET ONE FLOOR & HOME**

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**PORTABLE HORSE STABLES  
TAMWORTH**

## TAMWORTH PREMIERSHIPS AS AT 30th JUNE 2019

### TAB DRIVERS PREMIERSHIP:

1. Dean Chapple	25
2. Brad Elder	20
2. Lola Weidemann	20
3. Stacey Weidemann	14

### HYGAIN TRAINERS PREMIERSHIP

1. Lola Weidemann	27
2. Jarred Hetherington	16
3. Greg Coney	15
4. Anthony Missen	13

### SAUER'S GLASS OWNERS PREMIERSHIP

1. Marion Weidemann	84
2. Rayngold Pty Ltd	29
3. Shepherdson/Dicks/Drysdale	27
4. Anthony & Ian Mabbott	26

### PETER & DIANE McNAMARA

#### LOCAL HORSE OF THE YEAR

1. Kid Montana	22
2. Hedges Avenue	20
3. Kudos Bert	18

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1. Too Good For You	22
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2. Hedges Avenue	20
3. Kudos Bert	18

### PETER JACKSON - MARE OF THE YEAR

1. Hedges Avenue	20
2. Miss Catalina	18
3. Roll With Tricky	15

### PETER & SHIRLEY HILLAM NORTH & NORTH WEST/UNDER 23 YOUNG DRIVERS PREMIERSHIP

1. Scotty-Jon Welsh	4
2. Emma Ison	2
3. Maddison Simon	1



### NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

Welcome to  
**SUNNY VARGA**  
Daughter of Tim &  
Amber Varga & sister to  
Johnnie.  
First grand daughter for  
John & Noelene Varga

Welcome also to  
**SAMUEL GRIMA**  
A son for Paul & Nadine  
Grima and brother for  
William, grandson of  
Carmen Grima

### DEATHS

Condolences are  
conveyed to the family  
of the late  
**LLOYD ROCK**  
Who passed away aged  
84 years on 5th July

President for many  
years of the Tamworth  
Greyhound Racing Club

### 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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