



WYONG RACE CLUB

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LIFE MEMBERS:

Mrs J. Smith Mrs J. Langbridge

DIRECTORS:

John Waghorn (Chairman) Darin Butcher (Deputy Chair)

Mark Waugh AM Matthew Hingerty

Bruce Lemmon
Patrick Cohen
Peter Lawler

RETIRED DIRECTORS:

Denis Hanley AM Mick Caddey Chief Executive: Gregory Purcell

Track Manager: Phillip Robinson

Finance Manager: Emma Fitzgerald

Racing Membership & Administration Manager:

Kylie McAlister

Facilities Manager: Lloyd Hunt

Hospitality Manager: Rochelle Muscat

Sponsorship & Communications Manager:

Andrew Hurley

Executive Chef: Paul Molan



John Waghorn (Chairman)



Darin Butcher



Mark Waugh AM



Matthew Hingerty



Bruce Lemmon



Peter Lawler



Patrick Cohen



Gregory Purcell (Chief Executive)

NOTICE OF 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

The 2024 Annual General Meeting of Wyong Race Club Limited will be held on Tuesday 12 November 2024 in the Magic Millions Lounge (middle floor), Wyong Racecourse, Howarth Street, Wyong, commencing at 6.00pm.

Agenda The business of the Annual General Meeting (AGM) shall be as follows:

- Confirm the minutes of the 14 November 2023 Annual General Meeting
- 2. Receive and consider Annual Financial Report for year ended 30 June 2024, including:
 - Directors' Report
 - Statement of Comprehensive Income
 - Statement of Financial Position
 - Statement of Cash Flows
 - Statement of Changes in Equity
 - Notes to the Financial Statements
 - Auditor's Reports
- 3. Further Notices of Motion:
 - 3.1 "That Members approve and agree to expenditure by the Club until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club of reasonable

expenses incurred by directors in relation to such other duties including entertainment of special guests to the Club and other promotional activities performed by directors including attending functions at other clubs to represent the Club, such activities and expenses as may be approved."

- 3.2 "That Members approve and agree to the availability until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club a reserved car space at Club race meetings for directors."
- 3.3 "That Members approve and agree to reasonable expenditure by the Club until the next Annual General Meeting of the Club for the provision of refreshments before or after Board Meetings."
- 4. Election of Patrons Bob Graham and Y P Cheng
- 5. Election of Life Members Denis Hanley
- 6. Transact, in accordance with the Constitution, any other ordinary business that may be lawfully brought forward

At the conclusion of the meeting the Chairman and Chief Executive will provide a presentation outlining the club's business plan for the next three years.

NOTICE OF 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

It would be appreciated if Members who wish to raise queries or seek information about any matters appearing in the Annual Report, give at least (10) days written notice to the Chief Executive. This will allow sufficient time for proper research and preparation of the replies for the benefit of all Members.

The 2024 Annual Report will be posted to all financial Members on or before Tuesday 22 October 2024 in accordance with the Rules.

Members and Proxies attending the AGM will be required to prove their identity with photo ID such as a driver's licence, a passport, or similar. A Member's card by itself will be insufficient proof of identity.

Appointing a Proxy: if you are a Member entitled to attend and vote at this AGM, you may appoint a person as your proxy to attend and vote for you at the meeting. A proxy need not be a member of the company. For the appointment of a proxy to be effective the required form (available from the

Racing Club office) will need to be completed and returned by 4pm Thursday 7 November 2024.

The Constitution of the Wyong Race Club does not provide for postal voting. It would be appreciated if Members who wish to raise queries or seek information about any matters appearing in the Annual Report, give at least (10) days written notice to the Chief Executive. This will allow sufficient time for proper research and preparation of the replies for the benefit of all Members.

Gregory Purcell

Chief Executive
3 October 2024





CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am honoured to present the Wyong Race Club Annual Report along with the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.

November 2023 saw the end of the three-year term for the Board. Nominations were called for four member elected representatives, and it is pleasing to report that at the 2023 Annual General Meeting Mark Waugh, Darin Butcher, Bruce Lemmon and myself were re-elected without the need for a vote to be taken. I thank each of the elected directors for their continued commitment to the Club.

Subsequently, nominations were called for Racing NSW appointed Board members. Existing Racing NSW appointees Denis Hanley and Mick Caddey decided not to re-apply for appointment. I would like to acknowledge the significant contributions made by both Denis and Mick during their terms on the Board.

Following a selection process co-ordinated by Racing NSW, Matt Hingerty was re-appointed and Pat Cohen and Peter Lawler were selected as the other two Racing NSW appointees, joining the Board at the end of April this year. At the first meeting of the new Board, I was re-elected unopposed as Chairman with Darin Butcher replacing Denis Hanley as Vice Chairman.

The Club is very fortunate to have a highly qualified Board that brings a wide range of ideas and opinions to the issues facing the Club. The appointment of two new Directors is welcomed and brings fresh points of view to Board discussions.

Racing And Training

Our training facilities are highly regarded by our trainers, and this can be seen through the strong performances on the track by horses trained at Wyong in 2023/24. Kim Waugh once again was our leading trainer with 40 winners. Kristen Buchanan with 31 winners, Damien Lane with 30 winners and Sara Ryan with 24 winners also had very successful seasons. The Domeland owned and Sara Ryan trained Attractable was the standout performer winning the \$200,000 Coffs Harbour Cup in August 2023 followed by a great win in the \$3 million Big Dance on Melbourne Cup Day at Randwick.

During the 2024 year, the Club applied to Racing NSW for a stand-alone Saturday meeting similar to those held by the four other provincial clubs in recent years. We were advised that Racing NSW has allocated 11 January 2025 as the first of these meetings which will feature a new race, the \$500,000 The Lakes. This date will also enable the Club to celebrate the 150th anniversary of racing

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commencing in the Wyong District. We anticipate that this day will attract a significant crowd and grow to become another feature race day on the Wyong Race Club calendar.

Asset Management

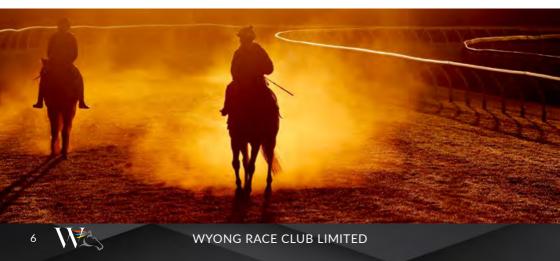
As reported last year, a comprehensive asset inspection identified a significant backlog of maintenance works required on stabling, patron and race day facilities at the site. During 2023/24 the Board addressed many of the high priority issues identified by the report. The Board also allocated an additional \$200,000 in the 2024/25 budget for undertaking further rectification works.

In February 2024, Racing NSW advised the Club that it had approved funding of \$1,570,000 for three projects involving new drainage in the 1350 metre chute, irrigation system upgrade works, and movement of the machinery shed to facilitate construction of additional stabling in that location. The irrigation and drainage works have already

been undertaken and should result in a much more consistent racing surface in the future. The Machinery Shed project is currently being scoped with development approvals to be sought from the Central Coast Council.

I would like to acknowledge the grant funding provided by Racing NSW and the support of the Member for Wyong and Minister for Racing, Hon David Harris MP, for these projects.

Unfortunately, with the focus on delivering the grant funded capital works projects and continuing with increased asset maintenance works, there has been limited progress made on the commercial opportunities being considered in the early drafts of the Masterplan for the site. The stabling component of the Masterplan is being progressed in conjunction with the Machinery Shed project while there has been a development application submitted for the demolition of the public grandstand. Works required for upgrading of the Sincero Bar and surrounds are also progressing.





