

**AUCKLAND THOROUGHBRED  
RACEHORSE OWNERS  
ASSOCIATION**

**ANNUAL REPORT 2019-2020**

**Our goal - to improve the economics, integrity and pleasure of  
the sport of thoroughbred racing on behalf of all owners**



Above: Teen Titan winning at Counties on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2020 for Mrs PBE Hargreaves,  
Mrs JLE Ridley-Smith & Mrs MDE Swap.

Below: Celebrating Teen Titan's next win on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020 at Matamata.  
(Photos: [www.raceimages.co.nz](http://www.raceimages.co.nz))



**NOTICE OF  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
TO BE HELD BY ZOOM  
AT  
7:00pm  
ON  
Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

# AUCKLAND THOROUGHBRED RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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**Reserve Delegate:** Mike Gething

## **Committee:**

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Quick Preview won for the second time at Ellerslie on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2020 for Go Racing As Per Syndicate, amongst whom a number are Auckland members (Photo: [raceimages.co.nz](http://raceimages.co.nz))

## AGENDA

§ Recognition of Members deceased in the year -

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§ Apologies

§ Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting

§ Matters arising

§ President's Report

§ Financial Report

§ Matters arising

§ Election of Officers

- President
- Vice President
- Committee

§ General Business

In accordance with our Rules nominations to serve on the committee can be made from the floor at the meeting. The current committee would welcome earlier nominations which can be made to any committee members listed above.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2020

For all of us this has been a very strange year. Who would have thought at last year's AGM that the 2020 version would have been an online Zoom meeting!!

In spite of the difficulties of Covid-19 everyone in the industry has worked diligently to continue racing in whatever conditions the government has decided are safe. I take my hat off to trainers & their staff, jockeys, racing club staff, judicial staff, TAB staff, transporters, medics, vets and all other ancillary workers. On behalf of all owners I thank you.

For ourselves, the owners of racehorses, we do deserve to be recognised for our commitment and patience. The whole industry is dependant on the investment owners are prepared to make and continuing to do so in these trying time is so very commendable.

The support everyone has given to the changes in the Racing Act by ringing/writing to their MP and attending meetings has resulted in exactly what we desired. The finer details are yet to materialise but progress now is truly possible. Big hurrah for Winston because he was the only politician prepared to 'stand up'. We still await the appointments to the Board of TAB NZ the new governing body. Former members of RITA are deemed interim members until the new government is decided after the election. Who is chosen will be of great importance to us all. John Messara emphasised that such members have a deep and detailed knowledge of our industry and of gambling. I think it prudent to encourage the new government to read John Messara's report and act accordingly. Each of us can do that in any number of ways.

I would like to congratulate all those who have enjoyed success with their horses this year.

I also wish to thank each and every member of my committee. We have done plenty of talking, texting, thinking behind the scenes. Let us look to the future.



Timberlake – owned by Virginia Healey, Geoff Webb, Gwynyth Webb & Richard Webb  
Won at Matamata on 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2020. No owners allowed on course.  
(Photo: raceimages.co.nz)

**AUCKLAND THOROUGHBRED RACEHORSE OWNERS  
ASSOCIATION INC  
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019**

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE AUCKLAND THOROUGHBRED RACEHORSE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION INC, HELD AT THE ELLERSLIE RACECOURSE, LADY FISHER ROOM, 80 ASCOT AVENUE, GREENLANE, ON SUNDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2019, AT 3.00 PM.**

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**BEREAVEMENTS** It was noted that a former President of the Association, Ken Cramer-Roberts, had passed away at his home in Matamata in January. Ken had given great service to the NZ Thoroughbred Racehorse Owners Association over a good number of years.

**PRESENT** Mike Gething, Pat Woollaston, Sally Blyth, Richard and Joan Palmer, Neil and Jeanette Miller, Frances Crimmins, Raewyn McKenzie, Virginia Healey, Rosalia Pimm, Barry Gerard, Brenda Gerard, Lyn Salvidge, Bruce Amies

**APOLOGIES** Michael and Barbara Dowd, Derek and Judy Stubbs, Ross and Carole Thompson, Lex and Katrina Paterson

It was **MOVED** that the apologies be accepted. *(Woollaston/Blyth)*

**MINUTES** The minutes of the 2018 Annual General Meeting were approved as a true and correct record. *(Miller/Crimmins)*

**MATTERS ARISING** There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** The President presented a report on activities for the year.

