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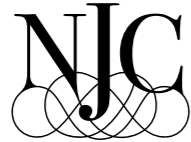
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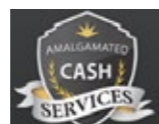
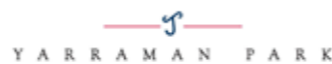
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Newcastle Jockey Club welcomes the sponsors of the
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Welcome to the 2018 Newcastle Spring Racing Carnival



It seems like only yesterday we were all getting excited about our very first Spring Carnival on the, then, 'new' StrathAyr course proper here at Newcastle Racecourse. What feels like a short twelve months later, and the club is very proud of how well our new track has performed in all weather conditions. We really did know we had something special out there when in March this year, after receiving 95mm of rain (nearly four inches in the old 'money') on Wednesday 21st, we raced on a 'Soft 5' track the following day – which I should add, was upgraded to a 'Good 4' after race 1. Our track has firmly established itself now as a superior surface – and as a result the racing we are hosting at Newcastle Racecourse is first class.

There has never been a better time to be involved in thoroughbred racing in NSW. With another round of prizemoney increases recently announced by Racing NSW and innovations like the 1200m Everest at Randwick again this Spring, The Provincial & Country Championships in Autumn, and ever increasing returns to owners through all levels of our industry, owners are now significantly better off than ever before. One 'constant' that doesn't change however, is the class and style associated with a big day at the races, and the thrill of 'frocking up' or trying on that new suit to wear. As a result, our two-day Carnival is now etched in the social diaries of the thousands who attend.

We are blessed in Newcastle. There is racing in the DNA of the community, and the wonderful location of our racecourse reinforces that relationship between both racing enthusiasts and party-goers alike. So, on behalf of the NJC Directors and the whole club, I welcome you to our upcoming Spring Carnival and can't wait to see you and your friends at the track on one or both of our big days – the Sharp Electronics Group Newcastle Gold Cup Day or our spectacular Ladies Day, proudly presented by Westfield Kotara.



Geoffrey Barnett
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The Ones to Watch

Preparations are well underway for what is shaping up to be another outstanding two-day event at the Broadmeadow track. This will be the second Spring Carnival conducted on the StrathAyr surface, which has been a revelation since racing began on the new course proper in March 2017.

Friday September 14th is the main day of racing with four Group 3 races aimed at the racing purists. Welcome to the Sharp Electronics Group as the Newcastle Gold Cup sponsor on a long-term agreement which will also see prizemoney for the feature race over 2300m increase from \$175,000 to \$200,000. Last year the race was won by the Gai Waterhouse and Adrian Bott trained Broadside, ridden by Central Coast resident Tim Clark.

Not to be forgotten are the remaining seven races on the day. Hunter based syndicators Australian Bloodstock will again sponsor the Group 3 Cameron Handicap over 1500m. They are fantastic supporters of not only Newcastle, but racing in Australia. This edition of the Cameron Handicap will carry a total purse of \$160,000. Who could forget last year's thrilling finish with local trainers Jay Hopkins and Kris Lees fighting it out with their respective horses Got Under and Sound Proposition. The margin in the end was a nose in favour of Got Unders which provided the Hopkins stable their first Group winner.

Yarraman Park continue a great association with the NJC which will see them again sponsor the Group 3 Tibbie Stakes over 1400m for Fillies and Mares run under set weights and penalties. Yarraman Park, owned and operated by Arthur and Harry Mitchell recently lost their up and coming stallion

sensation Hinchinbrook in a paddock accident, but have Champion sire I Am Invincible and first season freshman Hellbent still to carry the flag for the Scone based farm.

Hungerford Hill Wines are welcomed onboard in 2018 as sponsor of the 3YO Spring Stakes. Last year the Godolphin trained Astoria took the honours before placing in the Group 1 VRC Derby at Flemington.

Ladies Day on Saturday September 15 is a more relaxed day of racing with a party like feel. The two feature races that will be held on the day, both worth \$40,000 each, are the 900m Hurricane Handicap and the Newcastle Nobbys over 1400m. The two days of racing will see 16 individual races conducted for prizemoney over \$1.1 million.

Spring racing is an exciting time of year for trainers, jockeys, owners and all other industry personnel. Newcastle is fortunate to have some great trainers that use the outstanding training facilities daily which enable them to have runners in Sydney and Melbourne during peak carnival times. The three trainers to watch out for over the coming months are Kris Lees, Ben Smith and Paul Perry.

It was a breakout season for Ben Smith who emerged from the Autumn Sydney Championships Carnival a dual Group 1 winning trainer. His star sprinter, In Her Time, finally claimed a long overdue Group 1 win taking out The Galaxy at Rosehill in March this year. The mare has won eight races from only 20 starts and has collected of total of \$2,135,725 in prizemoney. Racegoers at Newcastle on Gold Cup day will be treated to an exhibition gallop by In Her Time as she



prepares for the \$13 million Everest at Royal Randwick on October 13. She is the only New South Wales non-metropolitan trained horse entered in The Everest, racing in the TAB slot for the big feature.

