



ANNUAL REPORT

SEASON 2018-2019

BALNARRING PICNIC RACING CLUB INC.

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CLUB HISTORY

Hastings and Balnarring Racing Club	1863 – 1881
Balnarring Racing Club	1882 – 1917
Bittern Racing Club	1918 – 1927
Bittern and Emu Plains Racing Club	1928 – 1932
Balnarring Picnic Racing Club	1933 –

CLUB PRESIDENTS

1933 – 1949	R. Audley
1950 – 1961	S.W. Ramsay
1962 – 1966	E.D. Mooney
1967 – 1969	S.W. Ramsay
1970 – 1971	J. Starke
1972 – 1977	G.L. Millard
1977 – 1981	F.A. Bayne
1981 – 1983	A.J. Hillyer
1983 – 1993	R.N. Lancet
1993 – 1998	K.L. McKenzie
1998 – 2000	M.R. Broomhall
2000 - 2016	P.C. Spyker
2017 –	T. Mulcahy

COMMITTEE – 2018-2019

T Mulcahy	President
P.C. Spyker	Immediate Past President
M.T. Binney	Vice-President
G. Sherry	Vice-President
B. Dobson	Vice-President (Retired 1/09/2018)
R. Whelan	
K. Lehmann	
G. Sherry	Vice-President
D. Cave	
S.Foster	
T. McCallum	
J. Archibald	
T. Hopkinson	

SEASON 2019-2020 RACE MEETING DATES

Saturday 9th November 2019
Saturday 7th December 2019
Sunday 12th January 2020
Sunday 26th January 2020 – Australia Day
Sunday 8th March 2020
Saturday 11th April 2020

BALNARRING PICNIC RACING CLUB INC.
Reg. No. A0018732A

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Balnarring Picnic Racing Club Incorporated will be held in the clubrooms at:

**Balnarring Racecourse, Coolart Road, Bittern, on
Sunday, 22nd September 2019, at 10.45 a.m.**

Business:

1. Acceptance of apologies.
2. To receive and confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23rd September 2018.
3. To receive and consider the President's Report for the 2018/2019 season.
4. To consider and adopt the Financial Statement for the year ended 31/7/2019.
5. To elect three (3) members to the Committee for a period of three (3) years. The following retiring members offer themselves for re-election:
Terry Mulcahy, Graham Sherry and David Cave
6. To appoint an Honorary Auditor for Season 2019-2020.
7. To transact any other business in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Club.

L Jones
Secretary

Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

President's Report Season 2018-2019

The 2018/2019 Picnic Racing Season was one of highs and lows for our club. It was a great disappointment that we had to cancel two meetings, the first due to problems with the drainage works that we had undertaken and the second caused by human error, which saw a section of the track waterlogged prior to the race meeting.

This caused great consternation as all of the committee members had worked tirelessly for weeks to ensure that the final meeting of the year was a bumper one and to have to cancel it was highly embarrassing for the club. We have taken steps to ensure that this will not happen again by upgrading our watering system to ensure that the human error part is removed.

The four meetings that we did hold were excellent with huge crowds attending, good fields and ideal weather conditions. One of the highlights of the season was to see My Clementina win the Balnarring Cup and then go on and be named Picnic Horse of the Year.

Australia Day at Balnarring grows in structure every year and it is a "must do" thing for many, many people who return year after year to celebrate our National Day.



26th January 2019 – Balnarring Cup winner My Clementina, rider Ms Madison Morris

Also at this meeting was Harry Dickson, our oldest life member, and our number-one ticket holder, who turned 100 in the week leading up to the race meeting. Harry drew the winning ticket for the raffle and it was a delight to have him and his family as guests of the club.



It was a season of milestone birthdays for our life members; at the January meeting we celebrated the 90th birthday for Stan Kerr along with his family and friends. The Club held a race in honour of both members at the meetings.

Supporting the tradition, the day began with members of the Old Scotch Pipes and Drums Band marching down the home straight.

Another highlight was at our meeting on the Labour Day weekend where we gave away a trip to the Alice Springs Racing carnival. This came about owing to a promotion run by the Alice Springs Racing Club in conjunction with Racing Victoria. Balnarring were successful in winning the trip which was given away to one of our members Robert Arnold.

Below L to R: Terry Mulcahy BPRC President, Robert Arnold and Harry Dickson.



Left: Stan Kerr presents cup to winning connections of Frankincense - Race 6.