Financial Performance

The Club has reported a profit before depreciation of \$204,447 compared to a profit of \$267,536 before depreciation for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

After depreciation, the Club will record a loss of \$1,015,174 compared to a loss of \$996,183 for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

Wyong received \$4.68 million from the Scheme of Distribution in 2023/24 compared to \$4.38 million from the Scheme of Distribution in 2022/23. The final figure included a top up of \$495,908 from Racing NSW due to the poor performance of the TAB in 2023/24. This continues a decline in TAB performance over recent years.

Since 2010 the Scheme of Distribution payment to provincial clubs has risen by only 4% over 15 years. While income has remained relatively static over this period, costs have continued to rise in many cases by more than CPI levels, with an average annual inflation rate of around 2.6% over the 15 years.

The combination of stagnating income sources from the Scheme of Distribution, combined with increasing costs in all areas of the business, has led to increasing levels of losses for the club in recent years. The situation would be even worse if not for regular end of year top ups from Racing NSW.





The Board acknowledges that the current funding arrangements for Wyong Race Club are not sustainable in the long term, and there needs to be additional funding provided to race clubs. The Scheme of Distribution does not provide adequate funding for clubs to be able to meet their basic asset maintenance responsibilities let alone fund capital improvements for racing and patron facilities.

The Club prepared a submission to the Minister for Racing in late 2023 prior to a meeting with the Minister in December 2023 which highlighted the difficulties facing provincial race clubs and proposing suggestions for alleviating the problem. One positive to emerge from this meeting was that Racing NSW is now providing all Scheme of Distribution funding on a monthly basis rather than quarterly and six monthly in-arrears as had previously been the case. This greatly assists with the Club's cash flow and capital works programming.

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Staffing

Following an extensive recruitment process, the Board was very happy to secure Greg Purcell as the club's new Chief Executive in August 2023. Greg has a long history in the racing industry including spending six years as the Chief Executive Officer of New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing.

Greg has impressed the Board with his industry knowledge and the enthusiasm in which he has approached the role. He has implemented a number of new initiatives and has spent a considerable amount of time building relationships with our trainers and other industry stakeholders as well as local community leaders. The Board looks forward to working with Greg to achieve our key performance objectives.

The Club appointed Rochelle Muscat as Hospitality Manager in late 2023. Our hospitality area has undergone significant changes over the past couple of years and has handled the increased attendance levels over the past year quite effectively. In particular the Club has received many compliments about the quality of the food at our functions and I would like to acknowledge our Head Chef, Paul Molan, for his contribution. Both our permanent and casual hospitality staff do a great job under often trying conditions.

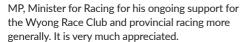
The administration team of Kylie McAlister and Emma Fitzgerald have continued to efficiently carry out their duties. Phill Robinson and the track staff have again maintained our tracks to a very high standard for both training and racing throughout the year. Lloyd Hunt, the club's buildings manager, has worked tirelessly addressing the multitude of asset management issues. As a whole, the club is very fortunate to have such committed staff.

Appreciation

I would like to thank Peter V'Landys and his team at Racing NSW for their ongoing commitment to grow returns for industry participants. I would also like to thank our local member. Hon David Harris







I would like to acknowledge the ongoing support of Carlton and United Breweries (CUB). The 2023 Carlton Wyong Gold Cup Day was a great success, and we thank CUB for their contribution and also their assistance in supporting our beverage management arrangements. CUB relinquished sponsorship rights for the 2024 Wyong Cup but have continued with their Pavilion function on Cup Day which was attended by over 400 people this year.

The Club was fortunate to secure Wyong Leagues Group as the new major sponsor for the Wyong Cup for a three-year term commencing in 2024. Wyong Cup Day this year was very well attended, and we thank Wyong Leagues Group management for their assistance in promoting the day.

Domeland came on board as a major sponsor in 2024. They have taken naming rights for the Mona Lisa for three years as well as for a number of other races during the year. We hope to continue the relationship with Domeland as part of our stable expansion program.

Magic Millions have continued their long-standing support for the Club. The 2023 Magic Millions Day was a great success and hopefully the 2024 day will be similarly attended.



I would like to acknowledge a number of longterm race day sponsors, including Wyong Leagues Group, Go Electrical, BJ Howes, The Doylo, Senpos, Central Coast Coolrooms, Hunter Petroleum Products, Wiseberry Heritage Group, Bishop Collins Chartered Accountants, HMA, Clubs NSW and Northlakes Toukley Rotary.

In addition, I would also like to acknowledge all the organisations and contractors that have provided the Club with professional support over the past year. It has been much appreciated.

Most importantly, I would like to thank all of the Board members for their contribution during the year. Being a member of a Race Club Board is quite challenging and your support and views on issues are most appreciated.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the patience and support shown by the Club's Members. It is pleasing to see that attendances trended significantly upwards during the past year and that member attendances at race meetings are back to pre-covid levels.

John Waghorn Chairman 3 October 2024

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT



I have great pleasure in delivering my second Chief Executive's report for the Wyong Race Club.

Over the last twelve months the Board, Management and Staff, have repositioned our club for post-COVID growth, by:

- Re-engaging with the community, particularly through the development of our family funday initiatives and other themed race day initiatives;
- Driving to ensure we exceed the expectations of our owners, trainers, members, racegoers and community with every visit and every interaction;
- Developing a new brand strategy based on celebration, social, fashion, wine and food, not just horse racing;
- Ensuring the root strengths of our brand is "authentically Wyong" and includes:
 - Small town hospitality;
 - Wyonnovation;
 - Awesome day out; and a
 - Safe and inclusive environment.
- Developing professional bespoke marketing

collaterals for each of our major meetings;

- Investing in media partnerships with NBN, Star104.5FM, MMM and Central Coast Community News;
- Developing a new website and digital media strategy;
- Improving our facilities by investing more than \$950,000 on non-DA capital expenditure in FY24, with further WRC funded capital expenditure of \$973,896 and Racing NSW funded capital expenditure \$1,589,551 forecast in the current FY25 season:
- Supporting improved animal welfare initiatives like Equimillion, which has been successful in driving demand for our retired racehorses.

Our approach has showed some positive outcomes with:

- Attendance up by 72.5% to 16,678 in FY24, from 9.669 in FY23:
- Bar revenue is up 43.3% to \$600,203 in FY24. from \$418.828 in FY23:
- Catering revenue is up 32.1% to \$769,608 in FY24. from \$582,704 in FY23: and



 Cash sponsorship is up +39.6% to \$289,000 in FY24, from \$207,000 in FY23.

However, these outcomes have been offset by additional costs, including:

- Advertising costs rose by +107.5% to
 -\$60,330 in FY24 from -\$29,073 in FY23; and
- Race day promotions and entertainment costs grew by 108.9% to -\$50,205 in FY24 from -\$24,036 in FY23.

The growth settings will continue into the current FY25 season, with attendance forecast to rise by 50% in the upcoming FY25 season to 25,017 from 16,678 in FY24.

Innovation will be key to continuing to grow our club's customer base. Over the last twelve months we have introduced:

- Key event innovations, including the development of a locality cup series targeting local communities and the \$60,000 Mona Lisa Stakes prelude;
- Experiential innovations, including new behind the scenes tours, featuring unique racing experiences and the reinvigoration of fashion events; and
- Digital innovations, the punters club, and online content. Wyong's new social media strategy will have content for everyone.

150 Year Anniversary

We will be celebrating the anniversary of 150 years of racing in the Wyong district in 2025.

I am excited to confirm that Racing NSW has allocated Wyong Race Club (in place of Rosehill) an annual metropolitan stand-alone Saturday race meeting on 11 January 2025 (coinciding with the Gold Coast Magic Millions Day).

