Media Release

The Hon Anthony Carbines MP Minister for Police Minister for Crime Prevention Minister for Racing



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KILMORE GALLOPS AHEAD WITH NEW RACETRACK FACILITIES

Kilmore racing participants and trainers have a new, safe and modern barn and tie-up stalls thanks to a major investment from the Allan Labor Government.

Minister for Racing Anthony Carbines today visited Kilmore Racecourse to unveil the completed project, which also includes a veterinary area, wash bays, an indoor parade ring and a dedicated area for trainers.

The Government provided more than \$2.2 million from its Victorian Racing Industry Fund to support the project.

Kilmore Racing Club also contributed more than \$1.6 million, with Racing Victoria and Harness Racing Victoria providing \$400,000 and \$200,000 respectively – bringing the total value of the project to more than \$4.4 million.

The modern facilities will provide additional weather protection, particularly during race meetings in the colder months between April and September.

Designed with extra wide internal pathways to ensure sulkies can pass side by side safely, the new barn is ensuring best practice is maintained for the safety of drivers and horses.

Since 2014, the Government has provided more than \$4.6 million to support racing events and infrastructure projects at the Kilmore Racecourse.

The horse racing industry in the Hume region generates \$206 million for the Victorian economy and helps sustain more than 1,600 full-time equivalent jobs locally.

Quotes attributable to Minister for Racing Anthony Carbines

"These new facilities will provide extra protection for trainers and racehorses, particularly during race meetings in winter."

"We're proud to invest in these upgrades which are incredibly valuable for regional racing, the dozens of trainers and the 140 horses based at Kilmore."

Quotes attributable to Kilmore Racing Club Chairman Ian Wood

"We thank the Victorian Government for its significant investment in our new barn and tie up stables. This investment has allowed us to construct the modern infrastructure necessary to accommodate our horses and trainers."

"These facilities will prove immensely valuable both during race meetings and for those in training here at Kilmore."

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