

## MEMO

**To:** Equestrian Victoria affiliated Horse Trials 2018-2019

**From:** Matthew Brown, CEO, Equestrian Victoria  
Janet Houghton, Eventing Chair, Equestrian Victoria

**Date:** Tuesday, September 11, 2018

**Re:** Racing Victoria (RV) Off The Track (OTT) Sponsorship Announcement

Equestrian Victoria is pleased to announce an extension to EV's ongoing sponsorship agreement with Racing Victoria (RV) and the Off The Track (OTT) Program for support of Equestrian Victoria's 2018-2019 affiliated Horse Trials.

In 2018-2019 the following events will be formally recognised and financially supported by Off The Track. Accordingly event organisers are invited to contact Equestrian Victoria to access their event funding as follows:

<b>Friends Of Werribee (FOW)</b>	25 - 26 August 2018
<b>Candlebark</b>	6 - 7 October 2018
<b>Tooradin HT</b>	20 - 21 October 2018
<b>Avenal HT</b>	3 - 4 November 2018
<b>Colac HT</b>	10 -11 November 2018
<b>Camperdown</b>	December 2018 (TBC)
<b>Pakenham</b>	9 - 10 February 2019
<b>Geelong HT</b>	23 - 24 February 2019
<b>Tonimbuk HT ISQ</b>	9 - 10 March 2019
<b>Wandin Park Ass</b>	23 - 24 March 2019
<b>Greater South East Coast (GSCE)</b>	30 - 31 March 2019
<b>Lakes &amp; Craters</b>	6 - 8 April 2019
<b>Yeringberg HT</b>	13 - 14 April 2019
<b>Heytesbury ISQ</b>	27 - 28 April 2019
<b>Tintern ISQ</b>	27 - 28 April 2019
<b>Friends of Ballarat ISQ</b>	11 - 12 May 2019
<b>Friends Of Woody ISQ</b>	25 - 26 May 2019

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Equestrian Victoria Eventing Chair, Janet Houghton said that the extension of the Off The Track Program to EV's affiliated Horse Trials showed the tremendous role Eventing plays in providing a second career to thoroughbreds. "Through our events we can help to showcase the versatility of thoroughbreds. The sponsorship from OTT helps to support our organising committees as well rewarding the riders who have created great partnerships with their horses".

Racing Victoria's Equine Welfare Coordinator Lauren Moor said RV is pleased to continue the partnership with EV.

"The extended partnership between RV and EV is a great chance to increase the Off The Track (OTT) presence at events across the state.

"Off The Track thoroughbreds excel in a range of disciplines and our aim is to drive the demand for the breed as performance and pleasure horses.

"The Off The Track program was created to educate the community about various life after racing options, versatility of use, and the appropriate care and retraining of the thoroughbred, and the partnership with EV allows us to do that to a wider and more varied demographic."

Matthew Brown Equestrian Victoria CEO thanked Racing Victoria for their ongoing support and commitment to EV as the governing body for equestrian sport "it is with these valued industry supporters that we are able to continue to deliver first class local and regional events"

Further information about the Off The Track Program and for conditions associated with funding support please contact, Equestrian Victoria via email at:  
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