

QRIC Stakeholder Reference Group

▶ **Thursday 22 June 2023**

Agenda

1. *Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners Welcome - attendance/apologies*
2. *Previous Minutes*
3. *Participant Conduct*
4. *Regional hubs*
5. *Update from Chief Stewards*
 1. *Josh Adams - Thoroughbred*
 2. *David Farquharson - Harness*
 3. *Wade Hadley - Greyhound*
6. *Key issues/opportunities/future agenda items*
7. *Closing*



Opening & Welcome

QRIC proudly acknowledges all Aboriginal Peoples and Torres Strait Islanders, the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the country on which we live and work. We acknowledge their continuing connection to land, waters and culture and commit to ongoing reconciliation. We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging.





Previous SRG Minutes from
13 March 2023

Industry Participant Conduct



Respect is essential

- Respect by QRIC staff to Licensees, who create our industry
- Respect by licensees and participants towards other Licensees and persons engaged by Race Clubs, Racing Queensland and QRIC.



The Rules of Racing are our Code of Conduct

- Each of the three codes of racing have a raft of rules which deal with inappropriate behaviour.
- Stewards of the Code of Racing determine whether a person has contravened a rule of racing and whether a penalty should be imposed.



Thoroughbred

AR 228 Conduct detrimental to the interests of racing

A person must not engage in:

- (a) conduct prejudicial to the image, interests, integrity, or welfare of racing, whether or not that conduct takes place within a racecourse or elsewhere;
- (b) misconduct, improper conduct or unseemly behaviour;
- (c) improper or insulting behaviour at any time towards a PRA, the Stewards, a Club, or any official, employee, contractor or agent of any of them in relation to the relevant person's functions, powers or duties;
- (d) publishing or posting on any social media platform or channel any material, content or comment that is obscene, offensive, defamatory, racist, threatening, harassing, discriminatory or abusive to or about any other person involved in the racing industry;
- (e) conduct which threatens, disparages, vilifies or insults another person ("other person") on any basis, including but not limited to, a person's race, religion, colour, descent, national or ethnic origin, special ability/disability, or sexual orientation, preference or identity, while the other person is acting in the course of his or her duties in the racing industry.



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Harness

Assault and interference

231. (1) A person shall not:

- (a) threaten
- (b) harass
- (c) intimidate
- (d) abuse
- (e) assault
- (f) otherwise interfere improperly with
- (g) bully anyone employed, engaged or participating in the harness racing industry or otherwise having a connection with it.

(2) A person shall not misconduct himself in any way.



Greyhound

156 General offences

231. (1) A person shall not:

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

- (a) contravenes any of the Rules;
- (b) fails to comply with any conditions:
 - (i) of the person's registration or licence as an owner, trainer, attendant or any other category of registration or licence;
 - (ii) to which the registration of any greyhound owned by the person or under the person's care or custody is subject;
- (c) being a person who is not registered with a Controlling Body or an approved Registration Controlling Body as an owner or trainer, acts or holds themselves out as the owner or trainer of a greyhound entitled or intended to compete in an Event;
- (d) attempts or conspires with another person to commit a breach of the Rules;
- (e) aids, abets, counsels or procures a person to commit a breach of the Rules;



Greyhound cont.

156 General offences

231. (1) A person shall not:

An offence is committed if a person (including an official):

(f) has, in relation to a greyhound or greyhound racing, done something, or omitted to do something, which, in the opinion of a Controlling Body or the Stewards:

- (i) is corrupt, fraudulent, or dishonest;
- (ii) constitutes misconduct or is negligent or improper;

(g) wilfully assaults, obstructs, impedes, abuses, interferes with, threatens or insults:

- (i) a Controlling Body;
- (ii) any officer, employee or member of a Controlling Body;
- (iii) a Club, or an officer, employee or member of a Club;
- (iv) a Steward or any other official of a Controlling Body or a Club;

(v) a Committee or Sub-committee of a Controlling Body, in or at any place, including at or in the vicinity of the place where an inquiry, other disciplinary process, hearing or appeal proceeding is to take place, is taking place or has taken place.



How do I report inappropriate behaviour?

- If the conduct occurs on race day, please report it to a steward.
- Otherwise, please set out in writing what has happened to you and send it to reportsomething@qric.qld.gov.au.
- Your complaint will be assessed.