Following the presentation of Race 6 the Club Stan presented Terry with the whip he had used while riding Tradlea to a win in the 1963 Centenary Cup at Balnarring.

Around the club we carried out a number of improvements and these included new fencing around our members area, an upgrade of our major sponsors picnic area and a revamp of our marquee and roped off areas

Left: Stan Kerr Club President Terry Mulcahy and Stan Kerr

Secretary

Thank you to our Secretary Lesley Jones who in her first term as Secretary performed a magnificent job. Coming from a non-racing background did not faze her and her outstanding organisational skills ensured that all tasks were carried out with a minimum of fuss.

At this point I would also like to acknowledge Lesley's husband, Peter, for all of the work he did around the club at working bees and on race day. Peter, a big thank you.

Of course the Secretary's Office would not run without the assistance of Karen and Lyn, thanks for the work you do on race day girls!

Treasurer

I must thank Kevin Lehmann our treasure for the excellent work he has performed throughout the year producing easy to read finance reports. I can report that the club is in a very healthy position which will allow it to improve the facilities for members and visitors alike.

Committee

I thank my hard working committee who have ensured that the race days run smoothly. Many hours are put in before race day to ensure the day runs smoothly and without disruption. The work does not end there. After the last race of the day much packing up needs to be done plus the track needs to be attended to. I thank those committee members who gave freely of their time to help patch the track in the days following the races.

Raffles

A big thank you to the ladies who assist in the running of the ever popular \$500.00 cash raffle. These not only make the winners very happy but allows the club to make donations to local charities and groups plus improvements to the surrounds.

Sponsors

Without the support of our sponsors it would be very hard to deliver a successful race day. All of our sponsors are listed elsewhere but I thank you one and all for your support of the club.

Community Involvement

Balnarring Picnic Racing Club under our "Caring for the Community Programme" sets aside an amount of money every racing season to be distributed amongst charity and community groups

which demonstrate the need for assistance, and which otherwise may not have the exposure to command widespread community support.

Again this year the Club will distribute a total of \$4000.00 to four local charities to assist them in their work. This year's recipients are:

- Balnarring Boomerang Bags
- Point Leo Surf Life Mentor Program (TH)
- Westernport Riding for the Disabled
- Womin Djeka Balnarring Ngargee

As well as the above grants the Club has supported a number of local sporting clubs, kindergartens, pre schools etc with their fund raising events.

During the season the Club donated \$1500 to the drought relief program in East Gippsland. The money was used for food and counselling for the farmers.

On the receiving side the Club gained a grant from the Bendigo Bank of \$5000 which we will use to purchase more aluminium picnic tables, some of which will be in the members area in front of the clubrooms and the balance in the area out back under the shade sails. This will give more members the opportunity to picnic in these areas. We thank the Bendigo Bank for their generous and ongoing support.

I must make special mention of our web master Rachel Rowe for the work she has done in updating our website and making it so user friendly. All bookings for marquees, roped off sites, picnic tables, admittance tickets, etc can now all be done online. This has made the task of arranging the race day so much easier. Rachel, we thank you for your great work.

In addition to those mentioned above there are many volunteers who offer their services at each of our race days and during the year; perform untold and selfless tasks and make our Club the place it is.

Thanks to our members, patrons and all who attended our 2018/19 race meetings and for your continued support. If you have any suggestions of how we can improve please do not hesitate to contact either myself or the club. If you feel that you would like to serve on the committee please come and talk to us. We are always looking for people with new ideas and skills

Terry Mulcahy
President

MEMBERSHIP

The contribution to the Club's revenue from membership fees is very significant. Members are urged to continue their support by renewing promptly and should the opportunity arise, to encourage others to become members.

The annual subscription for the 2019/2020 season is \$70 (incl. GST), an extra (2nd) guest pass will cost \$40. The joining fee for new members has been waived.

Renewal of membership and new membership application can be made through our website.

Some Benefits of Membership: The member's car park is located in a prime position with easy access and affords the opportunity of being able to park right on the rail for excellent view of the horses racing. Toilet facilities for both ladies and gentlemen are conveniently placed in the nearby clubrooms, with all betting facilities a few metres away.

