

The HKJC Community Trophy

Made in England by master silversmiths Henry Wilkinson & Co, The Hong Kong Jockey Club Community Trophy was first presented some 160 years ago, with an inscription "Cockspinner" on its body, the name of a winning Arab pony at Wongneichong Stakes in February 1852. It was ridden by Lieutenant Burdon of the Royal Navy and owned by Mr William Lamond, an accountant with the Oriental Bank Corporation.

Mr Lamond moved to the bank's Shanghai Branch in 1862 and the trophy later came into the ownership of a Uruguayan diplomat who served in China in the late 1800s. Nothing was then heard of it for over a century, until it resurfaced in South America and was spotted at auction by a Hong Kong silver collector Mr Tobias Brown, who realised its historical value and brought it back "home" in 2003.

Mr Brown then generously donated the trophy to the Club in recognition of its long-standing commitment and contributions to the community. The renamed trophy has since been awarded annually as a means of highlighting the Club's community support.

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