

Racing takes off

By LEIGH BOTTRELL

A SPECIALIST residential, training stable, and veterinary hospital development planned for Goulburn Racecourse will provide around 70 full-time jobs when completed.

This complex, on the corner of Racecourse Drive and Taralga Road, will be an important component of an ambitious hoped-for upgrade and expansion of the track and its facilities.

It will be built on a 12-block subdivision with direct access to the racetrack, as well as Racecourse Drive.

The land was bought late last year from

Stable, vet hospital brings jobs

Goulburn and District Racing Club by low-profile Southern Highlands-based Graglee Group Pty Limited. The property was sold by private treaty in one lot, with subdivision approval, and at arm's length from the club, by a Goulburn real estate agent.

Since then, prospective buyers of individual blocks have lined up to express interest in setting up stables in Goulburn.

GDRC CEO, Greg Wilson, in a "heads-up" to

Goulburn Mulwaree Council last week, and also to the Goulburn Post on Monday, said there had been inquiries from about 30 trainers from around Australia, and New Zealand.

Mr Wilson said there had also been two or three inquiries from vets about building a veterinary hospital.

Around 70 full-time jobs, on-going, would be needed at the complex after its completion.

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Graeme Spackman is just one Goulburn Racecourse trainer who'll welcome more trainers and better facilities.

He moved here from Sutton Forest two years ago after hearing about the course. While he was more than happy with his lot and 12 full stables, Mr Spackman said improved facilities such as a lap pool, sand yard and horse walker would be welcome if Racing NSW allocated funds.

"I've been waiting to see the court case's outcome," he said.

"It's good to have more money put into the track."



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