We have an exclusive Prize Draw at each meeting for members who attend on the day. In 2018-2019 we had some great race day prizes including:

\$500 BetEasy FreeBet
\$100 Bookmaker vouchers donated by oncourse bookmakers.
4 Eagle Chairlift Passes
Rosebud Country Club – 18 holes of golf Golf for 4 with carts
Peninsula Hot Springs Off-Peak Bathing Passes
\$100 Food & Beverage voucher for use at Peninsula Club
\$150 Food & Beverage voucher for use at The Epicurean Red Hill

We will continue to offer prizes in excess of \$1800 this coming 2019/2020 season and look forward to adding to the prize pool with vouchers from our new generous community partners.

Members are reminded that your membership carries the benefits of being able to gain admittance to Members Reserves at all Metropolitan courses at weekday meetings, except major carnivals. Present your members tickets at the course Secretary's office to obtain a pass.

Your membership also admits you to the Red Hill Football Netball Club home ground matches.

Free tea and coffee is available to members and their guests in the clubrooms.

Television coverage of all major meetings as well as the local races are shown in the club rooms.

MEMBERS LIST 2018-2019

Life Members	
Fred	Bayne
Michael	Binney
Graham	Conacher
Harry	Dickson
Neil	Heathcote
Stan	Kerr
Terry	Mulcahy
Peter	Spyker OAM
Geoff	Watson
Bob	Whelan

Honorary Members	
Guy	Haworth
Mr W A	Hayson
Lou	Lewis
Mr N	McDonell
Maria	McLean
Kate	Roper
Ben	Sporle
Kelly	Walker
Dr T	White
Tony	Willman
President	Emu Plains C.O.M

Members:

4	Peter	Hornsey
7	Allan	Williams
15	Cameron	Price
18	Toby	Edmunds
22	Bernie	Dobson
23	Patrick	Dowling
24	Peter	Sidwell
25	Terry	Bateman
26	John	Collett
27	Gary	Hayes
28	Hon. Alan	Stockdale
29	Daniel	Livingston
31	Glenn	Robertson-Smith
32	Neville	Mock
33	Campbell	Rose
34	Stephen	Bransden
35	Paul	Clarke
36	Ranald	MacDonald
37	Noel	Graham
38	Gordon	Dunn
39	Darren	Pyke
40	Maxwell	Sutherland
41	Danny	O'Brien
42	Kim	Edwards
43	Jacki	Miller
44	Jeremy	Pound

54	Jeanna	Liscombe
55	Geoff	Mills
57	Mick	Keane
58	Grant	Powell
59	Grant	Powell
60	Ted	Bull
61	Neil	Reynolds
62	Jonathan	Fitzgerald
62	Jonathan	Healey
63	Paul	Selkrig
64	Bernard	Pound
65	Anne	Cansdale
66	Michael	Hoole
67	Robert	Bingham
68	Richard	Brown
69	Neale	Scott
70	A. J.	Lovelock
71	Doug	Gourlay
72	Melissa	Nicholson
73	Nicole	Wright
74	Jon	Attoe
75	Diana	Hume
76	Peter	Jones
77	Gary	Stevens
78	Peter	Flaherty
79	David	Corr

45	Bernard	Sheedy
46	Mark	Aumont
47	Robyn	Lawrie
48	Peter	Meertens
50	Pam	Lenne
51	Neil	McCormick
52	Brian	Payne
53	Ron	Hutchison
88	George	Pitt
89	David	Prior
90	Caitrin	Kelly
91	Nancy	Francis
92	Brad	Quinn
93	Terry	Mahoney
94	David	Brown
95	Robert	Lowry
96	Michael	Crow
97	John	Eddy
98	Kevin	Adam
99	Janelle	Woodford
100	Alex	Connell
101	Tim	Waters
102	Judy	Pitman
103	Len	Williams
104	Charles	Osborne
105	Scott	Julian
106	Laurie	Wandmaker
107	Judith	Clancy
108	Simon	Jeffrey
109	Karin	Macnab
110	Shane	Kincaid
112	Ian	Forsyth
113	Annette	James
114	Greg	Burgess
115	Jacqui	Dew
116	Greg	Burgess
117	Donna	Cotterell
118	Steven	Dolman
119	Jim	Brennan
120	Fiona	Sweet
121	Sally	Creely

