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## PRESS RELEASE STEFANO CHERCHI

On behalf of the family of Stefano Cherchi, the New South Wales Jockeys Association this morning announced that Stefano had passed away following a fall at Canberra on 20<sup>th</sup> March.

Paul Struthers, PJA Chief Executive, said:

"The PJA and our members are devastated to hear the news from Australia of Stefano's passing. As well as being a gifted rider, Stefano was immensely popular in the weighing room due to his humility, kindness and sense of humour. He was very much loved and will be missed even more.

"Our thoughts, prayers and deepest condolences are with his partner Brittany, his family, friends and colleagues."

Any jockeys impacted by this tragedy can get support from Sporting Chance, the PJA's mental wellbeing support provider, via a member of the PJA team or by calling direct on 07780 008877, or from Changing Minds via one of the Injured Jockeys Fund's rehabilitation centres.