



NSW RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

September 2008

The award winners for the 2007/08 season were:

For the first occasion, NSWROA presented an Industry Recognition Award, a special award to honour an outstanding contribution made to the industry. This award will not necessarily be made every year. The inaugural winner of the award was Brother Dan Stafford.

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RACING'S NIGHT OF CHAMPIONS 2008

In a night of glitz and glamour and before a packed audience, Tuesday Joy was named the NSW Champion Horse of the Year at the NSW Racehorse Owners Association's 2008 Racing Night of Champions.

The prestigious event, held at The Pavilion at Royal Randwick Racecourse which was in aid of Redkite - Australia's leading cancer support charity, was abuzz with excitement with "top fields" in contention for all the awards.

NSW Champion Horse of the Year

Tuesday Joy



NSW 2 Year Old of the Year

Sebring

NSW 3 Year Old of the Year

Heavenly Glow

NSW Sprinter/Miler of the Year

Racing to Win

NSW Middle Distance Horse of the Year

Sirmione

NSW Stayer of the Year

No Wine No Song

NSW Country Champion Horse of the Year

Takeover Target

NSW Provincial Champion Horse of the Year

Samantha Miss

Other awards to be presented on the night included the Queen of the Autumn Award (Heavenly Glow), the T J Smith Award (Gai Waterhouse), the George Moore Award (Blake Shinn) and the Theo Green Award (Peter Wells).

In what was, without doubt, the biggest event in NSWROA's history, the dulcet tones of Aria Award Winners Human Nature had the packed audience in raptures.



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NSWROA President, Mr Stephen van Eyk said "on behalf of Redkite and NSWROA, I would like to thank everyone for attending this very special event which showcases the very best of the NSW thoroughbred industry. My thanks also to our sponsors – whose support is greatly appreciated."

For more information, visit the NSWROA website at www.nswroa.com.au.

FINANCIAL PAYMENT OF MONEYS FROM CHAPS

Further to advice in the June Newsletter, I am pleased to advise that a final payment of CHAPS was made on Tuesday 12th August 2008, from the \$10/horse/day retained funds that were not otherwise disbursed by Racing NSW. The retained funds only applied to CHAP and CHAP II for the period from 25 August 2007 to 8 February 2008 inclusive.

The total payments made on 12 August 2008 were approximately \$2.4m.

Consistent with the CHAPS program, the payment is made to the trainer and 70% of the funds are to be credited by trainers to their owners, 30% remaining with the trainer.

The amount paid to the trainer for the trainer's portion was calculated based on the net amount received by the trainer for each horse during CHAPS I and II in proportion to the total amount paid to trainers for the same period times 30% of the \$2.4m. The same method was used to determine the owners

amount but at the 70% allocation. Amounts paid out during CHAPS III were not included as there were no retentions during this stage of the program.

It would be appreciated if members advise NSWROA if they do not receive payment.

ACCESS TO OWNERS LOUNGE AT RANDWICK

One of the aims of NSWROA is to make racehorse ownership more enjoyable. To this end, I am pleased to advise that after consultation with the Australian Jockey Club (AJC) by our Vice President and Secretary, NSWROA members have been granted access, on a trial basis, to the Owners Lounge at Randwick Racecourse from 27 September 2008 to 26 December 2008 for all Saturday and Carnival race days. The room will be open one hour before the first Sydney race and will be cleared fifteen minutes before the first Sydney race. Drinks will be charged at AJC bar prices.

This benefit for NSWROA members has been sought so that owners, whether racing or not, can get together at the start of the day to socialise.

It should be noted that:-

- (a) no ticketing on the course or the members enclosure is provided; and
- b) you will need to present your membership card for admittance.

We look forward to seeing you at Randwick.

NSW HORSES HONOURED AT THE AUSTRALIAN RACEHORSE OF THE YEAR AWARDS

At the recent Australian Racehorse of the Year Awards held at the Palladium at Crown in Melbourne, four NSW based horses were award winners on the night. Those award winners were:

Champion International Performer

Takeover Target

Champion 2 Year Old

Sebring

Champion 3 Year Old Filly

Heavenly Glow

Champion Sire

Encosta de Lago

Weekend Hussler who was named Australian Racehorse of the Year and Champion 3 Year Old Colt, is the first 3YO since Octagonal in 1995 to be crowned Australian Horse of the Year. Our congratulations to all award winners.

AMBASSADOR TRAVEL SERVICES

A reminder to members that Ambassador Travel Services, a longstanding Racing Night of Champions supporter, has a wide range of tours available to racing enthusiasts.

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Yours in Racing



Stephen Van Eyk, President
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