

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1994

Section 152

Application notice

Blair Athol Coal Mine

Resource activity: Mining activity relating to a mining lease

It is advised that Orion Mining (Blair Athol Mine) has lodged an application for a major amendment to an environmental authority in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. The environmental authority being amended is EPML00876713.

The application relates to TerraCom applying for amendment to reflect pre-approval of residual void not in stable condition.

The resource activity is proposed to occur on the following tenure(s) and will involve: ML1804.

The application documents for the project consist of 'Supporting Information - EPML00876713'

Application documents may be inspected or accessed at Blair Athol Coal Mine, Blair Athol Access Road, Clermont, QLD, 4721 and website <https://terracomresources.com/sustainability/environment/>.

Copies of, or extracts from, the application documents may also be obtained at Blair Athol Coal Mine.

Copies of the standard conditions for the resource activity can be obtained by accessing the Department of Environment, Science and Innovation website www.des.qld.gov.au or by contacting Permit and Licence Management by phone on 1300 130 372 (select option 4) or by email on palm@des.qld.gov.au.

It is advised that any person may make a submission about the application documents during the submission period, which is from 1/08/2024 to 28/08/2024. **Submission must be received on or before 4.30pm on the last day of the submission period.** Submissions must be sent to:

Mines lodgement office – Emerald
Department of Resources
PO Box 19, Emerald, QLD, 4720

Department of Environment, Science and Innovation
Business Centre (Coal)
PO Box 3028, Emerald, QLD. 4720
emma.burgess@des.qld.gov.au
Attention: Emma Burgess

The Department of Environment, Science and Innovation as administering authority shall accept all properly made submissions and may accept written submissions even if they are not properly made. A properly made submission must meet all of the following requirements:

- be written or made electronically
- state the name and address of each submitter
- be made to the administering authority stated above
- be received on or before the last day of the submission period
- state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds.

Enquiries about the application can be made directly to:

Blair Athol Coal Mine, Blair Athol Access Road, Clermont, QLD, 4721 – BJ Davison – 0413 192 558



Fab's Cowboy with his connections at Longreach on Saturday. (RLR Photography)

A champion to the end

By Andrew Smith, Queensland Racing

It was not the fairytale finish most had hoped for, but it was still a farewell befitting of the extraordinary occasion.

Bush legend Fab's Cowboy had his 159th and final race start at Longreach on Saturday before his mandatory retirement.

The gelding finished seventh in the race named in his honour, the Farewell Fab's Cowboy Sprint Open Plate.

But that did not stop the raucous crowd at the Central Queensland racecourse saving their biggest cheer for the legend of country racing as he exited the track for the final time.

The 12-year-old bows out with a record 54 wins, the most of any horse in the modern era of racing in Australia, as well as 46 placings.

He will now head to the Living Legends retirement home in Victoria where he will join several Melbourne Cup winners.

True to their rituals, trainer Bevan 'Billy' Johnson and his wife Mel treated Saturday like any other race day – leaving Bardonville at the same time for the approximately 90 minute trip along the Landsborough Highway with their three runners for the day.

But it was no ordinary meeting at the Longreach Jockey Club, with racgoers coming from far and wide to see if Fab's Cowboy could add one final chapter to the record books.

He had raced all over the state in Mt Isa, Roma, Gladstone, Charleville, Bundaberg, Blackall, Moranbah, Bardonville and Cunnamulla.

Caps and stubby coolers paying tribute to the galloper's career were selling faster than the burgers and beers on offer, while his white and blue colours were the obvious fashion choice for the day.

For Longreach Jockey Club president and race caller Andrew Watts, the day had been months in the planning after being contacted by Fab's Cowboy's part-owner, Paul Currin, about a swansong for his racehorse.

"It was a great honour when Paul approached me...he'd obviously looked forward at the calendar, he saw July 27 as a potential date for his last run and of course Longreach for that central location for his family and owners fitted the bill," Watts said.

"To have a long-term plan come off not only for us the club, but also for Fab's Cowboy the horse - it's wonderful that he's going to be lining up today.

"It's a true bush story in itself with the horse being born in Julia Creek, and trained throughout country Queensland - it's a record I can see lasting for a long, long time.

"It really is a celebration of his career, win lose or draw the horse is a bush champion and a lot of the time race crowds are built around Fashions on the Field and the party so to speak, but to have the people here for the

horse is special as well."

The honour of Fab's final ride would go to apprentice Shakira Bailey, the 49th hoop to have saddled up on the living legend, in her first time on board.

With the last race brought forward by 10 minutes due to incoming wet weather, it was finally time for the Cowboy's last stand.

The emotions were clear for Billy, who retreated back to the tie-up stalls after sending out his stable stalwart for the last time.

Jumping at \$10, Fab's Cowboy settled on the fence in the Longreach dirt and was no match for \$1.80 favourite The Hanger Cat, finishing seventh by six-and-a-half lengths.

For connections, there was simply relief. Cowboy had got through his final run unscathed.

"Honestly wanted him to win - I said earlier it'll be a fairytale if it happens for him," Currin said.

"But that's the easiest way, a midfield good run - he's healthy, he's come back, he's well and can go to Living Legends healthy, a good finish."

Adorned in Living Legends bibs and colours, Currin and Billy paraded Fab's Cowboy around the mounting yard one last time to the appreciative punters, appropriately set to the backdrop of Tina Turner's "Simply The Best."

While it wasn't the packed stadiums of Eagle Farm, Randwick or Flemington, it sounded like a crowd of thousands was there to pay their respects to their local legend.

After the mammoth build-up, Billy and Mel could also finally relax and marvel at the efforts of their legend.

"It's not his favourite surface, he wasn't in his favourite position, on the fence there...but we're still proud of him," Mel said.

"At the end of the day he's certainly not a disgrace and won't take away from the fact he was a champion until the end.

"We'll have a private moment when we get home and the family are there and probably be a few beers drunk and a few tears shed.

"At this moment it's been a lovely day and the club's done a tremendous job so we're just feeling pretty proud and happy to be part of it."

Billy even boldly declared that you would be game to bet against Fab's Cowboy if another run was on the cards.

"You could see how emotionally he was pissed off - he knows he didn't win," Billy said.

"If we backed him up next week, I guarantee he'd win, that's him.

"They won't beat his record - a Queensland country horse won't best it."

The Currin and Johnson families were treated to a huge celebratory cake, a slice each for connections of the horse who had carved out his own slice of racing history.

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 of North Rockhampton passed away peacefully on Saturday, 27th July 2024
 Aged 79 years.
 Loved Father and Father-in-law to Mark and Tammy, Steven and Hayden, Chester, Grandfather to Joel, Ella, Former Husband to Helen.
 Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend a Celebration of Allan's life to be held in the East Chapel of the Rockhampton Crematorium on Friday, 2nd August 2024 commencing at 4 pm.

FINLAYSON & MCKENZIE (AFOA)
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 Phone 4922 1269

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 Department of Environment, Science and Innovation
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