

Diversify to succeed

Rod Davies and A. Morovich (*Letters*, 6/4) are to be commended for their concern regarding the homeless in Western Australia.

We all should be. Perth is one of the richest cities in world.

But, we also need to be concerned that our State economy is a one-trick pony. Fifty per cent of our wealth comes from selling iron ore to one customer.

We desperately need to diversify our sources of income.

Proceeding from there, does the upcoming rugby league team make a profit for the State by enthusiasts coming to participate in and watching matches?

Then there is the matter of the Burswood Park racetrack, which I myself don't fully support.

Would the track and the racing events bring a focus on the State and bring racing fans here who will spend money on hotels, tours and restaurants and other services?

I admit I am confused regarding this matter, and am disappointed that politicians who talk big about diversifying our economy don't actually do much to see that it happens.

Alan Wells, Jolimont

Fuelling the debate

Hey, Rita Saffioti, we have a fuel shortage. Did you know?

Yet you still insist on a racetrack.

Are you also insisting that all the racing vehicles don't use our precious, dwindling, supplies?

Really? I must have missed that piece of news.

But, of course, by the time your track is ready our crisis will be over — you promised!

Maureen Collett, Caversham