

## 1970 Royal Melbourne Show (September 16 - 27)

Everything about the 1970 Royal Melbourne Show screamed record with total attendance topping the 800,000 mark for the first time when 810,233 came through the turnstiles and the number of entries in all the various competitions also reached a record 27 272.

Sep Moulton, a winner of countless prizes with his trotters Retalade and Tamboritha was appointed for the first time to judge all the trotting classes. while future TCB Chairman Graeme Cochran made an appearance as a steward.

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision resulting in 19 racing contests seen by the general public (7 - day; 12 - night). Alf Simons with two (2) wins was the only driver with multiple victories.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, Geoff Shone, CORRANDERRK (by Top Rank); 2nd, Mrs. C. & J. Uren, MILORD (by Crown Plate); 3rd, Mrs. V. Warburton, GAY BEN (by Gay Venture)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Mr. Hynes, T. E. McAuley, G. Tippet & F. Jumpert, YOUNG GLOBE (by Johnny Globe); 2nd, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, GO GUY (by Gyro); 3rd, F. W. Graydon, RICKY ROYAL (by Yare)

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, J. Wade & P. Essery, RANGER'S DESIGN (by Ranger Cobb USA); 2nd, J. W. Hopkinson, AABENDRAA (by Atlantic City)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, W. Hickey & J. Steel, YOUNG THOR (by Thor Hanover USA)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, Mrs. V. Warburton, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); 2nd, M. Noonan, QUETZAL (by Geetevee); 3rd, R. W. Bowen, RAISSET (by Smart Set USA).

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, J. Muscat, TOUCHE MARIE (by Kudos); Mr. & Mrs. G. Mayor, GRAND EVA (by Grand Monarch); P. E. Graydon, TYPHOON KATHY (by Typhoon Hanover USA)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, E. T. Jamieson, THE OLD STORY (by Dale Spring)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, Muriel Walsh, FILLY (Meadow Vance USA - Calico); 2nd F. W. Graydon, FILLY (by Dick Adios USA)

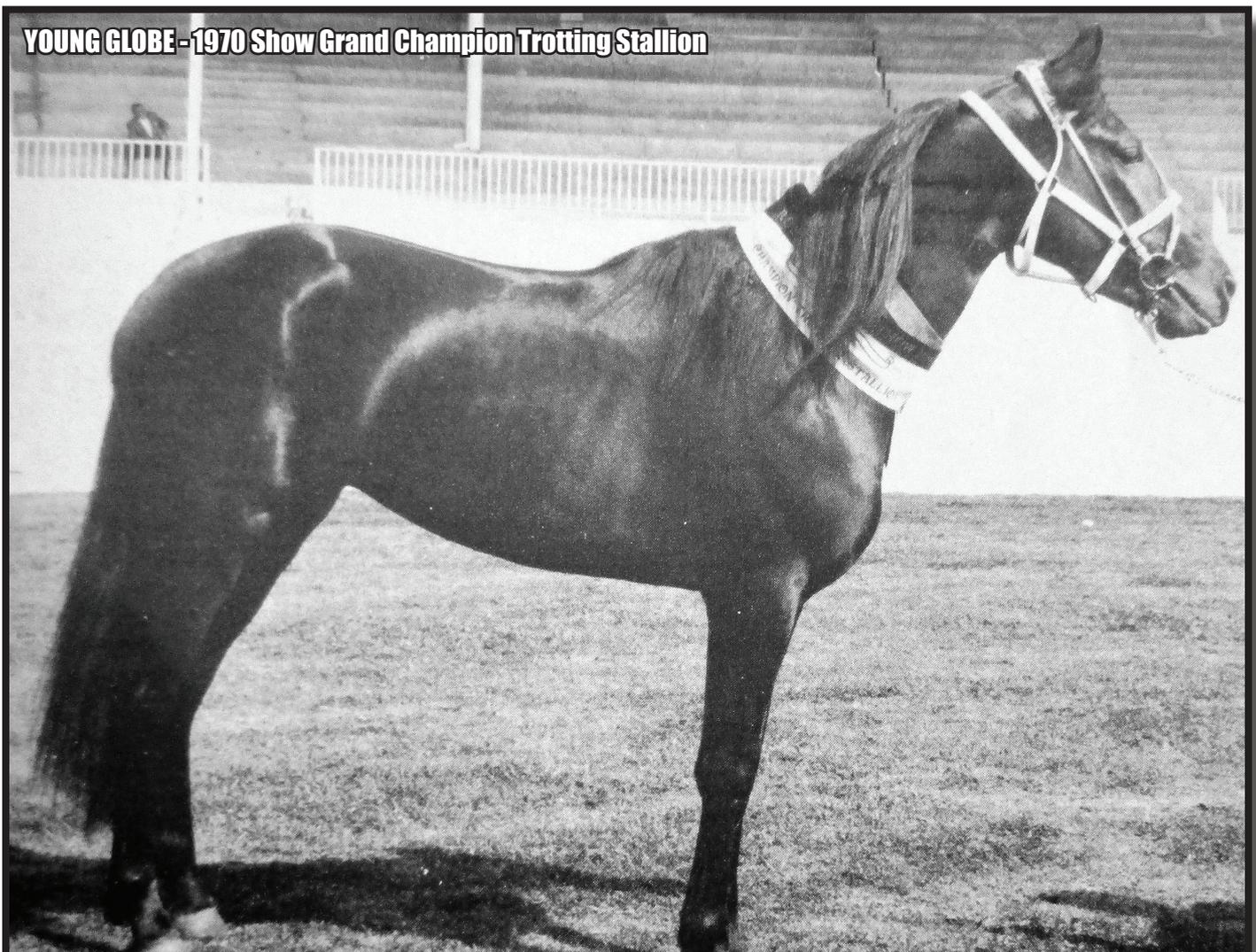
**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - 1st, Mrs. E. B. Dickson, RANEE ROSE (by Dick Adios USA)

**Grand Champion Stallion:** Mr. Hynes, T. E. McAuley, G. Tippet & F. Jumpert, YOUNG GLOBE.

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** S. S. Moulton, TAMBORITHA

**Reserve Champions:** Geoff Shone, CORRANDERRK (stallion); Margaret Minchin, RANEE ROSE (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, Mrs. V. Warburton, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); 2nd, E & Mrs M. Mifsud, GRAND TAKE (by Grand Monarch); 3rd, C. E. & V. Sagar, PEARL DIGNUS (by Dignus)



**YOUNG GLOBE - 1970 Show Grand Champion Trotting Stallion**

**“SUN NEWS PICTORIAL” TROTTERS HANDICAP**

**(2:37 or better) – \$220 – 11fur 36yds**

1. J. S. Whiteside & Estate Mrs F. J. Birthisel’s MIRACLE TIME, 36yds (J. Shelley)

2. Misses F. & H. Birthisel’s Red Carl, front (R. Birthisel)

3. Chocks Away, 12yds (L. Turner)

Others: Topper Boy (72yds), My Valiant (12yds), Adios Tip (60yds), Final Call (24yds)

Margins: 3yds X 2yds Time: 3:11.0 (Mile Rate: 2:14.8)

**QANTAS” HANDICAP (2:25 or better) - \$340 – 9fur 134yds**

1. N.T. & Mrs D.M. Evans’ BRIGETTE BRIGADE, front (J. Schischka)

2. H.T. & Mrs M. Reynolds’ Una Carlos, front (L. Welsh)

3. F. R. Miller’s Richmond Manor, front

Others: Trevhal, Tranquil Time, Para Deed, Cute Guy, Dusty Design, Glendas, Dougs Lady, Relexion

Margins: one yd X 2yds Time: 2:41.0 (Mile Rate: 2:14.0)

**“HEARNE PRINTERY (2:28 – \$220 – 9fur 134yds**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**First Division**

1. J. Malone’s PUNTERS PAL, 36yds (B. Brennan)

2. Mrs. E. E. Taylor’s Sunbrand, front (A. S. Douglas)

3. G. T. W. Gleeson’s Gay Timid, front (R. Gleeson)

Others: Tiara Crown, Quetzal, Cisco Rose, Melville Flight, Alverley, Quantrill (12yds)

Margins: 6yds X 3yds Time: 2:39.6 (Mile Rate: 2:10.4)

**Second Division**

1. F. W. & P. E. Graydon’s ROYAL SUEDE, front (H. Dove)

2. R. W. Thompson’s Magic Turn, 12yds (L. Shiers)

3. E. D. Rankin’s Miss Mimosa, 12yds (W. Bond)

Others: Pitmas Choice, Brilliant State (fell), Pedro Prince, 12yds (fell), Shine (PU), Reflexion (PU)

Margins: 6yds X 10yds Time: 2:43.4 (Mile Rate: 2:16.1)

**Third Division**

1. J. Ambrosi & G. Stebbing’s DIANA COURT, front (K. Innes)

2. A. Manifold & J. Georgis’ Quahlee, from (K. Dunbar)

3. Mr. & Mrs. J. Beecroft snr’s Col’s Watch, front (J. Beecroft)  
Others: Gay Feat, Spring Shadow, Japara, Matterhorn, Miss Doody

Margins: one yd X 5yds Time: 2:39.4 (Mile Rate: 2:13.0)

**COLES FFA (2:20) - \$420 – 9 1/2 furlongs (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. A. Simons, R. Morrison, C. Blanchfield & Mrs. C. Priddeth’s BOLD DAVID, front (A. Simons)

2. P. A. Harratt’s Lord Setay, front (L. Williams)

3. J. P. McKay’s Gyration, front (K. Murray)

Others: Bar Adios

Margins: 3yds X one yd Time: 2:28.8 (Mile rate: 2:05.2)

**“TCB” HANDICAP - \$320 – 8fur 36yds**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**First Division**

1. W. & L. Dalziel’s KWINGEE LASS, front (R. Conroy)

2. W. Bajada’s Top Flicka, front (A. Simons)

3. L. Cusack & B. Owens’ Home Peak, front (B. Owens)

Others: Cute Guy, Doug’s Lady, Dorals Girl, Julians Monarch (12yds)

Margins: 3yds X 1 1/2yds Time: 2:15.0 (Mile Rate: 2:12.0)

**Second Division**

1. T. Edwards & K. Gell’s SUZY ORO, 12yds (T. Edwards)

2. M. Robinson’s Delvin Glenfern, front (G. Gath)

3. W. Clarke & Mrs. D. Simons’ Hazel Hall, front (A. Simons)

Others: Brigitte Brigade, Dusty Design, Palatinus (24yds), Gay Ben (12yds)

Margins: 5yds X 6yds Time: 2:12.4 (Mile Rate; 2:07.0)

**3YO HANDICAP - \$560 (\$280 each div) – 8fur 36yds**

**First Division**

1. G. A. Lang’s FUR ELISE, front (G. Lang)

2. A. Stewart’s Mexican Shuffe, front (A. Stewart)

3. K. Brown, K. Davey, R. Lees’ Digger Vance, front (N. Welsh)

Other: Alone Timmy

Margins: 5yds X 8yds Time: 2:16.6 (Mile Rate: 2:15.8)

**1970 Inter Dominion winner BOLD DAVID made 1970/71 debut at Show**



## Second Division

1. F & K Abrahams, Est. Dr. B. Marks' GO GUY, front (L. Turner)
2. E & Mrs M. Mifsud's Grand Take, front (G. Lang)
3. K. S. Hargreaves' Alverley, front (R. Searby)

Margins: 2yds X head Time: 2:18.2 (Mile Rate: 2:15.8)

### **JOHNNIE WALKER" TROT (2:35) - \$300 - 11fur 36yds** \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. N.S. & Mrs. L.J. Evans' MONEY CARTER, front (A. Buckley)
2. Misses F & H Birthisel's Red Carl, front (R. Birthisel)
3. R & W. Ford's Christine Maree, 36yds (R. Ford)

Others: Miracle Time (24yds), Final Call, Regal Dawn, Adios Tip (36yds), Chief Con, Grewatte

Margins: 5yds X one yd Time: 3:14.2 (Mile Rate: 2:19.2)

### **"WEDNESDAY" HCP (2:27) - \$220 - 8fur 36yds**

1. C. Berger's SUPER JET, front (C. Berger)
2. Mrs. E.E. Taylor's Sunbrand, from (A.S. Douglas)
3. Mrs. F. S. Barron's Brilliant State, front (J. McGuinness)

Others: Trentiki (24yds), Matterhorn, Astral Spring, Magic Turn, Spring Shadow, Miss Doddy, Pacing Pearl, Quetzal  
Margins: one yd X 3yds Time: 2:15.5 (Mile Rate: 2:13.0)

### **"A.W.A RADIOLA" (2:22) - \$340 - 9fur 134yds**

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1. C. & Mrs. W. J. Blanchfield, C. Graffco & G. Sexton's VALIANT SPRING, front (G. Sexton)
2. Mesd. H & M McPherson's Campbell, 36yds (G. Lang)
3. P. J. McKay's Unspoken, 24yds (K. Murray)

Margins: 8yds X 2yds Time: 2:38.0 (Mile Rate: 2:11.8)

### **"AUSTRALIAN WATCHING CO" HANDICAP (2:26 or better) - \$220 - 9fur 134yds**

1. M. Clarke & Mrs D. Simons' HAZEL HALL, 12yds (A. Simons)
2. R. J. Lang's Gay Vin, front (B. Alford)
3. R.J. & Mrs C.J. Clayton's Para Deed, 12yds (B. Gath)

Others: Punters Pal (24yds), Glendas (12yds), Tranquil Time, Pacing Pearl, Reflexion, Magic Turn, Dusty Design, Matterhorn

Margins: 8yds x half head Time: 2:38.8 (MR: 2:12.2)

## **TATTERSALLS FFA (2:20) - \$420 - 8 furlongs (mobile)**

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1. J. P. McKay's GYRATION, front (K. Murray)
2. P. Harratt's Lord Setay, front (L. Williams)
3. A. Simons, R. Morrison, C. Blanchfield & Mrs. C. Priddeth's Bold David, front (A. Simons)

Others: Honest Reward, Doctor Casey

Margins: Head X one yd Time & Mile Rate: 2:02.2

### **"HERBERT ADAMS CAKES" HANDICAP (2:21 or better) - \$340 - 9fur 134yds**

1. N. C. Fear's GLENFERN COURT, 12yds (N. Fear)
2. E. V. Penrice's Star Stan, front (A. Penrice)
3. L. J. C. Towers' General Con, front (R. Towers)

