



Media Release

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CANDIDATES SOUGHT FOR AUSTRALIAN TURF CLUB BOARD

Expressions of interest are invited from persons wanting to be considered for appointment as independent directors of the Australian Turf Club (ATC), Minister for Racing Troy Grant said.

Mr Grant said the terms of office of three independent directors on the ATC board - Laurie Macri, John Camilleri, and Mark McInnes - expire on 31 January 2015, with Mr McInnes' role currently vacant following his resignation earlier this year.

"Expressions of interest are now open until Sunday 5 October 2014 to fill these three independent positions on the ATC board for a period of up to four years," Mr Grant said.

"A selection panel will be formed and assisted by a probity advisor to recommend the best candidates based on merit and in accordance with the eligibility and skills-based criteria prescribed in the *Australian Jockey and Sydney Turf Clubs Merger Act 2010*.

"Candidates are required to have experience in a senior administrative role or experience at a senior level in business, finance, law, marketing, technology, commerce, regulatory administration or regulatory enforcement.

"Appointment will be chosen on merit based on a candidate's abilities, qualifications, experience and personal qualities that are relevant to the performance of the duties of a director of the ATC.

"Successful EOIs will progress to interviews in October followed by probity checks with the chosen applicants to be announced mid December 2014.

"Once chosen, the three independent directors will sit alongside four other club appointed directors on the seven member ATC board."

Mr Grant said it was an exciting time to be involved in racing in NSW.

"The Australian Turf Club is the premier Sydney thoroughbred racing club," Mr Grant said.

"The Australian Jockey Club and Sydney Turf Club have a long and proud history and their coming together to form the ATC was a significant event in the history of racing in NSW.

"The redevelopment of Royal Randwick and imminent upgrade Rosehill Gardens racecourses has been further strengthened by the injection of The Championships as part of Sydney's Autumn Racing Carnival.

“Next year will see horses from across the state participate in The Championships, Australia’s racing grand final series.

“Talented individuals wanting to make their mark and play a key role in helping assist the future growth of NSW’s racing industry should definitely consider applying.”

Expressions of interest for the independent directors’ positions on the ATC can be made in writing, clearly marked private and confidential, to:

**The Coordinating Officer
ATC Independent Director Appointments
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