80	Geoff	Wood
81	Darren	Howell
82	Drew	Sansom
83	Ernie	Madruga
84	Peter	Bartlett
85	Hans	Mueller
86	Dawson	Linda
87	Nicole	Fletcher
131	David	Hunt
132	Michelle	Watson
133	Colleen	Symes
134	Ruth	Farrow
135	Wayne	Leech
136	George	Bromley
137	Helen	Anderson
138	David	Hilet
139	Geoffrey	Ballard
140	Gary	Ingram
141	Kevin	Ralls
142	Philip	Mitchell
143	Mervyn	Rea
144	Mitchell	Adam
145	Peter	Free
146	Glenn	Thompson
147	Paul	Watson
148	Sonny	Silva
149	Paul T	Ford
150	Robert	Jackson
151	Neil	Ormesher
152	Steve	Ware
153	Roy	Ranzenhofer
154	D.A.	Walker
155	Nicola	McConnell
156	Gary	Lee
157	Marie	Lee
158	Warrick	Spence
159	Janet	Leckie-Brunton
160	Tyron	Stewart
161	William	McMillian
162	Michael	Perrett
163	John	Curtain

123	Elmo	Molloy
124	Troy	Dowell
125	Kirsten	Sawyer
126	Deanne	Sealey
127	Mike	Walls
128	Anne	Clarke
129	Heather	McCauley
130	Roger	Siversen
172	Jeffrey	Kileen
173	Neville	Ashdown
174	Karen	Smith
175	Karen	Smith
176	Karen	Smith
177	Mark	Dunstan
178	Mick	Dillon
179	Denise	Catchlove
180	David	Corr
181	Greg	McManus
182	Natasha	Adams
183	Eunice	McGee
185	Chris	Appleton
186	Jarrold	Grant
187	Lisa	Galvin
188	David	Murphy
189	Peter David	Jones
190	Matthew	Corr
191	Simone	Clark
192	Garrath	Ridd
193	Zari	Austin
194	Maureen	Gordon
195	Georgia	Vines
196	Mark	Collins
197	John	Rekdale
198	Mark	Powell
199	Robert	Kingston
200	Colin	Payne
201	Elizabeth	Hughes
202	Peter Robert	Maher
203	Ann	Hyams
204	Anne	Davey
205	Jim	Baird

164	Paul	Viney
165	Pamela	Silvester
166	Garry	Green
167	Kathleen	Green
168	Mandy	Ellingham
169	Geoff	Collins
170	Andrew	Scott
171	David	Miller
214	Howard	Clement
215	Jessica	Adam
216	Gayle	Anderson
217	Justin	Wiebrecht
218	Stephen	Renwick
219	Gus	Angwin
220	Brett	Dunne
221	Linda	Gillis
222	Gary	Doherty
223	Gail	Piggatt
224	Margaret	Wiebrecht
225	Jamie	Bartling
226	Dave	Young
227	Rosalie	Arnold
228	Robert	Arnold
229	Barrie	Wade
230	Angela	Renwick
231	Helen	Szoke
232	Keith	Joyce
233	Jillian	Oldfield
234	David	Murphy
235	Jim	White
236	Robert	Stent
237	Sue	Johnson
239	Jonathan	Tribe
240	Leigh	Stafford
241	Anthony	Gadd
242	Owen	Shaw
243	Ken	Pitcher
244	Richard	Wiebrecht
245	Richard	O'Brien
246	Vicki	Ross
247	Craig	McDermott

206	John	McEncroe
207	Jacqui	Bolton
208	Mick	Mitchell
209	Kim	Sherry
210	Daryl	Holmes
211	Di	De Corrado
212	Susan	White
213	Ben	Gilbert
256	Colin	Styring
257	Paul	Hill
258	Glenn	Archer
259	Joseph	Rock
260	Gary	Ortland
261	Pauline	Morris
262	Graham	Hopgood
263	Adrian	Field
264	Rocco	Cambareri
265	Michael	Mannix
266	Zannon	Daff
267	George	Anderson
268	Sean	Franklin
269	Sean	Franklin
270	Laurie	Pearson
271	Ean	Caldwell
272	Kylie	Long
273	Jonathan	Magee
274	Harry	Byrt
275	Brian	Rogasch
276	Brent	Nicholls
276	Brent	Nicholls
277	Tracey	O'Sullivan
278	Angela	Sim
279	Graeme	Furlonger
280	Lili	Furlonger
281	Meegan	Blackney
282	Alex	Braham
283	Belinda	Smith
284	Michael	Arcaro
285	Nerissa	Peterson
286	Noel	Pullen
287	Roger	Prewett
288	Bob	Palmer