The ten-race Wyong fixture will include the \$500,000 Lakes Mile over 1600 metres, seven \$160,000 races and two \$120,000 races. This will

be the biggest prizemoney race day in the club's history and will increase the annual prizemoney paid by the club by 19.0% to \$9,781,750 in FY25.

Ideally placed during the peak holiday season on Saturday 11 January 2025, the club expects the Lakes Race Day to become the club's biggest annual event.

We congratulate Racing NSW on implementing this significant initiative.

Finance

Despite our growth settings, financial performance and cost control remain challenging.

The Club has reported an operating profit of +\$204,447 before depreciation and amortisation for the financial year ending 30 June 2024 as compared to an operating profit of +\$267,536 before depreciation and amortisation for the financial year ending 30 June 2023.

After amortisation and depreciation, the Club will record a book loss of -\$1,015,574 for the financial year ending 30 June 2024 as compared to a loss of \$996,183 for the financial year ending 30 June 2023.

The club remains in a strong financial position as at 30 June 2024, holding:

- +\$2,030,293 in cash and a further \$705,877 in other net assets; and
- +\$12,543,205 of net non-current assets, with our 68.8 hectares (117 acres) of land being valued at its historic cost of \$298,804.

The club remains debt free.

During the year the Wyong Race Club has introduced a formal:

- Delegated authorities' policy; and
- Financial reserve policy, which requires the club to maintain cash reserves of at least \$1,500,000.

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Racing

Congratulations to connections of our feature race winners:

- Lion's Roar winner of the \$250,000 Wyong Leagues Group Wyong Cup (Listed) trained by John O'Shea and ridden by Jason Collett;
- Terra Mater winner of the \$200,000
 Domeland Mona Lisa Stakes (Listed) trained
 by Jarrod Austin and ridden by Nash Rawiller;
- Highness winner of the \$200,000 Magic Millions Two-Year-Old Classic (Listed) trained by Michael Freedman and ridden by Tommy Berry;
- Ausbred Flirt winner of the \$150,000
 Polytrack Provincial Midway Championships
 Qualifier trained by Brad Widdup and ridden
 by Alysha Collett;
- Royal Merchant winner of the \$150,000
 Magic Millions Three-&-Four-Year-Old Stakes trained by Ciaron Maher and David Eustace and ridden by Jason Collett.



Wyong Race Club conducted 22 race meetings (in addition to an ATC meeting on Wednesday 20 March 2024) for the year ending 30 June 2024, across 169 races, with 1,471 starters, at an average of 8.7 starters per race.

Wyong Race Club distributed \$7,921,750 million in prize money for the year ending 30 June 2024, as compared to \$7,336,100 up by \$585,650 (or 8.0%) on the year ending 30 June 2023.

TAB wagering on Wyong Race Club fixtures for the year ending 30 June 2024 was \$26,586,886 million, as compared to \$29,291,358 for the year ending 30 June 2023, down \$2,704,472 million (or -10.2%).

Congratulations to our premiership winners:

- Trainers' premiership winner Peter and Paul Snowden with 11 wins; and
- Jockeys' premiership and apprentice's premiership winner Zac Lloyd with 11 wins.

We are fortunate to have a great team of local oncourse trainers including Kim Waugh, Kristen Buchanan, Sara Ryan, Damien Lane, Tracey Bartley, Allan Kehoe, Denim Wynen, Mark Cross, Nikki Hodgson, Julie Holloway, Mark Howard, Stephen Schofield and Shaun Harvey. We also have a hardworking team of local off-course trainers that use the club's training facilities including Rod Bailey, Wayne Seelin, Brett Partelle, Craig Roberts, John Cooper, Tina Williams, Kellie Nicholls, Louise Munce, Ben Hill, Ben Bryant, and Daniel Robinson.

Our women trainers were again at the fore with Kim Waugh winning the Wyong local trainers' premiership for the eighth year in succession with 40 winners, 9 wins clear of Kristen Buchanan on 31 wins, Damien Lane with 30 wins and Sara Ryan with 24 wins.

Collectively our trainers produced 178 winners in 2023-24.

Tracks

Phill Robinson and the track team have continued to maintain and present the grass course, our two training tracks and our polytrack at a very high standard throughout the year.



Trackwork Supervisor Pat Cass and our Equine Pool Supervisor Sean Hodgson, are extremely efficient in their roles, ensuring the highest standards of participant and equine safety.

The Board has put in place systems and processes to ensure it closely monitors all incidents reported from racing, training and non-racing activities to ensure staff, racing participants and our customers receive the highest standard of workplace health and safety.

The Club is committed to continually upgrading and maintaining the course proper and training tracks to the highest standard throughout the season. This will ensure we can meet the demands of our growing trainer base.

Last year Wyong trainers produced 1,732 starters throughout NSW, behind Newcastle with 2,693 trained starters, Hawkesbury with 1,870 trained starters and Illawarra with 1,848 trained starters, and ahead of Gosford with 554 trained starters.

I would like to acknowledge our Assistant Racecourse Manager Ben Greer, who left the club shortly after the commencement of the 2024-25 season after seven dedicated years of service and I would like to take the opportunity to wish him the best in his new role.

Capital Expenditure

During 2023-24 we have invested more than \$950,000 on non-DA capital expenditure to improve our tracks and facilities.

In 2023-24 our capital investment included a kitchen refurbishment, upgrading grandstand electrical sub-boards, acquiring mini marquees, 6000lt water tank and pumps, horse walker, stable barn slabs, new jump-out barriers, weighing room refurbishment, media hutch, keg room refurbishment, polypropylene glassware, equine scales, horse ambulance, temporary fencing, test stable area hard pan, coffee shop on mezzanine floor, outdoor furniture, dam desktop review, Kubota F3690 4WD outfront mower x2, Kubota

25hp ROPS utility vehicle, and a Kubota 19hp diesel zero turn 54" deck mower.



A further \$973,896 of WRC funded capital expenditure, and \$1,589,551 of Racing NSW funded capital expenditure has been budgeted in 2024-25.

Sponsorship and Promotions

The Club is indebted to the continued support of all our sponsors throughout the year. It is pleasing that our major sponsors Domeland, Magic Millions, Wyong Leagues Group, Carlton and United Breweries, Tab Limited and Sky Channel have continued their commercial partnerships with us.

We are also grateful to all our regular sponsors who have chosen to engage with the Club including Go Electrical, Clubs NSW, The Doylo, Central Coast Coolrooms, Bishop Collins Accountants, PBL Law Group, HMA, Hunter Petroleum Products, Senpos and BJ Howes Metaland.

We thank them for their loyalty and support and we look forward to further developing mutually beneficial partnerships with our sponsors in the upcoming season. We were also privileged to support our local charities and not-for-profit organisations including the Central Coast Kids

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in Need, IRIS Foundation, Prostate Cancer Foundation, Domestic Violence Awareness, Police Legacy, Northlakes Toukley Rotary Club and the Wyong Roos Foundation.

We look forward to their continued participation with the club.

NSW Government Transport Orientated Development Planning Reforms

I note that Wyong has been included in the first stage of the NSW Government's Transport Oriented Development planning reforms.

The Transport Oriented Development Program is part of the biggest planning reforms this State has ever seen and is intended to meet the growing demand for housing and improving affordability.

The amended planning controls (which potentially include multi-storey apartments) apply within 400 metres of seventeen railway stations (including Wyong station) to deliver more affordable, well-designed and well-located homes.

A substantial proportion of the club's property falls within this footprint. The club has no current intention of seeking rezoning of this land.

Equimillion 2024

Equimillion was held at the Sydney Equestrian Centre from 4-7 October 2024. An initiative of Racing NSW, the equestrian series consists of eventing, jumping, dressage and show horse categories, and is restricted to retired racehorses. The event carries \$1 million in prizemoney.