Margins: 2yds x 2yds Time: 2:38.0 (Mile Rate: 2:10.8)

### **MCDONALDS TROT FFA (2:30) - \$420 - 11 furlongs (MS)**

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1. M. Robinson's DELVIN GLENFERN, front (G. Gath)
2. W. Glover's Roseaday, front (R. Birthisel)
3. J. Beecroft snr's Falsan, front (J. Beecroft snr)

Other: Adios Bear (L Turner)

Margins: 2yds x 5yds Time: L 2:56.6 (Mile Rate: 2:08.0)

### **"FOUR N TWENTY" TROT (2:33+) - \$420 - 11fur 36yds**

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1. Mrs. C.F. Pearson's LUCY CLARE, 12yds (M. Bellman)
2. E. & Mrs L. Moffitt's Nerang, front (E. Moffitt)
3. C. Berger's Havadex, front (C. Berger)

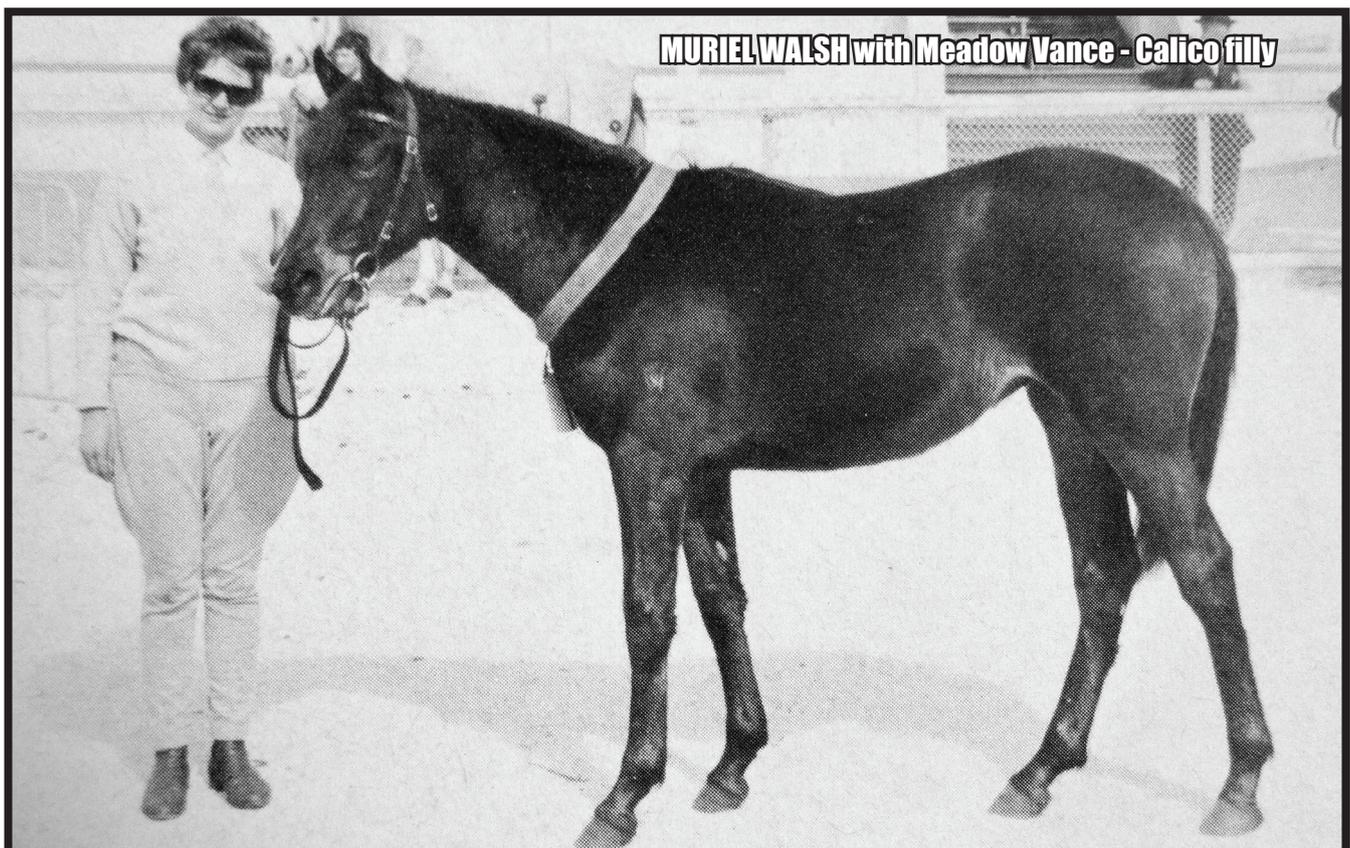
Others: Carl Direct (36yds), Adios Tip (12yds), Topper Boy (24yds), Volo Gold, Miracle Time, Unkreaerder (12yds)  
Margins: 6yds X head Time: 3:10.2 (Mile Rate: 2:15.2)

### **CRAVEN FFA (2:20) - \$420 - 8 furlongs (mobile)**

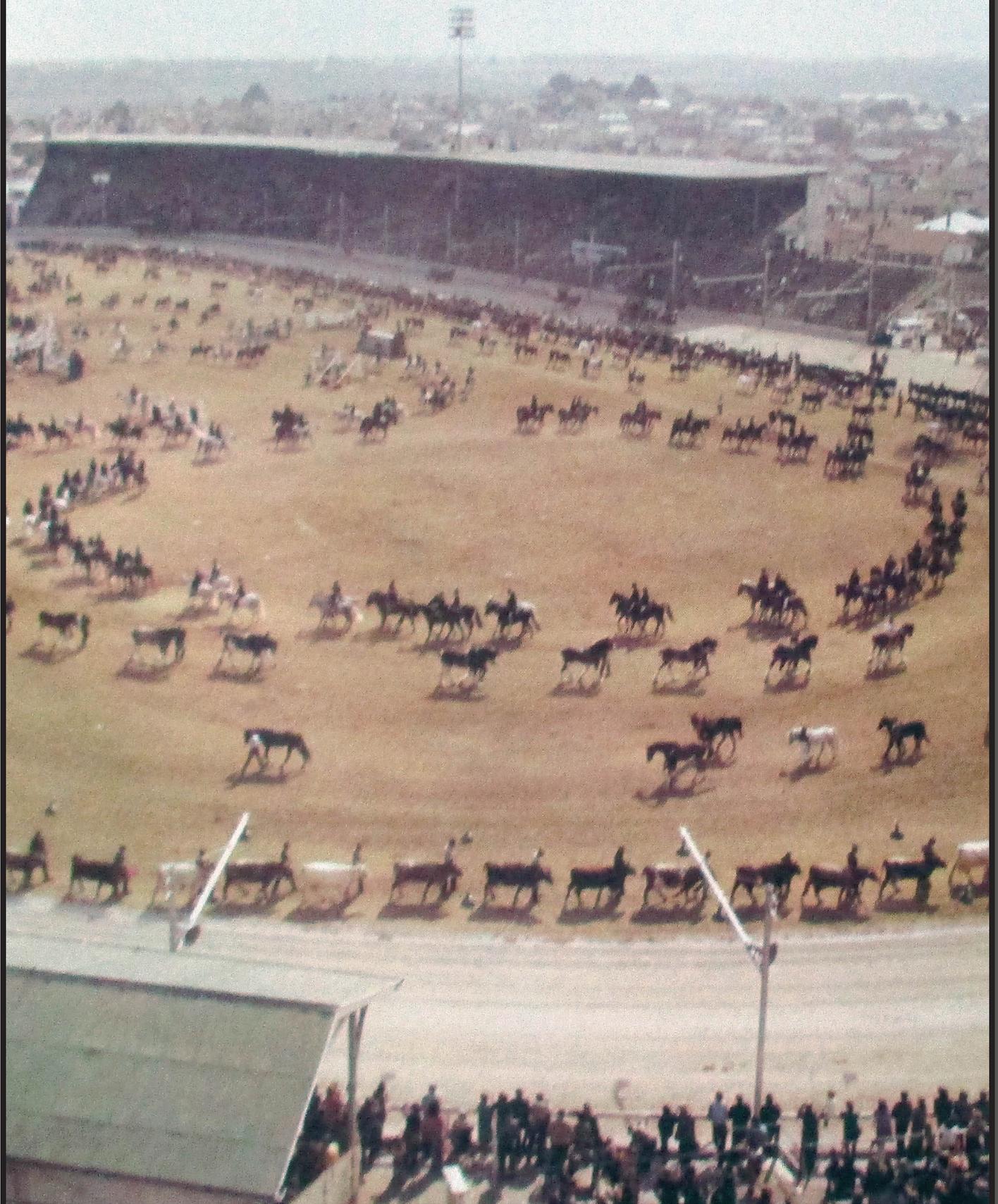
\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. D. A. Forsyth's STORMY DAY, scr (R. Birthisel)
2. J. P. McKay's Gyraton, scr (K. Murray)
3. A. Simons, R. Morrison, C. Blanchfield & Mrs. C. Priddeth's Bold David, front (A. Simons)

Margins: 3yds x 4yds Time & Mile Rate: 2:01.8 (equal Show record of Sea Gram)



**The Grand Parade at the 1971 Royal Melbourne Show**



# 1971 Royal Melbourne Show (September 16 - 25)

A new overall record for attendance was achieved at the 1971 Royal Melbourne Show when 888,409 people came through the turnstiles and besides that the number of entries were also a record - 27,453.

Les Turner returned as judge for the Trotters class while future TCB Chairman Graeme Cochran again made an appearance as a steward.

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision resulting in 23 racing contests seen by the general public (10 - day; 13 - night). Gordon Rothacker took driving honours with three wins (all behind Tasmanian Golden Alley).

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, Mr. McCauley, E. G. Tippet & T. Hynes, YOUNG GLOBE (by Johnny Globe); 2nd, Victor Malney, HONOURABLE SON (by Caduceus); 3rd, Mr. Walter, W. R. Tait & W. Hicks' TOUTCHEVAL (by Gleaming Robert)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, B. J. & Mrs. I. M. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING (by Sheffield Globe); 2nd, F & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, INSTANT WAY (by William Way USA);

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, J. Morris, R. Robertson, J. Fitzpatrick & T. Hynes, GO ADIOS (by Dick Adios USA); 2nd, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, FLIRTING GUY (by Gyro); 3rd, E. T. Jamieson, THE COLONIAL (by Dale Spring)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, E & Mrs M. Evison, PAGEM (by Ardri); 2nd, N Ingles, COLT (by Pek0)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, Mrs. V. L. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venturew0; 2nd, Mrs. V. L. Saunders, COMPANY LADY (by Gay Venture); 3rd, R. W. Bowen, RAIDET (by Smart Set USA)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Miss C. Taylor, CHERYL MARU (by Te Maru)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, SPEECH (by Gyro); 2nd, W.G. Tweddle, GAY EMMA (by Kudos); 3rd, Mrs Muriel Walsh, FILLY (by Meadow Vance USA)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, Muriel Walsh, FILLY (Meadow Vance USA - Calico)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - 1st, Mr. & Mrs. N. Pattinson, WISE COUNSEL (by Plebe USA); 2nd, F. & K. Abrahams & estate Dr. B. Marks, HOLD UP (by Amorous)

**Grand Champion Stallion:** Mr. Hynes, T. E. McAuley & E. G. Tippet, YOUNG GLOBE.

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** Mrs. V. L. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE

**Reserve Champions:** B. & Mrs I. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING (stallion); Miss C. Taylor, CHERYL MARU (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - Mr. McCauley, E. G. Tippet & T. Hynes, YOUNG GLOBE (by Johnny Globe); 2nd, Mrs. V. L. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); 3rd, B.J. & Mrs I.M. Brock's SHEFFIELD SPRING (by Sheffield Globe)

## “SUN”TROTTERS HCP (2:37+ – \$220 – 11fur 36yds

### First Division

1. R. Cormican & B. Gath's ROYAL DRESS, 48yds (G. Gath)
2. J. Abela's San Adios Report, 36yds (W. Spiteri)
3. G. M. & Mrs J.Hargreaves' True Design, 12yds (G. Hargreaves)

Others: Mooraview Boy (24yds), Carls Pride (24yds), My Command (12yds), Fleur, Cautious Sue, Tweddle Star (12yds)

Margins: 2yds X 10yds Time: 3:12.4 (Mile Rate: 2:15.2)

### Second Division

1. Mrs K. M. Stephens' GOVANVALE, 24yds (G. Gath)
  2. T. A. Campbell's Kywana Blood, 12yds (P. Ward)
  3. G. Gath's Olympic Meadow, 12yds (A. Simons)
- Others: Dickson (12yds), New Medoro, Adios Tip (60yds), Brigitte Brigade (48yds) Red Ron

Margins: 8yds X 2yds Time: 3:07.6 (Mile Rate: 2:12.0)

“HEARNE HCP (2:28 or better) - \$220 – 9fur 134yds

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

### First Division

1. E.J. Schmidt, P. Coates, N.C. & R.A. Cartledge's TYPHOON TIM, 24yds (T. Mahar)
  2. E.J. Frawley & N.Gath's Golden Trudy, front (N.G. Gath)
  3. R. & Mrs. D. Farmer's Flying Proof, 24yds (R. Searby)
- Others: Uncle's Gift, Advance, Fair Direct, Young Honourable (12yds), Magic Turn (12yds), Argyle Queen
- Margins: 2yds X 4yds Time: 2:40.0 (Mile Rate: 2:11.4)

### Second Division

1. Miss C. Taylor's CHERYL MARU, front (E. McClaer)
  2. J.H., J.T & Mrs K.McHugh's Captain Miller, front (N. Wilson)
  3. A. Simons' Melville Sun, front (A. Simons)
- Others: Grand Take (12yds), Servant Lad (12yds), Raiset (12yds), Placid Wah (24yds), Mickey Boy, Hidden Meadow
- Margins: one yd X head Time: 2:44.0 (Mile Rate: 2:16.6)

