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DON'T FORGET!
Narrogin Racing
Annual General
Meeting –Sunday
November 14th.
At 2 p.m. at the
Higgins Centre.
BE THERE!!!

A Message to Members from the Chair

Dear Members of Narrogin Racing,

As we complete one racing season and begin to prepare for the first meeting of the new season on November 11th, it's time to reflect on my past 6 months as Acting Chair and also to look forward to the coming year.

As many of you know, the last half year for our club has not been the easiest of times. We have had some difficult issues to deal with and we are faced with a future where our funding sources are changing and becoming more competitive.

On the other hand, we have achieved a great deal in terms of the club's success. Narrogin Racing has been allocated one of only 2 digital video network links in WA with the prospect of all our 2010/2011 season race meetings having full Sky Channel coverage which also means an increase in stake money.

We've also increased our overall number of meetings to 20 in the new season and the Management Committee

has been working on Project Planning for improvements to the club over the next 5 to 10 years. These include developing better facilities on course for both our racing members and the racegoing public as well as improvements to our tracks.

The continued success and viability of our club rests with you, the club members. We have the potential to make Narrogin Racing one of the premier regional race venues in Western Australia BUT, it will NOT happen without your support and commitment.

The very real need now is for members, especially our younger members, to step forward and bring their energy, enthusiasm and talents to your club by putting your hand up to serve on the Management Committee or one of our Operations sub-committees.

Our Annual General Meeting, is now scheduled for Sunday, November 14th at 2pm in the John Higgins centre. At that meeting, a number of committee positions will be open for

nomination and I hope that you will be willing to serve your club in one of these positions.

I acknowledge that we all lead busy lives and I've been told by some people that they would like to serve BUT they say "I have horses", "I have a business to run", "I have a job that keeps me busy".

Trust me, the members of your current Management and Operations Committees can all say the same thing and yet they have devoted their time and effort to the club for the past year (and in some cases for many years in a row!).

It's time for some fresh faces and new talents. Please do not just *think* about working in one of these positions but that you will actually do it!

It's also time to refresh our memories that Narrogin Racing is one club with one purpose.

My hope is that we will realise that purpose and potential in the coming years.

*Nick Bosly-Pask
Acting Chair
Narrogin Racing*

The Cup Comes to Narrogin Racing

We enjoyed a great day on Saturday, October 2nd. As the Emirates Melbourne Cup came to Narrogin and also to the Kulin Bush Races.

After plenty of negotiation by Club Manager, Jon Menzel, Narrogin was chosen for a visit by the famous trophy and many people turned out to see the 18 carat gold Loving

Cup, firstly at Mackie Park in Narrogin early in the morning and then, in their thousands, at the annual Kulin Bush Races in the afternoon.

The queue of people wanting to have their photo taken with the Cup at Kulin was sometimes hundreds of people long and many also came to talk with Cup historian

Andrew Lemon and with John Marshall who was the rider of the famous Rogan Josh when it won the Melbourne Cup.

The famous mug made its way back to Narrogin on the Saturday night for a dinner with Narrogin Racing Committee members and guests before travelling on to Port Hedland.

Busy Bee for New Season

Our new season begins on Thursday night, November the 11th. With an 8 race Harness Meeting and we are looking forward to it!

So that we can have our track and facilities ready for the big day, we will be holding our pre-season busy bee at the track on

Sunday, October 31st, starting from 10 am.

Please spare some time to come along and help – the more helpers we have, the quicker we'll get the job done!

We also need some help with work on the placegetters stalls in the

mounting yard as well as in general clean-up work around the buildings and stalls.

Racing Infrastructure Fund

You may have heard that the Minister for Racing and Gaming, the Hon Terry Waldron recently announced some \$5 million in funding for racing infrastructure projects.

The timeline for applications for the first round is very tight but your club is working on ensuring that we get applications in on time for projects that are in the clubs planning.

We will keep members informed in future newsletters of the progress of these applications as well as our applications for the next round of Royalties for Regions funding.

Late Breaking News!

In the latest news on our Digital Video Link – we've heard that the installation will be completed by October 29th in time for the start of our new season.

We'd like to acknowledge

the help and support of Racing and Wagering WA in having the link installed at Narrogin Racing.

In other news, more local success with Kylie Dowling's Telexden's gallant second in the

recent Kalgoorlie Cup and, in harness racing, Jimmy Draper's very consistent Jack Cantell scored a great win at Gloucester Park, leading all the way to win by 4 metres.