



# Kyneton & Hanging Rock Racing Club

## NEWS LETTER – AUGUST 2011

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### **2011 NMIT Kyneton Cup (Less than 10 weeks away)**

How time flies when you're having fun or being flooded!

Can you believe we are only 10 weeks away from the NMIT Kyneton Cup? If you have yet to book a hospitality package do so soon, don't miss the boat as packages are selling well. We only have a few tables remaining for sale in the Elms Room.

Packages can be secured with a 10% deposit by calling the Club on 03 5422 1866.

There is also a 20% discount available on all Admission Tickets purchased a minimum of 14 days in advance of the event.

### **Win a 3 Year Lease Share in a Race Horse**

A reminder that to have a chance to go in to the draw to win a 3 year lease in a race horse, with all training expenses covered for 3 years, you need to have renewed or taken out a KHRRC membership by 5pm, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2011.

Membership Application forms can be found on our web site or by calling 54221866.

### **Local Champ – Hawks Bay bolts in the Darwin Cup**

Congratulations to the Owners, Neil Dyer and his terrific team

on Hawks Bay's dashing 4 length win of the 2011 Darwin Cup with the huge impost of 62 kg.

We congratulate all the Owners of Hawks Bay who are great supporters of Racing and the Kyneton & Hanging Rock Racing Club, with former Hanging Rock RC Vice President Robyn Blee breeding Hawkie and being the managing part owner with KHRRC Life Member Terry Tehan and other local identities.

Neil Dyer should be congratulated as Hawks Bay's preparation was timed to the minute and his vision and hard work in securing one of Australia's best riders Steve Arnold who rode the perfect race and the rest is history!

### **Communication**

A reminder that a lot of our communication of what's happening at NMIT Kyneton Park and Hanging Rock is done via our web sites and via facebook, so remember to regularly check the web site or "like" us on Facebook.

A few months ago we set up a Trainers & Owners page (click on icon) on our web site where we post all our communication to Trainers & Owners. While this initiative is still under development it has been well received and is attracting

between 50 to 100 visits per month.

[Kyneton.countryracing.com.au](http://Kyneton.countryracing.com.au)

[Hangingrock.countryracing.com.au](http://Hangingrock.countryracing.com.au)

**Follow us on facebook at**  
[www.facebook.com/khrrc](http://www.facebook.com/khrrc)

### **Rezoning**

NMIT Kyneton Park has recently been rezoned to allow the site to be also used as a place of education, public gatherings, markets and the like. We are looking to expand our operation beyond racing (on non race days) to create new revenue streams to assist us to grow and develop our Racing and Training Facilities and to ensure the Clubs long term sustainability.

### **New Sponsors**

#### **Tony's Practice**

We would like to welcome Tony's Practice on board as a sponsor of our Club. Tony's Practice has recently opened a brand new "State of the Art" all purpose Vet Clinic in Woodend that specialises in equine care. Tony's Practice can be contacted on 5427 9200 and check out their web site.  
[www.tonyspractice.com.au](http://www.tonyspractice.com.au)

#### **Badger Removals & Storage**

Badger Removals and Storage are based out of Woodend and provide local and interstate

transport and storage services. For all your removal and transport needs contact Badger Removals on 1800 223437 (free call) or e-mail them at [Badger.removals@bigpond.com](mailto:Badger.removals@bigpond.com)

#### **HWZ Partners**

HWZ Partners are a Certified Practising Accountants based in Heidelberg who specialise in

- Personal & Company Tax,
- Financial Planning,
- Asset protection
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#### **2010/11 "What a Year"**

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our Members, Sponsors and Country Racing Victoria for their terrific support of our Club during a difficult and interesting year.

Last season started in great style with attendances, hospitality package sales and sponsorship well up on recent years with big crowds of 6500 and 5500 attending New Years Day and Australia Day Races at the Rock and over 5500 attending the NMIT Kyneton Cup. We also had terrific forward bookings for Woodend Cup and ChillOut Festival Race Day which unfortunately did not proceed due to flood damage and heavy rains.

Unfortunately, due to an act of God, we were dealt a severe blow with NMIT Kyneton Park being flooded twice in early January which caused nearly \$500,000 in damages to the Race Track, Training Tracks and

Buildings. In addition to the floods, we also received over 1270mm of rain for the season with some heavy rains falling on race morning causing some meetings to be cancelled. And then, of course, there was the day of the Roo on Australia Day at the Rock. Never a dull moment!

In our business, where you're operating an outdoor event from time to time weather is going to have an impact, unfortunately 2010/11 was our turn.

#### **Capital Improvements**

##### **Completed Works**

Over the last 12 months the following major works have been completed at your Club.

- New inside plastic running rail at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Installation of Training Lights at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Additional fencing at Hanging Rock.
- Replacement of asphalt around horse stalls at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Replacement of Sand Track at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Additional lighting within horse stalls at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Mapping of underground services at Hanging Rock and NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Installation of Safety Switches at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Upgrade of the Balcony Terrace Room at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Temporary fencing and umbrella's for use at Hanging Rock and NMIT Kyneton Park.

We thank Country Racing Victoria, Racing Victoria, Racing Victoria and the State Government for their generous support of these projects.

#### **Works Underway**

- New Introvision Van for use at Hanging Rock and NMIT Kyneton Park
- Significant upgrade to the Mounting Yard Bar at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Installation of new practice gates at NMIT Kyneton Park.

#### **2011/12 Works**

- New fencing East and North ends of Hanging Rock.
- Repair to Drainage System at NMIT Kyneton Park.
- Purchase of some new furniture for the Mounting Yard Bar at NMIT Kyneton Park
- Upgrade ring road at NMIT Kyneton Park
- Purchase front end loader and pallet lifter attachments for the tractor for use at Hanging Rock and NMIT Kyneton Park.

#### **Racing at the Rock**

Planning for Racing at the Rock for 2012 is well underway and you can secure your package now by calling 5422 1866 or check out our web site.

#### **Next Race Meeting (Tue 13<sup>th</sup> Sept 2011)**

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September at NMIT Kyneton Park. This will herald our start to new racing season. This day will include opening of the upgraded Mounting Yard Bar and the Members "**Win a 3 year lease share in a Race Horse**" draw.