

FROM THE NEWSPAPERS
**A TROTTING HORSE
NAMED
'YALLOURN'**

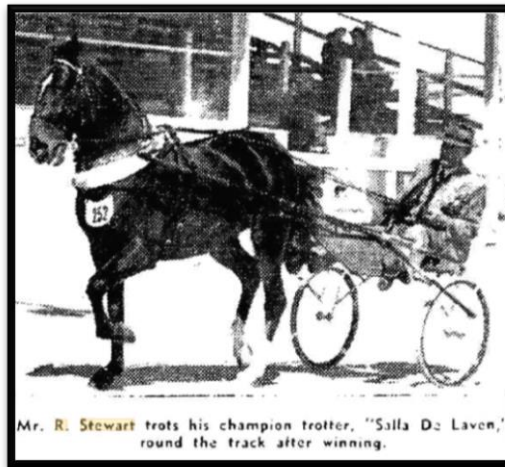
Over the past few years, serious efforts have been made to unearth the background information surrounding a trotting horse named '*Yallourn*.'

Newspaper articles indicate that *Yallourn* raced between 1948 and 1953. Following substantial research and with the kind help of various people associated with Harness Racing Australia, the following facts regarding the pacer, named *Yallourn*, have been established:-

- *Yallourn*, a bay colt, was foaled in 1944. The naming of the foal remains a puzzle; and it may have been a 'play on words' or, simply, a well-liked place name (which is common in naming horses).
- *Yallourn*'s Sire was Lawn Derby (Australian bred-1930-pictured below) and the Dam was Wiluna (Australian bred -1932). Lawn Derby was hailed in the late 1930's as Australia's coming champion... 'beautiful to behold, and in full flight, his gliding action could be likened to something on the wing.' Source: Harnessbred: 'Free Legged Marvels' website.



- The breeder's name was listed as Mr Les Hay of Cobram, Victoria...
"the breeder's name is L H (Les) HAY, Victoria; and it appears he maintained ownership of the horse over the years-as his name is listed in the 'ads' for Yallourn as a sire in 1952 and again in 1958." Source: Kathy Gebert of *Harness Racing Australia*.
- It is possible to trace the pedigree of **Yallourn** through six generations of horses, to about the 1880's. Readers interested in the bloodline of **Yallourn** may like to visit : <https://classicfamilies.net/>
- It is known that in the races which **Yallourn** won (see below) the owner was listed as Mr R.W. Stewart.



Mr Stewart –The Owner of **Yallourn**

- In the registered races that **Yallourn** won, the trainer was Jack Baron Junior (see below). His father, Jack Senior, was a prominent horse dealer in the 1930's.
- Unfortunately, there are no photographs available to indicate the colours worn by the drivers of **Yallourn**. However, according to a renowned historian, Mr John Peck, harness racing historian, the colours worn by Jack Baron Junior in **Yallourn's** winning events were: a red bodied shirt with a white sash/ white sleeves and red cap; and perhaps looked something like this:-



Source: Gibson Saddlers Limited (UK) Website

Note: The colours worn by the various drivers of *Yallourn*, in the seasons in which the pacer raced, may have varied.

The newspaper trotting guides, of those years, showed that *Yallourn* was entered in country and city (i.e. Melbourne Showgrounds) meetings on a regular basis in the years 1950-53; and met with a modicum of success during his years of racing. Using the information, as found in the newspapers of that time and the archives of John Peck, *Yallourn* raced at the following tracks in the period 1948-53:- Geelong, Warragul, Melbourne Showgrounds, Woodend, Ararat, Terang, Ballarat, Healesville and also at Shepparton.

The earliest evidence of *Yallourn* in trotting races can be found in 1948. An article in the 'Riverine Herald' indicated that *Yallourn* was accepted into four races at the Echuca Show in October of that year (see below). On that weekend at Echuca, *Yallourn* started in the Victoria Park Handicap (9 furlongs), the Murray Trot (9 furlongs), the Campaspe Handicap (9 furlongs) and, the main attraction of the weekend, the Echuca Show Trotting Cup.

SHOW TROTS HANDICAPS

FOURTEEN ACCEPT FOR CUP

The following is the list of acceptances, handicaps and barrier positions for the four trotting events to be conducted at the Echuca Show on Friday and Saturday next.

