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TRAINERS' MEMO: DECEMBER 2014

GRASS GALLOPS, JUMP-OUTS AND TRIALS SCHEDULE

A copy of the schedule (January to June 2015) is enclosed for your information and it can also be found on the RJC website under the "Trainers Info" section. Here is the web link: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/trainers-information/trial-and-jump-out-schedule/>

Also a 2015 Calendar for the period to the end of June is enclosed with the critical dates for racing and training at Callaghan Park.

RACE PROGRAMME 2015

The race programme has been set for the period until the end of February 2015 and a "draft" programme is provided for the period March 5 to June, 20, 2015. The program is very much the traditional format with a focus on the two-year-old lead-up races to the Capricornia Yearling Sale 2YO Classic and then the standard preparation and qualifying races for the Newmarket and Rockhampton Cup.

The RJC has met with RQ but there will be no change to the prize money for the Sky Channel 2 Saturday race meetings being at \$10,000 but the Club is awaiting advice on the allocation of prize money for a number of the semi-feature races.

The principle adopted in the programming is that the Benchmark class of races should be adopted after Class 2 excepting for the 1500m and longer distances.

The programme is enclosed and is available on the website under the "Trainers Info" section. Here is the web link: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/trainers-information/race-schedule/>

Feel free to review the proposed programme for March to June and advise your trainers' association of any thoughts on the principles of the schedule.

ADDITIONAL RACE DAY IN THE PIPELINE

It is expected that Thursday 23 April 2015 will be added to the racing fixtures for the RJC and the program announced before Christmas.

600m TIMES

The RJC website publishes individual race times for every runner at Callaghan Park as well as the last 600m time for each horse. The official photo finish images as well as the 600m images for each race can also be viewed. This data is located under the "Photo Finishes" section which sits under the "Racing Info" menu on the homepage website. Here is the web link: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/racing-information/photo-finishes/>

ROCKHAMPTON RACE REPLAYS

Queensland TAB thoroughbred replays will now be available for free on Racing Queensland's Race Video website for 30 days after each race as part of key technological improvements announced by the industry regulator.

Greyhound and harness replays are already available, but the TAB thoroughbred race replays will now also be available each Monday after a weekend meeting and stay live for 30 days after the race.

In another improvement, Racing Queensland has entered into a partnership with respected timing service Daily Sectionals to ensure Queensland sectional times are reviewed by a third party and adjusted if necessary.

Racing Queensland CEO Darren Condon said the improvements had been made based on consultation with the industry and were part of Racing Queensland's strategic objective to improve the use of technology for the benefit of participants, punters and racing fans.

To view race replays click here: www.racevideo.com.au

TRAINING CONDITIONS AND POLICY 2015

The right of access to the training facilities at Callaghan Park is provided by the Committee of the Rockhampton Jockey Club subject to a set of protocols as outlined in the documents known as Training Conditions and Training Policy 2015. A copy of the respective documents can be read on the RJC website via these links:

Training Conditions: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/trainers-information/training-conditions/>

Training Policy 2015: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/trainers-information/training-policy/>

2015 CAPRICORNIA YEARLING SALE AND RACES

The \$100,000 2015 Capricornia Yearling Sale 2YO Classic on Saturday, April 11, has attracted 78 nominations. The list of nominations is available on the RJC website under the "Trainers Info" menu or via this link: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/2yo-classic-noms-2015/>

The \$20,000 2015 Capricornia Yearling Sale 3YO Championship race over 1300m has received a very healthy 34 nominations. The nominations are available on the website under the "Trainers Info" menu or via this link: <http://callaghanpark.com.au/trainers-information/3yo-championship-noms-2015/>

Central Queensland Thoroughbred Breeders' Association advises that nominations for the 2015 Capricornia Yearling Sale catalogue have been very strong and a selection process will be needed to reduce the number on offer to around 110 lots.

TRAINERS' CONTACT DETAILS

If you haven't already provided the RJC office with your email address please do so and we'll add you to our distribution list to receive regular correspondence.

RACING QUEENSLAND RACING POLICY

By way of explanation, the decision on racing matters such as the race programme, race order, time of races, the dividing of races and the decision not to proceed with a race after acceptances, are all handled by RQ. The race programme is set by local RQ Country Manager Col Truscott with quarterly consultation with local representatives of the Trainers' Association and RJC and is interwoven with the CQ country racing programme. The matters of race order, times, division and abandonment of races are made independently by RQ, subject to their policy statements.