A number of local trainer's joined with the Wyong Race Club to co-sponsor 29 riders and 35 retired racehorses under the banner of #teamwyong. We thank Domeland, Sara Ryan, Kim Waugh, Allan Kehoe, Kristen Buchanan, Damien Lane, Tracey Bartley, John Cooper and Rod Bailey, co-sponsoring horses and riders, along with the Stonewall Equestrian Centre and Portable Horse Stables for their participation.

We congratulate all the riders who represented the club and themselves in excellent fashion and most importantly showcased our beautiful, retired racehorses.

Amongst our team were the following prizemoney winners:

- Will Mathew Siege Warfare Champion EVA80 Open (\$15,000);
- Ava Grace Hawker Bobs Cooltoo Reserve Champion EVA65 Junior (\$7,500);
- Cooper Richardson Fantasy Card Reserve Champion EVA80 Junior (\$7,500);
- Sienna Robinson Hot King Prawn 2nd Ridden Show Hunter (\$7,500);
- Rebecca Brown Lalique 2nd Led Mare (\$7,500);
- Jessica Rae Renegade Master 3rd EVA 95 Open (\$4,000);
- Rebecca Brown Vatican 4th Led gelding (\$2,500);
- Jessica Rae Pirate Games 5th EVA80 Open (\$1,000);





- Chloe Mannell 5th Preliminary Amateur Dressage (\$1,000);
- Paul Warhurst Different Strokes 5th New Star Led (\$1,000);
- Madeline Sinderberry Sox On Fox 5th Open Show jumping 1m (\$1,000).

Equimillion has been significant in driving demand for our thoroughbred racehorses after retirement from racing.

Racing NSW

We are fortunate to race under the auspices of Racing NSW as our State's controlling body.

In FY24 there has been a substantial national decrease in wagering revenues of approximately twelve percent. Unlike other states and other codes where this has led to reduced prizemoney and job losses, prudent financial management has insulated NSW thoroughbred race clubs from this impact.

Despite a ~\$60 million fall in wagering revenue during FY24, we understand that Racing NSW will still produce a surplus of ~\$20 million in FY24.

I would like to acknowledge and thank Peter V'Landys AM and the Board and Staff at Racing NSW for the magnificent job they continue to do.

Over many years, Racing NSW has continued to:

- Substantially improve returns to owners and other industry participants;
- Develop racing carnivals and events;
- Reposition racing as an entertainment option, particularly with the 20-35 year-old age group;
- Improve animal welfare outcomes; and
- Drive financial efficiency within race clubs.

I look forward to working closely with Peter V'Landys to ensure that the Wyong Race Club improves the relevance, growth and appeal of our sport throughout our district, driven by greater community engagement.

Staff and Management

Wyong Race Club is fortunate to have a hardworking, committed and loyal staff led by the management team of Phill Robinson (Racecourse Manager), Kylie McAlister (Racing and Administration Manager), Emma Fitzgerald (Finance Manager), Rochelle Muscat (Hospitality Manager), Lloyd Hunt (Facilities Manager), Paul Molan (Executive Chef) and Andrew Hurley (Sponsorship and Communications Manager).

I would like to acknowledge Christine Haynes who resigned in early 2024, with the club's good graces.

Thank you to all our full-time, part-time and casual employees who have worked so hard to present the tracks and facilities to such a high standard and the bar and hospitality staff who make our customers feel so welcome.

We have a very skilled Board of Directors, and I am very excited to be working with them into what is a bright future at the club with so much opportunity.

To my Chairman John Waghorn and the WRC Directors, thank you for your hard work and commitment throughout the year. I particularly would like to thank you for trusting me with this most privileged position. I would also like to extend my sincere thanks for the support that the club and my team receives from our members, trainers, stable staff, owners, jockeys, Racing NSW stewards, TAB and Sky Channel staff, contractors, the NSW Police, the local media, our sponsors and my fellow Provincial Race Club Chief Executives and their Boards. My team and I look forward to working hard over the upcoming season for the benefit of members, racing participants and the community.

Yours in racing,

Greg Purcell

Chief Executive 3 October 2024

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DIRECTORS' REPORT



The Directors present their report, together with the financial statements, on the company for the year ended 30 June 2024.

Directors

The following persons were directors of the company during the whole of the financial year and up to the date of this report, unless otherwise stated:

John Waghorn (Chairman)
Darin Butcher (Vice Chairman)
Mark Waugh
Matthew Hingerty
Bruce Lemmon
Patrick Cohen (appointed 30 April 2024)
Peter Lawler (appointed 30 April 2024)
Mick Caddey (retired 30 April 2024)
Denis Hanley (retired 30 April 2024)

Objectives

The objectives of the company are:

- to carry on the business of thoroughbred horse racing in accordance with the Australian Rules of Racing as enforced by Racing NSW;
- to develop any such land as a Racecourse and for such other sporting or income producing activities as the Board thinks fit; and
- to conduct any other activities in accordance with the Constitution.

Strategy for achieving the objectives

- Conduct thoroughbred race meetings in accordance with the Australian Rules of Racing and licences issued by Racing NSW;
- Participation in the Provincial Racing Association of NSW;
- Promotion of the sport of thoroughbred horse racing by growing participation and interest in racing;
- Position / promote the Club as a Racing and Training Centre of Excellence;

- Detailed budgeting process to ensure financial viability in future periods; and
- Be active in the local community, providing access to Club facilities and hospitality services for functions and events.

The Club's policy is to support local charities and not for profit groups. In the past year these have included:

- Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia, Wyong Roos Foundation, North Lakes Toukley Rotary, Clubs NSW Central Coast, Domestic Violence Awareness, Central Coast Kids in Need, IRIS Foundation and Coast Hands;
- Donation of race day packages to organisations including Budgewoi Buff Point Bulldogs Junior Rugby League Club; Erina Hockey Club; Clubs NSW Race Day in support of Prostate Cancer; Ronald McDonald House Charity Ball; Everglades Bowls Prostate Cancer Fundraiser; The Biggest Morning Tea; We Care Connect Mothers Day High Tea; BJ Howes Metaland in support of Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service; NSW Police Golf Club Presentation Night; Caves Beach SLSC; and Gwandalan Lions Club.

Principal activities

During the financial year the principal continuing activities of the company consisted of assisting in the promotion and conduct of thoroughbred horse racing and associated training activities at Wyong.

Operating Results

The deficit of the company for the financial year after providing for income tax (\$NIL) amounted to \$1.015.574 (2023: a deficit of \$996.183).

The Board is concerned that revenue from the TAB Scheme of Distribution has stagnated over the past decade and is insufficient to meet the ongoing

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costs associated with running the Club without ongoing supplementation from Racing NSW as has been regularly provided in recent years.



The Board is continuing to fund backlog maintenance works identified in asset inspection reports completed during 2022/23, and subsequently reviewed by WRC in 2023/24.

In February 2024, Racing NSW advised the Club that it had approved funding of \$1,570,000 for drainage in the 1350 metre chute, irrigation works and movement of the machinery shed to facilitate construction of additional stabling in that location. It is expected that these works will be undertaken and completed in 2024/25.

Performance measures

- Monthly Board meetings and director meetings as required to review financial performance, horse racing and operational activities and the development of the Club's Strategic plan:
- Continue to review returns to participants to ensure that the Wyong Race Club is both competitive and financially sustainable;
- Analyse structural and income producing growth strategies for the Club;
- Benchmark performance against similar racing entities;

Review the investment strategy and policy
of the Club; and monitor the performance
of the Chief Executive including compliance,
implementation of Board strategies and to
ensure that the Policies and Procedures
within the Club are being followed.

Significant changes

There were no significant changes that have occurred during the year.

