



Is Aftercare the Real Ethics test for Racing?

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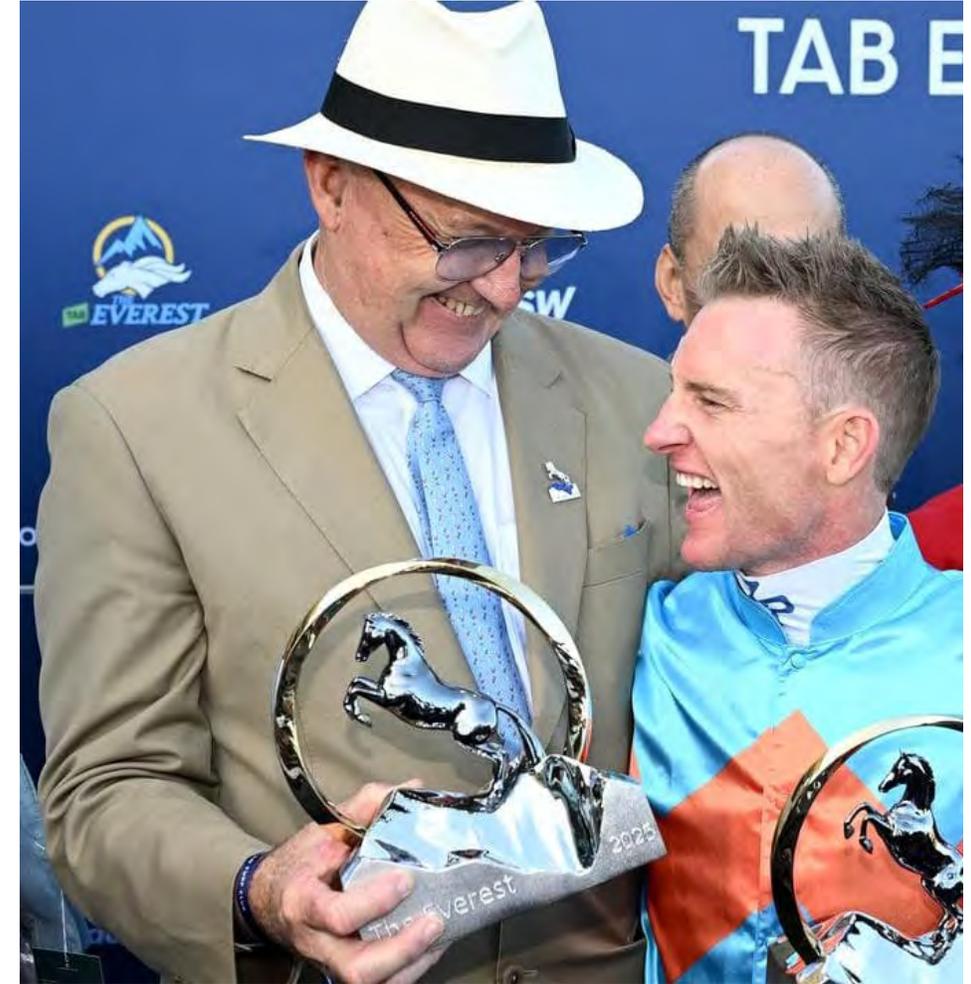
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What
happens
to the
horses?



HEROES AND STORIES



FROM WELFARE TO ETHICS



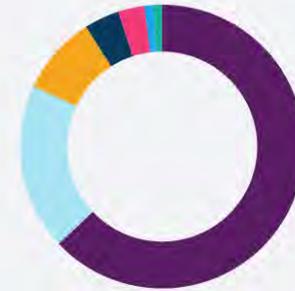
SCALE REQUIRES SYSTEMS



FROM INTENTION TO ACTION



RETIREMENT PATHWAY FOR HORSES IN TRAINING 2023/2024



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|-------------------|-----|
| Equestrian | 63% |
| Breeding | 19% |
| Non-Equestrian | 9% |
| Assisted Rehoming | 4% |
| Private Sale | 3% |
| Auction | 1% |
| Other | 1% |

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AFTERCARE DELIVERS CREDIBILITY



THE AFTERCARE TOOLKIT

1. Lifecycle
Management

2. Transitioning
Strategies

3. Safety Net

4. Therapy &
Community
Engagement

5. Thoroughbred
Advocacy

6. Networking



FIVE DOMAINS

BEHAVIOUR

Able to express natural and rewarding behaviours.

NUTRITION

Enough water and food.
Balanced and varied diet.



MENTAL OR AFFECTIVE STATE

Comfortable in environment. Sociable contact and bonding with other animals. Close bond between horse and human.

HEALTH

Healthy and fit.
Injuries appropriately treated.

ENVIRONMENTAL

Physical environment comfortable and pleasant.

WHEN THOROUGHBREDS THRIVE, RACING THRIVES





AFTERCARE AS A
BUSINESS
PRACTICE

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THANK YOU



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