FRIDAY, 22nd OCTOBER, 1948.

VICTORIA PARK HANDICAP TROT
2.41 front. Nine furs.

1 Lady Dallwah	Scr.
2 Proud Peter	Scr.
3 Bright Tour	Scr.
4 Kara Star	Scr.
5 Dark Tour	Scr.
6 Alagnot	yds. bhd. 35
7 Radiant Jean	36
8 Whybrow	72
9 New Control	72
10 Princess Joan	72
11 Yallourn	72
12 Valley Princess	108
13 Jimmy's Cobber	108
14 Derby Doll	144

NOTE:—All pacers nominated in this event must race unhobbled and on no better mark than 72 yards behind.

MURRAY TROT (Victorian bred race.) 9 furs.

1 Countess Melva	Scr.
2 Great Gift	Scr.
3 Native Village	Scr.
4 Golden Trixie	Scr.
5 Dalla's Best	Scr.
6 Shy Joe	Scr.
7 Valley Charm	Scr.
8 Flying Count	Scr.
9 Princess Joan	Scr.
10 Yallourn	Scr.
11 Just Boy	Scr.
12 Dark Friend	Scr.
13 Finway's Tour	Scr.
14 Village Bird	Scr.

NOTE:—Valley Princess, Radiant Glow, not eligible.
Natives Nook — registration not in order.

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SATURDAY 23rd OCTOBER 1948

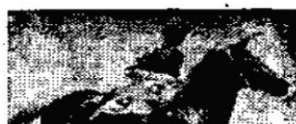
CAMPASPE HANDICAP 2.35
front. 9 furlongs.

1 Lady Dallwah	Scr.
2 Valley Charm	Scr.
3 Great Gift	Scr.
4 Native Village	Scr.
5 Golden Trixie	Scr.
6 Dark Friend	Scr.
7 Yallourn	Scr.
8 Dalla's Best	Scr.
9 Princess Joan	Scr.
10 Shy Joe	Scr.
11 Village Bird	Scr.
12 Togo's Pride	Scr.
13 Whybrow	Scr.
14 New Control	Scr.
15 Countess Melva	Scr.
16 Flying Count	Scr.
17 Alagnot	Scr.
18 Valley Princess	yds. bhd. 36
19 Jimmy's Cobber	36
20 Radiant Glow	36
21 First Advance	36
22 Sure Victory	36
23 Texas Derby	36
24 Hopeful Derby	72

NOTE:—Natives Nook — registration not in order.

ECHUCA SHOW TROTTING CUP, 2.20 front. 10 furs.

1 Derby Doll	Scr.
2 Smooth Action	Scr.
3 Yallourn	Scr.
4 Valley Princess	Scr.
5 Village Bird	Scr.
6 First Advance	Scr.
7 Alagnot	Scr.
8 Sure Victory	Scr.
9 Hopeful Derby	Scr.
10 Texas Derby	Scr.
11 Jimmy's Cobber	Scr.
12 Katyapella	Scr.
13 Peter Advance	yds. bhd. 24
14 Kendall's Choice	72



Source: Riverine Herald Saturday 16 October 1948, page 4

In the Second Heat of the Victoria Handicap (as shown above), *Yallourn* (driven by Mr. Hay), despite breaking at the start, finished second. Radiant Jean won the heat with Whybrow coming third.

SECOND HEAT.

RADIANT JEAN (T. Oliver),
36 yds. bhd. 1
YALLOURN (I. M. Hay), 72
yds. bhd. 2
WHYBROW (R. Meiers), 72
yds. bhd. 3
Only starters. Time, 2.57½.

Yallourn broke at the start but making up a lot of ground was level with Whybrow at the end of the first lap, Radiant Jean holding the lead. Yallourn, going well, broke in the third lap and past the judges Radiant Jean led from Whybrow with Yallourn in third place. Breaking stride in the last lap, Whybrow was passed by Yallourn who filled second place in the run to the judge, Radiant Jean maintaining her advantage.