The main interest items were:

- The NZ Racing Board had been replaced by the Racing Industry Transitional Authority (RITA).
- Ellerslie's new tie-ups gave owners and the public safe access to horses on race day. Adjacent was the new Tote on Ascot, a great space with bar and food. The NZTROA President had approached ARC seeking permission for NZTROA members to access the room on race days, but this was denied. However, they will review the request after assessing how well used the room was over the busiest racing days.
- The Association's objective was to grow the Auckland membership and to facilitate ways for people to get into ownership.
- The social event held at Ellerslie in September had been enjoyed by 46 members and guests. A fun punter's club was run by Ross Thompson; George Simon hosted a couple of guests while he commentated a race; Fast Track Insurance sponsored prizes. Thanks have been extended to all involved in this special day.



- The President thanked the committee for their work during the year. Special thanks to Neil Miller who continued to spend hours producing the NZTROF Bulletin.

It was **MOVED: That the President's Report for 2019 be received.** *(Crimmins/Woollaston)*

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial statement was set out in the Annual Report.

The closing balances as at 31 July 2019: 2214.88

Cheque Account	4,677.02
Rapid Save Account	201.07
Investment Account	10,323.11
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Total Assets	\$15,201.20
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It was **MOVED: That the Financial Statement for the year August 2018 to July 2019 be adopted.**  
*(Healey/Blyth)*

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The following had put forward their names for election:

President – Mike Gething	<i>(McKenzie/Blyth)</i>
Vice President – Sally Blyth	<i>(Gething/Wollaston)</i>
Secretary – Raewyn McKenzie	<i>(Gething/Blyth)</i>
Committee –	
Frances Crimmins	
Michael Dowd	
Peter Lister	
Neil Miller	
Pat Woollaston	
Virginia Healey	<i>(Gething/McKenzie)</i>

All were duly declared elected.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS      NZTROF FUNDING**

Presently 50% of the membership fee goes to the National Federation and 50% to the local branch. However, the Federation was considering a change in capitation to reduce the money paid to the local branches in order to make up a shortfall and the cost of the new website. A main expense was the production and distribution of the Bulletin.

Any change would be an interim measure, to be revisited at the Federation AGM next year.

The NZTROA had suggested a grant from funds of \$5k to assist with the national website which required more funds. A new platform was being prepared, with content to be added. It was anticipated the improved website would assist in attracting new members.

NZTROF President, Bernard Hickey, was currently preparing a plan with strategies to provide funds for the Federation. The NZTROA offer of \$5k would be discussed by the Federation Committee and they would advise accordingly.

## **CODE OF COMPLIANCE**

NZTR was considering bringing out a Code of Compliance regarding syndicates.

The notion of making membership compulsory of a local NZTRO branch had previously been suggested at a Delegates Meeting, but Neil Miller advised it had not been agreed with.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

Endeavours had previously been made to get names from syndicates in order to approach them to encourage membership of NZTROA. That had not been forthcoming. However, it would be necessary to try different ways to encourage members joining.

## **OWNERS' DAY**

It had been decided that the annual social event would alternate between Ellerslie and Pukekohe racecourses.

## **CLOSE OF MEETING**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.05 pm



**FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR**

**AUGUST 2019 – JULY 2020**

**Cheque Account**

**Income**

Capitation Fees	2,336.95
Owners Lunch Payments	535.00
Fast Track Vouchers	200.00
Interest	3.93
Total Income	3075.88

**Expenditure**

Kaleidoprint AGM Printing	357.65
AGM Envelopes and Postage	211.50
Ellerslie Events Centre	2116.00
ARC AGM Tea	92.00
Fast Track Vouchers	200.00
AP Transfers	50.00
Total Expenses	3027.15

**Excess Income 48.73**

Plus Opening Balance

1/8/19 4086.65

**Current Balance \$4135.38**

**Rapid Save Account****Income**

Opening Balance 1/8/19	201.12
AP Transfers	60.00
Interest	2.46
Totals	263.58

**Expenditure**

Nil	0.00
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**Current Balance**                      **\$263.58**

**Assets**

Cheque Account	4,135.38
Rapid Save Account	263.58
Term Deposit	10,635.97
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$15,034.93</b>

This is to certify that there are nil liabilities for the Auckland Thoroughbred

Racehorse Owners Association. ....

