



NEW SOUTH WALES HARNESS RACING CLUB LTD.

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## NSWHRC TO CELEBRATE THE DAWN OF TROTTING

### **THIS FRIDAY NIGHT MARKS THE BICENTENARY OF THE FIRST TROTTING RACE IN AUSTRALIA.**

In O'Hara's History Of NSW, it is written that the first trotting race in Australia was conducted at a fair at Parramatta on April 30, 1810, which went the way of the then famous, Miss Kitty.

The event conducted at a fair named the Parramatta Pageant also featured a match race between two gallopers, Belfast and the appropriately named Parramatta which duly won.

Recorded in O'Hara... "A Trotting race succeeded when the famous Miss Kitty was victorious, going over the ground in a style scarcely to be surpassed by some of the finest trotters in England." ...thus the dawn of the spectacle of harness racing.

To mark the occasion, the NSW Harness Racing Club will be offering plenty of giveaways at their 10 for 30 meeting this Friday night at Harold Park.

The first 200 people through the gates will be given an extra \$10 of Harold Park money to spend on food and beverage. At the 10 for 30 meetings, patrons pay \$10 and receive \$30 worth of Harold Park money.

Also, five \$200 TAB betting vouchers through a website promotion conducted by Harness Racing NSW are being offered to celebrate the occasion. For your chance to win go to [www.hrnsw.com.au](http://www.hrnsw.com.au) and complete the details or enter at the track on Friday. Winners will be drawn on Tuesday 4 May, 2010. Plus, all patrons that attend Friday night will receive a \$6 discount voucher, courtesy of the TAB.

First race is at 6:30pm with the feature event being the Spotpress Miss Kitty Bicentenary Cup.



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