Source: The Riverine Herald October 23rd 1948 Page: 1

At the same meeting, **Yallourn**, driven by Mr. Bourke (probably T.J. Bourke), finished second in the first heat of the Campaspe Handicap but was well beaten in the final by Dark Friend (driven by the Gordon Rothacker). The brief race report stated that **Yallourn** was : 'left at the start.'

On February 12th 1949, **Yallourn** started in the Maldon Handicap at the Melbourne Showgrounds. The race was over a distance of 1½ miles and, in a field of fourteen, **Yallourn** finished last. The reinsman that night seems to have been L. Hay.

In October 1949, **Yallourn won** the 'Chemists Of Shepparton' Handicap Trot with prize money of £25.00 (pounds). L. Hay was the driver again; and **Yallourn's** victory was summarized in the 'Shepparton Advertiser' (October 22nd 1949 - Page: 5).

"Chemists of Shepparton"
HANDICAP TROT OF £25
Ten furlongs. 2.32 or better.

YALLOURN, L. H. Hay's,
scratch (Hay) 1
PANCAKE, K. Watson's, scr
(Roscoe) 2
TYLDEN GIRL, S. Fahey's
scr (Fahey) 3
Won by half head, six yards.
Time 2.58.

Others: Valley Charm, Centreman, scr.; Little River 48 yds bhd.

A run through on the inside allowed Valley Charm to improve position to second to Pancake, but a further attempt at half a lap to go saw Valley Charm chopped out. Pancake, leader all the way won everywhere bar the post when Yallourn, with a fast run on the outside, snatched the decision.

Guesswork often proves to be a folly in research but there is every chance that the above win, at the Shepparton Show, *may* have been **Yallourn's** first taste of victory.

'The Argus' newspaper's column entitled 'Handy Trots Guide' was valuable in gleaning further information about the racing history of the trotter. It is known

that **Yallourn** started in the following races (these are a selected from a list of races)...

- Flinders Handicap (1st Division) – Warragul - January 1949.
- Barwon Handicap -10 furlongs – Geelong - January 1949.
- Blackstone Open Stakes -12½ furlongs – Showgrounds - April 1951.
- Bungaree Handicap – Ballarat - June 1951.
- Glebe Handicap - 13½ furlongs – Showgrounds - December 1951.
- Altona Handicap - 11 furlongs – Showgrounds -1951.
- Hartwell Handicap - 12½ furlongs - Showgrounds - February 1952
- Morang Handicap - 14 furlongs – Showgrounds - March 1952.
- Northern Handicap - 11 furlongs - Showgrounds - March 1952.
- Lucknow Handicap - 12½ furlongs – Showgrounds - March 1952.
- Dempster Handicap - 12½ furlongs - Showgrounds - March 1952.
- Cameron Handicap – 11 furlongs – Ararat - April 1952.
- Allison Handicap - 14 furlongs – Showgrounds - April 1952 .
- Logan Handicap -12½ furlongs - Warragul - April 1952 .

In 1950, **Yallourn** entered two races at the opening of the Geelong trotting season. **Yallourn** (driven by L. Hay) finished second in the Breakwater Stakes (Race: 1); but failed to complete the distance in the Barwon Handicap (Race: 4). No further details regarding **Yallourn's** ill-luck in that race were given.

One notable performance was in February 1952 when **Yallourn**, driven by J. Barron Jnr., finished second in the McKenzie Handicap at Healesville. 'Kelvin Valley', driven by Gordon Rothacker, was first past the post after eleven furlongs. To finish second behind such an eminent driver as Gordon Rothacker was, in itself, meritorious for Jack Barron and his horse **Yallourn**...

“... (Rothacker won a record 14 Melbourne drivers' premierships between 1949 and 1973 as well as capturing 10 Melbourne trainers' premierships between 1953 and 1976. He was the first reinsman to land 500 winners on Melbourne tracks....Awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday honours of 1972 for his services to trotting...” Source: punters.com.au website

According to a well-known sports journalist of that era, Bill Healy, **Yallourn** had won at least one race at the Showgrounds track in that trotting season. Bill was probably referring to **Yallourn's** win in an Encourage Handicap in late 1951.



Source: Sporting Globe December 29th 1951 Page 8

Note: For younger readers: One furlong is 220 yards (i.e. 1/8 of a mile) or approximately 200 metres.

