

To: JCPAA Quarantine Inquiry

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Attn: Secretary

Subject: JCPA

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#### Submission to Inquiry

I voice my concerns about Quarantine matters in general and , particularly regarding the Sydney Turf Club's reported intention to submit a development application to Canterbury City Council for a quarantine centre at Canterbury Park racecourse.

This would permit visiting international thoroughbreds for Sydney's major racing carnival to be quarantined with the use of full training facilities. My fear is Canterbury Racecourse is too close to residential properties including stables in James and Cheviot St, which are being utilised.

The STC want to build a quarantine complex similar to Sandown in Victoria, and the danger of equine disease spreading in the Sandown area is minute owing to the distances with residential and industrial properties being situated more than 1km from the track. I believe that a quarantine complex at Canterbury would be dangerous for many reasons including the aforementioned reasons plus the high risk of exotic diseases becoming a reality in our community is one we could well do without.

Yours faithfully  
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