

Media release

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QRIC supports Jockeys Trust at Brisbane Race Day

The Queensland Racing Integrity Commission (QRIC) is proud to support the National Jockey's Trust Brisbane Race Day at Doomben this Saturday 4 August.

The National Jockey's Trust (NJT) is a public charitable trust established to provide financial support and other benefits for jockeys and their families, especially through serious injury, illness or death of a jockey.

Commissioner Ross Barnett said the Commission supported the work of the Jockey's Trust who in the event of a race fall where a rider is seriously injured they provided immediate help.

"This Saturday's Brisbane Race Day in aid of the Trust is Queensland's opportunity to support it and for the second year, QRIC will sponsor a race on Saturday as part of the NJT fundraising efforts to support the welfare of jockeys all over Australia," he said.

"There are more than 840 registered jockeys in Australia and the Trust has assisted 300 jockeys and their families, many of them Queenslanders, since its inception in 2004.

"This remarkable support for jockeys is to be commended and while we are always hopeful that our participants will not be injured in the course of their work, it remains that around 200 Australian riders are injured each year."

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