

**Submission
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INQUIRY INTO PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP ROSEHILL RACECOURSE

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I wish to voice, briefly but in the strongest possible terms, my opposition to the sale of Rosehill Racecourse. While I fully realise there is a housing crisis in Sydney, this is not a practical or a sensible answer. It doesn't even make sense in economic terms.

As someone who worked in the thoroughbred breeding industry for nearly 40 years, 21 of those spent at Woodlands Stud during the Inghams' tenure and 10 years in the development stages of Newgate Farm, I know what an iconic venue this is for both breeders and race goers.

Golden Slipper Day is one of the most important days on the racing calendar and the history and tradition of this occasion at Rosehill should be continued and protected as should all the other iconic meetings on this track.

For someone like myself with a mild disability, the Rosehill venue has no equal in terms of being a practical, enjoyable and immersive race day experience. Once in the stands everything is right before you. As for the cost of closing Rosehill and building an entirely new venue – this appears to me to be a ridiculous waste of money and probably, in the end, an unattainable and exorbitantly expensive pipedream.

The initial lack of transparency is of grave concern and the outcome, should Rosehill be sold, of even greater concern.

Yours sincerely,

Nicola Cramsie,