



January 2020 Newsletter

This newsletter contains some very important information relating to your occupation. The main sections are:

1. Breeches
2. NSW Public Liability
3. Retrospective Superannuation
4. Massage Therapist
5. Nutritionist/Dietitian
6. Vale Bob Whyburn

NEW BREECHES

You should have received an SMS from Tony over the past 24 hours, with details. (please advise if you didn't receive the SMS)

Basically, the following arrangement is in place until the National Jockeys Trust (NJT) can find a new sponsor.

NSW jockeys will receive two (2) complimentary pairs of breeches with NJT logo paid by the National Jockeys Trust. Every jockey should already have these two complimentary pairs.

The next complimentary pairs will not be provided until 1st November 2020.

What to do if you need further pairs of breeches?:

1. You can order through Markey's Saddlery but you will need to pay Markeys directly. (approx. cost is \$99 for the breeches plus \$33 for the NJT logo)

These prices are for Hyland and Persuader with other brands costing slightly more)

2. If you would like complimentary pairs of Hyland or Persuader breeches, you will need to order directly from them.

Dale at Hylands' on 03 9571 7515 or
Mark at Persuader 03 9331 7666

Hylands' and Persuader will provide additional pairs of their breeches free of cost to NSW jockeys.

PUBLIC LIABILITY

The NSWJA has contacted the Attorney General asking for an amendment to the Civil Liability Act, which would put NSW in a similar position to other states in terms of Public Liability Insurance.

In the meantime, we are working with another solicitor (Workers Compensation specialist) to help guide the NSWJA through the possible replacement to Public Liability Insurance.

We had a meeting with the Legal Counsel at Racing NSW this week, looking at expanding the coverage of the Catastrophic Insurance

In comparison to Public Liability, Catastrophic Insurance has its advantages and disadvantages, but we want to be prepared to go with this insurance if the amendment doesn't occur.

Finally, the court case regarding Hari Singh will be held in late April at the Court of Appeal in front of a Full Bench (5 high court judges) That

result, with the decision not due to August/September will also have a bearing on jockeys insurances.

RETROSPECTIVE SUPERANNUATION

NSWJA understands that an appeal has been lodged by Racing NSW.

Retrospective Superannuation pertains to jockeys who order between 2009 and 2014, and who lodged a spreadsheet of their rides to the Australian Tax Office.

2014 – the Australian Tax office agrees with the Australian Jockeys Association that jockeys should be entitled to Superannuation. The ATO also makes a ruling that jockeys are able to apply for 5 years of retrospective payments.

2018 – Scone Race Club (on behalf of Racing NSW) lodges an appeal and wins, with the court stating that the onus is on owners to pay retrospective superannuation)

2019 - The ATO challenges the courts' decision to rule in favour of the Scone Race Club and the appeal is upheld.

2020 – Scone Race Club appeals the 2019 decision, and a “final” decision should be made sometime this year.

MASSAGE THERAPIST

Racing NSW have agreed to continue with the 10 complimentary visits (up to \$90 per visit) to either:

Massage Therapist
Physiotherapist
Acupuncturist
or similar

Please send receipts, one at a time, to Scott Kennedy at jockeys@racingnsw.com.au

The \$90 (max) will be paid into your stakes payment account.

DO YOU NEED SOME GOOD ADVICE WITH YOUR DIET?

Racing NSW have agreed with a request from the NSWJA to have available for every NSW jockey **two complimentary visits** to:

Dietitian or Nutritionist

The maximum spend on those two visits is \$300

The same process as the massage therapist system.

You need to send the receipt to Scott at jockeys@racingnsw.com.au

Please ensure the dietitian or nutritionist is accredited.

Should you want Tony to source a qualified dietitian or nutritionist, close to where you live, please SMS Tony on 0430 211 098

VALE BOB WHYBURN

Bob worked for over 15 years with the NSW Jockeys Association as our legal advisor and nearly as long with the AJA.

He also served as a Trustee with the NJT for 12 years (since its inception) and the last 12 months of his career he worked as the National Manager of the NJT.



Bob was a good family man, who was integral part of the team that helped raise the working conditions for all Australian jockeys.

On behalf of NSW jockeys, the NSWJA has passed on our condolences to the family.

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Please contact NSWJA CEO Tony Crisafi should you have any questions on these or other matters - 0430 211 098

Tony will soon be attending the following meetings:
Friday 31st January Bathurst; Saturday 1st February Tumbarumba;
Tuesday 4th February Albury; Thursday 6th February Grafton.
Also visits to provincial and city tracks.
