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STALLION STATION NAMED AS CHARIOTS SPONSOR

REVOLUTIONARY BREEDING ESTABLISHMENT THE STALLION STATION, HAS BEEN NAMED AS THE 2008 CHARIOTS OF FIRE SPONSOR.

Stud principle Gary Lyons and the NSW Harness Racing Club have come to an exciting agreement for the \$200,000 feature, which will be run on August 29 at Harold Park.

"It is very exciting to be sponsoring a race such as the Chariots Of Fire, which holds a lot of prestige," Lyons said.

"We are very proud to have secured the naming rights to the race.

"This is the commencement of what hopefully will be a long and fruitful relationship between our Club and The Stallion Station," NSWHRC Chief Executive, John Dumesny continued.

"The Stallion Station are forward thinkers and are one of the leading forces which will take our industry to the next level in the future.

"It is apt that one of the Stallion Station's lead sires is the mighty racehorse Courage Under Fire, who is now a top sire."

Keen interest will surround the Chariots Of Fire, which is known as Australasia's pinnacle four-year-old event, for a number of reasons.

Australia's pin-up pacer Lombo Pocket Watch will be the headline act of the race and is likely to be one of the first invited to contest the Stallion Station Chariots Of Fire.

Victory this Saturday night at Newcastle should make an invite a mere formality.

Secondly, it will be the first time in two years the Chariots Of Fire is run, with last year's edition being cancelled due to the equine influenza outbreak.

The build-up to the Stallion Station Chariots Of Fire will commence this week and continue on August 15 and 22, with the running of the traditional two qualifying races – the Paleface Adios and Hondo Grattan Sprints.

The first two in each race automatically qualify for a spot in the Chariots Of Fire.



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