One of the most prestigious events in which *Yallourn* started was the Festival Gala Stakes (11 furlongs). It was Race:2 on the program of the Centenary Trotting Carnival in April 1951. (The carnival was a three night extravaganza of trotting from Wednesday, April 18th through to Saturday, April 21st).

The prize money for events was regularly mentioned in the press. For example, it is known that the purse for the Blackstone Handicap in 1951 (as shown above), in which *Yallourn* started, was £300 (pounds). The prize was equivalent to \$15,000.00 dollars today. It was difficult to ascertain the total prize money won by *Yallourn* during his life on the track; but the table below lists the prize money that *Yallourn* received for his four wins in the period 1950-52.

By charting the information forwarded by John Peck, it was possible to tabulate a summary of *Yallourn's* career and major wins as shown below:-

SUMMARY OF YALLOURN'S CAREER

SEASON	STARTS	WINS	SECOND	THIRD	FOURTH
1948-49	3	0	0	0	1
1949-50	NIL	-	-	-	-
1950-51	11	3	1	1	0
1951-52	21	1	1	2	7
CAREER TOTAL	35	4	2	3	8

Source: John Peck, Harness Racing Historian

SUMMARY OF YALLOURN'S FOUR WINS

WIN NO	SEASON	TRACK	RACE	PRIZE MONEY
1	1950-51	Ararat	Laidlaw Open Stakes	£60
2	1950-51	Ararat	Rutter handicap	£60
3	1950-51	Terang	Meadow Stakes	£50
4	1951-52	Showgrounds	Encourage	£300

Source: John Peck, Harness Racing Historian

Note: The above tables do not mention *Yallourn*'s win in the 'Chemists Of Shepparton' Handicap Trot in October 1949 because it was an 'unofficial/unregistered event.'

The starting price(s) in a race are useful guides to a particular horse's recent form and/or improvement. In the 1951 Altona Handicap, *Yallourn*'s 'last starting' price was given as 25/1. From reading the available form guides of those years, it appears that *Yallourn* was seldom tipped to win at the scheduled meetings throughout Victoria.

It is impossible to discover the names of all drivers of *Yallourn*, but it is known Les Hay, George Gath and Jack Barron Junior, a leading trotting driver, seems to have been the principal reinsmen of *Yallourn* in the period 1951-52.

For example, in the Lucknow Handicap, which was Race: 4 on the card at the Melbourne Showground track on Saturday 29th March 1952, J. Barron Jnr. was listed as the 'reinsman' ...

LUCKNOW HANDICAP		8.45
12½ Furlongs		
3 7 0	Pronto Style .. F. Heath	15½ Sc.
3 1 5	Lawnain,	
	F. Donoghue, Snr.	13½ Sc.
1 4 7	Mac Dhui .. J. Brock	13 Sc.
0 2 1	Illumination,	
	W. Richmond	17½ Sc.
5 p 0	Devon Raider, F. Heath	12½ Sc.
0 3 0	Yallourn, J. Barron, Jnr.	13½ Sc.
8 4 7	Gil Don .. J. Wheatley	14 Sc.
		Yds. Bhd.
6 8 4	Barmah King, T. Taylor	14½ 12
7 3 5	Flying Satin .. D. Guy	13½ 12
7 p 0	Gallant Walla,	
	K. Greenwood	14½ 12
7 0 3	Glimpse .. J. Madigan	13 24
3 5 8	Sir Wonga .. K. Ritchie	13½ 24
1 4 4	First Dixie,	
	F. Richardson	14½ 24
8 5 5	Speedy Bill .. C. Lee	13½ 36

Source: The Agus 29th March 1952 Page 12

The result, as carried in a later newspaper, shows that Sir Wonga won the race while *Yallourn* finished fourth.

A photograph of Jack Barron Jnr. was published in the 'The Herald' on November 9th 1949. He is shown here walking with Mr Stewart.




Harness racing archives indicate that Jack Barron Jr. also became a successful trainer; and it is known that he lived in Clayton North as mentioned in the following press cutting (below). Jack Barron Jr died in 1966 at the age of 44 years. His son, Bruce, became a noted driver-trainer in later years. It seems that harness racing was part of the Barron family's DNA.

