

HIF – MEETING SUMMARY
Thursday, 13th March 2025
The Grange Campbell Town
Meeting commenced at 11:00am

- Tasracing presented a paper detailing the current underspend in the FY25 stakes budget.
- Tasracing gave an update on a possible insurance policy that covers drivers and the investigation of an overarching insurance policy that would cover the whole industry across the three codes.
- A discussion was had regarding the application process for hosting of the Beautide.
- A discussion was had regarding the National Ratings system.
- BOTRA raised concerns around field limits for standing start races.
- Tasracing advised that field limits will be reviewed at all tracks.
- BOTRA provided feedback on the recent Tasmanian Harness Yearling Sale.
- Tasracing gave an update on race dates for 2025/26.
- Tasmanian Trotting Club presented a paper relating to the introduction of a four year old concession.
- Burnie Harness Racing Club presented a paper which outlined a proposal for a new race, the Circular Head Cup.
- BOTRA raised concerns about grass track racing at Elwick and the recent running of the New Norfolk Cup.
- BOTRA queried the ambulance procedure at race meetings following the fall in the recent Devonport Cup.
- HRA CEO Andrew Kelly joined the meeting to give an update on the recent HRA Member CEO Meeting, Wagering & Broadcast, and the Ratings Review Team.
- Harness Wagering update taken as noted.
- Projects, Assets & Operations update taken as noted with an update given by Tasracing on the North West tracks project.
- Marketing update taken as noted.
- Animal Welfare update taken as noted.
- Tasbred update was taken as noted.
- Tasmanian Trotting Club spoke about handicaps for the Tasmania Cup.
- North Eastern Pacing Club raised a proposal to improve the Tasbred scheme. A further discussion was then had regarding the scheme.
- BOTRA raised concerns with the wording of item 6.1 in the Handicapping Schedule.
- Racing Integrity Commissioner advised that the minister has requested he conduct a review of the current equine code of practice.

Meeting closed at 2:16pm