

**TAN – MEETING SUMMARY**  
**Thursday 19 September 2024**  
**The Grange, Campbell Town**

The meeting opened at 11:05am.

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 19 June 2024 were confirmed and accepted by all members.

ORI informed that an Extreme Weather Policy had progressed and is close to completion.

Tasracing advised that barrier attendant training had been completed with two sessions taking place in August across two weekends.

Tasracing confirmed that there is now an Australian Rule of Racing (AR 88B) for horses that haven't raced for 12 months.

Tasracing produced a paper outlining three options with regards to the Trainers Workers Compensation Subsidy. Tasracing stated their preference was to increase the current subsidy amount from each race.

The Trainers Association preferred the option where the subsidy would remain the same from base stakes races and there would be increase from feature races.

Tasracing spoke about a review into trainers' workers compensation that is currently being conducted.

Tasracing introduced a Thoroughbred Code Allocation paper for FY25. They proposed a new tiered stakes system and an increase to the race riding fee.

The Trainers Association were happy with the tiered stakes proposal.

The TRC believes we shouldn't be taking money off feature races to fund base stakes races.

Tasracing spoke about a change to rail movements at Elwick when the rail is out further than 9 metres. The rail won't be out any further than 9 metres from the crossing around to the 1200m mark. This will allow greater field sizes in 1400m and 1600m races when the rail is out.

Tasracing talked about mounting yard access for owners at Launceston. The aim will be to limit owners in the mounting yard whilst horses are in the yard.

The TJA raised the issue of not enough room for eight or more jockeys in the female rooms at Launceston. Tasracing outlined a couple of options they are currently investigating to address the issue.

Tasracing spoke about the proposed amendments to Racing Australia Rules that had been through the Chairman of Stewards Conference (COSC) and the Veterinary and Analytical Advisory Group (VAAG). Feedback was received from the Trainers Association and TJA.

The TJA referenced a recent incident where they believe the stewards should have acted on the day of the incident and then Tasracing can do what is required under their Code of Conduct.

Tasracing outlined how there will be a review of voting panels and those that decide awards prior to voting on the 2025 Awards.

The TJA queried if there will be a risk assessment done at Spreyton for the proposed greyhound track.

Tasracing outlined how there is no confirmed date for the transition of ORI coming under Tasracing. Mentioned that recruiting has started for the Chief Racing Integrity Officer.

Tasracing updated the group on upcoming industry seminars for the three codes.

Tasracing spoke about the current state of the Tapeta track at Spreyton. Outlined that the plan is to have a full refurb of the track in March 2025 and the hope is to get a further five years out of the track.

Tasracing presented a new Dislodged Rider Procedure document.

A wagering turnover performance report for the period ended 31 August 2024 was tabled.

A thoroughbred Marketing update report was tabled. Tasracing talked about Tasracing TV, the new website, a recent brand health survey, Racing Owners Club Tasmania, and the partnership with the JackJumpers.

A Projects, Assets & Operations Update was tabled. Tasracing spoke about the current track renovation at Elwick which hasn't been helped by the recent poor weather. Touched on the new Spreyton Amenities Building, Mowbray track and ongoing works at Longford.

An Animal Welfare update report was tabled.

An Apprentice School Update was tabled.

Tasbreeders spoke about the current Off The Track Program. Believes it can be improved and spoke about the program in Victoria. Tasracing outlined the new initiatives this financial year for rehomers and retrainers and a project that is being set up.

The Chair outlined an earlier discussion about no additional funds going to Tasbred in FY25. A discussion was had with regards to options around directing funds from feature races into the Tasbred scheme.

Tasracing passed on thanks from Ladbrokes to the TTC for the work done for the Launceston Cup winner gaining ballot free entry into the Geelong Cup.

The meeting closed at 12:37pm.