## Third Division

1. K. Faulds' BLAZING KID, front (K. Faulds)
  2. Mesd. J.Whiteside & D.O'Connor's Myard, 12yds (J. Shelley)
  3. Mrs. E. E. Taylor's Ruisselant, front (N. Welsh)
- Others: Irish Lace 912yds), All Action, Honest Andrew, Servant Prince, Billaire Court (12yds)

Margins: 2yds X head Time: 2:43.0 (Mile Rate: 2:15.8)

TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 8fur 36yds

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1. F.Abrahams & Est. Dr. Marks' GO GUY, front (K. Edwards)
  2. R. & L. Koschel, D. Wastle & G.A. Lang's Natural Star, front (G. Lang)
  3. Mrs. E. E. Taylor's Sea Lord, front (N. Welsh)
- Margins: 2yds X head Time: 2:18.0 (Mile Rate: 2:15.8)

COLES FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – 9 ½ furlongs (mobile)

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

### First Division

1. H. J. Hazelwood's GOLDEN ALLEY, front (G. Rothacker)
  2. I.L. & Mrs A. K. Green's Sematic, front (I. Green)
  3. Mesd. M.Hyett & J.Tweddle's Buck Up, front (G. Lang)
- Others: Valiant Spring, Miss Raidal, Honest Deal, Royal State, The Snob
- Margins: 30yds X one yd Time: 2:31.2 (Mile Rate: 2:07.2)

### Second Division

1. R. & W. Ford's BAR ADIOS, front (R. Ford)
  2. P. A. Harratt's Lord Setay, front (L. Williams)
  3. Mrs. H. Johnstone's Ians Idol, front (L. Turner)
- Others: Son of Ardri, Fair Deed, Fly Fly Bird, Plain Gamble
- Margins: 3yds X 1 1/2yds Time: 2:31.6 (Mile Rate: 2:07.6)

“QANTAS” HCP (2:25 or better) - \$340 – 9fur 134yds

1. Mrs D. J. Tilley's BOUQUETIERE, scr (Bruce Coram)
2. W.T. Rodda's Dale Pronto, 36yds (D. Hoban)

3. J. Tedesco, J. Langrell & S.Santuccione's Miss Bonanza, front (P. Ward)

Others: Editorial, Flying Proof, Dual Action, Volo Rock, Julians Monarch (24yds), Liuttle Moorabool

Margins: one yd X 3yds Time: 2:36.2 (Mile rate: 2:10.2)

**3YO HANDICAP - \$560 (\$280 each div.) – 8fur 36yds**

**First Division**

1. J.R. Matthews, F. & K. Abrahams, Estate Dr. B. Marks' FESTIVE GUY, front (L. Turner)

2. A&T Price, Mrs D. Evans' Miss Olivares, front (J. Lambert)

3. R. Spiteri & C. Cassar's Kito, front (L. Mifsud)

Others: Rangers Design, Ruisselant, Anakie

Margins: 25yds X 5yds Time: 2:11.4 (Mile Rate: 2:09.0)

**Second Division**

1. J.H., J.T. & Mrs K.McHugh's CAPTAIN MILLER, front (N. Welsh)

2. F&K Abrahams, Est Dr. Marks' Instant Way, front (K. Edwards)

3. B.J. & Mrs I. Brock's Sheffield Spring, front (P. Ward)

Others: Agitator, Dustin, Port Action

Margins: 3yds X one yd Time: 2:12.0 (Mile rate: 2:09.6)

**"JOHNNIE WALKER" TROT (2:35) - \$300 – 11fur 36yds**

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**First Division**

1. P. Briggs' AMBER COURT, front (B. Duffy)

2. Mrs. K. M. Stephens' Govanvale, 12yds (A. Gath)

3. F.C. & F.G. Kingston's Grand Set, 36yds (A. Simons)

Others: Volos Choice (24yds), Adios Tip (36yds), Olympic Meadow, Final Call, Kywana Blood (PU)

Margins: 8yds X head Time: xxxx (Mile Rate: 2:11.0)

**Second Division**

1. T & J.Simpson & B.Hogan's MOORAVIEW BOY, front (J. Simpson)

2. G.M. & Mrs. J. Hargreaves' True Design, scr (G. Hargreaves)

3. J. Abela's San Adios Report, front (J. Abela)

Others: Top Ruler (72yds), Red Ron, Dickson, Le Gay (24yds), Johnny Caduca (36yds)

Margins: 8yds X 12yds Time: xxx (Mile Rate: 2:15.3)

**"WEDNESDAY" HANDICAP (2:27+) - \$220 – 8fur 36yds**

**First Division**

1. Mesd. J. Whiteside & D.O'Connor's MYARD, front (J. Shelley)

2. R. W. Bowen's Raiset, front (R. Bowen)

3. W.T. Rodda's Astral Spring, 12yds (D. Hoban)

Others: Nipper Ardri, Mickey Moy, Magic Turn, Toucheval (12yds)

**Second Division**

1. Rockbank Trotting Group's IRISH LACE, front (A. Simons)

2. V.F. Malney's Young Honourable, scr (G. Gath)

3. D. Ryan & J. Jurin's Uncle's Gift, front (K. Hill)

Others: Fair Spring, Cardigan Beach, Bellaire Court, Rich Queen

Margins: one yd X one yd Time: 2:14.0 (Mile Rate: 2:11.6)

**'A.W.A" (2:22 or better) - \$340 – 9fur 134yds**

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1. M.C. & Mrs. L.M. Zenner's TRUE HUNTER, front (J. Glide)

2. Mrs. E. E. Taylor's Sea Lord, front (N. Welsh)

3. E.V. Penrice's Star Stan, 12yds (P. Graydon)

Others: Co Axial (24yds), Palatinus (24yds), Idle Dein

Margins: one yd X 5yds Time: 2:43.0 (Mile Rate: 2:15.8)

**"AUST. WATCHING" (2:26+) - \$220 – 9fur 134yds**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**First Division**

1. J. Tedesco, J. Langrell & S.Santuccione's MISS BONANZA, front (P. Ward)

2. J.H.,J.T. & Mrs K.McHugh's Captain Miller, front (N. Welsh)

3. N.T. & Mrs D.M. Evans Editorial, 12yds (B. McConnell)

Others: Centurian, Astral Spring, Raiset, Regal Red, No Watch

Margins: one yd X 1 1/2yds Time 2:39.8 (Mile Rate: 2:13.2)

**Second Division**

1. C. Berger's SUPER JET, 24yds (C. Berger)

2. H. C. Hill & B.T. Young's Corop Bank, front (B. Gath)

3. A.J. & Mrs L.B. White's Little Moorabool, front (G. Parr)

Others: Reflexion, Typhoon Tim, 12yds (fell), Pedro Prince (fell), Bouquetiere, 24yds (PU)

Margins: 4yds X 4yds Time: 2:42.0 (Mile Rate: 2:13.4)

**TATTS FFA (2:20 or better) - \$420 – 8 furlongs (mobile)**

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1. H.Hazelwood's GOLDEN ALLEY, front (G. Rothacker)

2. E. F. Milne's Royal State, front (A. Simons)

3. G. J. Sexton's Valiant Spring, front (G. Sexton)

Others: Buck Up, Fair Deed, Honest Deal, Honest Reward, lans Idol

Margins: one yd X 5yds Time & Mile rate: 2:03.2

**"HERBERT ADAMS CAKES" HANDICAP (2:21 or better) - \$340 – 9fur 134yds**

1. M. Donaldson, D. B. McGrath & E.T. Stephenson's MUROOMBA, scr (G. Lang)

2. A. & Mrs. D. Simons' Oamaru Prince, 12yds (A. Simons)

3. Mrs. M. J. Belford's Plain Gamble, 12yds (M. Cassar)

Other: Clydesdale (24yds)

Margins: 5yds X 6yds Time: 2:40.8 (Mile Rate: 2:14.0)

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA (2:30) - \$420 – 11 furlongs**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. Mesd. J. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's MIRACLE NOTE, front (J. Shelley)

2. J. T. Slack's My Lesson, front (A. Simons)

3. Mesd. C.Schapke & D.Ashton's Free Portent, front (T. Robertson)

Others: Carl Direct, Torpedo Kid, Lovely Way

Margins: 6yds X one yd Time: 3:00.4 (Mile Rate: 2:11.6)

**"FOUR N TWENTY" TROT (2:33) - \$420 – 11fur 36yds**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. G.W. & F. Frost's GARDEN STAR, 3yds (G. Frost)

2. Mesd. M.Mickan & D.Battye's Roman Watch, 12yds (A. Gath)

3. O.R. & Mrs S.J. Witton's Adios Tip, 12yds (O. Witton)

Others: Grand Set (12yds), Corop Bank (24yds), Money Carter, Brigette Brigade, Havadex, San Adios Report, Johnny Caduca (12yds), Brooklyn Gold (48yds), Volos Choice

Margins: one yd X one yd Time: 3:12.2 (Mile Rate: 2:15.2)

**"WILLS" FFA (2:20 or better) - \$420 – 8 furlongs**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. H. Hazelwood's GOLDEN ALLEY, front (G. Rothacker)

2. R. & W. Ward's Bar Adios, front (R. Ford)

3. Mesd. M.Hickey & K.Ward's Fair Deed, front (A. Ward)

Others: Lord Setay, Bold David, Rhodonite, Valiant Spring, Miss Raidal

Margins: one yd X 5yds Time & Mile Rate: 2:03.6

**Only two drivers at the 1971 Royal Melbourne Show were able to record multiple wins. Gordon Rothacker led with three (3) wins behind Tasmanian champion Golden Alley, George Gath was next with two (2) wins.**

# 1972 Royal Melbourne Show (September 21 - 30)

The popularity of the Show continued its upward trend when at the 1972 Royal Melbourne Show the total attendance topping the 900,000 mark for the first time when 916,730 turned up and the number of entries also reached a record - 30,184. An Historical Horse Parade paying tribute to the founders of the National Agricultural Society.

For the first time well known breeder and owner Ray Heath, a member of the Trotting Control Board acted as judge for the trotting classes.

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision resulting in 19 racing contests seen by the general public (8 - day; 11 - night). Three drivers shared honours with two (2) wins apiece - Dal Fitzpatrick, Glenn Williams and Les Turner.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, Mrs. V. Saunders, GAY BEN (by Gay Venture); 2nd, T. E. & H. Jenkinson, EVEN PROOF (by Hundred Proof USA); 3rd, B. J. & Mrs I. M. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING (by Sheffield Globe)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, J. Morrois, B. Robertson, J. Fitzpatrick & T. Hynes, GO ADIOS (by Dick Adios USA); 2nd, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, EASY GUY (by Gyro)

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, E. G. & Mrs M. J. Evison, PAGEM (by Ardri); 2nd, R. & L. Siebrand, RENLYN'S REVELER (by Gay Reveler USA)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, Mrs. K. Abrahams, COLT (gyro - Wirramirra); 2nd, G. Houkes. COLT 9by Historic Crown)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, Mrs. V. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); 2nd, Mrs. V. saunders, COMPANY LADY (by Geeteevee)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Mrs. P. A. Mullenger's DOMINION LASS (by Free Hall); 2nd, J. Fitzpatrick, PALE VUE (by Dale Spring); 3rd, I. A. McLean, ROWDY GIRL (by Thor Hanover USA)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Mrs. L. P. Fitzgeorge, TANYA DALE (by Dale Spring)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, B. B. Duffy & A. Salvado, FILLY (Royal Dollar - Moomba Princess)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - 1st, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, HOLD UP (by Amorous); 2nd, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, ASSERTIVE (by Hundred Proof USA)

**Grand Champion Stallion:** Mrs. V. Saunders, GAY BEN.

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** Mrs. V. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE.

**Reserve Champions:** T.F. & H. Jenkinson, EVEN PROOF (stallion); F. & K. Abrahams & Dr. B. Marks, HOLD UP (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, B. J. & Mrs. I. M. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING (by Sheffield Globe); 2nd, C. Whatley, YANDO PLATE (by Volo Crown); 3rd, R. & R. L. Greenhalgh, P. Coxon & Mrs L. Duffy, NO WATCH (by Watchman)

## “SUN NEWS PICTORIAL” TROTTERS HANDICAP

**(2:37 or better) – \$220 – 11fur 36yds**

1. L. Shelley, L. Hastings, M. & M. T. Woodruff's PURPLE NOTE, 36yds (J. Shelley)

2. L. Boyd's Scott O'Boxwood, 12yds (B. Gath)

3. N. Clarke's Sister Princess, 72yds (N. Clarke)

Others: Dickson (24yds) (4th), Bold Deed (96yds), Fleur, Barbarella, Brilliant Note (36yds), Gillmoy (36yds)

## “HEARNE PRINTING” HANDICAP (2:28 or better) -

**\$220 – 9fur 134yds**

### First Division

1. G. & W. Gallop's ADOPAL, front (E. Mahar)

2. Need A Dollar, front (R. Patching)

3. B. J. Brennan's Peerless Again, 24yds (B. Brennan)

Others: Easy Guy (4th); Magic Turn (12yds), Vague Lass, Lady Casey, Richard Banook (12yds), Monvar (12yds), Pace Unlimited, Chelsea Quest, Vans Plate, Karen Joy (12yds)

Margins: one yd X 4yds Time: 2:39.4 (Mile Rate: 2:14.0)

### Second Division

2p1. R.Bord & D. Krohn's RHINE VALLEY, front (N.G. Gath)

3p2. A. Simons' Raider Gold, 24yds (L. Harding)

4p3. T. Lacey's Command Spring, 12yds (M. Lacey)

Others: Aslin, Flying Proof (24yds), Ashway (12yds), Danceland, Dum Dum, Rokeby, Idol Miller, Mutaroo

(60yds), Gay Frost (12yds). **True Jan WON but DISQ.**

Margins: 3yds X 5yds Time: 2:40.4 (Mile Rate: 2:13.4)

## TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 8fur 36yds

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. G. & T. McCarthy, J. McCutcheon's CORPORAL DON, front (T. Mahar)

2. D. Hoban's Heritage, front (D. Hoban)

3. R & R Greenhalgh, P. Coxon & Mrs L. Duffy's No Watch, front (Brian Duffy)

Others: Yando Plate (24yds) (4th), Captain Miller, Nokia Chief

Margins: 1 1/2yds X one yd Time: 2:11.8 (MR: 2:08.0)

