VICTORIAN HARNESS RACING SPORTS CLUB

President's Report 2020

I would like to welcome everyone to our 65th AGM of the VHRC to report on the progress of the club for the 2019-20 season.

2020 wasn't quite the year we anticipated due to the Covid 19 pandemic. We were however able to run 63 bonus races and Zoom allowed us to continue to run our monthly happy hour functions, which were well supported by our members.

During Covid19 lockdown our Club has been working diligently on the new website vhrc.org.au and new online member database. Rob and Kelly have done a wonderful job in getting it up and running.

Our new VHRC members development project continues to progress well. Discussions are currently occurring with Government. We are aiming to commence development sometime in mid 2021.

Rob has been working hard to bring in new sponsors and with the Club will be offering up to $900K in financial benefits at 26 Super Bonus race meetings throughout the season. We hope to increase our membership base considerably with the new Super Bonus races.

The Caduceus Club elected to disband as a Club at their recent AGM. In order that the Caduceus name would continue, the VHRC has joined forces with the Caduceus Social Committee. As a result, all members will have the opportunity to be part of all social activities, which include monthly lunches, dinners and some major events.

HRV have been fantastic in their support of the Club and I would like to thank Dayle Brown, Andrew English and their staff.

The Committee have been working tirelessly in trying to achieve the best for its members and I thank them for the wonderful support they have given me.

To the committee, Rob and Kelly, I thank you all so much for your contributions as it makes my job so much easier.

To the members that have passed away during the year, we hope their time as a member of the VHRC was a memorable and enjoyable one.

Thank you for continuing to support this great club and I'm sure that there will be exciting times ahead.

Emmy Mazzetti
President