Smith's two-year-old filly at the time, El Dorado Dreaming, produced a major upset when she won the Group 1 Sires Produce only a week after being beaten in a Newcastle two-year-old maiden.

The 2017-18 season was a career high for Kris Lees. Although he was unable to train a Group 1 winner

in the past twelve months, he trained 191 1/2 winners nationwide, 30 more than the previous year. Lees finished fifth in the Australian Trainers Premiership and third in New South Wales behind Chris Waller and James Cummings. He looks set for a big Spring carnival with the likes of Le Romain, Prized Icon, Smart Melody, Gem Song, Graff and Miss Fabulass all aiming towards the big races in New South Wales and Victoria.

Newcastle Jockey Club would like to wish everyone a happy and successful Spring - here's to enjoying the facilities and backing many winners!



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Another big Spring campaign looming for Australian Bloodstock

In just under a decade, Jamie Lovett and Luke Murrell have seen their pet project turn from a mutual passion, that they hoped might go ok, into an international racing phenomenon. The thoroughbred syndication business the two horse-tragics set up in 2009 – Australian Bloodstock, has not only had a starter salute the judge on the first Tuesday in November, but now consistently peppers the semaphore board with winners and place-getters in big races around Australia, and indeed globally, throughout the year. Their first taste of things to come occurred in April 2012, when ‘Master of Design’, the Redoutes Choice stallion they raced as the ‘Three Blondes’ Syndicate (presumably back when Jamie boasted a fine head of hair) – saluted in the Group 1 T J Smith Stakes at Randwick.

“But the real life-changer for us was when we sold Salomina on to Katsumi Yoshida.”

But just weeks later, they purchased a German filly, Salomina, who had just won her maiden – and on the 5th August that year, in dazzling style, she went on to win the Group 1 German Oaks by three and a half lengths. Jamie Lovett now jokes about how tough it was in those early days, “You could say I was eating SAO biscuits for dinner until those two wins in 2012” he confessed, “But the real life-changer for us was when, after that Oaks win, we sold Salomina on to Katsumi Yoshida.” This would be their first, but certainly not last, taste of doing business with the Japanese.

Since that time the Australian Bloodstock colours have been first past the post in no less than 35 Black-type races (G1, 2, 3 & Listed) and nine individual Group 1’s – including, as mentioned, the 2014 Melbourne Cup taken out by Protectionist.

And on to those now all-familiar – there is nothing more complicated to that story than Jamie believing

ten years ago that the black and white check sleeves and cap should be easy to follow in a race – and a few notepad doodles later and there they were.

So, with the exception of their dual Group 1 winning Japanese stallion Tosen Stardom, now standing at Woodside Park Stud in Victoria, the rest of their equine team from last Spring will be back in action in 2018. Brave Smash will have another tilt at The Everest – the multi-million-dollar race that he placed in last year, and Big Duke will be aimed for the top staying races and hopefully another tilt at the Melbourne Cup, after an eye-catching fourth in the ‘nation-stopping’ event last year.

In the early days their eyes were fixed firmly on the racetracks of Europe, and in particular Germany, for potential champions to bring to Australia. Luke Murrell is the form and time analyst and consumes pages of stats, results and replays like the rest of us consume a coldy. And their strike rate has been phenomenal – even though nowadays it is a much more competitive environment finding international options for big races down-under. More recently they have turned their attention to the Japanese industry – and that new focus paid dividends straight away with Tosen Stardom and Brave Smash immediately making their mark at elite level out here last season.

Given their significant global network, the Australian Bloodstock team have gained a unique insight into what makes the racing game go-round. Jamie Lovett is adamant that the prizemoney increases that have occurred over the last couple of years in NSW are the key to the local industry’s success and burgeoning International stature, “I’m not sure people realize just how important those increases are for racing here in Australia. Most simply



Image: Australian Bloodstock Website

don’t understand that the equivalent races in the UK, for example, would be running for a fraction of the amount – maybe the equivalent of A\$15,000 – and we are going to be running for \$125,000 in Sydney on Saturdays from September 1st this year. It’s an amazing stimulus for our industry” Lovett enthuses.

“I still get as much of a buzz seeing our owners win any race now as I did when we first set this up”

So, then when asked about what challenges are facing the local industry, the syndicator is again, typically, straight on to the front foot, “Now we have the prizemoney sorted, the priority must be stabling facilities. Horses spend the vast majority of their time being prepared, fed and housed. The better those facilities are at our tracks, then the better it is for our most important asset – the horses! I’m certainly hopeful the NJC can make their exciting stable plans a reality – and imbed ourselves as the key racing centre North of Sydney.” Notwithstanding the heady successes and international notoriety of these equine movers

and shakers – they are still knockabout Hunter-coast blokes who haven’t forgotten how important it is to win a race for their owners, whether it be at Muswellbrook or Moonee Valley,

“I still get as much of a buzz seeing our owners win any race now as I did when we first set this up, and the magical reality of syndicating horses in this great industry of ours is that the battler can have a serious shot at the big time – Luke & I are living proof of that.” Lovett concludes.