## COLES FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – 9 ½ furlongs (mobile)

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. B. & Mrs I. Brock's SHEFFIELD SPRING, front (Bruce Clarke)

2. M. Stillard & M. Harland's Nevikier, front (J. Harland)

3. Mrs. E. Taylor's Sea Lord, front (C. Bell)

Others: Captain Bacchus, Marlynnie

Margins: one yd X 5yds Time: 2:33.0 (Mile Rate: 2:09.0)

## “QANTAS” HANDICAP (2:25+) - \$340 – 9fur 134yds

1. D. K. Hoban's HERITAGE, front (D. Hoban)

2. A. Simons' Melville Sun, front (L. Harding)

3. E. Cachia's Idinia Deed, front (N. Welsh)

Others: Jonasville, Regal Red, Captain Miller (fell)

Margins: one yd X 5yds Time: 2:38.0 (Mile Rate: 2:11.8)

## 3YO HANDICAP - \$560 (\$280 each div.) – 8fur 36yds

### First Division

1. L. Taylor's CLICK ADIOS, front (L. Turner)

2. P. Ward & J. Morris' Youcro Bay, 12yds (P. ward)

3. Mr & Mrs. N. Alexander, Mrs M. Dowlsey's Charley

Dee, front (A. Stewart)

Other: Pretty Adios

Margins: 2yds X 15yds Time: 2:15.0 (Mile Rate: 2:12.6)

### Second Division

1. Mrs. J.E. Patching's NEED A DOLLAR, front (R. Patching)

2. G. & A. Mance's Smart Glenfern, front (G. Mance)

3. J. Morris, R. Robertson, T. Hynes & J. Fitzpatrick's Go

Adios, 12yds (P. Ward)

Other: Clianthus

Margins: 5yds X 8yds Time: 2:16.6 (Mile Rate: 2:14.2)

**JOHNNIE WALKER TROT (2:35+) - \$300 – 11fur 36yds**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. B. Lueff & W. Newton's BUNDANOON PRINCE, fr (Glenn Williams)
  2. L. Shelley, L. Hastings, M. & M. Woodruff's Purple Note, 24yds (J. Shelley)
  3. Mrs. T. Howard's Gillmoy, 12yds (A. Moylan)
- Others: Top Ruler (72yds) (4th), Dickson (5th), My Command, Bold Deed (72yds), Fleur, Barbarella  
Margins: 8yds X 2yds Time: 3:04.0 (Mile Rate: 2:11.0)

**"WEDNESDAY" HCP (2:27+) - \$220 – 8fur 36yds**  
**First Division**

1. T. Lacey's COMMAND SPRING, front (M. Lacey)
  2. J. Carroll & G. Moore's Springfield Chief, front (C. Laird)
  3. V. Micallef's Gay Feast, front (A. Mizzi)
- Others: Pace Unlimited (4th), Raider Gold (12yds), Need A Dollar, Kudos Kutie, Selwhisk  
Margins: 1 1/2yds X 6yds Time: 2:12.8 (Mile Rate: 2:10.4)

**Second Division**

1. Mrs. P. Bettess & J. Hamdon's IRISH DERBY, front (B. Duffy)
  2. J. Forster, H & Mrs. V. Tobin's Chelsea Quest, scr (J. Harland)
  3. B. Gath & B. Smith's Monvar, front (B. Gath)
- Others: Romas Son (12yds), Court Command, Rokeby, Karen Joy, Vague Lass  
Margins: one yd X 2yds Time: 2:11.0 (Mile Rate: 2:08.6)

**"A.W.A" HCP (2:22 or better) - \$340 – 9fur 134yds**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. K. Fasham's YANDO PLATE, front (R. Daff)
  2. Mr. & Mrs. R. Conroy's Grand Action, front (A. Sword)
  3. J. Ambrosi & G. Stebbing's Diana Court, front (V. Knight)
- Other: Dale Pronto (12yds)  
Margins: 3yds X half yd Time: 2:38.6 (Mile Rate: 2:12.0)

**'AUST. WATCHING CO" (2:26+) - \$220 – 9fur 134yds**

1. T. Danaher & H. Holmfield's MEET THE BAND, 12yds (L. Turner)
  2. F. Zammit's Billys Image, front (F. Zammit)
  3. B. Brennan's Peerless Again, front (B. Brennan)
- Others: Melville Sun (12yds), Court Command, Kriegie Lass, Command Spring, Charming Monarch  
Margins: 4yds X one yd. Time: 2:38.4 (Mile Rate: 2:11.2)

**TATTS FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – 8 furlongs (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. K. Lee's RHODONITE, front (I.R. Lee)

2. S. & Mrs. G. Cupper's Stormy Day, front (R. Birthisel)
  3. Mesd. M. Stillard & M. Harland's Nevikier, front (J. Harland)
- Others: Captain Bacchus (4th), Sea Lord  
Margins: one yd X one yd Time & Mile Rate: 2:04.4

**"ADAMS PIES" HCP (2:21+ - \$340 – 9fur 134yds**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. C. O'Dwyer's VERA JANE, front (D. Fitzpatrick)
  2. W. Rodda's Dale Pronto, front (D. Hoban)
  3. Rockbank Trotting Group's Irish Lace, front (L. Harding)
- Other: Diana Court  
Margins: 2yds X one yd Time: 2:37.4 (Mile Rate: 2:10.2)

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA (2:34+) - \$420 – 11 furlongs (MS)**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**First Division**

1. Mesd. D. Ashton & C. Schapoke's FREE PORTENT, front (D. Fitzpatrick)
  2. Mr. & Mrs. F. Frost's Garden Star, scr (G. Frost)
  3. A. McIntyre's Bold Deed, front (J. McIntyre)
- Others: Miracle Note (4th), Corop McElwin, My Lesson  
Margins: 4yds X 8yds Time: 3:03.0 (Mile Rate: 2:13.4)

**Second Division**

1. Mrs. C. Pearson's LUCY CLARE, front (M. Bellman)
  2. E. Dove's Just Money, scr
  3. J. Coburn's Petite Polly, front
- Others: Decead (4th)  
Margins: 4yds X 8yds Mile Rate: 2m 13 1/4s

**FOUR N TWENTY TROT HCP (2:33) - \$420 – 11fur 36yds**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. B. Lueff & W. Newton's BUNDANOON PRINCE, front (G. Williams)
  2. J. Flynn's Nageri, 12yds (J. Schishka)
  3. Mrs. A. McIntyre's Bold Deed, 48yds (J. McIntyre)
- Others: Top Ruler (48yds) (4th), Perfect Note (60yds), Brigette Brigade, Miracle Time, Gillmoy, Fleur  
Margins: 15yds X 4yds Time: 3:08.0 (Mile Rate: 2:14.8)

**ESCORT FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – 8 furlongs (mobile)**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. R. & G. Sutton's ALIPES, front (K. Raw)
  2. Mrs. E. Taylor's Sea Lord, front (C. Bell)
  3. R. Davis' Marlynne, front (H. Dove)
- Only starters  
Margins: 20yds X 10yds Time & Mile Rate: 2:04.0



# 1973 Royal Melbourne Show (September 20 - 29)

For only the second time in history the attendance the Royal Melbourne Show topped the 900,000 mark with the 1973 figure of 913,834, less than 3,000 below the record. The number of entries though reached a record 31,385.

The Show marked the jubilee of the first performance of the Victorian Mounted Police Musical Ride, and as a tribute to the Mounties the Society asked that their drum horse, Gendarme, lead the Grand Parade.

Judge Norman Mitchell, one of the R.A.S. nominated members on the inaugural Trotting Control Board, was Chairman from 1953 to 1956 before being elected as President of the Royal Agricultural Society.

Ray Heath returned as judge of the trotting classes and Graeme Cochran was again one of the stewards.

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision resulting in the same number of racing contests seen by the general public (6 - day; 9 - night). The only drivers with multiple wins were Ray Searby with four (4) wins and Kevin Hampton with two (2) wins.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, B. J. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING (by Sheffield Globe); 2nd, Peter Ward, YOUNG GLOBE (by Johnny Globe); 3rd, R. A. & V. L. Saunders, GAY BEN (by Gay Venture)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - no entries

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, NANDINA MASTER (by Frosty Dream USA); 2nd, Mrs A. Hardwick & W. McDougall, MACALI (by Sir Tryax)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, COLT (Gyro - Hold Up)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, R. A. & Mrs V. L. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); L. Hillman, NEAR THING (by Kudos); 3rd, R. W. Bowen & Mrs M. M. Bowen, RAISSET (by Smart Set USA)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, K. & D. Kalalo, QUIZIQUE (by You Crovottie)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Peter Ward, NAWAE (by Kudos); 2nd, L. D. McKibbin, FIRST IMPRESSION (by Spring Clover); 3rd, Mrs M. J. Evison, NARDEM (by Ardri)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, FILLY (Gyro - Queen Bono)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - 1st, F. & K. Abrahams & Estate Dr. B. Marks, CENTRAL BROOK (by Austere)

**Grand Champion Stallion:** B. J. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** R. A. & V. L. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE

**Reserve Champions:** Peter Ward, YOUNG GLOBE (stallion); F. & K. Abrahams & Est Dr. B. Marks, CENTRAL BROOK (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, K. T. & N. M. Higginbotham, FLERSON (by Dick Adios USA); 2nd, Peter Ward, YOUNG GLOBE (by Johnny Globe); 3rd, B. J. Brock, SHEFFIELD SPRING (by Sheffield Globe)

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## “SUN NEWS PICTORIAL” TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:37 or better) – \$220 – 2247 metres

1. Mrs I. J. Lee's OLYMPIC FLASH, front (I. R. Lee)
2. M. Clarke's Milford Joy, front (G. Lang)
3. R. Searby & R. & M. Gibbs' Cautious Sue, 10m (R. Searby)

Others (9 starters): Garron, 40m (4th)

Margins: 1m X 2m Time: 3:24.0 (Mile Rate: 2:26.6)

## “COLES STORES” FREE-FOR-ALL (2:20 or better) - \$420 – 1910 metres (mobile)

1. J. L. McGrath's GREENWALD, front (E. Jennings)
2. L. Bromfield's Valencia Bay, front (K. Hampton)
3. R. & G. Sutton's Alipes, front (K. Raw)

Margins: Head X 3m Time: 2:27.8 (Kilo rate: 1:16.4)

## “HEARNE PRINTING” TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:35 or better) - \$220 – 1934 metres

### First Division

1. R. Cook, B. Burston & A. Adams' MAY'S ANGEL, front (T. Demmler)
2. T. Lacey's Command Spring, 20m
3. R. & G. Sewell & P. Wilson's Typhoon Storm, front

Others: True Jan, front (4th);

Margins: 6m X 3m Time: 2:39.0 (Kilo Rate: 1:22.4)

### Second Division

1. SPRINGFIELD NOTE, 20m (D. Turner)
2. Mrs. I. McCormick's Kito, front
3. A. Stewart's Mexican Rhythm, front

Other: Rockleigh Dancer, front (4th)

Margins: head X 3m Time: 2:27.8 (Kilo Rate: 1:22.5)

## TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 1643 metres

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. Mrs. C. Height's BILLION KARDIAMOND, front (C. Height)
2. R. W. & Mrs M. M. Bowen's Raiset, front
3. R. & R. Greenhalgh, P. Coxon & Mrs L. Duffy's No Watch, front

Margins: 2m X 1m Time: 2:12.1 (Kilo rate: 1:20.5)

## “TUESDAY” HANDICAP (2:25 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres

1. R. & Mrs M. Lewis' OFFICIAL RECEIVER, front (R. Lewis)
2. R. W. & Mrs M. M. Bowen's Raiset, 10m
3. F. Montebello's Alvance, 10m

Others (incl.): Command Spring (4th)

Margins: 1m X 2m Time: 2:38 ½ (Kilo rate: 1:21.7)

## “FORD MOTOR COMPANY” 3YO HANDICAP - \$560 (\$280 each div) – 1643 metres

### First Division

1. A. Minchington & R. Mickan's PENALTY POINT, front (R. Mickan)
2. J. Walsh & M. Rushford's Adios Eagle, front
3. G. Perrett's Five Spots, front

Margins: 20m X 12m Time: 2:16.0 (Kilo rate: 1:22.9)

### Second Division

1. T. & Mrs B. Richards' RASSY RICH, front (N. G. Gath)
2. N. Dyer & R. Ross' Valmerl, front
3. G. B. Wilson's Indiana Al, front

Margins: 6m X 2m Time: 2:19.2 (Kilo rate: 1:22.9)

**“P.C. MILLER” HCP (2:27+) - \$220 – 1643 metres**

**First Division**

1. A. J. Feore & N. Lundee's YOUNG DESTRY, front (R. Searby)
  2. Mrs J. Foster's Tamara Lee, front
  3. R. & Mrs G. Flannery's Court Command, front
- Others (incl.) Dusty May, front (4th)  
Margins and time: not available

**Second Division**

1. J. A. Williamson & D. J. Smith's ROMEO'S GIRL, front (D. Smith)
  2. A. Stewart's Mexican Rhythm, front
  3. K. Brown's Captain Blood, front
- Other: Click Adios, front (4th)  
Margins & time: not available

**“A.W.A DEEP IMAGE” (2:22) - \$340 – 1934 metres**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. F. Montebello's ALVANCE, front (R. Searby)
  2. R. W. & Mrs M. M. Bowen's Raiset, front
  3. J. & E. Gaye's Irish Lace, front
- Margins: 4m X 20m Time: 2:46.6 (Kilo rate: 1:26.0)

**“WORMALD HCP (2:26 or better) - \$340 - 1934 metres**

1. A. J. Feore & N. Lundee's YOUNG DESTRY, front (R. Searby)
  2. M. C. Harland & M. C. Stillard's Pace Unlimited, front
  3. R. & Mrs G. Flannery's Court Command, front
- Others (incl.): Mexican Rhythm (4th)  
Margins: im X half head Time: 2:36.2 (Kilo Rate: 1:20.9)

**“FRIDAY” HCP(2:21 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres**

1. F. Montebello's ALVANCE, front (R. Searby)
  2. R. W. & Mrs M. M. Bowen's Raiset, front
  3. A. Simons' Melville Sun, front
- Other: Dragon Prince, 10m (4th)  
Margins: 2m X 1m Time: 2:38,4 (Kilo Rate: 1:22.0)