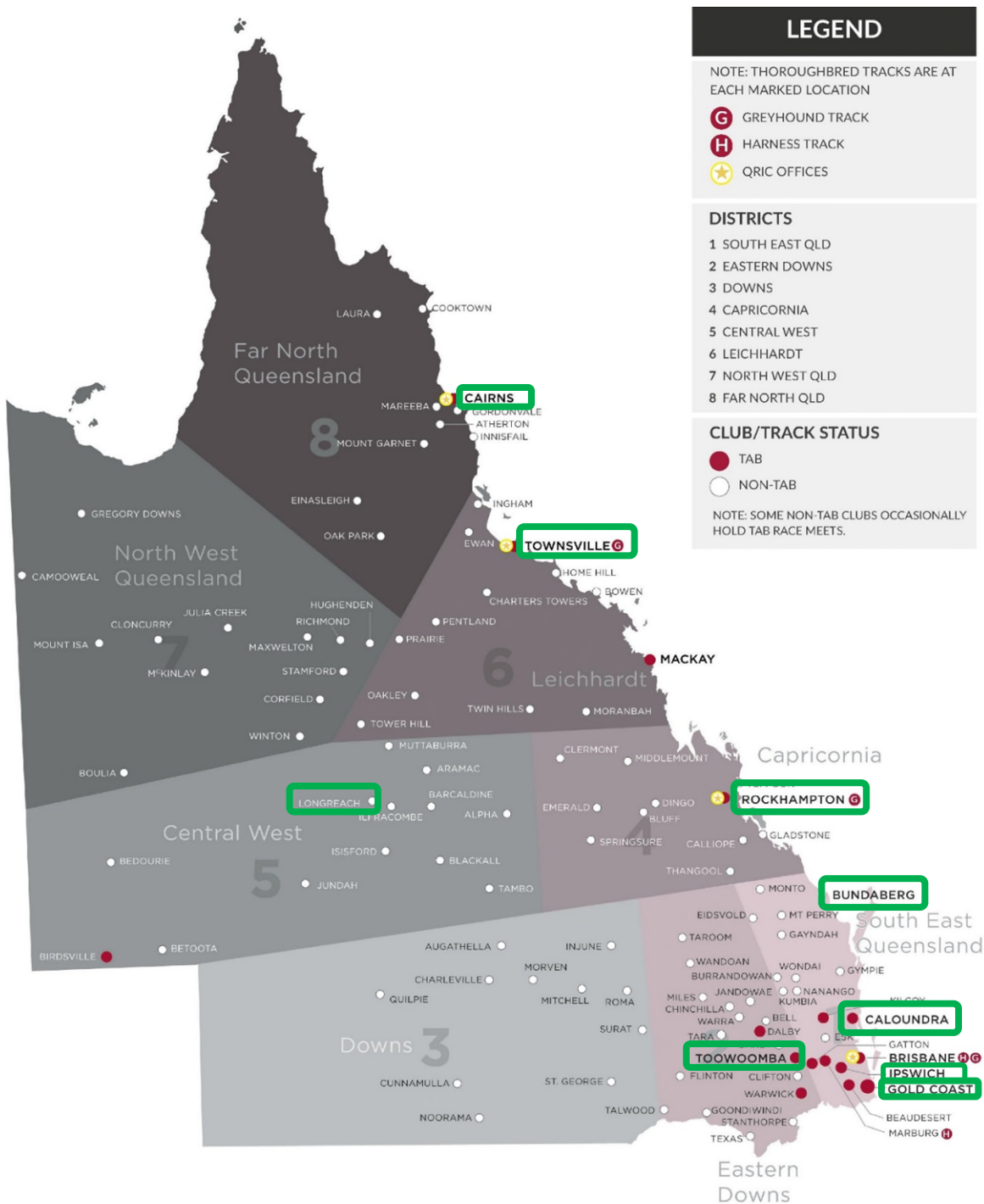


Regional hubs



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The Commission has staff based in 9 regional centres as well as in Brisbane.

Each hub is situated on the relevant Club grounds, providing much needed lease revenue back into racing via the Club.

Hubs will continue to grow as the Club provided race day integrity roles continue the transition to QRIC.



Newest QRIC Regional Hub in Cairns. QRIC converted the disused Cairns Greyhound Club Kennel Block into usable office and meeting space.

Update from Chief Stewards



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Key Issues and Opportunities



- Emerging issues...
- Future agenda items

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Thank you



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