Note: For those readers who enjoy the sport of harness racing , an engrossing story about Jack Barron Senior can be found in a publication called the 'Australian Trotting Register' (September-1967).

SPORTING NOTES

MOST SUCCESSFUL in the younger group of trotting trainers this season has been J. Barron, jnr., of Dandenong Rd., Clayton Nth. Jack is second on the trainers' list and third on the drivers' list.

A 120-MILE open amateur cycling road race from Dandenong to Heyfield will be run from here on September 29.



Source: 'Dandenong Journal Wednesday 9 May 1951, page 9

In April 1952, *Yallourn* was accepted into the Cameron Handicap at the Showgrounds with prize money set at £280.00 (pounds). The driver that night was one of the well-known Gath brothers (probably George). In a disappointing display, *Yallourn* struggled in a field of eleven and came in last.

165 CAMERON HANDICAP. 11f.
 Winner £280, Second £80, Third £28,
 Fourth £12.

Horse & Mark	Past Judge's Box				Driver	Price Rate
	Br.	2nd	3rd	St. F.		
BLUE ROBERT scr	2	1	1	1	Hickey	5/4 1 1 2.15 ¹ / ₂
CLAN McTAVISH 12y	10	7	8	4	Fitzpatrick	4 5 2.15
OIL DON scr	1	3	3	3	Allen	8 10 2.15 ¹ / ₂
BERT'S LUCK 12y	9	4	5	5	Whyte	8 10 2.15
Gallant Walls 12y	11	11	10	8	Wilson	15 20 2.15 ¹ / ₄
Lawson scr	7	5	4	2	Donoghue	8 12 2.16
Flying Satin 12y	8	6	7	7	Guy	6 10 2.15 ³ / ₄
Barry Royal scr	5	2	2	6	McMurtrie	3 5 2.16 ³ / ₄
Just Wilkes scr	6	8	8	9	Newbold	15 12 2.17
Devon Raider scr	4	10	11	10	Heath	12 33 2.18 ¹ / ₂
Yallourn scr	3	9	9	11	Gath	8 12 Dist.

Source: 'Sporting Globe' April 23rd 1952 Page: 7

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In the September 1952, an issue of the 'Australian Trotting Record' carried an advertisement which offered some insight about *Yallourn* standing at stud (often known as stud service). Mr L. Hay of Cobram (also see above) was listed as the contact person; and part of the wording in the notice was as follows...

To stand this season at Cobram, Victoria

YALLOURN

By Lawn Derby from Wiluna , she by imported Louis Direct.

A winner at the Melbourne Showgrounds and in the country , *Yallourn* has proved its ability to sire early.....The remainder of *Yallourn's* stock has now been broken and there is every possibility that the winners from his (*Yallourn*) only group of foals will be 100%.

FEE: FIFTEEN GUINEAS

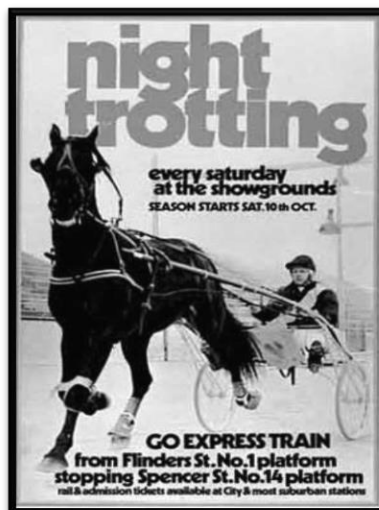
Further particulars from L. Hay Cobram Victoria. Telephone 551

During his time at stud, *Yallourn* sired more than 30 foals ...