Australian Bloodstock is a great local success story - and it ‘keeps on keeping on’ – just like one of their classy stayers! Let’s hope Spring 2018 becomes another season of highlights for those familiar colours – ROYAL BLUE, WHITE HORSESHOE, BLACK & WHITE CHECKED SLEEVES & CAP.

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FRIDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER



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MEMBERS' LOUNGE

The Members' Lounge offers Members and their guests perfect views of the Winning Post.

Price includes racecourse entry and entry into the Members' Reserve with access to the Bar and Bistro

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- Member's Guest Ticket with reserved seat **\$70**
- Members' Lounge Day Pass for Member's Guest **\$55**

NON-MEMBERS

- Members' Lounge Non-Member Ticket with reserved seat **\$85**
- Members' Lounge Day Pass Non-Member (no reserved seat) **\$66**

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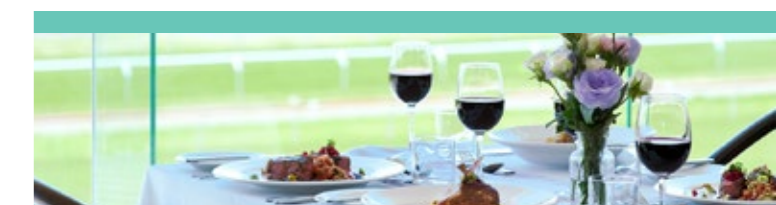
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Let the fun begin... at Ladies Day

Springtime is play time ... and it's time for the excitement of Newcastle's premiere social events at the Spring Racing Carnival! Newcastle Racecourse will come alive with the glamour associated with a day at the races combined with a party-like feel.

Have you got your seat booked to be among the thousands of racing fans and fashionistas that will flock to Westfield Kotara Ladies Day on Saturday 15 September?

Enjoy the glitz, fashion and fun in the Hungerford Hill Marquee for an afternoon of amazing racing, entertainment and a three course chef inspired plated lunch inclusive of premium Hungerford Hill beverages.

What a perfect way to spend a Spring afternoon socialising with friends!

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Fashions on the Field

Ladies Day isn't Ladies Day without Fashions on the Field.

Whether your choice this Spring is playful prints, feminine linens or power suiting - frock up on Saturday 15 September for Westfield Kotara Ladies Day!

This year, there will be three categories, with the Best Dressed Female and Best Dressed Male winners each taking home a \$500 Westfield Gift Card to splurge this Spring. The judges will also be looking for Best Millinery. And the winner will receive a \$400 Westfield Gift Card.

Register on the day at the Fashions on the Field stage, to be located between the Grandstand and the Trackside Marque for your chance to shine!



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Spring Carnival

Tips and tricks to get race ready

Anticipated to be one of the most fashion forward Spring Carnivals, this year craves Instagram worthy style that onlookers envy; setting the trend for seasons to come. Mercedes Benz Fashion Week Resort 19 collections have showcased European summer inspired trends and we are ready to transform these runway looks to deliver trackside style. These trends move away from traditional silhouettes, encouraging a more relaxed style this Spring Carnival. We're talking playful prints, feminine linens, power suiting and 'IT' girl beauty.

Playful Prints

Think fun, floaty and feminine. Romantic silhouettes graced the runway this season with bishop sleeves, hip hugging mermaid-like midi skirts and relaxed waistlines. The silhouettes boast colour, encouraging race goers to make a Spring statement by print-clashing in two piece styles. Nothing says European summer like a patterned silk scarf, so if you're not overly eager to wrap the scarf around your up-styled hair, think about tying it off your hip bag.

Feminine Linens

Structure is not for everyone and this trend is something to be admired when styled effortlessly. This shape is relaxed and the hemline is asymmetrically playful, styled with a beautifully wide brimmed hat, oversize drop earrings and a fun block heel slide. Soft peaches, lemon hues and pastel blues are in our sights for Oaks Day.



By Westfield Kotara Stylist, Kate Kohler

Power Suiting

Nothing says confidence quite like a well-tailored power suit. Whilst not a new trend, designers are creatively changing the way a suit defies tradition and inspires the modern girl boss in all of us. Darby Day's strict black and white dress code is your perfect opportunity to style a white power suit with a statement black boater and mini tote.

Beauty tips

Keeping your outfit on point finishes with your beauty game. Dewy skin is an easy go-to for race day, as the sun will dance on your skin and be Insta ready at every angle. Your outfit may need a bold lip, which means keeping the eyes on the lighter side. Remember, you are complementing your outfit, so less is more when it comes to Spring Carnival.





FASHION. LIFESTYLE. ENTERTAINMENT.

Westfield Kotara is on track to become Newcastle's premium fashion, lifestyle, and entertainment destination, with international mini-major H&M opening as part of the centre's broader \$160million redevelopment.

"In speaking with our customers, we identified a significant demand for international fashion retailers within our centre, so we're thrilled to be able to deliver this at Westfield Kotara as part of our redevelopment," says Kate Murphy, Westfield Kotara Centre Experience Manager.

The project is currently on track to open in late 2018 and will be anchored by Zara, H&M and a brand-new Kmart, JB Hi-Fi and 30 new fashion and lifestyle stores.