Events after balance date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since 30 June 2024 that have significantly affected, or may significantly affect the entity's operations, the results of those operations, or the entity's state of affairs in future financial years.

Environmental issues

The Directors believe the company has complied with all significant environmental regulations under a law of the Commonwealth or of a state or territory.

Dividends

The Corporations law prohibits a company limited by guarantee from paying dividends.

Shares in companies

The company does not hold shares in any related company or corporation.

Information on directors

Name: John Waghorn

Title: Chairman

Qualifications: B.Ec. Grad Dip Mgmt

Experience and expertise: Management Consultant

Name: Darin Butcher

Title: Vice Chairman

Qualifications: Associate Diploma in Real Estate

Business



Experience and expertise: Real Estate Principal and

Property Development

Name: Mark Waugh AM

Title: Director Qualifications: AM

Experience and expertise: Sports Commentator

Name: Matthew Hingerty

Title: Director

Oualifications: MBA. BA

Experience and expertise: Company Director

Name: Bruce Lemmon Title: Director Qualifications: HSC

Experience and expertise: Management Accountant

Name: Patrick Cohen (appointed 30 April 2024)

Title: Director

Qualifications: Licenced Builder

Experience and expertise: Building and

Development

Name: Peter Lawler (appointed 30 April 2024)

Title: Director

Qualifications: Diploma in Management Experience and expertise: Asset Management

Name: Denis Hanley AM (retired 30 April 2024)

Title: Director

Qualifications: AM, FAICD, FCPA, MBA Experience and expertise: Company Director

Name: Mick Caddey (retired 30 April 2024)

Title: Director

Qualifications: BE (Civil)

Experience and expertise: Senior Executive Property

Development/Construction

Meetings of directors

The number of meetings of the company's Board of Directors ('the Board') held during the year ended 30 June 2024, and the number of meetings attended by each director were:

Full Board

	Attended	Held
John Waghorn (Chairman)	11	11
Darin Butcher (Vice Chairman)	11	11
Mark Waugh AM	10	11
Matthew Hingerty	11	11
Bruce Lemmon	11	11
Patrick Cohen		
(appointed 30 April 2024)	3	3
Peter Lawler		
(appointed 30 April 2024)	3	3
Mick Caddey		
(retired 30 April 2024)	7	9
Denis Hanley		
(retired 30 April 2024)	9	9

Held: represents the number of meetings held during the time the director held office.

Indemnifying officer or auditor

During the year, the company effected directors and officer's liability insurance. The insurance policy provides cover for the directors named in this report, the company secretary, officers, former directors, and officers of the company.

This policy prohibits the disclosure of the nature of the indemnification and the insurance cover, and the amount of the premium.

DIRECTORS' REPORT



No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an auditor of the company.

Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is set out immediately after this directors' report.



This report is made in accordance with a resolution of directors, pursuant to section 298(2)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

John Waghorn Director

3 October 2024







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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S DECLARATION TO THE MEMBERS OF WYONG RACE CLUB LIMITED

We hereby declare that to the best of our knowledge and belief during the year ended 30 June 2024, there have been:

- no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Name of Firm

Bishop Collins Audit Pty Ltd
Chartered Accountants

Name of Registered Company Auditor

Martin Le Marchant

Auditor's Registration No. 431227

Address Suite 6, 6 Reliance Drive, Tuggerah NSW 2259

Dated 3 October 2024





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Associate Director. Cecille Capucao CA

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF WYONG RACE CLUB LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Wyong Race Club Limited ("the Company") which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended on that date, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information and the Directors' Declaration of the company.

In our opinion, the financial report of Wyong Race Club Limited is in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including:

- giving a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its (i) performance for the year ended on that date; and
- complying with Australian Accounting Standards Simplified Disclosures (including the (ii) Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Regulations 2001.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia: and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis of our opinion.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The Directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Company's annual report for the year ended 30 June 2024 but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.



Associate Director, Cecille Capucao CA

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In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report, or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Directors of the Company are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards – Simplified Disclosures to the extent described in Note 2 to the financial report, the Corporations Act 2001 and for such internal control as the Directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Directors are responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intend to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or
 error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that
 is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material
 misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve
 collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
 that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
 effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Directors.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the Directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial report. We also conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the disclosures in the financial report about the material uncertainty or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the opinion on the financial report. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the
 disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a
 manner that achieves fair presentation.



We communicate with the Directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide the Directors with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

Name of Firm Bishop Collins Audit Pty Ltd Chartered Accountants

Name of Registered Company Auditor

Auditor's Registration No. 431227

Address Suite 6, 6 Reliance Drive, Tuggerah NSW 2259

Dated 3 October 2024

Wyong Race Club Limited Statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023
Revenue	4	15,131,881	13,806,393
Interest revenue		90,977	21,254
Total revenue		15,222,858	13,827,647
Expenses			
Cost of goods sold		(448,286)	(373,674)
Advertising expenses		(74,800)	(40,923)
Ambulance expenses		(108,446)	(91,927)
Audit fees	21	(22,500)	(20,000)
Barrier trial expenses		(138,686)	(124,631)
Cleaning and waste removal expenses		(101,642)	(101,777)
Consultancy fees		(182,555)	(191,285)
Depreciation of right-of-use asset	40	(73)	(1,433)
Depreciation and amortisation expenses	12	(1,220,021)	(1,263,719)
Employee benefit expenses		(2,963,696)	(2,559,176)
Entertainment and race day functions expenses		(118,905)	(42,173)
Insurance expenses		(519,956)	(404,046)
Jockey riding fees		(337,605)	(328,510)
Prize money		(7,945,251)	(7,336,501)
Promotional expenses		(50,205)	(24,036)
Repairs and maintenance expenses		(606,056)	(644,797)
Race day production expenses		(187,948)	(143,177)
Race day sponsorship expenses		(57,717) (89,968)	(55,292) (84,187)
Security expenses			(131,136)
Telecasting expenses		(169,393)	
Utilities expenses		(339,347) (553,415)	(312,495) (545,697)
Other expenses		(1,961)	(3,238)
Finance costs (lease liability)		(16,238,432)	(14,823,830)
Total expenses		(10,230,432)	(14,023,030)
Deficit before income tax expense		(1,015,574)	(996,183)
Income tax expense			-
Deficit after income tax expense for the year	18	(1,015,574)	(996,183)
Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax			
Total comprehensive income for the year		(1,015,574)	(996,183)

The above statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Wyong Race Club Limited Statement of financial position As at 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023
Assets			
Current assets	_	407.007	077 000
Cash and cash equivalents	5	487,697	377,399
Trade and other receivables	6 7	4,631,614	3,227,983 79,618
Inventories	8	64,679 1,173,906	1,500,000
Financial assets	9	180,697	20,921
Other	9		5,205,921
Total current assets		6,538,593	5,205,921
Non-current assets			
Financial assets		5,000	5,000
Property, plant and equipment	10	12,547,535	12,794,449
Right-of-use assets	11	24,859	51,544
Total non-current assets		12,577,394	12,850,993
Total assets		19,115,987	18,056,914
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	13	3,443,598	1,394,548
Lease liabilities	14	20,852	28,034
Employee benefits	15	337,973	268,393
Total current liabilities		3,802,423	1,690,975
Non-current liabilities			
Lease liabilities	16	6,212	27,065
Employee benefits	17	27,977	43,925
Total non-current liabilities		34,189	70,990
Total liabilities		3,836,612	1,761,965
Net assets		15,279,375	16,294,949
Equity Retained surpluses	18	15,279,375	16,294,949
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Total equity		15,279,375	16,294,949

