

QUEENSLAND TROTTING PROGRAM CHANGES

Following consultation with the Breeders, Owners, Trainers and Reinspersons Association (BOTRA) Racing Queensland has amended Race Programs for Trotters effective October 3.

For the month of October please disregard the trotting program content previously advertised or printed in the September issue of PACE as it has completely changed and ensure you make yourself aware of the new trotting programs.

The trotting program changes have taken effect following consultation with the industry regarding the preference for less discretionary handicaps, more rating (NR) based handicaps and more transparent handicapping to allow owners and trainers to more easily identify handicaps for horses in their stable or prospective new horses.

The new trotting program will be monitored over a three month period and whilst the trial is underway any feedback from industry is welcome to determine whether further improvements are necessary.

A summary of the program and handicap allocations can be found below:

Schedule					
	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday	Saturday	Sun / Mon
Week 1	NR45-65 Hcp	NR50-70 Hcp	NR30-55 MS	Band Hcp	NR30-50 Hcp
	NR65-90MS		NR55-75 Hcp		
Week 2	NR50-70 Hcp	NR45-65 Hcp	NR30-55 Hcp	Open DH	NR30-50 DH
	NR70+ MS		No Band SS		
Week 3	NR45-65 Hcp	NR50-70 Hcp	NR30-55 Hcp	No Band MS	NR30-50 MS
	NR65-90DH		NR55-75 Hcp	Open DH	
Week 4	NR50-70 Hcp	NR45-65 MS	NR30-55 Hcp	Open MS	NR30-50 DH
	NR70+ B4 Hcp		NR60-80 Hcp		

NOTE: Schedule may change slightly depending upon the allocation of feature races.

NR30-55			
Hcp	NR / criteria	Claims	
20 ahead	Nil 3YO Wins		
10 ahead	1 3YO Win		
FT	NR30-40, Maiden, 2 3YO Wins		
10m	NR41-45, 1 LTW, 3 3YO Wins	NDC	NMC
20m	NR46-50, 2 LTW, 4 3YO Wins		
30m	NR51-55, 3 LTW, 5 3YO Wins		

NR45-65		Claims		
30 ahead	Nil 3YO Wins			
20 ahead	1 3YO Win			
10 ahead	2 3YO Wins			
FT	NR45-50, 3 3YO Wins	NDC	NMC	
10m	NR51-55, 4 3YO Wins			
20m	NR56-60, 5 3YO Wins			
30m	NR61-65, 6 3YO Wins			

NR50-70		Claims		
30 ahead	Nil 3YO Wins			
20 ahead	1 3YO Win			
10 ahead	2 3YO Wins			
FT	NR50-55, 3 3YO Wins	NDC	NMC	
10m	NR56-60, 4 3YO Wins			
20m	NR61-65, 5 3YO Wins			
30m	NR66-70, 6 3YO Wins			

NR55-75		Claims		
FT	NR55-60			
10m	NR61-65	DC	MC	3YOC
20m	NR66-70			
30m	NR71-75			

NR60-80		Claims		
FT	NR60-65			
10m	NR66-70	DC	MC	3YOC
20m	NR71-75			
30m	NR76-80			

NR65-90		Claims		
FT	NR65-70			
10m	NR71-75			
20m	NR76-80	DC	MC	3YOC
30m	NR81-85			
40m	NR86-90			

3YO WINS FOR PURPOSE OF HANDICAPPING PENALTIES SHALL ONLY APPLY TO WINS OF RACES ABOVE \$4,500

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