

HIF – MEETING SUMMARY
Thursday, 10th December 2020
Carrick Park Pacing Club
Meeting commenced at 12:06pm

- Discussions around National Rating entry point and whether it is working for Tasmania. Tasracing to put together data and bring back to next HIF meeting.
- Discussion around the claiming driver's points system of 5 point up to 100 wins, 3 points from 101 – 250 wins. HIF and Tasracing both support amendments to the policy:
 - 5 points to 50 wins
 - 3 points 51 – 100 wins
 - no claim 101 wins onwards
- Amendments to the following policies were approved:
 - Breeders Support Policy
 - Minimum Nominations Policy
 - Driver Series Policy
 - Australian Driving Championship Selection Policy
 - Halwes Medal Selection Policy
 - Edgar Tatlow Medal Policy
 - Annual Awards Policy
 - Sulky Scheme Policy
 - Concessions Drivers Policy
- Discussions regarding trainers having the ability to view nominations prior to acceptances. ORI to consider.
- Discussions around the amount of cover for a sulky under the Harness Tasmanian Sulky Scheme Policy. Tasracing has agreed to HIF's request to increase from \$2500 to \$3000.
- It was requested that ORI review which staff draw trials.
- Discussions around the current distance of qualifying trials not in line with race distances.
- Tasracing provided an overview of the status of trotters in Tasmania. Tasracing advised that it is committed to supporting the continuation of Trotting races in Tasmania for as long as the population of trotters in the state is sustainable.
- An update was provided on the Harness Wagering performance.
- An update was provided on Assets and Facilities.
- Discussion around Brighton Training Centre:
 - Pool Bridge
 - Falls Siren - procedure
- Discussions around the safety of horses when using the Carrick horse urinal. Tasracing advised that the plans for Carrick upgrade are currently sitting with the local council.
- An update was provided on the progress of the Devonport showgrounds closure.
- An update was provided on Animal Welfare and the Official Retraining Program.
- Tasracing advised that access to Positive solutions, which is part of the Tasracing Employee Assistance Program has been extended to include all staff of the racing and pacing clubs in Tasmania, vets and volunteers associated with racing clubs.
- The group asked that Tasracing better promote the Tasbred winners who win their bonus.
- ORI was asked if names and classes of horses that are balloted to be published.
- An update was provided for the Mini Trots and Double Seated Sulkies.

Next Meeting: 25th March 2021