



The campdrafting season is well under way with drafts running at full capacity. At the recent management committee 2 day meeting in Roma numerous topics were discussed and headway made on progressing the organisation. One particular topic was the restricting of nominations by Committees. It is the desire of the management committee to leave this up to each individual committee as they should know best what works in their area. With that being said it would be hoped that each and every committee was aiming to give as many ACA members a run as possible by using the restrictions that are designed to help them.

It was very disappointing recently to learn that the proposed exemption for campdrafts in QLD from gaining liquor licenses was defeated in state parliament. If committees are unsure on what they are required to do for their event they should contact the QGAP or local government office in their area for information.

Some members may be glad to hear of the official Government Inquiry into the Hendra vaccine. Submissions will be heard from all corners from Vets, Zoetis, horse pleasure and performance associations and horse owners. We will endeavour to keep members updated with any outcomes from the inquiry. In the meantime the ACA policy is the same as it has been as explained by Sean in the last magazine. The register of merit and certificate of achievement awards have been bought up to date recently with many competitors horses receiving these in the mail soon. Bundarra committee are well underway finalising plans for this year's finals. I wish the committee all the best for the event and hope to catch up with many members during the draft. Once again thanks go to the ACA sponsors as well as local sponsors that help make the finals a success. I am pleased to announce that Clermont have been allocated to host the ACA National Finals for 2017. We hope to see another top class event there next April.

The next scheduled management committee meeting is in August at Brisbane. The AGM for this year will be held during the Paradise Lagoons campdraft, date and time will be posted on website and in the next ACA news.

Until next time, happy campdrafting.  
Thanks,

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