The above statement of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Wyong Race Club Limited Statement of changes in equity For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Retained surpluses	Total equity
Balance at 1 July 2022	17,291,132	17,291,132
Deficit after income tax expense for the year Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	(996,183)	(996,183)
Total comprehensive income for the year	(996,183)	(996,183)
Balance at 30 June 2023	16,294,949	16,294,949
	Retained surpluses	Total equity
Balance at 1 July 2023	surpluses	
Balance at 1 July 2023 Deficit after income tax expense for the year Other comprehensive income for the year, net of tax	surpluses \$	\$ 16,294,949
Deficit after income tax expense for the year	surpluses \$ 16,294,949	\$ 16,294,949 (1,015,574)

The above statement of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Wyong Race Club Limited Statement of cash flows For the year ended 30 June 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash flows from operating activities Receipts from customers (inclusive of GST) Payments to suppliers and employees (inclusive of GST)		15,182,580 (14,528,962)	14,644,362 (14,493,196)
Interest received		653,618 90,977	151,166 21,253
Net cash from operating activities	20	744,595	172,419
Cash flows from investing activities Payments for investments Payments for property, plant and equipment Proceeds from disposal of financial assets Proceeds from disposal of property, plant and equipment Net cash used in investing activities	10	(953,320) 326,094 19,002 (608,224)	(1,500,000) (474,024) - (1,974,024)
Cash flows from financing activities Repayment of borrowings		(26,073)	(29,995)
Net cash used in financing activities		(26,073)	(29,995)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		110,298 377,399	(1,831,600) 2,208,999
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year	5	487,697	377,399

The above statement of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes

Note 1. General information

The financial statements cover Wyong Race Club Limited as an individual entity. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is Wyong Race Club Limited's functional and presentation currency.

Wyong Race Club Limited is a not-for-profit unlisted public company limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Its registered office and principal place of business is:

71 Howarth Street Wyong NSW 2259

A description of the nature of the company's operations and its principal activities are included in the directors' report, which is not part of the financial statements.

The financial statements were authorised for issue, in accordance with a resolution of directors, on 3 October 2024. The directors have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

Note 2. Material accounting policy information

The accounting policies that are material to the company are set out below. The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of the previous financial year, unless otherwise stated.

New or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations adopted

The company has adopted all of the new or amended Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ('AASB') that are mandatory for the current reporting period.

Any new or amended Accounting Standards or Interpretations that are not yet mandatory have not been early adopted.

The adoption of these Accounting Standards and Interpretations did not have any significant impact on the financial performance or position of the company.

The following Accounting Standards and Interpretations are most relevant to the company:

Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board ("AASB") and the Corporations Act 2001, as appropriate for not-for profit oriented entities.

Historical cost convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except for, where applicable, the revaluation of financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss, financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income, investment properties, certain classes of property, plant and equipment and derivative financial instruments.

Critical accounting estimates

The preparation of the financial statements requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the company's accounting policies. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed in note 3.

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Note 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

Revenue recognition

The company recognises revenue as follows:

Revenue from contracts with customers

Revenue is recognised at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the company is expected to be entitled in exchange for transferring goods or services to a customer. For each contract with a customer, the company: identifies the contract with a customer; identifies the performance obligations in the contract; determines the transaction price which takes into account estimates of variable consideration and the time value of money; allocates the transaction price to the separate performance obligations on the basis of the relative stand-alone selling price of each distinct good or service to be delivered; and recognises revenue when or as each performance obligation is satisfied in a manner that depicts the transfer to the customer of the goods or services promised.

Variable consideration within the transaction price, if any, reflects concessions provided to the customer such as discounts, rebates and refunds, any potential bonuses receivable from the customer and any other contingent events. Such estimates are determined using either the 'expected value' or 'most likely amount' method. The measurement of variable consideration is subject to a constraining principle whereby revenue will only be recognised to the extent that it is highly probable that a significant reversal in the amount of cumulative revenue recognised will not occur. The measurement constraint continues until the uncertainty associated with the variable consideration is subsequently resolved. Amounts received that are subject to the constraining principle are recognised as a refund liability.

Sale of goods

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised at the point in time when the customer obtains control of the goods, which is generally at the time of delivery.

Racing NSW distributions

Distributions from Racing NSW are recognised on a proportional accrual basis taking into account the Scheme of Distribution requirements.

Membership revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

Commission revenue

Commission revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised as interest accrues using the effective interest method. This is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and allocating the interest income over the relevant period using the effective interest rate, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to the net carrying amount of the financial asset.

Rent revenue from investment properties is recognised on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

Other revenue is recognised when it is received or when the right to receive payment is established.

The company is exempt from income tax under section 50-45 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

Current and non-current classification

Assets and liabilities are presented in the statement of financial position based on current and non-current classification.

An asset is classified as current when: it is either expected to be realised or intended to be sold or consumed in the company's normal operating cycle, it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is expected to be realised within 12 months after the reporting period; or the asset is cash or cash equivalent unless restricted from being exchanged or used to settle a liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other assets are classified as non-current.



Note 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

A liability is classified as current when: it is either expected to be settled in the company's normal operating cycle; it is held primarily for the purpose of trading; it is due to be settled within 12 months after the reporting period; or there is no unconditional right to defer the settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the reporting period. All other liabilities are classified as non-current.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Trade and other receivables

Trade receivables are initially recognised at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any allowance for expected credit losses. Trade receivables are generally due for settlement within 30 days

The company has applied the simplified approach to measuring expected credit losses, which uses a lifetime expected loss allowance. To measure the expected credit losses, trade receivables have been grouped based on days overdue.

Inventories

Stock on hand is stated at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost comprises of purchase and delivery costs, net of rebates and discounts received or receivable.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Investments and other financial assets

Investments and other financial assets are initially measured at fair value. Transaction costs are included as part of the initial measurement, except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. Such assets are subsequently measured at either amortised cost or fair value depending on their classification. Classification is determined based on both the business model within which such assets are held and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial asset unless an accounting mismatch is being avoided.

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows have expired or have been transferred and the company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. When there is no reasonable expectation of recovering part or all of a financial asset, its carrying value is written off.

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income

Financial assets at fair value through other comprehensive income include equity investments which the company intends to hold for the foreseeable future and has irrevocably elected to classify them as such upon initial recognition.

Impairment of financial assets

The company recognises a loss allowance for expected credit losses on financial assets which are either measured at amortised cost or fair value through other comprehensive income. The measurement of the loss allowance depends upon the company's assessment at the end of each reporting period as to whether the financial instrument's credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition, based on reasonable and supportable information that is available, without undue cost or effort to obtain.

Where there has not been a significant increase in exposure to credit risk since initial recognition, a 12-month expected credit loss allowance is estimated. This represents a portion of the asset's lifetime expected credit losses that is attributable to a default event that is possible within the next 12 months. Where a financial asset has become credit impaired or where it is determined that credit risk has increased significantly, the loss allowance is based on the asset's lifetime expected credit losses. The amount of expected credit loss recognised is measured on the basis of the probability weighted present value of anticipated cash shortfalls over the life of the instrument discounted at the original effective interest rate.

For financial assets mandatorily measured at fair value through other comprehensive income, the loss allowance is recognised in other comprehensive income with a corresponding expense through profit or loss. In all other cases, the loss allowance reduces the asset's carrying value with a corresponding expense through profit or loss.

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Note 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

Property, plant and equipment

Land and buildings are carried at cost.

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and impairment. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by directors and management to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets' employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Depreciation is calculated on a straight-line basis to write off the net cost of each item of property, plant and equipment (excluding land) over their expected useful lives. The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Buildings improvements	5 - 40%
Grandstand	2.5%
Plant and equipment	10 - 40%
Motor vehicles	10 - 20%
Ground improvements	2 5 - 20%

The residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting date.

