

**Submission  
No 36**

## **INQUIRY INTO PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP ROSEHILL RACECOURSE**

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Dear Committee,

I make this submission as a member of the Australian Turf Club (#604842) and as a registered owner of racehorses.

The opportunity that the potential redevelopment of Rosehill Gardens racecourse provides for the long-term benefit of racing in NSW, and, providing a significant residential development, being of such State significance should be determined by the elected representatives and not undermined by the self-interest of some within the Racing Industry.

It is appreciated that the Registered Clubs Act requires a vote of members on the core assets. The vote will be determined by those approximate 10,000 members that vote on the question before them. Regardless of the outcome of the vote, such a life altering decision for the many that could benefit by low-cost and essential worker accommodation, should be carefully considered by Government,

The vocal protests from within the Racing Industry on a yet to be determined proposal and outcome, have no interest in those that could benefit from affordable housing and even the financial security of the Racing Industry. The vitriol that has been levelled at those, the Directors of the ATC, which have a responsibility to the members and good corporate governance to consider and present such a strategic plan, smacks of self-interest and long-term antipathy.

Some that have been the most vocal against the proposal have done very well out of the Racing Industry.

The Committee should consider the self-interest of those opposed, to as yet, a concept proposal.

I thank the Committee for the opportunity to express my thoughts and hope that the best interests of the people of NSW and the future of a major Industry are carefully considered.

Yours sincerely,

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