Raewyn McKenzie

Secretary

## **AUCKLAND ASSOCIATION MEMBERS**

P Bartley, Sally Blyth, Jenny Brown, David Burns, Ian E Calderwood, JT Cassin, James M Chapman, Wayne Clothier, Grant Currie, M & G Donaldson, Claire Fergusson, Mrs JL Egan, Richard Frechtling, K Funnell, AR Galbraith QC, ML Gibson, Murray J Gilmore, Ashley Goodwin, Len Gurney, A Habraken, Miss JJ Harkness, Virginia Healey, Janet Hepi, JL Kirby, Marie Leicester, Craig Leishman, Paul Lowe, Paul Martin, Raewyn McKenzie, RB McLaren Ltd, Ramon McPhee, Matthew Moore, Daniel Nakhle, John Newman, NZTBA, SL Painton, David Paykel, Howard Perry, Paul Humphries (PR Partnership), A Ritchie, TP Sheahan, DS Shuker, Wayne Slee, John Struthers, Mark Taylor, Valerie Teixeira, Ryan Trigg, Rob Tunnicliffe, EM Tynan, Sir Peter Vela, Gary Wallace, Chris Wilson, BWP Wright.

### **Dual Membership**

David Archer (Archer Equine), TW Archer (Archer Trust), SR & LM Autridge, Bryan & Mrs Deidre Black, Rayner & Lynn Bonnington, Peter & Janice Bell, Clyde Buckingham (Emblem Ltd), Jenny & Wayne Collins, Keiran & E Corby, Caroline & Craig Crosby-McIlroy, Frances Crimmins & Elliot Wilton, Richard & Karena Davey, Richard & Rosalind de Lautour, Michael & Barbara Dowd, Susan & Andrew Dower-Titter, HA & Mrs S Fletcher, Mike & Pat Gething-Woollaston, Brenda & Barry Gerard, Go Racing Ltd, Craig & Sandra Grammer, Lorraine & Gary Grant-Pratt, Richard & Liz Grocott, CJ & JM Hargreaves, TO & PE Harrison-Hosking, Haunui Bloodstock, KC & MJ Heywood, Alan T & CM Jackson, Shayne & Benjamin Jeffcoat, F & SG Kearney, Brett & Rosemary Kendall Carter, Michael & Miss Celia Lewis –Galbraith, Brendan & Jo Lindsay, E John & Mrs Kathryn Long, Cliff & Katrina Matson-Dansted, Bruce & Annette Mattison, Selwyn & Judy Maynard, Joan & William McFlinn, GD & SJ Melville-Smith, G & GJ Merkulov-King, PN & JA Miller, WL & Mrs EE Mountfort, Terry & T Needham, Barry & Deidre Neville-White, RG & RE Osborne, Lex & Katrina Paterson, Rosalia & R Pimm, Tim & Rhonda Preston (BetaAlert Ltd), Donald & Dame Wendy Pye, ND & DG Robinson-Simmons, Roy J & Nona Rogers, Lyn & Bruce Salvidge-Amies, Gerald & Bruce Shand, Brian & Wendy Simmons, Martin & Lia Stam, Mrs VC & Clayton Stevenson, Derek & Judy Stubbs, Chris & Lynley Talbot, Ross & Carole Thompson, JC & Mrs MA Thompson, Vern Trillo, Mate Vlasich (Cro Ora Holdings), Ms H Volz & Ms J Volz, Gwyneth & Phillip Webb, Richard & Glenda Webb

### **Life Members**

Mr TC Alcock, Mrs BP George, Mrs Joan Palmer

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## **RIODINI**

Owned by A R Galbraith QC, Miss C E Galbraith, Mrs E A Galbraith & M J Lewis

Above: Winning at Ellerslie, 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
The fourth win in a row for this 4YO gelding, son of Proisir.

Below: Winning at Counties, 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019 (on debut)  
(He also won at Tauranga on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 and 16<sup>th</sup> November 2019).

Riodini is now racing in Australia, with two excellent placings  
in September and October 2020, and a recent trial win.

Congratulations to Riodini's owners!  
(Photos: [raceimages.co.nz](http://raceimages.co.nz))