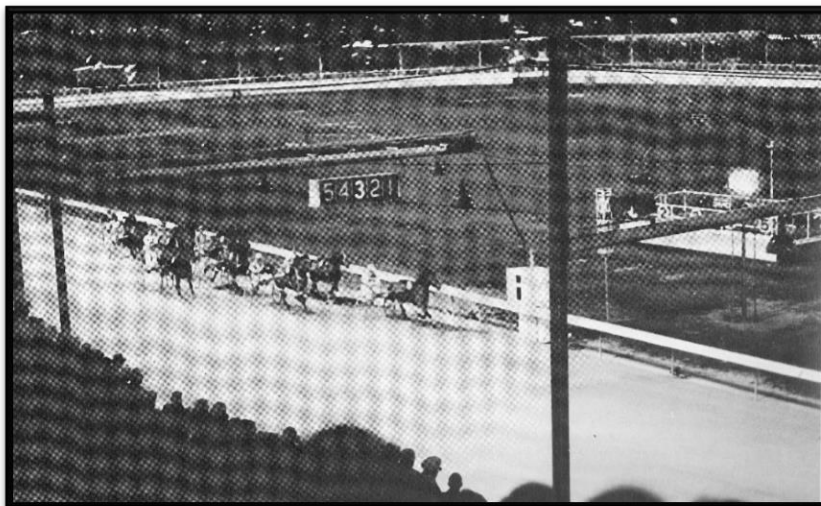
“Harness Racing Australia has 33 progenies on our database; however, this might not be the fully foal crop. Not all mares were registered for the Stud Book at this time, so some foals might have been born that weren't notified, or, didn't race...We know that of the 33 on our files, 10 were winners -..” Source: Kathy Gebert Harness Racing Australia archives

Foals sired by *Yallourn* that eventually went on to win races at various levels included: Crepe Suzette (1948), Yuki (1953), Agoorab (1954), Transformer (1956), Touch Flare (1959), Placebo (1957), Murray Lass (1957), Electric Moko (1959), Bearii Special (1959) and Sea Drift (1960). Other known foals were: Essesee (1959) and Waaia Go in 1963.

Younger readers may be interested to know that night trotting throughout Australia became very popular in the post war years and people flocked to city and country tracks to witness the exciting spectacle of night racing. At the opening night of the Melbourne Showgrounds track in November 1947, a crowd of 20,000 trotting devotees attended.



Source: www.ontronics.com



Source: www.harnessbred.com
The Melbourne Showgrounds Trotting Track
where *Yallourn*, the pacer often raced from the 1948-mid 1950's.

Furthermore, in 1947 'The Argus' reported that a crowd of more than 25,000 attended the meeting at the Showground. Night-time racing was a boon to the sport; and around the nation, attendances at the night trotting meetings regularly broke records.

In 1948, the popularity of trotting in Melbourne was underlined by an average weekly attendance of 23,000 people; and the last night of the night trotting season that year saw 33,045 fans pass through the gates at the Showgrounds.

**RECORD CROWD
AT TROTS**

A record crowd of 25,084 attended the night trots on Saturday. The attendance was 11,059 higher than that at the previous meeting, and exceeded the figures for the opening night by 4,385.

Mr Alan Dunne, secretary, expressed the opinion that, with fine weather, attendances would continue to grow.

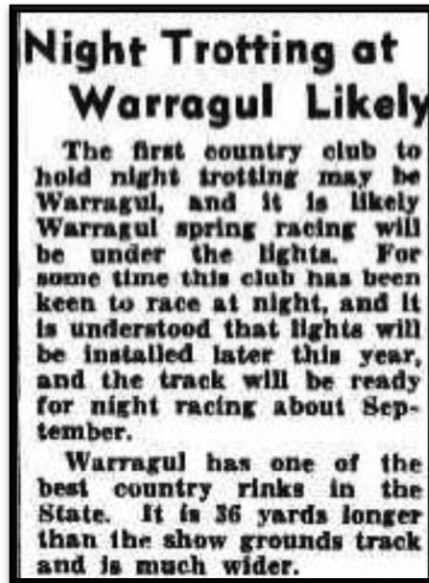
Stakes absorbed £2,500, and the same amount will be given next Saturday. For the big meeting on January 10, however, £3,000 will be given away.

Principal race on Saturday was the Christmas Cup, of £1,000 and a trophy, which was presented to Mr S. Aggett, owner of the winner, by Mr Cain, former Premier.

Source: 'The Argus' December 29th 1947 page 20.

One can only now wonder what the punters thought of the horse with such an unusual 'place name.' (Note: Yallourn is an aboriginal word which means: 'brown fire').

Night trotting was very popular at Warragul in the early 1950's and it would be interesting to know how many people from the township of Yallourn travelled 'up the highway' to Warragul to watch its namesake go 'through its paces.'