The development follows the successful 2015 opening of the Hunter-Valley inspired outdoor dining and entertainment precinct, The Rooftop, which saw 9 new restaurants and an Events Cinemas complex open at Westfield Kotara.

In addition to Westfield Kotara's extensive fashion, lifestyle and entertainment offering, the centre is making improvements to the customer car park. Additional parking will be available upon completion, with the first 60 spaces on Level 1 now available to customers outside St George Bank.

More information on the 30 new stores opening and the centre opening dates will be announced soon.

"Westfield Kotara will be the destination for fashion with Zara, H&M, David Jones and more all in the one location."



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THE NOVOS

Loving life in Newcastle

It's not only a shared love of coffee that links the breakfast team at NEW FM and who can blame them with such eye watering early starts? Entertaining our airways weekdays from 6am on NEW FM are Krivo, Jade and Josh. It's the combined appreciation of the unique Novocastrian lifestyle that's a key part of the teams on air chemistry. While the majority of us are just starting our day, this energetic bunch have been up and at it for hours.

Jade Leeder has recently joined the team, originally from Queanbeyan, yet raised in on the Sunshine Coast, QLD. Jade and husband Ben fell in love with Newcastle while visiting several years ago. Having lived in Fingal Bay for the past two years, they have just bought their first home closer to town.

Jade began her career in radio by volunteering at the local Port Stephens community radio station. It's the

love of the job and the fun of working with the boys that keeps Jade going with the early starts. And did we mention coffee? She loved watching the movies Pharlap and Archer on repeat when she was little and always wanted to be a jockey. Yet she admits that while she'd be the perfect height for it, her love of chocolate is a barrier – no pun intended!

Josh Jeans hails from Ivanhoe, in Melbourne. After a stint on radio in Townsville, the lure of a larger, growing market (and not quite so hot!) lead him to Newcastle. Happily settled here with his lovely partner Kat, Josh is enjoying the better weather and was grateful for the opportunity to be part of the expanding NEW FM team.

Initially a sports journalist in Melbourne, working at a radio station meant that Josh would sometimes be on air with the sports team yet was always so nervous. So to get better at it, he too volunteered at an independent music radio station in his spare time. "It was some of the most fun I'd had so I ended up following the path of commercial radio soon after, and thankfully haven't looked back".

Josh is honest about the real feeling he gets when the alarm goes off at 3:30am. The thought of contemplating a sickie especially when it's cold, crosses his mind, yet he believes he really does have one of the best jobs and gets to work with great people. "It's fun and fast paced and when you finish at midday and the sun is shining, you get the beach to yourself. Also, lots of coffee".

Josh's connection to racing is strong, having gone down the path of horse syndicate ownership with some friends. "While it wasn't a great horse in terms of its racing ability and certainly didn't win us any money, it was such great fun being part of it". Growing up in Melbourne, he often got to enjoy the Spring Carnival and was fortunate enough to be at Flemington when Makybe Diva won her 3rd straight Melbourne Cup. "It was incredible and I still remember watching her pass the post. And I don't mind a punt either, although I'm probably not that great and I wouldn't ask for my advice if you are trying to pick the quaddie!".

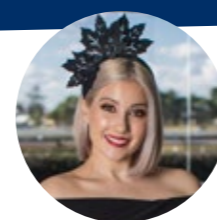
As the local, Mark 'Krivo' was born and raised in the picturesque Yarramalong Valley on The Central Coast. He moved to Newcastle three years ago and was drawn to the region by our stunning beaches,

We're loving being part of the relaxed vibe here – there's definitely a unique and engaging flavour

proximity to The Hunter Valley (admitting to being partial to a love of an occasional good drop!) and the relaxed vibe that emanates from the place. "It's an exciting city without the stress. Time flies here it is just a great place to be."

He was working as a financial advisor for a bank, when someone suggested he should give radio a go. The rest, as they say, is history. Unlike his fellow NOVOS team mates, Krivo actually doesn't mind the early starts. "The ability to be really productive suits, as you can get so much done with your day when the work day is finished by lunch time. Oh and coffee. Lots of coffee."

Tell us about your fun day out...



My ultimate day out would be here at the races with my girlfriends. I love to place a bet, hoping for some lady luck on the day!



As many people as possible dressed up in their finest, I wear a t-shirt and thongs to work so it's nice to put on a suit and tie for a change. I love the spring races as well, especially because someone always puts on an awesome breakfast before the day and you get pancakes and champagne. What a combo!



I have a yearly gambling budget of \$10 (I know, watch out big spender coming through!) Melbourne Cup is my favourite – get together with friends and enjoy an event that connects so many people. An excuse to get dressed up, have some good food, a glass of something sparkling and I always seem to get lucky with a cheeky punt!



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Spring Carnival Style

Time to start planning your winning look and this Spring – it's all about exploring colour and pattern. Be inspired by the multitude of new season shades, textures, patterns and florals now in store at David Jones, Westfield Kotara.

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Endota's new haven for relaxation in Kotara



Novocastrians have a new haven for rejuvenation with endota spa's new home at Westfield Kotara.

