



2015
Annual Racing Awards
29 August
7PM

The Members@Callaghan Park

Two Course Dinner - \$30PP

Cash Bar

Entertainment-CQ Mobile Disco

Dress-Smart Casual

Bookings are essential and can
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TRAINERS' MEMO: END JULY, 2015

RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT RACING IN QUEENSLAND

There have been a number of significant announcements by the Minister for Racing and the RQ Acting CEO on the concerning financial status of Racing Queensland.

At this point in time there is no known impact upon the current stake money or QTIS levels to be paid out on races at Callaghan Park.

The number of races allocated for the season has not changed and the club expects, given its understanding of the communications made public, that if there was to be any change then that would be in 2016.

The Queensland Government's Office of Racing will now commence a period of extensive consultation during August and September to develop a future plan.

The RJC welcomes the opportunity to be involved in the planning process and encourages local industry participants to ensure that the needs of the CQ industry are strongly voiced through stakeholder groups such as the Queensland Trainers' Association, Queensland Racehorse Owners' Association and Thoroughbred Breeders Association or individually online at <http://www.nprsr.qld.gov.au/racing/tracking-to-sustainability.html> from August 4.

“Racing in Queensland is a state-wide sporting franchise business and it is important that the participant stakeholder groups reflect the broad views of the state and not a centralised metropolitan view,” RJC CEO Bill Colgan said.

“The RJC has not been advised of its Club funding for the 2015/16 financial year but given the announcements the Club expects it to be in line with last year whilst the planning process is underway.

“Once the Club is advised it will indicate if there are any implications for its trading operations.”

For more information please read the Government announcement which can be viewed online at:

<http://statements.qld.gov.au/Statement/2015/7/16/consultation-begins-to-get-racing-queensland-back-on-track>

RACE DATE CHANGES

Here are the key changes to note from the original list of RJC race dates:

- Thursday, September 10 at Keppel Park, Yeppoon (previously notified)
- Thursday, January 14 instead of Friday, January 15, 2016
- Thursday February 18 instead of Friday, February 19, 2016
- Friday, April 8 instead of Thursday, April 7, 2016

You can view the full list of race dates on the RJC website here:

<http://callaghanpark.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/07/RACE-DATES-2015-16-as-at-16-July-2015.pdf>

GRASS GALLOPS, TRIALS & JUMP-OUTS CALENDAR

The Callaghan Park grass track will be closed from August 21 to September 25 while renovation works take place. The Yeppoon Race Club has been very supportive of the need to complete a Spring renovation and the RJC appreciates their support.

Grass Gallops	Jump-outs	Barrier Trials	Races
Fri, Aug 7	Fri, Aug 14 (Rocky)	Mon, Aug 31 (Yeppoon)	Thurs, Aug 13 (RJC Races)
Fri, Aug 14	Fri, Sept 11 (Yeppoon)	Mon, Sept 28 (Yeppoon)	Thurs, Aug 20 (RJC Races)
			Sat, Aug 29 (Yeppoon Races)
			Thurs, Sept 10 (RJC @ Yeppoon)
			Fri, Sept 25 (RJC Races)

RACE PROGRAMS

A summary table of the race program until December can be viewed on the website here:

<http://callaghanpark.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2014/12/attachment-program-july-2015-trainers-memo.pdf>

The date of the first two-year-old races has been delayed with the 2015 2YO CQTBA Breeders' Plate being held on Friday, November 6.

For the first time this year there will be two Breeders Plate races, split by sex.

The timing of the event will hopefully allow more horses to be prepared and the Mackay 2YO Classic will be 16 days later over the same distance.

There will be a continuation of the Racing Queensland Provincial Series with a \$100,000 final in Brisbane and a \$20,000 heat at Callaghan Park (BM70 over 1300m) on Friday, November 13, 2015.

QTIS PAY-UPS

Queensland owners and breeders are reminded that registrations for the lucrative Queensland Thoroughbred Investment Scheme (QTIS) close on July 31.

Owners or breeders of eligible horses pay a once only registration fee for QTIS in the horses' yearling year.

QTIS registered horses are then eligible to race for substantial incentives (up to \$13 million in bonuses) on selected races throughout Queensland when their horse finishes in the top three of any QTIS race.

From August this year, the breeder of the winner of any QTIS eligible race (2YO, 3YO or 4YO) will receive an amount equivalent to 6% of the winner's QTIS bonus prize money providing that horse is QTIS registered and Queensland sired.

There are **six changes** to the scheme that have recently been announced effective 1 August, 2015.

- ALL 2YO and 3YO races in Queensland will be QTIS eligible.
- QTIS expanded to include 4YOs in nominated and selected races right across the state.
- Free racing for QTIS registered 2YOs for 2015, following this group through their careers, and applicable for all future QTIS racing crops.
- 50% increase to the standard QTIS bonus for fillies and mares (1st, 2nd and 3rd) beginning with the 2YOs for 2015, following this group through their careers and applicable for all future QTIS racing crops. From August, a QTIS qualified winning filly will earn \$21,000 first prize if winning a midweek QTIS race at Rockhampton.
- Additional \$150,000 QTIS registered race at the Gold Coast coinciding with the March Magic Millions QTIS Sale.

- The winning breeder of any QTIS race will receive an amount equivalent to 6% of the winner's QTIS bonus prize money for every QTIS race won. This is applicable for registered QTIS horses by a Queensland-based sire.

To download a QTIS brochure and application form go to:

http://www.racingqueensland.com.au/getmedia/7eced368-d9d5-4b36-87e7-50862075ad8f/qtis_2014_information_brochure.pdf.aspx

RJC ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT

The 2014-15 racing season awards for the Rockhampton Jockey Club will be held at The Members @ Callaghan Park on Saturday, August 29. The evening will be a buffet dinner with trophy presentations and a cash bar will operate. Entertainment by CQ Mobile Disco.

Kind regards,

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