To clarify the policy on the minimum number of acceptances for a race to be conducted the key elements of the RQ policy are stated below.

TAB MEETING-MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

For provincial meetings or metropolitan mid-week meetings - this policy will only be enforced if there are more than six (6) races on the card.

- Where the minimum requirement of six races *has been* met, each race on the card [after the sixth] must have *seven (7)* acceptors or more.

NON-TAB MEETINGS - MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

The minimum race and field policy will only be enforced if there are more than *four (4)* races programmed.

- Where the minimum requirement of four races *has been* met - any race on the card after the fourth must have six (6) acceptors or more.

- The only exception to this is Cup or Feature Races.
- Where the minimum standard of races has *not* been met, the Thoroughbred Racing Manager is to exercise discretion in determining whether the meeting proceeds.

For example: Non-TAB Meeting 5 Races (the minimum requirement of 4 races is met and each race after the fourth must have 6 acceptors or more)

RACING QUEENSLAND POLICY FOR SPLITTING OF RACES

Once acceptances have closed, if the number of acceptors for a non-Feature race allows for two full fields or, failing that, has at least 24 horses, the handicappers may seek approval to have the race divided.

The handicappers must seek approval to divide the race from the Thoroughbred Racing Manager, or other senior manager.

NEW STABLE BARN AND WALKER

The construction of the new barn was delayed considerably by new council requirements but as you are no doubt aware construction has commenced. A new walker will be placed on the same raised mound but requires a retaining wall on the southern side, so work will commence in the new year.

Merry Christmas and the best of wishes for 2015

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RJC YTC - Jump outs, Trials Grass Gallops RJC
Jan to June 2015

2015 Race Dates, Trials & Jump Outs			Official Barrier Trials (Incl JO)	Jump Outs	Grass Gallops* 6-7.30 \$10/GG
RJC Races	Saturday, 3 January 2015	R			
Monday 5 January				Yeppoon JO	
RJC Races	Friday, 9 January 2015	R			
RJC Races	Thursday, 15 January 2015	R			
	Friday 16 January 2015			Rockhampton JO	GG 6-7.30
	Tuesday, 27 January 2015				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Friday, 30 January 2015	R			
Monday 2 February 2015			Yeppoon BT		
RJC Races	Thursday, 5 February 2015	R			
	Friday 6 February 2015				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 12 February 2015	R			
	Friday 13 February 2015			Rockhampton JO	GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 19 February 2015	R			
	Friday 20 February 2015				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Friday, 27 February 2015	R			
Monday 2 March 2015				Yeppoon JO	
RJC Races	Thursday, 5 March 2015	R			
	Friday, 6 March 2015				GG 6-7.30
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	Monday 16 March 2015		Rockhampton BT		GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 26 March 2015	R			
	Friday, 27 March 2015				GG 6-7.30
Wednesday 1 April 2015			Yeppoon BT		
RJC Races	Thursday, 2 April 2015	R			GG Special - 2yo
	Tuesday, 7 April 2015				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 9 April 2015	R			
RJC Races	Saturday, 11 April 2015	R			
RJC Races	Thursday, 16 April 2015	R			
	Friday 17 April			Rockhampton JO	GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 23 April 2015	R			
	Friday 24 April				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 30 April 2015	R			
	Friday 1 May			Rockhampton JO	GG 6-7.30
YEPPOON TC Saturday, 2 May 2015			R		
RJC Races	Thursday, 7 May 2015	R			
CQARC	Saturday, 9 May 2015	R			GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Saturday, 16 May 2015	R			
Monday 18 May			Yeppoon BT		
RJC Races	Friday, 22 May 2015	R			
	Tuesday 26 May 2015				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Thursday, 28 May 2015	R			
Monday 1 June				Yeppoon JO	
RJC Races	Friday, 5 June 2015	R			GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Saturday, 6 June 2015	R			
	Tuesday 9 June				GG 6-7.30
RJC Races	Saturday, 13 June 2015	R			GG Special
	Tuesday 16 June		Breakfast With The Stars - - Grass Gallops Special		
RJC Races	Thursday, 18 June 2015	R			GG Special
RJC Races	Saturday, 20 June 2015	R			
	Friday 26 June			Rockhampton JO	GG 6-7.30