**JOHNNIE WALKER TROT (2:35+) - \$300 – 2247 metres**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. J. W. Dowler's RED CARL, 20m (R. Shiers)
  2. C. W. & Mrs M. J. Coulter's Garron, 20m (G. Gath)
  3. M. Clarke's Milford Joy, front (G. Lang)
- Others (8 starters): Dickson (4th)  
Margins: 5m X 1m Time: 3:11.2 (Mile Rate: 2:17.4)

**TATTS FFA (2:20 or better) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. L. Bromfield's VALENCIA BAY, front (K. Hampton)
  2. J. L. McGrath's Greenwald, front (E. Jennings)
  3. R. & G. Sutton's Alipes, front (K. Raw)
- Others (incl.): Rhodonite, (4th)  
Margins: 4m X 20m Time: & Mile Rate: 2:01.6

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA (2:30+) - \$420 – 2210 metres (MS)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. J. Neeson's STORMY MEADOW, front (R. Birthisel)
  2. G & F. Frost's Garden Star, front (G. Frost)
  3. J. S. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's Miracle Time, front (J. Shelley)
- Others: Miracle Time (4th), Just Money (5th)  
Margins: 8m X 3m Time: 2:57.0 (Mile Rate: 2:08.1)

**FOUR N TWENTY TROT (2:33+) - \$420 – 2247 metres**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

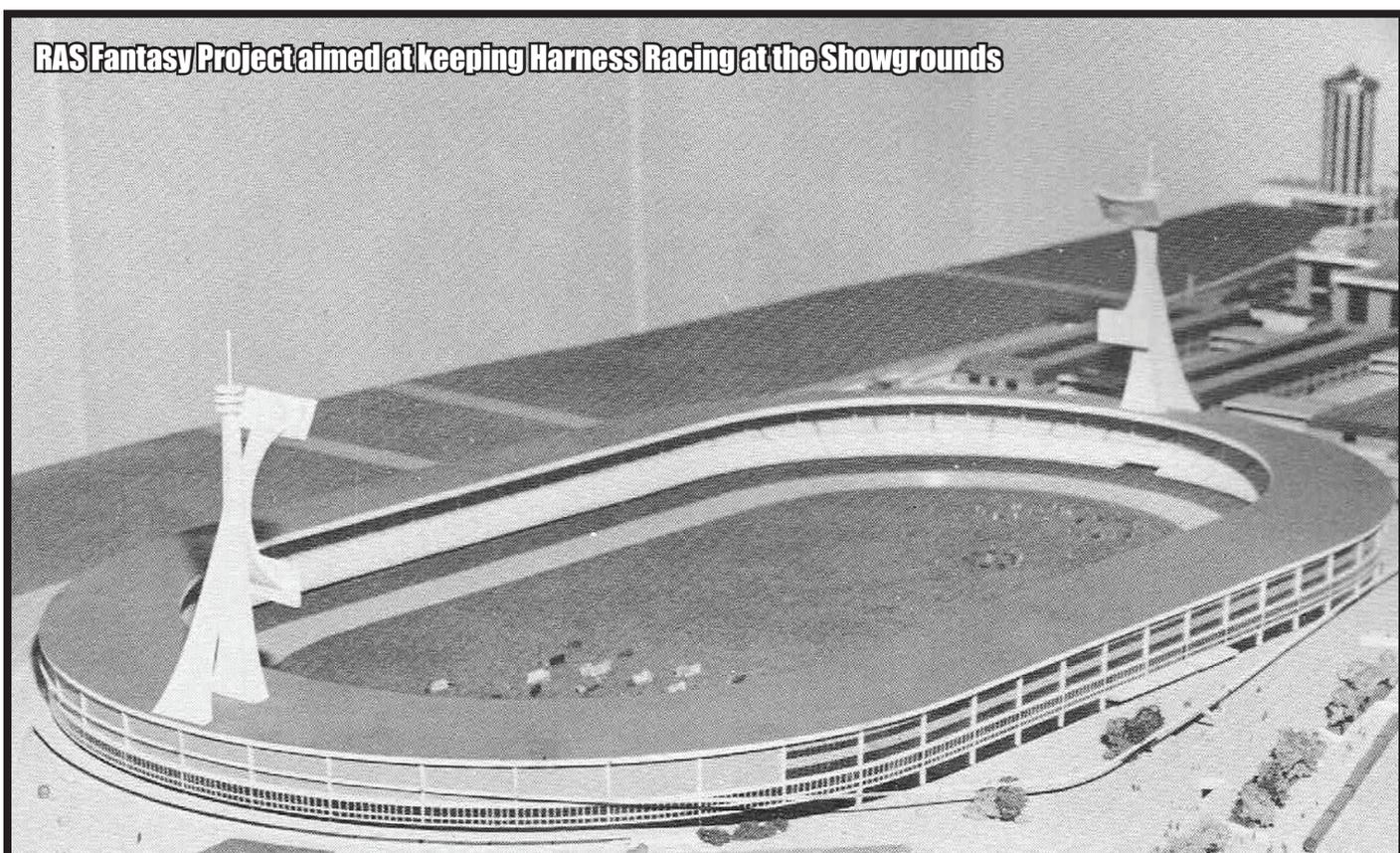
1. Mrs. K. Stephens' GOVANVALE, 10m (C. Evans)
  2. J. & W. Dowler's Red Carl, 10m (R. Shiers)
  3. M. J. & C. W. Coulter's Garron, front (G. Gath)
- Others (7 starters): Officer Jenny, (4th)  
Margins: 5m X head Time: 3:10.2 (Mile Rate: 2:16.0)

**ESCORT FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. L. Bromfield's VALENCIA BAY, front (K. Hampton)
  2. R. & G. Sutton's Alipes, front (K. Raw)
- Only starters  
Margins: won by 1m. Time and mile rate: 2:07.0

**RAS Fantasy Project aimed at keeping Harness Racing at the Showgrounds**



# 1974 Royal Melbourne Show (September 18 - 28)

The weather gods certainly railed against the success of the 1974 Royal Melbourne Show with rainfall recorded on ten of the 11 days resulting in a substantial drop in the total attendance to 777,357. There was no such downturn amongst the entries with a new record of 32,917 achieved.

One of Victoria's leading studmasters, Bill Hanson, owner of "Homevale Stud" was selected to judge the Trotting classes while Clarrie Gebert, a future secretary of the Trotting Control Board, replaced Graeme Cochran as one of the stewards.

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision resulting in 16 racing contests seen by the general public (6 - day; 10 - night). The only drivers with multiple wins were Ted Jennings with three (3) wins and George Gath with two (2) wins.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, C. A. Turner, ST. NICHOLAS (by Gene Direct USA)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Mr. & Mrs. R. A. BENNY TOO (by Gay Ben)

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, T. F. Danaher, COLT (Aachen - Fair Ruler); 2nd, William J. McKibbin, COLT (by Future Intangible); 3rd, William, J. McKibbin, COLT (by Glenfern Kid)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, W. J. Cowan, COLT (Caliburn USA - Adios Step); 2nd I. Daff (by Future Monarch)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); 2nd, B. B. Duffy, TANYA DALE 9by Dale Spring)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, R.W. & Mrs M. M. Bowen, FILLY (Welcome Stranger USA - Yelanak); 2nd, G. A. & Mrs D. Paulden, WEST FOLLIE (by King Creed USA); 3rd, B. B. Duffy, EXCLUSIVE (by Royal Dollar)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, E. T. Jamieson, SUNBURY (by Meadow Lawn); 2nd, L. J. Hillman, FILLY (by Sir Tryax); 3rd, R. B. Mills, FILLY (by Befana Spring)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, B. Burnes, LAI TRYAX (by Sir Tryax); 2nd, E. G. & Mrs M. J. Evison, MARIE TRYAX (by Sir Tryax); 3rd, I. Daff, FILLY (by Bon Adios)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - no eligible entries.

**Grand Champion Stallion:** Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Saunders, BENNY TOO

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE.

**Reserve Champions:** T. Danaher, COLT (Aachen-Fair Ruler) (stallion); E. T. Jamieson, SUNBURY (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, K. T. & N. H. Higginbotham, FLERSON (by Dick Adios USA); 2nd, D. C. Stewart, TOBY TYLER (by Bankruptcy)

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## "SUN NEWS PICTORIAL" TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:37 or better) - \$220 - 11fur 36yds

1. G. Gath's SUTTON MAC, front (G. Gath)
  2. B. Lewis' Milford Joy, front (A. Simons)
  3. R. Searby & R. Gibbs' Cautious Sue, 20m (R. Searby)
- Margins: 25m X 5m Time: 3:10.2 (Mile Rate: 2:15.7)

## HEARNE HCP (2:28 or better) - \$220 - 1934 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

### First Division

1. E. Smith's HARPIST, front (R. Searby)
  2. B. Dove's Moon Fling, front
  3. B. McConnell's Nobility, front
- Margins: 1m X 6m Time: 2m 36.8s (Mile Rate: 1m 21.1s)

### Second Division

1. H. Reynolds & G. Gath's INCA, 10m (N. Gath)
  2. S. Guy's Blue Nook, scr
  3. Mr. & Mrs. Clayton's Parmon, scr
- Margins: 4m X 6m Time: 2m 36.8s Mile Rate: 1m 20.7s

## TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - 1643 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. J. Green's DULCIES STAR, 10m (J. Green)
  2. M. & G. Spiteri's Frayne Again, 10m
  3. J. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's Myzami, front
- Margins: 3m X 3m Time: 2m 9 1/2s (Mile Rate: 1m 18.3s)

## COLES FFA (2:19+) - \$420 - 1934 metres (mobile) \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. J. McGrath's GREENWALD, front (E. Jennings)
  2. T. Utting's Thunderover, front
  3. N. Price & V. Tillett's Annastere, front
- Margins: 6m X 4m Time: 2m 32.8s (Mile Rate: 1m 19s)

## "TUESDAY" HCP (2:25 or better) - \$340 - 1934 metres

1. J. Matthews & D. Tuddenham's MEMENTO, front (L. Turner)
  2. P. McKay's Roseatate, front
  3. E. Smith's Harpist, front
- Margins: 2m X 2m Time: 2m 36s (Mile Rate: 1m 20.7s)

## "FORD" 3YO HANDICAP - \$560 - 1643 metres

1. C. Zahra's YUROKE CHIEF, front (L. Mifsud)
  2. J. Green's Doctor Jekyll, front
  3. J. M. Armstrong's Goulburn Mist, front
- Margins: 2m X 2m Time: 2m 36s (Mile Rate: 1m 20.7s)

## JOHNNIE WALKER TROT (2:35+) - \$300 - 2247 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. G. Gath's SUTTON MAC, 10m (G. Gath)
  2. J. D. Perkins' Derby Royale, 70m (J. Treloar)
  3. B. Lewis' Milford Joy, front (A. Simons)
- Margins: 9m X 25m Time: 3:05.6 (Mile Rate: 2:12.9)

## "P.MILLER" HCP (2:27 or better) - \$220 - 1643 metres

1. R. C. Clayton's PARMON, front (R. Clayton)
  2. S. Guy's Blue Nook, front
  3. E. Luke's Bales, front
- Margins: 1m X head Time: 3m 5.6s (Mile Rate: 1m 24.3s)

## "A.W.A. DEEP IMAGE" (2:22+) - \$340 - 1934 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. R. O'Connell, G. Hansen, K. Morris & R. Hart's SMOKEY RAIDER, front (C. Laird)
  2. A. Stewart's Mexican Shuffle, front
  3. B. Brennan's Peerless Again, front
- Margins: 5m X 10m Time: 2m 38s (Mile Rate: 1m 21.7s)

**“WORMALD INTERNATIONAL SECURITY” HANDICAP  
(2:26 or better) - \$220 – 1934 metres**

1. J. Mahon’s GAME WARRIOR, front (B. McConnell)
  2. L. Taylor’s Click Adios, front
  3. G. Strang’s Secret Time, front
- Margins: 5m X 1 1/2m Time: 2m 38s (Mile Rate: 1m 21.7s)

**TATTERSALLS FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – One mile (MS)  
\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. J. McGrath’s GREENWALD, front (E. Jennings)
  2. T. Utting’s Thunderover, front
  3. J. E. Gay’s Irish Lace, front
- Margins: 8m X 4m Time & Rate: 2m 2.6s

**“FRIDAY” HCP (2:21 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres  
\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. R. O’Connell, G. Hansen, K. Morris & R. Hart’s SMOKEY RAIDER, front (R. O’Connell)
  2. A. Stewart’s Mexican Shuffle, front
  3. R. Gleeson’s Gay Timid, front
- Margins: 1m X 50m Time: 2m 41.1s (Mile rate: 1m 23.3s)

**KIDDELAND TROT FFA (2:34+) - \$420 – 2215 metres (MS)  
\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. G. & F. Frost’s GARDEN STAR, front (G. Frost)
  2. J. & D. Perkins & A. Curtain’s Derby Royale, front (J. Treloar)
  3. J. Shelley, L. Hasting, Mr & Mrs. Woodruff’s Purple Note, front (J. Shelley)
- Margins: 2m X 5m Time: 2:56.1 (Mile Rate: 2:07.8)

**FOUR N TWENTY TROT (2:33+) - \$420 – 2247 metres  
\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. B. & N. Burns’ PRINCE KID, 40m (T. Demmler)
  2. K. Stephen’s Govanvale, 40m (C. Evans)
  3. J. & W. Dowler’s Red Carl, 10m (R. Shiers)
- Margins: 12m X 2m Time: 3:11.0 (Mile Rate: 2:14.1)

**“ESCORT” FFA (2:20+) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)  
\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. J. McGrath’s GREENWALD, front (E. Jennings)
  2. T. Utting’s Thunderover, front
  3. G. Sexton’s Valiant Spring, front
- Margins: 8m X 4m Time & Rate: 2m 3.6s

**NOTE: Greenwald earned \$870 for his three wins**



**GREENWALD - leading stakeswinner at 1974 Royal Melbourne Show**

# 1975 Royal Melbourne Show (September 17 - 27)

The weather for the 1975 Royal Melbourne Show was certainly an improvement on the wet 1974 Carnival and attendance increased from 777,357 to 859,564. There upturn in entries continued with a new record of 33,319.

