

## **Inter Dominion hosts agree to prizemoney structure until 2020**

Harness Racing Victoria today announced prizemoney for the 2018 Inter Dominion (ID) series of races.

For pacers, the prizemoney will be distributed across three rounds of three heats (\$30,000 per heat), a \$50,000 Consolation Final and a \$500,000 Group 1 Grand Final, while for trotters there will be three rounds of two trotting heats (\$20,000 a heat) and a \$150,000 Group 1 Grand Final.

Harness Racing New South Wales and Harness Racing New Zealand confirmed the same prizemoney for Inter Dominion finals over the following two years.

The ID hosts acknowledged the importance of maintaining the Inter Dominion's position as Australasia's premier harness racing series, while also committing to a financially sustainable model that ensures its survival.

Speaking on behalf of the ID hosts, HRV CEO David Martin said: "By working together we have ensured the future for the Inter Dominion series at a level that the three jurisdictions can afford.

"The Inter Dominion brand and tradition is an essential part of the Australasian harness racing industry. Our collaboration means we can all continue to celebrate our champions and feature their battles to hold the illustrious title of Inter Dominion champion.

"From the first night of heats this year on 1 December through to the final on 15 December, HRV will deliver an event that re-engages past trots-lovers and attracts new fans to our international sport."

For the first time in 10 years Victoria will host the Inter Dominion, with both trotters and pacers being featured.

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