248	Christine	Harris
249	Sarav	Martin
250	Roy	Francis
251	Mark	Hopkinson
252	Marcus	Scherleitner
253	Gary	Eastwood
254	Christopher	Biviano
255	Jeff	Kimber
298	Scott	Munro
299	Joanne	Barnes
300	David	Driver
301	Kirstin	Follows
302	Catherine	Wareham
303	John	McRae
304	Dan	Pironti
305	Stuart	Brown
306	Chloe	Smith
307	Roger	Gilchrist
308	Margot	Casey
309	Janelle	Howell
310	William	Potter
311	Jenny	Stevenson
312	Theo	VAN ROY
313	Stewart	Henderson
314	Annette	Antolino
315	Neil	De La Couer
316	Glenda	Holdsworth
317	Simon	Dee
318	Lindsay	McCall
319	Frank	O'Brien
321	Ruth	Wood
322	Frank	Hutchinson
323	Michael	Shaw
324	Leigh	Stafford
325	Graeme	Dyall
326	Stuart	Wainman
327	Kim	Nicholls
328	Ken	Farrell
329	Neil	De La Couer
330	Graeme	Killer
331	Kate	Farrell
332	Dominique	Fisher

289	Brian	Prior
290	Luke	Serong
291	Helen	Stuchbery
292	Andrew	Kirk
293	Damon	Craig
294	Kate	Riley
295	Sam	Bright
296	Neil	Bryson
297	Robin	Hick
342	Jayne	Morris
343	Alan	Letson
344	Russell	McKimm
345	David	Wemyss-Smith
346	Simon	Pinches

333	Paul	Woolliams
334	Paul	Armstrong
335	Elissa	Clarke
336	Wal	Jarvis
337	Paul	Duscher
338	Kim	Nicholls
339	William	McMillian
340	Nicholas	Nicholls
341	Bruce	Hesketh
347	John	Maxwell
348	Adrian	Dal Lago
349	Francis	Frankcom
350	Nick	Jay

SPONSORS

The Balnarring Picnic Racing Club Inc. gratefully acknowledges the strong support received from our Sponsors during the 2018/2019 racing season. Their contributions rank highly in our revenue chain and we strongly recommend that members and patrons support them at every opportunity.

Major Sponsor

BetEasy

Race Sponsors

BetEasy
 Adam Quick
 Brent Townsing
 Cellarbrations Balnarring
 Dress Hire AU – Ellie Dunstan
 Edward (Ted) Bull Funeral Services
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 Karen Smith
 Kevin Wise
 Liam Thomas Carrison
 Matt Dedini
 McCormick Transport – Neil McCormick
 Michael Hamill
 Peninsula Housekeeping – Kay Lawrence
 Red Hill Football Netball Club
 RMP Cabinets
 Robert & Rosalie Arnold
 Rosebud Country Club
 S.P Clancy Constructions
 Stuart & Margot Wainman
 Will Hartnell

Picnic races are great family focused community based events, race sponsorship demonstrates a sponsor's commitment to the local community and is a great way to celebrate a special event.

Details of our Race Sponsorship Package and purchases are available through our website.

If you are interested in any level of sponsorship please contact the club secretary via email balnarringaces@hotmail.com or call +61 3 5983 9430

OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Similar to our sponsors, our community partners assist the Club to provide a family focused picnic racing experience during the summer months.

Arthur's Seat Eagle Skylift
Bay Linen Hire & Laundry Services
Daisy's Garden Supplies
Many Little
Peninsula Hotsprings
Red Hill Football Netball Club
Rosebud Country Club
Searoad Ferries
The Epicurean Group
The Peninsula Club
Victorian Bookmakers Association

PUNTERS CLUB

The punters club has proven to be a popular attraction for punters. At each of our meetings this year the pool has grown and in most cases there was a return to the participants. Special thanks to John Archibald for arranging and running the punters club.

LEADING RIDER & TRAINER AWARDS

The meeting saw a thrilling finish to the leading rider and trainer awards. There is a rider and trainer of the day at each Balnarring race meeting, points will be awarded on a three, two, one basis, first, second, and third. Leading points at end of day judged the winner. At the end of the season the rider and trainer with the most points will receive the Balnarring Rider or Trainer of the Year award.

Leading Rider

Sponsored by Tall Trees Nursery & David Cave Racing Stables

Rider of the day received \$100, and \$400 as the rider of the year.
This years Balnarring Rider of the Year award went to Ms Courtney Pace.

Leading Trainer

Sponsored by Penbank Constructions

Trainer of the day received \$100, and \$500 as the trainer of the year.
This year the Balnarring Trainer of the Year was won by Mr Alan Keenan