ROCKHAMPTON JOCKEY CLUB 2015 PROGRAMME - JAN/FEB CONFIRMED RACE PROGRAMME

DAY	DATE	CLUB	T (Tab) or N (Non)	2YO	3YO	MAIDEN	Class1 or BM	Class2 or BM	Class3 or BM	Class4 or BM	BM 75	Class 6	OPEN	Base Stake
Sat	3/1/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1050	Q Hcp 1050	1300	1500 1200 cge 1200 f&m	1050	1300sw	1600 BM70			1200	\$13,000
Fri	9/1/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100		1050 cge 1050 f&m	1050 1500 BM60		1100 1500sw			1050sw		\$13,000
Thur	15/1/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100	Q Midn 1100	1400sw	1300		1800 BM65 1100sw 1600 BM65	1300 BM70		1200sw	1300	\$13,000
Fri	30/1/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100	Q Hcp 1100	1100sw	1300							\$13,000
Thur	5/2/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1050			1050 cge 1050 f&m 1500 BM60						1400	\$13,000
Thur	12/2/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100 888	Q Midn 1200	1400	1300sw	1200	1800 BM65	1300 BM70			1050	\$13,000
Thur	19/2/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1100	Q Hcp 1100	1050sw	1050		1600sw	1100 BM70			1500	\$13,000
Fri	27/2/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100	Q Midn 1100	1300sw	1200 1400		1050sw 1300 sw				1200	\$13,000

DRAFT PROGRAMME SUBJECT TO AMENDMENT FOR MARCH TO JUNE 2015

Thur	5/3/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1100	Q Hcp 1200	1100	1050		1400	1600 BM70		1200sw		\$13,000
Sat	14/3/15	Rockhampton St Patricks Day RC	T	Q Midn 1100 c&g Q Midn 1100 f		1200sw	1500 BM60		1200sw				1200	\$10,000
Thur	26/3/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1100 c&g Q Hcp 1100 f	Q Hcp 1300	1300	1200 1050		1600 BM65				1300	\$13,000
Thur	2/4/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100		1100 cge 1100 f&m	1600 BM60		1400sw		1050 BM75			\$13,000
Thur	9/4/15	Rockhampton JC	T		Q Midn 1100	1400sw	1200 cge 1200 f&m		1500 BM65	1050		1200sw		\$13,000
Sat	11/4/15	Rockhampton JC	T	\$100k 1200sw Cap Sales	1300 Hcp Cap Sales Champ	1200sw	1800 BM60		1200 BM65 Country Cup*				1400	\$10,000
Thur	16/4/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100		1050	1300 1050	1050cge 1050 f&m		1400 BM70			1050	\$13,000
Thur	30/4/15	Rockhampton JC	T		Q Hcp 1200	1300	1800 BM60		1500 BM65	1200 BM70			1100	\$13,000
Thur	7/5/15	Rockhampton JC	T		Q Midn 1200	1400	1200 1400 BM60	1800		1300 BM70		1050sw		\$13,000
Sat	9/5/15	COARC	T	Q Hcp 1100		1200		1050 cge 1050 f&m	1600 BM65 Country Cup				1200 Bracelet 1600 Cup	\$10,000
Sat	16/5/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1200 888	Q Hcp 1200	1050 cge 1050 f&m	1050		1400sw					\$10,000
Fri	22/5/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1100 Classic		1300	1500	1200	1800 BM65	1400 BM70			1400	\$13,000
Thur	28/5/15	Rockhampton JC	T		Q Hcp 1300	1100sw	1300	1100	1600sw	1300	1050 BM75			\$13,000
Fri	5/6/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1200		1300sw	1500 BM60	1200 cge 1200 f&m	1050	2200 BM70			1200 Tatts Spr	\$13,000
Sat	6/6/15	Rockhampton JC	T		Q Hcp 1400	1100	1050-cge 1050 f&m		1400 BM65			1200sw	1600 Tatts Cup	\$10,000
Sat	13/6/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Midn 1100	Q Midn 1100	1400	1300		1050 BM65	1800 BM70				\$10,000
Thur	18/6/15	Rockhampton JC	T	Q Hcp 1050		1200sw	1200 1600 BM60		1400			1100sw 1400	1300 Newmarket	\$15,000
Sat	20/6/15	Rockhampton JC	T	\$50k 1300 Q Plate	\$50k 1600 Q Plate			1050	1200 c&g 1200 f&m	2200 BM70			\$100k 1600 Cup	\$15,000

= benchmark race BM