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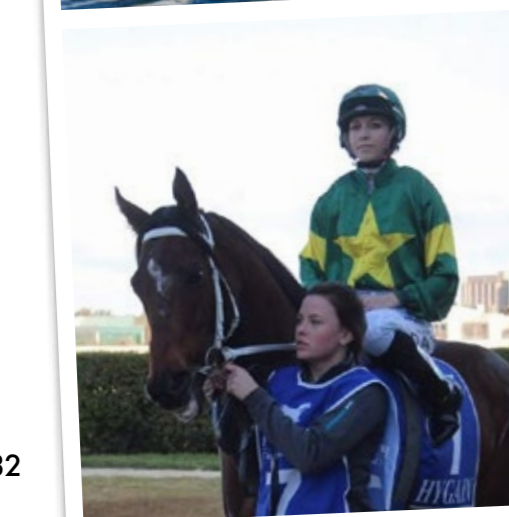
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Get to know...

IRISH WONDER WOMAN AND WINNING JOCKEY

Louise Day

Tell us how you started your career?

I've ridden horses all of my life. My mother used to take me to the local races when I was 11 or 12 and when I got home I would gallop my pony around the field and pretend I was a jockey. A couple of years later a training complex was built on the property beside my house and after another frustrating couple of years, my parents finally allowed me go and ride out there. When I turned 17 I left school and moved to England to a trainer there so I could start an apprenticeship. I was there for two years and held my licence for the last year but I only had 10 rides in that time. It was a mental and physical strain and I struggled to see a future there for myself as a jockey, so in March 2015 I decided to go home to Ireland and try and come up with another plan.

How long have you been riding in Australia?

When I returned to Ireland in 2015, I rode out for a trainer there called Shane Donohoe. He told me I should think about going to Australia and he put me in touch with his friend Hugh Bowman. A month later I landed in Melbourne and started working for Ciaran Maher. The rules in Victoria meant I couldn't take out a licence to race ride unless I was a resident, so I decided to enjoy myself for a while and forget about the dream to ride. I had a great time but after a year and a half it was starting to drive me insane not being able to race. Ciaran told me to ask Kris Lees for a job in NSW as the rules are different here. Kris has been a fantastic support and I was able to take out my licence in March last year. I have just ridden my 50th winner since I started!



Do you have a favourite racetrack?

My favourite racetrack to ride at so far is Newcastle! Not only is it one of the best surfaces and sizes in NSW but also it's my home track so it feels very special to ride a winner here. I have only ridden three winners here (so far!) but they have given me the most satisfaction.

Do you have a favourite carnival?

Spring carnival is my favourite time of year. It was an incredible experience in Melbourne but since I've moved to New South Wales I've really enjoyed the Spring up here too. It's great for the whole industry when the better horses step out on those big days.

What do you see as the future role of women in the racing industry?

Women are making more and more of an impact in racing and getting so many more opportunities in racing. Trainers and jockeys are excelling and I think in 10 years time racing may look very different, especially regarding jockeys. Already in the country we are outnumbering the male apprentices coming through the ranks which is great, but it would be better to see a few more girls establish themselves in the city in the future.

Tell us about your experience of living and working in the Hunter region?

I'm really enjoying life in Newcastle. The beaches are beautiful and there's a great relaxed vibe here. I don't get much free time away from racing and the gym but when I do I like to spend time with friends or lose myself for the day and switch my phone off to clear the head. The Hunter Valley makes for some scenic drives to the races and I love seeing the stud farms up in Scone.

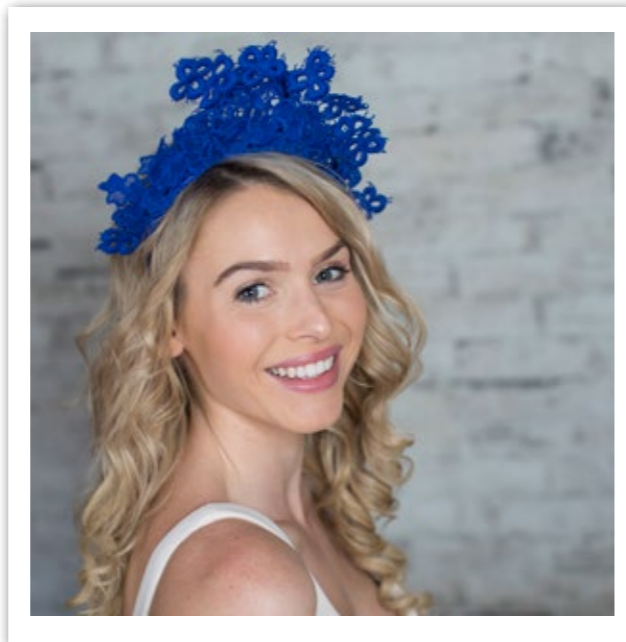
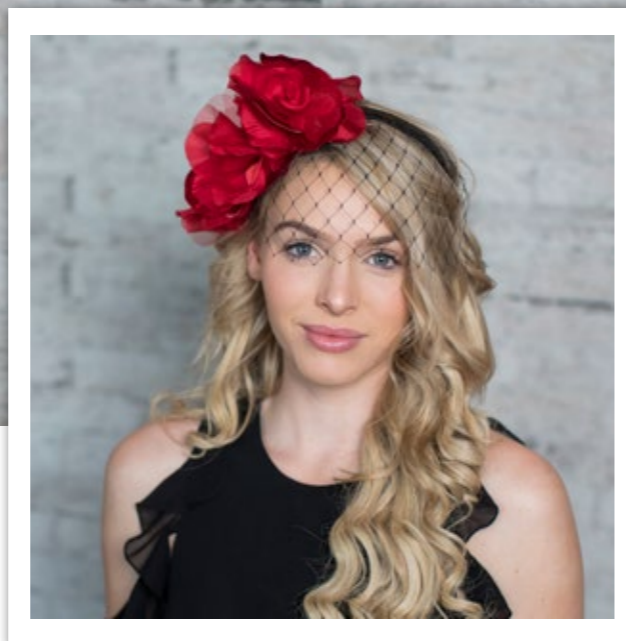
Who do you most admire in the racing industry?



