

WIDE BAY COMBINE

(Clubs include Wide Bay, Gympie & Sunshine Coast)



GOLD RING RACE (GRR) 2026

Here's how it works:

- Open to any Australian citizen, be they pigeon flyer or not, can **purchase** gold rings and are eligible for this race.
- Only financial Wide Bay Combine flyers in the year of the race will be eligible to fly in the Gold Ring Race (GRR).
- The number of **gold rings** sold for the 2026 race season will be limited to **400**. (*Year of Inception*)
- Only young birds rung with 2025 GRR rings or alternatively, rings stipulated below will be eligible to race in the GRR race in 2026.
- Rings will be sold at **\$10** for each ring sold.
- 10% of money raised from the sale of GR's will be allocated to the WBC for administration purposes.
- Maximum prize money for the race would therefore be up to \$3,600 if all rings are sold.
- Prize distribution will be 4 prizes in total: Split - 40%, 30%, 20% & 10%.
- There is a maximum number of rings a WBC flyer can purchase for themselves of 25.
- A WBC flyer cannot send any more than 25 GRR birds to this race.
- All GRR birds will be liberated with the mass liberation.
- The race will be flown from a distance of more than 500k from the WBC Clubroom and the liberation point will be allocated at the same time that the WB Club sets their special races for the upcoming year.
- To promote the sport and encourage increasing engagement in the race from those outside interests, if a non-WBC flyer's (*purchaser*) gold ring race bird takes a prize in the first three (3) combine placings in any lead up race prior to and including the GRR race, they will be contacted by a representative of WBC or the flyer themselves, to inform them of that bird's performance.
- The purchaser of the Gold Ring will be entitled to 50% of any prize position taken.

The purchaser can choose to:

- buy rings and breed the birds themselves and then allocate them to a nominated WBC flyer to race with the responsibility of the **flyer** to inform the GRR secretary at least one (1) month prior to the race being conducted, otherwise those birds bred by the purchaser will not be eligible to enter the GRR.
- nominate any WBC flyer to breed and then race the bird for the purchaser in the upcoming season.

Contacts for Gold Rings:

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- Gympie – Robert Andrews – 0437 806 668
- Sunshine Coast – Neil Whiteman 0401 188 233

