

## Angela Belle McSweeney

*"Queen Of The Turf", News Corp 2017*

From a prominent racing family spanning three generations, Angela has been involved in horse racing since the age of 6. Her grandfather, Pat Nailon, was a leading trainer and her great uncles, Austin, Jack and Bill Delaney, were leading jockeys who secured winning places in the 1986 Doncaster Cup at Royal Randwick. Tony McSweeney, Angela Belle's father, was a prominent owner and sports club administrator. Angela Belle went on to manage and part own over 70 thoroughbreds including Our Horizon, winner of the 1990 Golden Nugget, and My Marilyn, winner of the 1992 Magic Millions Classic. She currently part owns and manages Splendiferous with a group of racing women.

Angela Belle is also known for her fashion and marketing career. Her communications and consultancy company, Angela Belle McSweeney Internazionale, represented major luxury brands Tiffany and Co., Mercedes and Versace in Australia. A noted "style guru" with a lifetime of experience including creating her own Runway Fashion Shows where she styled shows for leading conglomerates such as Westfield and the MLC Centre. Angela Belle also worked with high end magazines styling their fashion pages and many newspapers including The Sydney Morning Herald doing special edition lift outs on Racing Fashion.

Angela Belle combined her marketing and fashion experience with her love of racing when invited to work on the marketing campaigns for the AJC, VRC, STC and Magic Millions. She staged fashion shows for many years at Rosehill Gardens and Royal Randwick and the Magic Millions at the Gold Coast. In the early 1990s, she introduced Fashion on the Fields to New South Wales, and in 1991, was the first woman awarded the NSW Racehorse Owners "Racing Personality of the Year".

Since 2016, Angela Belle has continued her role in racing as a Director of the Board of the ATC. As part of her contribution, she has endeavoured to bring back excitement and glamour to the race day experience of ATC members. Angela Belle also has a particular interest in encouraging women to participate more in every aspect of horse racing and is known to be a strong advocate for gender equality.