Hugh Bowman is the person I most admire in racing. I didn't know who he was before I moved to Australia, but having known him from the beginning, and watching his whole journey with Winx, I find his ability to handle high pressure situations remarkable. I watch him a lot in his races on TV and really admire his patience and timing.



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Have you ever wondered why wearing hats and fascinators to the races is a thing?

Considered 'the sport of Kings', racing can be an expensive activity, and traditionally with money goes prestige, with prestige goes fashion and in years gone by, with fashion went hats. Fast forward to now and it's still a firm tradition in the racing scene that headwear on major race days is a must. For many it's a once a year opportunity as there aren't many other places where you get to wear a fabulous head piece.

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Get to know...

COMMUNICATIONS, PR,
MARKETING EXPERT

Sarah Peatling

I started my career in thoroughbred racing when I was 21 at the English Jockey Club, London. After two years, I began working for an Irish bloodstock and shipping agent in Dublin which was great fun. I returned to Australia in the early 2000's and progressed to marketing, PR, media and communications based roles at Moonee Valley Racing Club, Racing Victoria, Victoria Racing Club, Belfair and joined the on-air broadcast team when Racing.com first launched in 2014.

As a Sydney-based freelancer these days, my primary clients are Melbourne Racing Club, Snowden Racing Stable and Highclere Thoroughbreds Syndications, so I'm working with dream organisations and getting the best out of Sydney and Melbourne.

I was born to promote the industry at large and its turf stars.

My connection to racing goes back to when I was five. I used to take down the scratchings on the radio for my father. I also had a burning passion for the ponies so negotiated with my parents at the age of six to take me to a riding school every fortnight, which thankfully they did. I knew in my teens that I wanted to work in the horseracing industry. Just what that role was I wasn't sure, but it all worked itself out in the end. I was born to promote the industry at large and its turf stars!

My career highlight so far was managing Michelle Payne's publicity when she won the 2015 Melbourne Cup. I've been long-time friends with the family. I was watching the Cup in the mounting yard with her sisters,



Caulfield Cup winning jockey Nick Hall, Sarah Peatling and USA jockey great Mike Smith.

so to see history in the making on this level was surreal, both personally and professionally. Having managed the publicity of previous Cup winners, I had an idea of what Michelle was in for, however the enormity of media interest exceeded even my expectations.

Michelle is a champion in every sense of the word.

It was extraordinary the way Michelle handled herself and the pressure at the time; I've not seen anything like it. I was basically with her 24/7 for the week that followed. There were endless book, movie, TV, press, radio and event requests, everyone wanted a piece for obvious reasons. It was intense and one of my proudest moments to have played a tiny role in that incredible feat – and to do it with a friend was the cherry on top. Michelle is a champion in every sense of the word.

Women Rising Up

The current media industry is super competitive, so it's every man or woman for themselves.

That said, female representation in the industry today is very healthy. I think for a long time although women have been interested, passionate and capable, some lacked the confidence to really back themselves and put their opinions forward in what was traditionally deemed a male-dominated forum.

This has changed significantly now thanks to a changing community attitude and some key trailblazers including Jenny Chapman, Shelley Hancox, Jo McKinnon, Caroline Searcy, Nadia Horne, Carol Williamson, and the UK's Clare Balding.

It's an exciting time for women in media, and the quality of talent is exceptional with the likes of Francesca Cumani, Lizzie Jelfs, Jayne Ivill, and Emily Bosson...But whether you are covering racing, sport or politics, there is a firm place for women and their perspectives.

There is a steady growth of female participation as horse trainers, jockeys, and stable staff which is great because these roles involve tough lifestyles. That's why major success stories such as Michelle Payne, Gai Waterhouse, Kim Waugh, and Kathy O'Hara are so important for inspiration.

Race Day Tips

A day out at the races whether you're at Randwick or Bong Bong with a group of friends, family or colleagues is always good fun. I think having a flutter certainly adds to the excitement and making sure you're hydrated is the trick to extending the fun and keeping it classy for mine. As a racegoer, I always make sure I have lipgloss, bandaids, mints, eye drops, sunglasses, pen and the form guide in my handbag. I consider these essential! And yes, I need a big handbag!