Ray Heath returned to judge the Trotting classes while Clarrie Gebert, a future secretary of the Trotting Control Board was employed as a steward

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision resulting in the same number of racing contests seen by the general public (6 - day; 9 - night). The only drivers at the 1975 Show with multiple wins were Ray Searby with four (4) wins, with Peter Wells and Jack Shelley with two (2) wins apiece.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, Mr. & Mrs. R. L. Saunders, BENNY TOO (by Gay Ben); 2nd, J. Abela, SAN ADIOS REPORT (by Good Report ITA); 3rd, R. A. & Mrs. V. L. Saunders, GAY BEN (by Gay Venture)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, K. & S. Tuhan, WATCHMAKER (by Minuteman)

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, N. J. Dunne, COLT (Sperry - Lady Adverse); 2nd, Gary Jamieson, COLT (by Sperry); 3rd, K. G. Blatchford & J. Ferlazzo, COLT (by Berra Hanover USA)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, J. Alder, COLT (Flash Flood - Desert Chimes); 2nd, E. G. & Mrs M. J. Evison, WINSTON POWER (by Sir Tryax)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Saunders, SALLY VENTURE (by Gay Venture); 2nd, G. A. & Mrs. D. Paulden, WEST FOLLIE (by King Creed USA)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, R. B. & Mrs L. J. Mills, ELIZABETH SPRING (by Befana Spring); 2nd, Mrs Faye Watson, AZWARBY (by Gyro); 3rd, J. Alder, ALERT LASS (by Derby Rank)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, C. A. & A. P. Robertson, STRUAN LASS (by Johnny Dean); 2nd, D. N. Ross, FILLY (by Thor Hanover USA); 3rd, Mrs. D Alley & D. Hughes, LAI TRYAX (by Sir Tryax)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - no entry

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - 1st, Veritas Holdings, HOLD UP (by Amorous)

**Grand Champion Stallion:** Mr. & Mrs. R. A. Saunders, BENNY TOO

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** R. B. & Mrs. L. J. Mills, ELIZABETH SPRING

**Reserve Champions:** J. Abela, SAN ADIOS REPORT (stallion); Mrs. Faye Watson, AZWARBY (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, R. H. and Mrs A. F. Percy, RAINBOW CIRCLE (by Chief Rainbow USA); 2nd, Miss H. and A. Slee, MERCURY (by Eringa); 3rd, Mrs. Faye Watson, AZWARBY (by Gyro)

## “SUN NEWS PICTORIAL” TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:37 or better) – \$220 – 2247 metres

1. Charmane Group's BUSY BODY, front (B. Shelley)
2. Mrs. B. Lewis' Milford Joy, 10m
3. Mesd. S. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's Miracle Direct, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## HEARNE HCP (2:28 or better) - \$220 – 1934 metres \*\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*\*

1. G. D. Hoban's RICOURT, front (F. Hoban)
2. G. R. Whittle's Accervin, front
3. C. R. Hay's Epping Crown, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 1643 metres \*\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*\*

1. E. Smith, E. Panos & R. Searby's HARPIST, 10m (R. Searby)
2. B. & Mrs W. J. Rose's Bay Bruce, front
3. L. & Mrs. M. Mifsud's Speedy Adios, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## FREE-FOR-ALL (2:19+) - \$420 – 1934 metres (mobile) \*\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*\*

1. Mrs E. E. Taylor's LE RUISSEAU, front (P. Wells)
2. Mrs E. Fairall's Moncheri, front
3. J. W. & Mrs L. Hutton's Ayrleigh Kid, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## “TUESDAY” HANDICAP (2:25+) - \$340 – 1934 metres

1. J. Meehan & K. Brown's SAINT JOCOLIN, front (R. Searby)
2. J. Caligari, D. Russell, R. Wydle, J. McGrath's Mister Spok, front
3. L. & Mrs M. Mifsud's Speedy Adios, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## 3YO HANDICAP (2:30 or better) - \$560 – 1643 metres

1. Mesd. E. Dove & J. Caligari's BON KIWI, front (E. Dove)
2. J. Caligari's Score Derby, front  
Only starters  
Margins & Time not available.

## TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:35+) - \$300 – 2247 metres \*\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*\*

1. Mesd. S. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's MIRACLE DIRECT, front (J. Shelley)
2. Mrs. B. Lewis' Milford Joy, front
3. Mrs. L. Shelley & A. Cooper's Gold Eden, 10m  
Margins & Time not available.

## “WEDNESDAY” HANDICAP (2:27 or better) - \$220 – 1643 metres

1. Mrs. E. E. Taylor's LA SAVANTE, front (P. Wells)
2. C. R. Hay's Rose Beau, front
3. V. Micallef's Memory Lass, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## “A.W.A” HCP (2:22 or better) - \$442 – 1934 metres \*\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*\*

1. B.B. & Mrs L.J. Duffy's TANYA DALE, front (B. Duffy)
2. N.T. & Mrs D. Evans' Press Your Luck, front
3. E. Smith, E. Panos & R. Searby's Harpist, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## WORMALD HCP (2:26 or better) - \$286 – 1934 metres

1. J. Charleston's VAN BEAU, front (J. Charleston)
2. C. Biviano's Sunbury Star, front
3. J. Caligari, D. Russell, R. Wydle, J. McGrath's Mister Spok, 10m  
Margins & Time not available.

**TATTS FFA (2:19 or better) - \$546 – One mile (MS)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. N. T. & Mrs D. M. Evans' EDITORIAL, front (N. Evans)
2. Mrs. E. Fairall's Moncheri, front
3. F. Montebello's Alvance, front  
Margins & Time not available.

**“FRIDAY” HANDICAP (2:21 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres**

1. E. Smith, E. Pavos & R. Searby's HARPIST, front (R. Searby)
2. J. Montebello's Mexican Shuffle, front  
Only starters  
Margins & Time not available.

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA (2:34+) – 2215 metres (MS)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. G. & Mrs F. Frost's GARDEN STAR, front (G. Frost)
2. N. T. & Mrs. D. M. Evans' Brigitte Brigade, front

3. C. Pace's King Report, front  
Margins & Time not available.

**FOUR N TWENTY TROT (2:33+) - \$420 – 2247 metres**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. Mrs L. Shelley & A. Cooper's GOLD EDEN, front (J. Shelley)
2. Mrs B. Lewis' Milford Joy, front
3. G. Sexton & B. Gath's Akenaten, front  
Margins & Time not available.

**“ESCORT” FFA (2:19+) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. F. Montebello's ALVANCE, front (R. Searby)
2. Mrs. E. Fairall's Moncheri, front
3. G. Sexton's Valiant Spring, front  
Margins & Time not available.

## **HARNESS RACING MOVES TO MOONEE VALLEY**

**Riverine Herald (27 December 1946)** - *“Night Trotting Bill has been passed. Meetings will begin at the Showgrounds in August. The Control Board will consist of three representatives of the Royal Agricultural Society, one from the Metropolitan and Country Trotting Association, and one Government nominee.”*

The inaugural Trotting Control Board members were Chairman Alex Hunter (RAS representative), Judge Norman Mitchell (RAS representative), Louis Monod (RAS representative), State Government nominee Laurie Chapman, Bob Freestone (Metropolitan & Country Trotting Association representative). Alan Dunn was appointed as secretary.

**It was announced in 1975 that as the track at the Melbourne Showgrounds was too small to safely accommodate the speed of the modern day standardbred, Metropolitan Harness Racing would move to Moonee Valley where a larger track (965 metres) would be in operation.**

**The RAS Annual Report of 1975** read, *“The Society having been responsible for introducing night trotting to Victoria, by fostering the initial legislation resulting in Trotting Races Act 1946, will now lose the sport to Moonee Valley. The decision was made early in the year when in March the Racing (Further Amendment) Act was spear headed through Parliament by the Minister of Youth, Sport and Recreation, the Hon. Brian Dixon.*

*The decision is a harsh one for the Society which took all the risks in the formative years, and gave every assistance to the newly formed Trotting Control Board in its early years - even to the extent of reducing charges to enable the TCB to become established. Now that night trotting has become the premier night sport entertainment, made possible by the construction of the track and track facilities at the Royal Showgrounds, it appears ludicrous that this now famous arena, with its intimate viewing of the track (built at the request of the Trotting Control Board) should be the main reason for night trotting leaving the Showgrounds.”*

There was an alternate view and it came from a surprising source namely Jack Elliott, who was best known as a Thoroughbred Hall of Fame journalist. However, in the early 1950s Jack also covered Harness Racing (or Trotting as it was then referred to) something that he did not do so willingly. In fact as the years rolled on Jack developed a hatred for the sport something that was embodied in Jack's pronouncement that *“if they ran the Inter Dominion (harness racing's greatest race) through his front yard he would not watch it.”*

Nevertheless Jack surprisingly wrote the following in 1954 when it was mooted that the Trotting Control Board would be paying 2-3rds for a new, yet unbuilt, grandstand. *“Let's get back to the £300,000 (?) grandstand proposition. I have no reason to doubt a statement that two-thirds of the cost will be borne by the T.C.B. Neither the T.C.B. or R.A.S. would confirm. Surely the paying public is entitled to know who is going to spend their money and on what. And it will be public money paid at the turnstiles that will be used for any new stand.*

*The R.A.S. has always been a stone around the neck of the T.C.B. and will continue to be while the Showground is the main trotting track. I have yet to see the R.A.S. give £5,000 for a R.A.S. Cup or Handicap. Under the present control, the T.C.B. is no more a Government constituted body than I am. The R.A.S. controls trotting without the slightest shadow of doubt. Until the T.C.B. can throw off the bonds of the R.A.S. then little will be achieved for the breeder, owner, trainers, drivers or the paying public.*

*For years the Showgrounds was a white elephant. Then the Trotting Control Board was formed and the many useless buildings on the ground glowed from new paint, while new structures sprang up everywhere on waste land. Proceeds from trotting paid the bill.”*

The first meeting at Moonee Valley was held on 30th October 1976. The Showgrounds was phased out, the last full metropolitan class meeting being held on 20th December 1980. Later a final farewell in the form of a TAB restricted class meeting was held 22nd September 1998.

# 1976 Royal Melbourne Show (September 15 - 26)

Drought conditions in the early months of 1976 had officials worried about the attendance and entries. The attendance was down slightly to 847,761, however, the entries registered a new record - 35,145.

Royal Melbourne Showgrounds based horseman Les Turner returned to judge the Trotting classes while Clarrie Gebert, a future secretary of the Trotting Control Board was again employed as a steward

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed for decision - one was abandoned due to weather - resulting in fifteen (15) racing contests seen by the general public (7 - day; 8 - night). The only drivers at the 1976 Show with multiple wins were Kevin Murray with three (3) wins, all behind Yallara, and Ray Searby with two (2) victories.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, A. Abela, SAN ADIOS REPORT (by Good Report ITA); 2nd, A. Mifsud, SON OF JACKAVIN (by Jackavin USA); 3rd, B. B. Duffy, DELS ADVICE (by Delvin Dancer)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Mrs N. J. & Miss H. Calder, CORRECT CHOICE (by Trio's Choice)

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - 1st, J. Patten, GYRATE (by Gyracus); 2nd, Mrs M. J. Evison, WINSTON POWER (by Sir Tryax); 3rd, B. B. Duffy, KING OF THE GLEN (by Jungle Law)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, A. Mifsud, COLT (Speedy Adios - Grand Take); 2nd, I. Daff, COLT (by Tarport King USA); 3rd, I. Daff, COLT (by Berry Hanover USA)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, B. B. Duffy, TANYA DALE (by Dale Spring); 2nd, R. B. & Mrs L. T. Mills, ELIZABETH SPRING (by Befana Spring)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Estate S. S. Moulton, MISS HILLANDALE (by Hundred Proof USA); 2nd, C. A. & A. R. Robertson, STRUAN LASS (by Johnny Dean)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, R. Else, MARSHA NEPTUNE (by Holly Sand USA); 2nd, J. patten, FLUTE (by Gyracus); 3rd, Veritas Holdings, FILLY (by Honest Master USA)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - Mrs. M. J. Evison, FILLY (Sir Tryax - Saucy Bonnie); 2nd, R. B. & Mrs L. T. FILLY (by Tarport Kid USA); 3rd, J. Patten, FILLY (by gyracus)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - no entries

**Grand Champion Stallion:** A. Abela, SAN ADIOS REPORT

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** Estate S. S. Moulton, MISS HILLANDALE

**Reserve Champions:** J. Patten, GYRATE (stallion); B. B. Duffy, TANYA DALE (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, A. Abela, SAN ADIOS REPORT (by Good Report ITA); 2nd, Estate S. S. Moulton, MISS HILLANDALE (by Hundred Proof USA); 3rd, Miss H. & A. Slee, MERCURY (by Eringa)

## “SUN NEWS PICTORIAL” TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:37 or better) – \$220 – 2247 metres

1. Ashland Farm Group's MIGHTY MILLER, front (N. Evans)
  2. J. Shelly, M. Cooper, J & M. Fladgate's Crescendo, front (J. Shelley)
  3. J. Kelly's Mel Derby, front (T. Demmler)
- Margins: Head X 6m Time: 3:10.2 (Mile rate: 2:16.2)

## HEARNE HCP (2:28 or better) - \$220 – 1934 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

### First Division

1. Mrs. A. Junor's BIT OF IRISH, front (R. Junor)
2. Mrs. D. M. Simons' Minute Smoke, front (A. Simons)

3. V. Attard's Go Ardri, front (W. Attard)  
Margins: 1m X 1m Time: 2:38.5 (Mile Rate: 2:12.2)

### Second Division:

1. Mesd. C. Cronan, L. Browning, D. McDonald & E. O'Kane's EL MAGNIFICO, front (N. Welsh)
  2. D. Meredith's Dixie Don, front (D. Meredith)
  3. R. Blackmore's Nandina Wren, front (R. Searby)
- Margins: 3m X 2m Time: 2:39.2 (Mile Rate: 2:12.8)

