

Which Labor MP will be the first to call out racetrack brain fart?

1 It's the worst I've seen in 35 years and to be really honest it's the first time in my career I've actually seriously questioned how long can I keep doing this." So said veteran Royal Perth Hospital emergency nurse Terry Jongen after the release of the September ambulance ramping numbers. Those numbers revealed a third consecutive all-time record month of more than 7000 hours of the sick and injured and out of respect for the heroic hospital staff like Mr Jongen, do something about this epic failure of your Government.

2 Carolyn Smith is the WA boss of the United Workers Union. She's also a WA

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Labor powerbroker and part of the same Labor faction as Premier Roger Cook. But she didn't hold back on her mates. Ms Smith said this week "we have a crisis in our paramedics' way, we have a crisis in hospitals and we have a crisis in aged care".

3 Yet incredibly, despite calling 1000 hours of ramping a crisis when in opposition, this week Roger Cook would not concede a third consecutive record month of more than 7000 hours

constituted a crisis today. It's now seven times worse, Roger.

4 I see the City of Perth this week voted unanimously to oppose the \$217.5 million racetrack at Burswood Park.

That in itself isn't that interesting, only the Deputy Premier seems to want it. What is interesting is that on the lists of councillors and council candidates WA Labor loves to publish at local government election time, three current City of Perth councillors have been heralded as Labor members. For those councillors to so publicly oppose the racetrack tells you everything you need to know. Patrick Gorman's team of Labor dissenters is getting bigger every day.

5 Which raises the question, which State Labor MP will be the first to break ranks and declare their opposition to WA's most unpopular and tone-deaf project?

6 Finally this week, an admission from the State Government they don't own all the land they need for the racetrack project. In their words "an overwhelming majority" of the land is theirs — but not all. So what deal has been done to deliver the rest?

7 The State's Environmental Protection Authority has opened a seven-day period for public comment to decide whether there should be a full assessment of the project. Of course, there should be. Go to

the EPA's online consultation hub to tell them so.

8 Property editor Kim Macdonald's in a rich vein of form. She's described the PM's housing stimulus as the policy equivalent of smiling in the faces of first-homebuyers and stabbing them in the back. Ouch.

9 Who doesn't love Chris Fagan? What a game and what a win by his Lions.

10 One last thought, at what point in grand final week or the day after do Geelong find the time to source their Mad Monday costumes? Aren't they busy?

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