Sarah loves...



Gai Waterhouse There is no-one who does PR better than Gai. She has broken down barriers time and again, raised a family at the same time and remains the face of the racing industry over two successful decades.

Peter Snowden Scone born and bred, a humble man from humble beginnings with exceptional horsemanship skills. He has worked hard from the bottom to the top, as a multiple Group 1 winning trainer.



Kerrin McEvoy A class act who shot to fame winning the 2000 Melbourne Cup at 19. I was there watching the race at the time with his now wife Cathy. He is incredibly professional and kind and remains at the top of his game while being down-to-earth.

Therese Payne-Patton

One of the first female jockeys to make an impact on the city racing scene in the 80's-90's. The older sister of Michelle Payne, Therese not only broke ranks in the jockey's room but played a big part in raising the 10-strong Payne family when their mother died tragically at a young age. Always quiet and unassuming, she's an inspiring person.



A year in the life of a broodmare



Featuring Yarraman Park
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Have you ever taken a moment to ponder where it all began for the immaculate thoroughbred thundering past the finishing post in front of thousands in a cheering crowd?

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Broodmare Hoss Amor

This series will follow the triumphs and tribulations of three Yarraman Park mares in 'a year in the life of a broodmare'.

Broodmares & Reproduction

Mares are adult female horses, defined as being more than four years of age and a broodmare is a mare used primarily for breeding purposes. Broodmares have many different paths that they take to reach the broodmare stage in life. Many started their career as a racehorse and some were successful champions, whilst others may have not achieved the ultimate trip to the winners' circle, however, their genetics or pedigree as it is called, led them to become a broodmare. Other mares may have been destined to become a broodmare right from the time they were born – because of their family ties.

Mares go into 'season' or 'heat' roughly every 19-22 days and this occurs from early Spring to Autumn. Mares will only go into season during this time as their cycle for breeding relies on a long 'photoperiod' (the length of the day) to ensure that their foals are not born during the harshest part of the year to ensure they are given the best chance of thriving. You may have heard the term 'putting mares under lights'? This is literally that – putting mares in barns with lights on to mimic a lengthening day – so they come into season to be served as soon as possible.

Each year many foals are born in a controlled atmosphere under the watchful eye of specialist equine veterinarians after an 11-month gestation period for the broodmare. Studs will have their staff watching

pre-partum mares 24/7 to ensure everything's ok. The fragile newborn foals will emerge from their mothers between 320 days to 370 days from conception, to grow up and carry with them the hopes of many; from the breeders of the foal, the carers of the foal at its most vulnerable, the pre-trainer who educates and strengthens them, the owners who purchase them at the sales and those who buy shares, the trainer who spends hundreds of hours preparing them, right down to the many people who will avidly follow their racing career.

For racing purposes, all horses born in the southern hemisphere are given the official 'birthday' of August 1; this is so that racehorses can compete in a standardized class age by comparison. Just so you know – that date in the Northern Hemisphere is January 1.

It is rare that twins are born from broodmares and if it occurs it can be extremely dangerous for both the mare and foals as horses are only designed to bear one foal.

Horses are sexually mature at two years of age and can be 'bred' or 'joined' at that point, however, most breeders choose to wait until the horse has reached growing maturity between the ages of four to five. A healthy well-managed broodmare can breed each breeding season well into her twenties, but it is not unusual to see a mare miss a year occasionally due to increasingly 'late' joins leading to a season 'off'.

Black Type

You will often hear the term 'Black Type' used around horse breeding and sales. It simply refers to the foal coming from a family-line or pedigree that has produced Group (1,2 or 3) or Listed race winning horses. The broodmare or stallion may also be Group winner or has produced the same. Once the horse has won one of these races, their form will be printed in any sales catalogue or included in their pedigree page from the stud book in capitalised bold black lettering, hence the term 'Black Type'.

Yarraman Park Stallions & Service

Yarraman Park currently houses two highly credentialed



New foal of Hoss Amor

stallions 'I Am Invincible' and 'Hellbent' whose reputations are almost as sizeable as their tall and muscular stature. The stud owns a top class broodmare band which is being constantly upgraded, and these broodmares support the Yarraman Park stallions as well as visiting leading Australian stallions. Yarraman Park prides itself on raising strong sound racehorses and all care is taken to find the perfect match when it comes to breeding. Around half of the horses born in Australia are bred in the Hunter Valley so when it comes to breeding season, these stallions and many others around the region, carry a very important role of 'injecting' the best of their bloodlines into their progeny.

During the busiest time of the year, breeding season, stallions will 'cover' or 'serve' mares up to three times a day; usually at 6am, 11am and finally at 4pm. Sires can attract a fee to serve mares, and this season, due to his success and popularity, I Am Invincible served mares at the price of \$175,000 per mare. A stallion can 'cover' up to 200 mares in a season, but it is more usual for that figure to be between 100 and 150.

