



# Sport Integrity – Racing as the Frontrunner

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Back to the Future – The evolution and challenges in building an effective integrity regime in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.



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# Traditional Role of Stewards

*Myers v Casey – detectives, accusers, prosecutors and judges.*

*Calvin v Carr – Affirmed the decisions in Myers v Casey Stewards acting under the Rules of Racing under this process will be accepted.*

*Riley v Racing Appeals Tribunal & Ors – “Enquiries will have to be taken in circumstances of urgency. ..adherence to legal niceties is likely to prove an impediment....”*



# Disciplinary process

- Racing Appeals and Disciplinary Board created in Victoria – 2004.
- RAD Board originating jurisdiction for serious offences.
- How does the RAD Board operate?



# Disciplinary process

- In a report on the Integrity Assurance in the Victorian Racing Industry 2008, conducted by Judge Gordon Lewis, he reviewed the operation of the Racing Victoria RADB and found the “RAD Board has been universally praised during this consultation process.”
- Judge Lewis further commented on the effectiveness of the RADB:
  - Provides a means of speedy disposal of appeals or matters that it hears as part of its original jurisdiction. The average time between lodging of an appeal and the hearing is three days.
  - Has effectively reduced the hearings conducted by RAT to a trickle.
  - Has effectively done away with stays, sometimes lengthy, previously granted to appellants in thoroughbred racing, while an appropriate date for hearing was being agreed upon.



# Control Room

- The Control Room pilot program has now been in operation for the past twelve months and is staffed by betting analysts, form analysts, and stewards who have access via the latest technology to monitor betting patterns and historical race archives, speed maps, real time Stewards' patrol and commercial race vision.
- How does it operate?



# Control Room

Remote room of analysts with direct connectivity to the on-course Stewards' room

Providing the following:

- Betting information – on-course bookmakers, tote, Betfair and corporate bookmakers
- Speed maps
- Historical race data
- Real time race analysis to assist on-course Stewards





# Control Room

- Information related to the betting assists in identifying:
  - Horses for sampling selection
  - Questionable rides quickly
  - Line of questioning related to tactics adopted by jockeys



# Law enforcement authorities

- Relationship with law enforcement authorities.
  - Information sharing
  - Conducting investigations into the Rules of Racing where a criminal investigation is on foot.

*Should the Stewards wait for completion of the police investigation and any subsequent proceedings before the courts?*

- Recent case – BC3 thoroughbreds



# Law enforcement authorities

- Are there impediments to the exchange of information – between racing authorities and law enforcement bodies.
  - *Telecommunications (Interception and Access) Act 1979 (Cth)*
  - *Crimes Act 1958 (Vic)*
- Can they be overcome?



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