## TCB HCP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 1643 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. Mrs. B. L. Parish's TYPHOON LESA, front (M. Parish)
  2. A. Simons' Daywin, front (A. Simons)
  3. R. & Mrs M. Lewis' Official Receiver, front (D. Pike)
- Margins: 1 1/2m X head Time: 2:14.9 (Mile Rate: 2:12.8)



EL MAGNIFICO

**FREE-FOR-ALL (2:19) - \$420 – 1934 metres (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. Mrs P. C. Murray's YALLARA, front (K. Murray)
  2. Willray, front (J. Shelley)
  3. J.S. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's Myzami, front (B. Shelley)
- Margins: 1 1/2m X head Time: 2:31.5 (Mile Rate 2:06.3)

**TUESDAY HANDICAP (2:25+) - \$340 – 1934 metres**

1. L. & Mrs. M. Mifsud's SPEEDY ADIOS, 10m (A. Mifsud)
  2. R. Searby's Taravin, front (R. Searby)
  3. N. & Mrs J. Brooke's Vendors Boy, front (G. Senior)
- Margins: 5m X 7m Time: 2:37.8 (Mile Rate: 2:10.8)

**3YO HANDICAP (2:30 or better) - \$280 – 1643 metres**

1. T.P. Lacey & \* B.L. Mathieson's MINSTREL MAN, front (A. Moylan)
  2. J. & J. C. Collins' Leopard Lad, front (J. Collins)
  3. K. R. Trembath's Irish Dancer, front (R. Trembath)
- Margins: 12m X 5m Time: 2:12.5 (Mile Rate: 2:10.0)

**TROTTERS HCP (2:35 or better) - \$300 – 2247 metres**

1. J. Montebello's BIRRIWELL, front (R. Searby)
  2. Mesd. J. Shelley & A. Cooper's Gold Eden, 30m (B. Shelley)
  3. G. Callick & P. Hargreaves' Cattle King, fr (B. Blenheim)
- Margins: 3m X 4m Time: 3:14.0 (Mile Rate: 2:17.7)

**"WEDNESDAY" HANDICAP (2:27 or better) - \$220 – 1643 metres**

1. C. Busuttill & F. Buhagier's MINUTEBANK, front (B. Shelley)
  2. E. R. Carr's Costlys Daughter, front (E. Carr)
  3. Mrs. A. Junor's Bit Of Irish, front (R. Junor)
- Margins: neck X 15m Time: 2:13.8 (Mile Rate: 2:11.31)

**WORMALD HCP (2:26 or better) - \$286 – 1934 metres**

1. "Mr. Newboy's" HALF A CENT, front (G. Conroy)
2. B. Hunter's Hanover Johnny, front (K. Innes)

3. C. Busuttill & F. Buhagier's MINUTEBANK, front (B. Shelley)
- Margins: 4m X 1m Time: 2:40.3 (Mile Rate: 2:13.4)

**TATTS FFA (2:19 or better) - \$546 – One mile (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. Mrs. P. C. Murray's YALLARA, front (K. Murray)
  2. J.S. Whiteside & D. O'Connor's Myzami, front (J. Shelley)
  3. R. S. & Mrs. H. M. Smith's Willray, front (B. Shelley)
- Margins: 1 1/2m X 8m Time & Mile Rate: 2:06.5

**"FRIDAY" HCP (2:21 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres**

1. N. Cogger's INTREPID PRINCE, front (R. Demmler)
  2. Mrs N. Shinn's Merron Carlotta, front (N. Shinn)
  3. Celtic Group's Amber Monarch, front (F. Clohesy)
- Margins: 4m X 1m Time: 2:34.8 (Mile Rate: 2:09.1)

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA (2:34+) – 2215 metres (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. F. W. Graydon's BILLY ROYAL, front (G. Lang)
  2. G. & F. Frost's Garden Star, front (G. Frost)
  3. C. Pace's King Report, front (R. Searby)
- Margins: 1m X 10m Time: 2:58.3 (Mile Rate: 2:09.9)

**FOUR N TWENTY" TROT (2:33+) - \$240 – 2247 metres**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

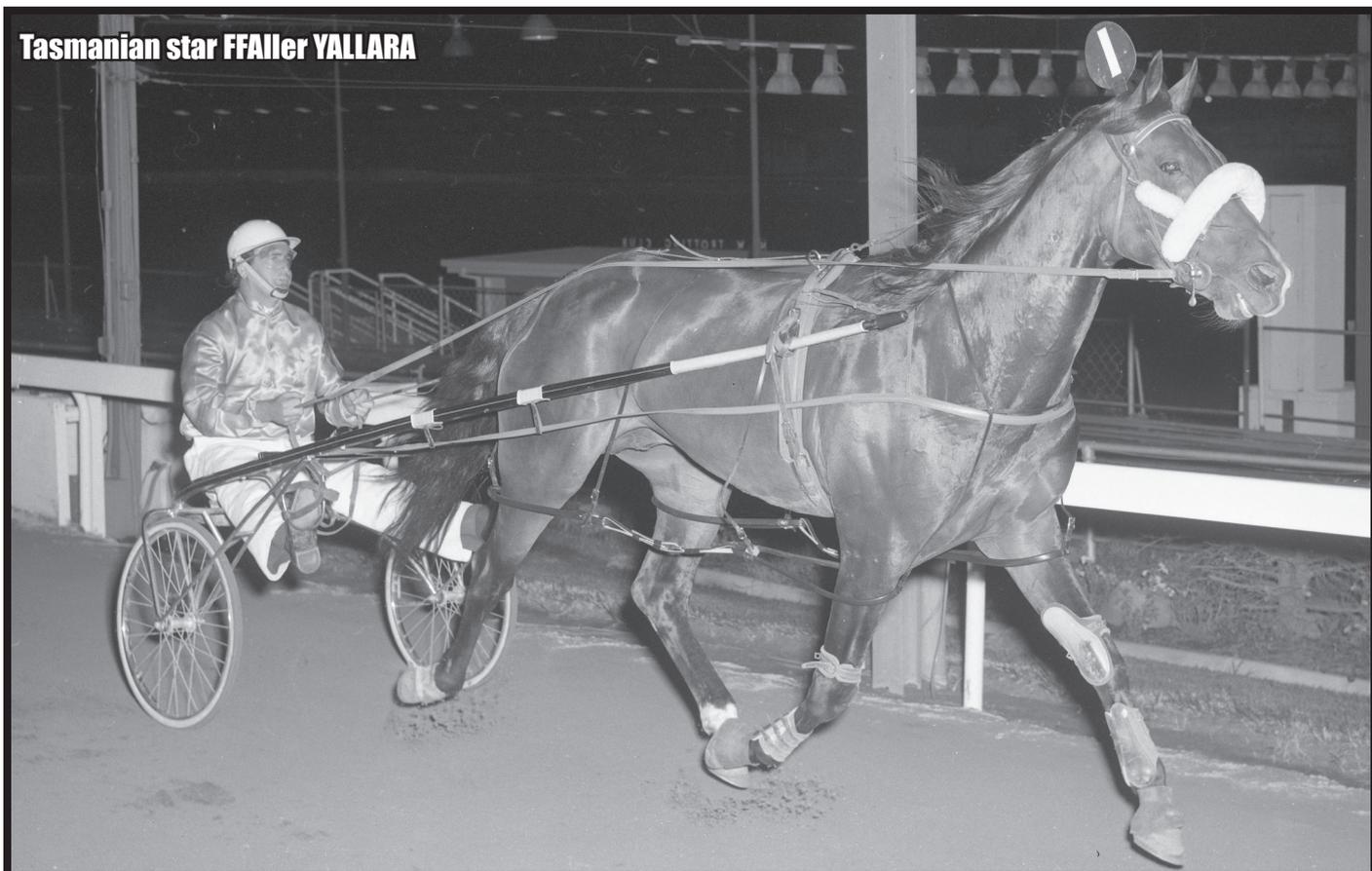
1. J. Montebello's BIRRIWELL, front (R. Searby)
  2. Asland Farm Group's Mighty Miller, front (N. Evans)
  3. Dr. M. & Mrs K. Hartnett's Kazibob, front (K. Innes)
- Margins: 10m X 2m Time: 3:13.2 (Mile Rate: 2:18.8)

**"ESCORT" FFA (2:19+) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)**

**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. Mrs P. C. Murray's YALLARA, front (K. Murray)
  2. M. W. & G. Spiteri's Frayne Again, front (W. Spiteri)
  3. R. S. & Mrs H. M. Smith's Willray, front (R. O'Connell)
- Margins: 4m X 1 1/2m Time & Mile Rate: 2:04.8

**Tasmanian star FFaller YALLARA**



# 1977 Royal Melbourne Show (September 14 - 25)

The attendance at the 1977 Royal Melbourne Show attracted an attendance of 873,532 and while that was an increase on the previous year, officials were disappointed as 1976 suffered through inclement weather. Entries were again represented a record, increasing to 35,987 (752 more than previous record).

Ray Heath returned to judge the Trotting classes while Clarrie Gebert, a future secretary of the Trotting Control Board was again employed as a steward. There was a dramatic decrease in entries for the breeding classes which coincided with the decision to move metropolitan Harness Racing from the Showgrounds to Moonee Valley.

In the arena, fifteen (15) races were programmed and raced for the general public to view (8 - day; 7 - night). The only drivers at the 1977 Show with multiple wins were Robbie O'Connell with three (3) wins, with Neville Welsh and Dick Bengner with two (2) victories apiece.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer** - 1st, L. G. Wilson, BALMERE PRINCE (by Adroit)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - no entry

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - no entry

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, J. Patten, COLT (Gyracus - Jessie Stanton)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, G. A. & Mrs D. M. Paulden, WEST FOLLIE (by King Creed USA); 2nd, Miss H. Selby & A. Slee's VETSHE (by Bobby Logan); 3rd, Estate S. S. Moulton, MISS HILLANDALE (by Hundred Proof USA)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, R. B. & Mrs L. Mills, ELEANOR NEPTUNE (by Scotch Luck USA)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, R. N. Doodt, VANITY SILVER (by Bert Hanover USA)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, R. B. & Mrs L. T. Mills, FILLY (Speed Supreme USA - Strann Lady)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - No award

**Grand Champion Stallion:** L. G. Wilson, BALMERE PRINCE

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** R. N. Doodt, VANITY SILVER

**Reserve Champions:** none awarded (stallion); S. S. Moulton, MISS HILLANDALE (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, Miss H. & A. Slee, MERCURY (by Eringa); 2nd, Estate S. S. Moulton, MISS HILLANDALE (by Hundred Proof USA); 3rd, R. B. & Mrs L. T. Mills, ELEANOR NEPTUNE (by Scotch Luck USA)

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## “SUN TROT HCP (2:37 or better) – \$220 – 2247 metres

1. D. Macumber, R. Taylor & R. O'Connell's JAYLEX, 40m (R. O'Connell)

2. N. Welsh & Miss D. Watson's Watsons Hope, 20m (N. Welsh)

3. J. L. Charleston's Roley Glenfern, 10m (J. Charleston)  
Margins: 4m X 10m Time: 3:38.4 (Mile rate: 2:16.0)

## “HEARNE HCP (2:28 or better) - \$220 – 1934 metres

1. R. Spicer & W. Carr's HIGH DON, front (C. Jones)

2. W. Danson's Zemindar, scr (Annetto Mifsud)

3. Comanche Syndicate's General Law, front (S. Clohesy)

Margins: neck X 4m Time: 2:39.8 (Mile Rate: 2:12.6)

## TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 1643 metres

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. R. & B. O'Connell & B. D'Elton's KALDY BOY, front (R. O'Connell)

2. J. L. Charleston's Vanbeau, front (J. Charleston)

3. Myard, 10m (R. Thomson)

Margins: 6m X 2m Time: 2:14.5 (Mile rate: 2:12.2)

## FREE-FOR-ALL (2:19+) - \$420 – 1934 metres (mobile)

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. L. Pascoe's HEPZABAH, front (R. Bengner)

2. C. Zollo's Aarons First, front (B. Shelley)

3. M. W. & G. Spiteri's Frayne Again, front (W. Spiteri)

Margins: 4m X 9m Time: 2:30.2 (Mile rate: 2:05.0)

## “TUESDAY” HCP (2:25 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres

1. Mesd. D. Demmler & V. J. Gray's TUFFARIN, scr (T. Demmler)

2. P. A. & Mrs B. A. Nicholson's Clyde Hanover, scr (D. Rigby)

3. A. & Mrs M. Sultana's Bra Win, front (A. Sultana)

Margins: 4m X 2m Time: 2:50.0 (Mile Rate: 2:20.3)

## 3YO HANDICAP - \$560 (\$280 each div) – 1643 metres

1. F. R. Miller's RICHMOND TOOLAIN, 10m (N. Welsh)

2. R. Hale & Mesd. M. Riley & J. Robertson's Carmena, front (Annetto Mifsud)

3. E. Jepson's Temora Monarch, front (R. Bowen)

Margins: 4m X 2m Time: 2:11.5 (Mile Rate: 2:09.1)

## TROTTERS HANDICAP (2:35+) - \$300 – 2247 metres

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. D. Macumber, R. Taylor & R. O'Connell's JAYLEX, 20m (R. O'Connell)

2. N. Welsh & Miss D. Watson's Watsons Hope, front (R. Cachia)

3. J. L. Charleston's Roley Glenfern, front (J. Charleston)

Margins: 3m X half head Time: 3:15.5 (Mile rate: 2:17.9)

## WEDNESDAY HCP (2:27+) - \$220 – 1643 metres

1. P.J. Norman, R. Andrews, B. Irvine & Mrs. B. O'Brien's ANIO, front (G. Senior)

2. W. Danson's Zemindar, front (Annetto Mifsud)

3. F. Briggs & Mrs C. Fitzpatrick's Little Annie, front

No Margins or Time available

## “A.W.A” HCP (2:22 or better) - \$442 – 1934 metres

1. D. J. Ritchie & B. Mcnamara's BRER RABBIT, front (Don Ritchie)

2. R.J. & Mrs C. J. Clayton's Our Chapel, front

3. K. Roberts, J. Duffy, K. Fletcher & A. McGillivray's Geoff Dollar, front

No Margins or Time available

## “WORMALD HCP (2:26 or better) - \$286 – 1934 metres

1. Mrs. F. Cameron's HEROIC REIGNS, front (R. Searby)

2. J. & Mrs I. Hutton's Ayrleigh Thor, front (J. Hutton)

3. C. M. & K. A. Timmons' Sir Glenfern, front

No Margins or Time available

**TATTS FFA (2:19 or better) - \$452 – One mile (mobile)**  
**\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

1. C. Zollo's AARONS FIRST, front (B. Shelley)
  2. M. W. & G. Spiteri's Frayne Again, front
  3. F. Montebello's Alvance, front
- No Margins or Time available

