

**TAN – MEETING SUMMARY**  
**Wednesday 8 December 2021**  
**Colours Room, Launceston**

The meeting opened at 1:01pm.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 September 2021 were confirmed and accepted by all members.

Tasracing introduced a Thoroughbred Additional Stakes Funding paper that outlined 2 options for how the recent prizemoney increase would be spent.

Tasracing outlined that the stakes increase would be in place from January 1, 2022.

The Trainers Association stated that base stakes need to be at Country Victoria levels before feature races are looked at. They would like the prizemoney distribution changed too so that there is a minimum payout of \$1,000 for 4<sup>th</sup>, \$500 for 5<sup>th</sup> and \$250 for 6<sup>th</sup>.

Tasbreeders would like to see more prizemoney going to horses that have been around a bit longer and won 4 or 5 races.

The Tasmanian Racing Club believe that more money should be going towards feature races.

The Tasmanian Turf Club stated that it is important to support the grass roots and to encourage more horses to go through the system.

Tasracing outlined that they need to raise prizemoney on feature races to help attract strong fields which means these races will maintain their Group and Listed status.

Tasracing and members of the King Island Racing Club spoke about the tough start King Island have had to their racing season due to COVID. The season has been reduced to 6 meetings with the first meeting on Boxing Day.

A discussion was then had a prizemoney and next season.

Tasracing spoke about the Hot Weather Policy that has been sent to ORI for review.

Tasracing stated they had liaised with Racing Australia about making an amendment to the apprentice wins scale. The response received was that there would need to be a change to the Australian Rules of Racing.

The TAN Group suggested that the Tasmanian Jockeys Association take this up with the National body.

A wagering turnover performance report for the period ended 31 October 2021 was tabled.

A thoroughbred Marketing update was given where an update on the Ladbrokes Summer of Racing Carnival was given.

A Projects, Assets & Operations Update was tabled.

An Animal Welfare update report was tabled.

An Apprentice School Update was tabled.

A discussion was had between the Jockeys Association and the race clubs about associate passes being available for people like valets to get into the races for free.

The Devonport Racing Club spoke about the upcoming Devonport Cup and the application they have had to make to Health.

ORI updated the group on what had been happening at the Office of Racing Integrity.

Tasracing mentioned how there will be communications with race clubs around operational changes given the current COVID environment.

Tasracing spoke about the dual code meeting at Hobart on Sunday December 19. There will be 7 thoroughbred races followed by 9 harness races.

The Trainers Association spoke about the availability of the horse ambulance for equine events outside of a raceday.

The meeting closed at 2:14pm.