Source: The Age January 5th 1949 Page: 12.

Mr. Kyle Galley who takes great pride and pleasure in researching and recording the history of harness racing at the Warragul track was most obliging in providing information about **Yallourn**. In response to several questions about **Yallourn's** performances, Kyle wrote...

"I have had a look back through the old trotting year books for Yallourn and found records only for one 12-month period of racing in the 1950s...where Yallourn raced for the full season for some wins and placings as a six-year-old.... I do have gaps in results from about 1956 to 1960 so the horse may have raced later in that time too." Source: Kyle Galley-Warragul HRC.

Additionally, Kyle made mention of ...

"There was often a Yallourn Handicap or Hernes Oak Handicap run at the Warragul trots in the days before sponsors came into racing."

ANOTHER STORY FOR ANOTHER TIME: TROTTING AT YALLOURN

Readers of the Virtual Yallourn website may be surprised to know that in the period 1931-1935, at least five unregistered trotting races were held at Yallourn. The venue of the races in 1931 was near the brickworks and in December 1932 the races were held at the 'new' Oval.

The newspapers of that time also indicated that the Yallourn sports carnivals often included trotting. It is known that a Yallourn Trotting Association was formed in June 1931; and Mr J.M Bridge (the first General Superintendent in 1923) was a driving force behind the sport of trotting at Yallourn.

Note: A story regarding trotting in the township Yallourn will be written and forwarded to Julie for posting at a later date.

IN APPRECIATION FOR ASSISTANCE WITH THIS STORY

As mentioned at the beginning, this article has taken quite a long time to bring to completion. What started out as a simple query several years ago became an investigation of some proportion.

There is no certainty that all aspects of *Yallourn's* trotting career have been brought to light in this story but it is hoped that readers who, enjoy sporting history, may continue the search.

This has been a difficult story to write and throughout my research, I have endeavoured to crosscheck my findings for veracity but I would welcome any corrections and amendments that can clarify the track career of the pacer *Yallourn*.

In trying to establish the background of the horse named *Yallourn*, numerous trotting clubs (e.g. Echuca, Warragul, Bendigo) and historians were contacted.

The Virtual Yallourn website would like to thank the following people associated with the sport of harness racing for their kind assistance in researching and writing this story: John Peck, Kathy Gebert, Kyle Galley, Dean Baring, Michael Taylor and Flora Robson.

- Harness racing historian, John Peck is to be sincerely thanked for his information about *Yallourn's* pedigree, trotting races in the township of Yallourn in the 1930's, wins/ placings of *Yallourn* and facts about the bloodlines of various horses. Without John's contribution, this article, the racing history of *Yallourn*, would be clouded.
- Kathy Gebert of Harness Racing Australia was most helpful in resolving the issues regarding trainers, Sire and Dam of *Yallourn*. The time that Kathy gave to helping with historical data about *Yallourn's* progeny was considerable. 'Thank you' to Kathy for her generosity in assisting with this story.
- Kyle Galley, who is regarded as an 'unofficial historian' of Warragul Harness Racing Club, went to a great deal of trouble in fossicking through his archives to assist in the writing of this article. His love of the history of WHRC and his enthusiasm for the sport of trotting is apparent and is to be commended
- Dean, Michael and Flora were not only helpful but also most obliging in assisting in researching the above article.

CAN YOU HELP WITH A PHOTOGRAPH OF THE PACER YALLOURN ?

The most elusive aspect in this study of *Yallourn*, was to uncover a photograph of the pacer. It is a long shot, as they say in racing, but perhaps there is a reader

of this website who, by some chance, may possess a photo of **Yallourn**. If so, Julie would be very pleased to post such a photo on this website. Thank you.

Sadly, the township and the pacer, named **Yallourn** are now both gone but hopefully their stories will endure and interest the coming generations. As Eduardo Galeano (1940-2015) once said...

‘History never really says goodbye. History says, ‘See you later.’



This story is part of an on-going project regarding the history of the township of Yallourn. The story was researched and written by Roger Spaul; and posted and presented by Julie George for the Virtual Yallourn website in July 2018.

The above information was drawn from various documents, newspaper articles, harness racing websites, and data provided by trotting historians as listed above.