**"FRIDAY" HCP (2:21 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres**

1. Mesd. J. Jackson & J. Welsh's TACT COMMAND, front (N. Welsh)
  2. K. Roberts, J. Duffy, K. Fletcher & A. McGillivray's Geoff Dollar, front
- Only starters  
No Margins or Time available

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA - \$546 – 2150 metres (MS)**

- \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***
1. F. W. Graydon's BILLY ROYAL, scr (G. Lang)
  2. G. & F. Frost's Garden Star, front

3. Mrs. M. R. Belnheim's Cattle King, front
- No Margins or Time available

**ESCORT" FFA (2:19+) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)**

- \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***
1. L. Pascoe's HEPZABAH, front (R. Bengier)
  2. M. W. & G. Spiteri's Frayne Again, front (W. Spiteri)
  3. C. Zollo's Aarons First, front (B. Shelley)
- No Margins or Time available

**"FOUR N TWENTY" TROT HCP - \$420 - 2247 metres**

- \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***
1. Ashland Farm Group's MIGHTY MILLER, front (N. Evans)
  2. D. Macumber, R. Taylor & R. O'Connell's Jaylex, 20m (R. O'Connell)
  3. J. L. Charleston's Roley Glenfern, front
- No Margins or Time available



**H. R. H. Princess Alexandra opens the 1978 Royal Melbourne Show (below); 19 years after as a young Princess she opened the 1959 Royal Melbourne Show (see left)**



## 1978 Royal Melbourne Show (September 20 - 30)

The attendance at the 1978 Royal Melbourne Show was expected to create a new record with an extra session but series of cool nights saw night time crowds well down resulting in an overall attendance of 862,296. Entries were boosted significantly by 3,320 over the 1977 record, the final tally coming in at 39,217.

The Show was opened by H.R.H. Princess Alexandra which was the second time she had done so, the previous time when she was a young Princess Alexandra of Kent in 1959.

"Homevale Stud" proprietor Bill Hanson replaced Ray Heath as judge of the Trotting classes.

In the arena, unfortunately the results of all races were unavailable due to the Ian McEwen (see page 229), however of the confirmed race results Graham Frost and Noel Shinn took driving honours win two wins apiece.

**Stallion (driven) square-gaited or pacer-** 1st, B. & P. Overall, TIMELY BOY (by Timely Knight USA); 2nd, R. H. Pooles' SMOKEYS CHOICE (by Summerhill); 3rd, Mrs. J. Alder, GET CRACKING (by Rapid Gold)

**Trotting Colt, Three-Years-Old (led)** - Mrs U. Clarke, REALLY SPECIAL (by Time Honored USA); 2nd, Mrs. U. Clarke, MY BOY BILL (by Michael Hanover USA); 3rd, B. Porter, SUPERIOR (by Superior Deed)

**Trotting Colt, Two-years-old (led)** - Mrs. U. Clarke, COLT (Sydney James - Baby Rhinegold); 2nd, Veritas Holdings, COLT (by Encore Lobell USA)

**Trotting Colt, One-year-old (led)** - 1st, J. P. Mangan, COLT (Gyracus - Vera Cruise)

**Trotting Mare (led)** - 1st, R. A. & V. L. Saunders, KERRIES DELIGHT (by Gay Ben); 2nd, Miss H. Selby & A. Slee, VETSHE (by Bobby Logan)

**Trotting Filly, Three-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, B. & Mrs L. Skinner, FILLY (by Sebastian); 2nd, R. Doodt, VANITY SILVER (by Bert Hanover USA); 3rd, Mrs J. D. Moulton, J. Patterson & C. Eden, FILLY (by Speedy Chase USA)

**Trotting Filly Two-Years-Old (led)** - 1st, Veritas Holdings, SAUCY SMILE (by Frosty Dream USA); 2nd, B. & Mrs L. Skinner, FILLY (by Delvin Dancer); 3rd, Misses D. & S. Yeomans, FILLY (by Toliver Hanover USA)

**Trotting Filly, One-Year-Old (led)** - 1st, B. & Mrs. L. Skinner, FILLY (by Golden Kenny USA); 2nd, Mrs. E. A. Richmond, FILLY (by Tarport Skipper USA); 3rd, M. F. Blackmore, FILLY (by Sperry)

**Trotting Broodmare (Foaled or in foal)** - Mrs U. Clarke, BABY RHINEGOLD (by Adios Cloud); 2nd, Mrs J. Alder, ALERT LASS (by Derby Rank)

**Grand Champion Stallion:** L. G. Wilson, BALMERE PRINCE

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** Veritas Holdings, SAUCY SMILE

**Reserve Champions:** B. & P. Overall, TIMELY BOY (stallion); B. & Mrs L. Skinner, FY (Sebastian - Seventh Star) (mare)

**Trotting Turnout** - 1st, R. H. Poole's, SMOKEYS CHOICE (by Summerhill); 2nd, Mrs J. Alder, GET CRACKING (by Rapid Gold); 3rd, Mrs. J. D. Moulton, J. Patterson & C. Eden, FILLY (by Speedy Chase USA)



**“SUN” TROTTERS HCP (2:37+) – \$220 – 2247 metres**

1. A. White & W. G. Lees’ SHAFT, 10m (J. Glide)
  2. G. & F. Frost’s Tallegalla Terror, front (G. Frost)
  3. L. & Mrs. D. L. Schmedje’s Harmela, front (J. Paton)
- Margins: 1 1/2m X neck Mile Rate: 2:16.0

**“A.W.A” HCP (2:22 or better) - \$442 – 1934 metres**

1. N.T. & Mrs D.M. Evans’ KILLIN TIME, scr (N. Shinn)
2. L. Shelley & A. Cooper’s All Hallows, front (B. Shelley)
3. B. McLennan, P. Leed & R. Goring’s Bert Adios, 10m (B. McKenna)

Margins: 2m X 10m Mile Rate: 2:14.0

**TCB HANDICAP (2:24 or better) - \$320 – 1643 metres**

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. L. Shelley & A. Cooper’s ALL HALLOWS, front (J. Shelley)
2. Mrs. A. K. Francis & J. Beitzel’s Atlantic Lee, front (R. Francis)

3. C. Zollo’s Aarons First, 50m (B. Shelley)

Margins: half head X 3m Mile Rate: 2:14.0

**FREE-FOR-ALL (2:19+) - \$420 – 1934 metres (mobile)**

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. W. J. McKibbin’s MAC ADIOS, front (R. Cachia)
2. C. Zollo’s Aarons First, front (B. Shelley)

Only starters

Margins: Won by 2m Mile rate: 2:10.2

“TUESDAY” HANDICAP (2:25 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres.

No result found

3YO HANDICAP (2:30 or better) - \$560 (\$280 each div) – 1643 metres

No result found

**TROTTERS HCP (2:35 or better) - \$300 – 2247 metres**

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\* 26/9

1. Ashland Farm Group’s MIGHTY MILLER, 40m (N. Evans)
2. G. & F. Frost’s Tallegalla Terror, front (G. Frost)

3. R. W. J. Croghan’s Strong Flex, 40m (J. Paton)

Margins: 4m X 1 1/2m Mile Rate: 2:15.0

WEDNESDAY HCP (2:27 or better) - \$220 – 1643 metres

No result found

HEARNE HCP (2:28 or better) - \$220 – 1934 metres

No result found

WORMALD HCP (2:26 or better) - \$286 – 1934 metres

No result found

TATTERSALLS FFA (2:19) - \$546 – One mile (mobile) 28

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

No result found

“FRIDAY” HCP (2:21 or better) - \$340 – 1934 metres 29/9

No result found

**KIDDIELAND TROT FFA - \$546 – 2215 metres (mobile)**

29/9\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. G. & F. Frost’s GARDEN STAR, front (G. Frost)

2. J. Flynn’s Nageri, front (R. Kuchenmeister)

3. R. W. J. Croghan’s Strong Flex, front (J. Paton)

Others: 6m X 2m Mile Rate: 2:11.5

**FOUR N TWENTY TROT (2:33+) - \$420 – 2247 metres**

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. G. & F. Frost’s GARDEN STAR, 60m (G. Frost)

2. N. Welsh & Miss D. Watson’s Watsons Hope, 20m (N. Welsh)

3. G. Gath’s Sutton Mac, front (N. G. Gath)

Margins: 2m X 8m Mile Rate: 2:14.7

**WILLS FFA (2:19 or better) - \$420 – One mile (mobile)**

\*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*

1. M., W. & G. Spiteri’s FRAYNE AGAIN, front (R. Bengier)

2. W. J. McKibbin’s Mac Adios, front (N. Welsh)

3. S. Brain’s Freedom Day, front (K. Murray)

Margins: 2m X 3m Time & Mile Rate: 2:07.7

**SPECIAL NOTE: If anyone can supply results of the other races please email [johnpeck@optusnet.com.au](mailto:johnpeck@optusnet.com.au) so this publication can be updated.**



# 1979 Royal Melbourne Show (September 19 - 29)

Renowned horseman Les Turner was once again seconded to judge the trotting classes.

In the arena, unfortunately there are no verified results due to former HRV Chairman Ian McEwen (see below) and the fact that neither "The Age", "The Sun" nor even the National Trotting Weekly published results of trotting and pacing races at the 1979 Royal Melbourne Show. Results below, as mentioned earlier, are unverified.

**Grand Champion Stallion:** R. Pooles, SMOKEY'S CHOICE (by Gay Ben)

**Grand Champion Trotting Mare:** Miss T. Nicholson, GRAND GIFT (by Dale's Gift)

**Reserve Champion (Stallion):** W. R. & Mrs J. L. Feiss, GO NORTH (by North Pole USA)

**Reserve Champion (Mare):** J. C. Bechaz, MAKAMINT (by Dale Spring)

## **SUN TROTTERS HCP (2:37+) - \$300 - 2247 metres (unverified result) 21/9**

1. FIELDER HALL, 40m (L. James)
2. Tallegalla Terror, 10m (Graham Frost)
3. Heytesbury Glen, front (E. James)

Margins: 2 metres X one metre Mile Rate: 2m 19.1s

## **"A.W.A." HANDICAP (2:28+) - \$300 - 1934 metres 21/9 \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**(unverified result)**

1. FROSTY CHIEF, front (Gordon Turner)
2. Mighty Miller, 10m (Neil Evans)
3. El Cabello, 20m (Gerald Shinn)

Margins: 5 metres X 3 metres Mile Rate: 2m 13.1s

"TROTTING CONTROL BOARD" HANDICAP (2:26 or better) - \$350 - 1643 metres 22/9 night

No result found

"WEDNESDAY" HCP (2:27 or better) - \$300 - 1934 metres 26/9

No result found

HEARNE 3YO HANDICAP (2:30 or better) - \$650 - 1643 metres 26/9 night

No result found

"WORMALD HCP (2:27 or better) - \$300 - 1934 metres 27/9

No result found

## **TATTERSALLS) HCP (2:24+) - \$350 - 2247 metres 27/9 \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**(unverified result)**

1. CHAPEL CHASER, 10m (Graeme Lang)

2. Minute Smoke, front

3. Sunset Command, front

Margins:

"FRIDAY" HCP (2:28 or better) - \$300 - 2247 metres 28/9

No result found

## **KIDDIELAND TROT HCP (2:35 +) - \$350 - 2247 metres 28/9 \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**(unverified result)**

1. MILLIER, 30m (Don Dove)
2. Lord Tassie, 40m (Rod Demmler)
3. Tallegalla Terror, front (Graham Frost)

Margins: 3 metres X 12 metres Mile Rate: 2m 16.6secs

## **FOUR N TWENTY TROT HCP (2:37+) - \$300 - 2247 metres \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\*29/9**

**(unverified result)**

1. TALLEGALLA TERROR, 10m (Graham Frost)
2. Bromarch, 60m (Eric Bickerdike)
3. Malua Bay, front (Don Dove)

Margins: half head X 8yds Mile Rate: 2m 20.2secs

## **WILLS HCP (2:27 or better) - \$300 - 1934 metres 29/9 \*\*\*\*NIGHT\*\*\*\***

**(unverified result)**

1. GLENWOOD BAY, 10m (Gary Daff)
2. History Maker, 50m (Bruce Blenheim)
3. Locelan Beaux, front (Ray Searby)

Margins: 2 metres X 4.5 metres Mile Rate: 2m 13s

**SPECIAL NOTE: If anyone can verify above results or just as importantly supply results of the other races please email [johnpeck@optusnet.com.au](mailto:johnpeck@optusnet.com.au)**

## The Destructive Legacy of Ignorance

As will be quickly noticed the results for 1978 are incomplete and so far as 1979 is concerned they are not only incomplete but the results listed are unverifiable and may indeed be incorrect.

**The fact that these results are incomplete is totally due to the ignorance of the importance of historical paper records that were never computerised before being discarded.**

From 1994 to 2000 out went (1) all official HRV race results (2) all HRV show results (3) all HRV assessment cards (4) all HRV form cards (5) all HRV files on registered persons that would detail christian names and addresses (6) Peter Bye's invaluable form cards that dated back to 1953 (7) 90% of a library purchased for \$10,000 in 1986 (8) two file cabinets full of photographs (9) race and HRV steward patrol films dating back to the 1960s.

It was simply a case of history repeating itself for when John Wren's Victorian Trotting and Racing Association ceded control of trotting to the Trotting Control Board in 1947 only a portion of its official records arrived at the TCB's offices at the Royal Melbourne Showgrounds, something that Hall of Famer Sir Gilbert Dyett (VTRA secretary) later regretted.

Fortunately the Royal Agricultural Society has created an infinitely interesting Heritage website containing the majority of Royal Show catalogues that allow trotting researchers not only to locate some of the trotting information that disappeared in 1947, but also a plethora of information on the names and addresses of exhibitors and details of exhibited animals back to 1871 for social researchers.