



THE QUEENSLAND OFF-THE-TRACK PROGRAM

ESTABLISHED TO SUPPORT A HIGH QUALITY
FIRST TRANSITION FOR STANDARDBRED AND
THOROUGHBRED HORSES FROM RACING AND
BREEDING ACTIVITIES TO RETIREMENT.



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QOTT GRANTS PROGRAM

The QOTT Grants Program supports not-for-profit organisations, charities, businesses and QOTT Acknowledged Retrainers that provide equine retraining or rehabilitation services, or second careers for retired racehorses, including as therapy horses.

The funding benefits retired racehorses that have transitioned from the racing industry into the domestic horse community.

QOTT CLUBHOUSE AND NEW OTT OWNER WELCOME PACK

The QOTT Clubhouse provides support, and opportunities to connect, for owners of retired racehorses in Queensland. Members have access to accredited education courses and seminars, competitions and discounts thanks to QOTT Clubhouse partners.

The Clubhouse, as part of QOTT's ongoing commitment to improve data collection and close the knowledge gap on the ownership and location of former racehorses in Queensland, incentivises owners to register their retired racehorses with QOTT.

Additionally, QOTT Clubhouse members who own an eligible retired racehorse can apply for a New OTT Owner Welcome Pack containing an equine care package worth over \$600.00.

QOTT NUTRITION EDUCATION HUB

The QOTT Nutrition Education Hub has been established to educate owners on the optimal nutritional management of retired racehorses.

The partnership between QOTT and Equilize Horse Nutrition focusses on the importance of understanding the nutritional requirements of retired racehorses through a range of free education resources, including informative and easy to understand equine nutrition videos, digital e-books and live Q&A webinars presented by world renowned equine nutrition specialist, Dr Nerida McGilchrist.

QOTT PARTNERSHIP WITH SAVE A HORSE AUSTRALIA

The QOTT Program has partnered with Save A Horse Australia to establish a formal safety net for retired racehorses in Queensland.

The partnership supports SAHA to take in vulnerable and neglected former racehorses into their care at their horse rescue and rehabilitation sanctuary located in Beaudesert, Queensland.

The partnership established a formal safety net for retired racehorses that have left the racing industry and become vulnerable at later stages of their lives, by supporting the work SAHA does for horses in need, and allowing for future expansion around the number of retired racehorses that can be supported by SAHA.

QOTT PREMIUM EVENT PARTNERSHIPS

Driving demand for retired racehorses in alternative careers in their post-racing lives is a key principle underpinning the QOTT Program and its premium event partnerships.

QOTT's premium event partnerships have been established to create exciting competitive opportunities, with significant prizemoney available, for those who invest in the retraining of retired racehorses for horse sport or equestrian disciplines.

QOTT's two premium event partnerships with Magic Millions and the Royal Queensland Show are exclusively for retired racehorses, with each competition held annually.

ACKNOWLEDGED RETRAINERS PROGRAM

The Acknowledged Retrainers Program assists racing owners and trainers with the placement of retired racehorses into second careers.

The program supports a network of QOTT Acknowledged Retrainers, who have been identified as having the appropriate skill, experience and track record in successfully retraining and rehoming retired racehorses.

QOTT Acknowledged Retrainers are a vital component in supporting retired racehorses in gaining the necessary skills and experiences needed to transition from racing to their second careers as pleasure, therapy or performance horses.

With proven ability to responsibly rehome horses at the end of the retraining process, QOTT Acknowledged Retrainers can assist prospective buyers in selection of a retired racehorse that is suitable for their experience level and intended use.

SUBSIDISED LESSONS PROGRAM

The Subsidised Lessons Program is an initiative to support retired racehorses as they transition from the racing industry into the domestic horse community.

The program enables owners and riders of retired racehorses to receive instruction and tailored support across a range of areas including feeding and nutrition, horse care and husbandry, groundwork, behaviour and ridden components.

Approved participants are eligible for up to 10 individual lessons of up to 45 minutes in duration with an Equestrian Australia Accredited QOTT Approved Coach.

EVENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

The Event Sponsorship Program is an initiative to drive demand and create more competition opportunities for retired racehorses.

The program supports horse sport clubs and equestrian organisations throughout Queensland to provide events, and create competition opportunities, for retired racehorses.

The program also sponsors aftercare clinics, which promote best practice equine welfare, aftercare education, and horsemanship to support owners and riders of retired racehorses.

QOTT EDUCATION PROGRAM

The QOTT Education Program is an online resource that promotes racehorse aftercare and best practice equine welfare by providing free education material to owners, riders and carers of retired racehorses.

The program also assists racing industry owners, breeders and trainers to prepare racehorse retirement plans by providing information on responsible rehoming practices and steps that can be taken to ensure that racehorses are best placed for future success in their new homes.

ON-SITE HUMANE EUTHANASIA PROGRAM (OHEP)

The OHEP supports the provision of appropriate end-of-life care for eligible retired racehorses in circumstances where the attending veterinarian considers euthanasia to be the most appropriate course of action and the owner(s) of the horse are unable to afford veterinary euthanasia services.

In such circumstances, the OHEP enables veterinarians who provide euthanasia services to seek reimbursement, up to a prescribed amount, for eligible euthanasia expenses for eligible horses.

In supporting the provision of on-site end-of-life care in such cases, the OHEP also aims to reduce the incidence of retired racehorses being sent to saleyards or abattoirs/knackeries in circumstances where, in the opinion of the attending veterinarian, on-site euthanasia at the horse's usual location would provide a better welfare outcome for the horse.