The covering of mares at Yarraman Park takes place in an oval, white painted timber barn, where both the mare and stallion are fitted with protective equipment to ensure the safety of all involved. Mares are fitted with padded shoes which will go onto her 'hind' or back feet in case she kicks out. Following this fitting, the mare is prepared for the stallion by a 'teaser pony' which will allow the team to check if the mare is in the right stage of her reproductive cycle and also to put the mare 'in the mood'. The stallion is brought into the

barn, will sniff, mount and then cover the mare. Stud workers are constantly on hand to ensure the covering is performed safely and without injury to the animals.

Fruits of Labour

Beginning early August, the hard work from 11 months ago, comes to fruition as mares start to give birth to their foals. Under the watchful eye of seasoned stud professionals, mares are monitored and moved just before it is time for them to deliver their foal in a 'maternity ward'. These specialised paddocks are floodlit from sunset so that they can be monitored throughout the night by the night watcher. An instinct well ingrained into their very nature is for mares to give birth during the night, which in the wild serves to protect their newborn foals from predators. The aim is to allow the birth to happen as naturally as possible, however, there is always someone on hand to step in if something goes wrong. Only 30 minutes after birth, the foal is able to stand and take their first steps, instinctively towards their mother's milk.

The Cycle Comes Full Circle

Following numerous health checks for both the nursing foal and the broodmare, the mare can be served again a month after giving birth. This seems harsh, but for horses, this is normal and mares successfully nurse a foal before it is weaned at 4-6 months (turning from foal to 'weanling') whilst carrying her next season's foal.

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And when it comes to celebrating this year's **Melbourne Cup on Tuesday 6 November**, deciding where to enjoy the day may be just as hard as choosing the right outfit!

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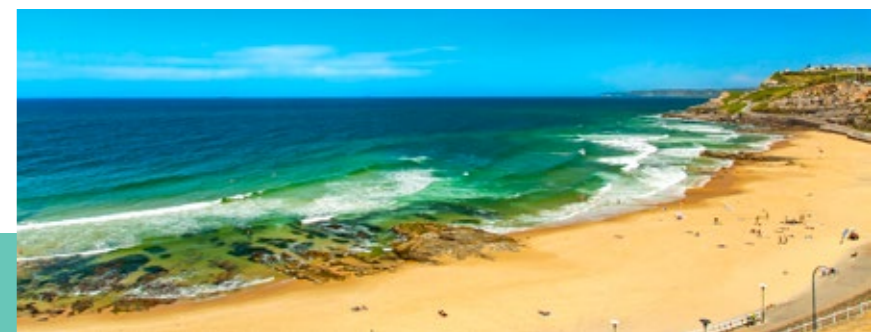


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As a well-known eat street and party destination, locals and visitors can choose from a plethora of pubs, bars, restaurants and cafes to suit the taste and libations temptations of all.

Just minutes away from Newcastle Racecourse, and only four kilometres west of the city centre, Hamilton forms the western edge of the first suburban ring around Newcastle's central business district. It is the equivalent to Sydney's inner suburbs of Balmain and Glebe or Melbourne's Richmond.

The Kent Hotel is providing shuttle buses between the race track and Beaumont Street during the Newcastle Spring Carnival 2018. Before or after the races, visit Hamilton to sample and enjoy the new flavour of cosmopolitan living.

The Hamilton Chamber of Commerce advocates on behalf of its members and the Hamilton community.

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Based around the central hub of Beaumont Street and steeped in history and multicultural ties, the Hamilton business community remains at the forefront of diversity and reflects this by meeting the needs of those living, working and playing in this cosmopolitan inner-city suburb.

If you are looking for financial or business services you can select from boutique or corporate providers offering banking, insurance, accounting, wealth creation and financial planning, recruitment, and legal services. Those seeking to rent, buy or sell property have a wide choice of real estate, property developers and managers and interior designers to choose from. Myriad health, medical and alternative therapy options are also close at hand.

From a leisure perspective, Hamilton is home to art galleries, performing spaces and warehouses for exploring your artistic talents. Every shopping and pampering desire can be met by strolling along the wide range of retail outlets covering fashion, pawn shops, object d'art and gift stores, beauty salons, newsagents, florists, dry cleaners and pharmacies.



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hopes to build the prize money even further to continue to attract great fields to Newcastle's Spring Carnival.

The Newcastle Gold Cup is the highlight of the meeting on Friday 14 September, along with three other Group 3 races on the card that day.

It's not just the upcoming Spring Carnival that has the Newcastle Racecourse team excited, following the recent news that Sharp Electronics Group has confirmed a four year sponsorship of the Newcastle Gold Cup. The six figure deal of the Group 3 race is great news for all associated with the Newcastle Jockey Club.

This new partnership provides the opportunity for Sharp Electronics Group to support increasing the prize money of the Newcastle Cup to \$200,000 this year. Matt Benson, NJC Chief Executive said the Club



NJC chairman Geoff Barnett, Sharp managing director George Tuntevski and NJC chief Matt Benson. Image courtesy of The Newcastle Herald

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- Sunday 18 November - Newcastle Race Day
- Sunday 2 December - Legends Race Day
- Saturday 8 December - Maddison Safety Race Day
- Saturday 22 December - Newcastle Race Day

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