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when there is no future economic benefit to the company. Gains and losses between the carrying amount and the disposal proceeds are taken to profit or loss.

Capital work-in-progress

Research and feasibility costs are expensed in the period in which they are incurred. Development costs are capitalised when it is probable that the project will be a success considering its commercial and technical feasibility; the company is able to use or sell the asset; the company has sufficient resources and intent to complete the development; and its costs can be measured reliably

Right-of-use assets

A right-of-use asset is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which comprises the initial amount of the lease liability, adjusted for, as applicable, any lease payments made at or before the commencement date net of any lease incentives received, any initial direct costs incurred, and, except where included in the cost of inventories, an estimate of costs expected to be incurred for dismantling and removing the underlying asset, and restoring the site or asset.

Right-of-use assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful life of the asset, whichever is the shorter. Where the company expects to obtain ownership of the leased asset at the end of the lease term, the depreciation is over its estimated useful life. Right-of use assets are subject to impairment or adjusted for any remeasurement of lease liabilities.

The company has elected not to recognise a right-of-use asset and corresponding lease liability for short-term leases with terms of 12 months or less and leases of low-value assets. Lease payments on these assets are expensed to profit or loss as incurred.

Impairment of non-financial assets

Non-financial assets are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount.

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Note 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

Recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs of disposal and value-in-use. The value-in-use is the present value of the estimated future cash flows relating to the asset using a pre-tax discount rate specific to the asset or cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. Assets that do not have independent cash flows are grouped together to form a cash-generating unit.

Trade and other payables

These amounts represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the company prior to the end of the financial year and which are unpaid. Due to their short-term nature they are measured at amortised cost and are not discounted. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

Lease liabilities

A lease liability is recognised at the commencement date of a lease. The lease liability is initially recognised at the present value of the lease payments to be made over the term of the lease, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the company's incremental borrowing rate. Lease payments comprise of fixed payments less any lease incentives receivable, variable lease payments that depend on an index or a rate, amounts expected to be paid under residual value guarantees, exercise price of a purchase option when the exercise of the option is reasonably certain to occur, and any anticipated termination penalties. The variable lease payments that do not depend on an index or a rate are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Lease liabilities are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. The carrying amounts are remeasured if there is a change in the following: future lease payments arising from a change in an index or a rate used; residual guarantee; lease term; certainty of a purchase option and termination penalties. When a lease liability is remeasured, an adjustment is made to the corresponding right-of use asset, or to profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset is fully written down.

Employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and long service leave expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

Other long-term employee benefits

The liability for long service leave not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date is measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

Superannuation

Contributions to defined contribution superannuation plans are expensed in the period in which they are incurred.

Fair value measurement

When an asset or liability, financial or non-financial, is measured at fair value for recognition or disclosure purposes, the fair value is based on the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date; and assumes that the transaction will take place either: in the principal market; or in the absence of a principal market, in the most advantageous market.

Fair value is measured using the assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset or liability, assuming they act in their economic best interests. For non-financial assets, the fair value measurement is based on its highest and best use. Valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, are used, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs.

Goods and Services Tax ('GST') and other similar taxes

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of associated GST, unless the GST incurred is not recoverable from the tax authority. In this case it is recognised as part of the cost of the acquisition of the asset or as part of the expense.

Note 2. Material accounting policy information (continued)

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority is included in other receivables or other payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to the tax authority, are presented as operating cash flows.

Commitments and contingencies are disclosed net of the amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the tax authority.

Note 3. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on historical experience and on other various factors, including expectations of future events, management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances. The resulting accounting judgements and estimates will seldom equal the related actual results. The judgements, estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities (refer to the respective notes) within the next financial year are discussed below.

Continued viability of Wyong Race Club

Racing NSW has ultimate control over the allocation of race meetings to be held at Wyong Race Club and this affects the performance of the Club. The Club is committed to conducting thoroughbred race meetings.

Economic dependence

The company is dependent upon the ongoing funding from TAB Limited and Racing NSW to ensure continued operations.

Racing NSW interminable loan

Beginning from October 1974 to this year, Wyong Race Club Limited has received funds from the Race course development committee totalling \$6,500,620. These funds have been used to develop and improve thoroughbred, harness and greyhound racing at Wyong. These funds are not subject to recall whilst Wyong Race Club carries out its racing activities in such a manner as to not jeopardise its financial stability and/or does not dispose of the freehold property on which the improvements were located.

Wyong Race Club Limited is determined to continue thoroughbred racing at Wyong and to carry out its racing activities in such a manner as to ensure the financial stability of the Wyong Race Club. Please refer to Note 20 for further details.

Estimation of useful lives of assets

The company determines the estimated useful lives and related depreciation and amortisation charges for its property, plant and equipment and finite life intangible assets. The useful lives could change significantly as a result of technical innovations or some other event. The depreciation and amortisation charge will increase where the useful lives are less than previously estimated lives, or technically obsolete or non-strategic assets that have been abandoned or sold will be written off or written down.

Impairment of non-financial assets

The company assesses impairment of non-financial assets at each reporting date by evaluating conditions specific to the company and to the particular asset that may lead to impairment. If an impairment trigger exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is determined. This involves fair value less costs of disposal or value-in-use calculations, which incorporate a number of key estimates and assumptions.

Employee benefits provision

As discussed in note 2, the liability for employee benefits expected to be settled more than 12 months from the reporting date are recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, estimates of attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

Note 3. Critical accounting judgements, estimates and assumptions (continued)

Superannuation Guarantee Charges (SGC)

In December 2019, the Full Federal Court ruled that the Racing Queensland Board and the Scone Race Club were liable for superannuation guarantee charges relating to riding fees paid to jockeys during the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2014. Racing NSW takes the view that the decision in respect of Scone Race Club is limited to the facts in that case and is only binding on Scone Race Club, rather than being representative of the position in respect of the rest of the NSW Thoroughbred Race Clubs. Racing NSW proposes to further challenge to the ATO's position and is currently engaging with the ATO to expeditiously identify a test case or test cases which properly reflects the position in respect of the rest of the NSW Thoroughbred Race Clubs. This challenge will take time and potentially last several reporting periods. Wyong Race Club is of the firm view that there is no direct managerial involvement in the appointment of riders at race meetings, rider instructions nor a formalised employer/employee relationship. In July 2021, the Company received correspondence from a Racing NSW delegate confirming Racing NSW has provisioned for the jockey SGC liability. Racing NSW has paid the ATO an amount of \$100,715 in 2022 financial year, NIL in 2023 financial year. Accordingly, a liability or contingent liability has not been recognised in the financial report.

Racing NSW TAB Distributions

In February 2024, Racing NSW advised the NSW Provincial Race Clubs ('the Clubs') of Racing NSW's commitment to guarantee total provincial sector distributions of up to \$26.307 million for the financial year ended 2024. In addition, Racing NSW undertook a commitment to assist Clubs with their monthly cashflow. This would be achieved through the provision of a monthly distribution, based on the estimated annual distribution for the forthcoming year, which supersedes the previous distribution funding model. The directors of Wyong Race Club had recognised revenue in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and with reference to these undertakings by Racing NSW. If these undertakings are not fulfilled, or unilaterally varied by Racing NSW, the revenue recognised by Wyong Race Club could materially vary in future periods

Note 4. Revenue

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Revenue		
Bar and food revenue	759,809	586,190
Racing income	13,647,199	12,724,217
Rental income - meetings, functions and stables RNSW on course turnover incentive	504,932	392,764
KNSVV on course turnover incentive	38,408 14,950,348	10,614 13,713,785
Other revenue	404 500	00.000
Other revenue	181,533	92,608
Revenue	15,131,881	13,806,393
Note 5. Current assets - cash and cash equivalents		
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Cash at bank and on hand	487,697	377,399
Note 6. Current assets - trade and other receivables		
	2024 \$	2023
Trade and other debtors	4,631,614	3,227,983

Note 7. Current assets - inventories

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Stock on hand - at cost	64,679	79,618
Note 8. Current assets - financial assets		
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Term deposits	1,173,906	1,500,000
Note 9. Current assets - other		
	2024	2023 \$
Prepayments	180,697	20,921
Note 10. Non-current assets - property, plant and equipment		
	2024	2023 \$
Freehold land - at cost	298,804	298,804
Building improvements - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	5,878,999 (3,889,613) 1,989,386	5,927,872 (3,744,092) 2,183,780
Land improvements - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	4,000,627 (1,070,773) 2,929,854	4,000,627 (953,148) 3,047,479
Plant and equipment - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	7,981,719 (3,631,374) 4,350,345	7,510,899 (3,187,754) 4,323,145
Motor vehicles - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	182,964 (117,683) 65,281	142,254 (118,254) 24,000
Grandstand - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	5,798,214 (4,308,913) 1,489,301	5,798,214 (4,199,637) 1,598,577
Ground Improvements - at cost Less: Accumulated depreciation	3,471,010 (2,308,107) 1,162,903	3,511,405 (2,192,741) 1,318,664
Capital works in progress	261,661	_
	12,547,535	12,794,449

Note 10. Non-current assets - property, plant and equipment (continued)

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

	Assets in Progress \$	Land and land improvements \$	Grandstand and building improvements \$	Plant, equipment and motor vehicles \$	Ground improvements	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2023 Additions Disposals Depreciation expense	261,661 - -	3,346,284 - - (117,626)	3,782,356 69,156 - (372,825)	4,347,145 620,524 (6,898) (545,145)		12,794,449 953,320 (6,898) (1,193,336)
Balance at 30 June 2024	261,661	3,228,658	3,478,687	4,415,626	1,162,903	12,547,535

In the Notice of Valuation dated 1 July 2022, the NSW Government Valuer General stated a freehold land value (excluding structural improvements) for Wyong Race Club Limited of \$3,800,000. The land has not been revalued in the financial report and is stated at its carrying value of \$298,804.

Note 11. Non-current assets - right-of-use assets

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Office equipment - right-of-use Less: Accumulated depreciation	134,253 (109,394)	134,253 (82,709)
	24,859	51,544

Reconciliations

Reconciliations of the written down values at the beginning and end of the current financial year are set out below:

	Office equipment	Total
	\$	Total \$
Balance at 1 July 2023 Depreciation expense	51,544 (26,685)	51,544 (26,685)
Balance at 30 June 2024	24,859	24,859
Note 12. Depreciation expenses		
	2024 \$	2023
Depreciation expenses- property, plant and equipment Depreciation expenses- right-of-use assets	1,193,336 26,685	1,237,033 26,686
	1,220,021	1,263,719

Note 13. Current liabilities - trade and other payables

	2024 \$	2023 \$
Trade creditors RNSW RDA	1,935,636 794,312	925,085
BAS payable	205,083	115,550
Other creditors	508,567	353,913
	3,443,598	1,394,548
Note 14. Current liabilities - lease liabilities		
	2024 \$	2023
Lease liability	20,852	28,034
Note 15. Current liabilities - employee benefits		
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Annual leave	170,503 167,470	151,745
Long service leave	167,470	116,648
	337,973	268,393
Note 16. Non-current liabilities - lease liabilities		
	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Lease liability	6,212	27,065
Note 17. Non-current liabilities - employee benefits		
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Long service leave	27,977	43,925
Note 18. Equity - retained surpluses		
	2024 \$	2023 \$
Retained surpluses at the beginning of the financial year Deficit after income tax expense for the year	16,294,949 (1,015,574)	17,291,132 (996,183)
Retained surpluses at the end of the financial year	15,279,375	16,294,949

Note 19. Contingent liabilities

Estimates of the potential financial effect of contingent liabilities that may become payable:

Note 19. Contingent liabilities (continued)

Contingent liabilities

Racing NSW Interminable Loan

Since October 1974 Wyong Race Club Limited has developed and improved thoroughbred, harness and greyhound racing facilities at Wyong using a funding deed arrangement with Racing NSW (and precursor entities). As at 30 June 2024, the net position of the funding deed stands at \$10,018,120.

RNSW Advances until 1990	6,500,620
Less: Repayments pre-2015	(1,165,000)
Advances 2015 – 2020	4,682,500
Total	10 018 120

These funds are not subject to recall whilst Wyong Race Club carries out its racing activities in such a manner as to not jeopardise its financial stability and/or does not dispose of the freehold property on which the improvements were located. While thoroughbred racing continues at Wyong under the control of Racing NSW, the repayment of these funds is not deemed to be repayable. Wyong Race Club Limited is determined to continue thoroughbred racing at Wyong and to carry out its racing activities in such a manner as to ensure the financial stability of the Wyong Race Club. As these funds are not subject to recall they are not shown on the balance sheet.

Note 20. Reconciliation of deficit after income tax to net cash from operating activities

	2024 \$	2023
Deficit after income tax expense for the year	(1,015,574)	(996,183)
Adjustments for: Depreciation and amortisation Net gain on disposal of property, plant and equipment Repayment of lease liability Non-cash related to right-of-use assets	1,193,336 (12,104) 26,074 (1,351)	1,237,033 - 23,519 6,405
Change in operating assets and liabilities: Increase in trade and other receivables Decrease/(increase) in inventories Decrease/(increase) in other assets Increase in trade and other payables Increase/(decrease) in employee benefits	(1,403,631) 14,939 (159,776) 2,049,050 53,632	(339,545) (29,906) 841 279,829 (9,574)
Net cash from operating activities	744,595	172,419

Note 21. Remuneration of auditors

During the financial year the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by Bishop Collins Audit Pty Limited, the auditor of the company:

	2024 \$	2023
Fees to Bishop Collins Audit Pty Limited		
Assurance Services	17,500	18,500
Preparation of Financial Statements	1,500	1,500
Other Services	3,500	-
	22,500	20,000

Note 22. Key management personnel disclosures

Compensation

The aggregate compensation made to members of key management personnel of the company is set out below:

	2024 \$	2023
Aggregate compensation	358,669	342,723

Directors are not entitled to and do not receive compensation.

Note 23. Related party transactions

Key management personnel

Disclosures relating to key management personnel are set out in note 22.

Transactions with related parties

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

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	2024	2023
Sale of goods and services: WRC provides goods and services on commercial terms consistent with all trainers at WRC to a related party of Mr. M. Waugh (Director). The total transaction value during the year was	135,368	126,020
Receivable from and payable to related parties The following balances are outstanding at the reporting date in relation to transactions with related	l parties:	
	2024	2023 \$
Current receivables: A related party of Mr. M. Waugh (Director) receives goods and services from WRC on		
commercial terms consistent with all trainers of WRC. The value of the receivable as at year end is	12,270	11,531

Loans to/from related parties

There were no loans to or from related parties at the current and previous reporting date.

Terms and conditions

All transactions were made on normal commercial terms and conditions and at market rates.

Note 24. Events after the reporting period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the company's operations, the results of those operations, or the company's state of affairs in future financial years.

DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

Directors Declaration

In the directors' opinion:

- the attached financial statements and notes comply with the Corporations Act 2001, the Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures, the Corporations Regulations 2001, and other mandatory professional reporting requirements;
- the attached financial statements and notes give a true and fair view of the company's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance for the financial year ended on that date; and
- there are reasonable grounds to believe that the company will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of directors made pursuant to section 295(5)(a) of the Corporations Act 2001.

On behalf of the directors

John Waghorn

3 October 2024







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