#### **FRIDAY 19 JUNE 2015**

#### FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

Kiwifruit Cup Day at The Tauranga Racecourse features one hundred and twenty six acceptances and \$260,000 in stakes. The historical open handicap staying event will start at 3.43pm. There is also the \$50,000 Team Wealleans Tauranga Classic for Fillies and Mares at 1.57pm and the meeting includes an on course punting competition.

Canterbury JC – Amberley will have their bi-annual meeting at Riccarton this Saturday. The meeting has attracted one hundred and eighty seven acceptances across eight races. The first race is scheduled to run at 12.12pm.

On Sunday, Racing Te Aroha will cater to jumps racing fans with four jumps races programmed. The first race is scheduled to run at 11.45am.

New Zealand bred Criterion ran a respectable 5<sup>th</sup> in the Group One Prince of Wales at Royal Ascot overnight. The four year old entire will look at contesting the Sussex Stakes at the July Glorious Goodwood carnival. New Zealand bred horses have recently seen success at Royal Ascot with So You Think claiming the 2012 Prince of Wales Stakes and Little Bridge winning the 2012 King Stand Stakes.

## **MELBOURNE CUP TO NZ NEXT MONTH**

The Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour will again be in New Zealand next month.

The A\$175,000 18 carat gold trophy is making 33 stops across Australia, New Zealand and Malaysia and will be in Auckland on 21 July, Cambridge on 22 July and Taupo on 26 July.

Now in its thirteenth year the Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour is designed to bring communities together in celebration of the coveted trophy and the rich 154-year history of the Melbourne Cup.

# **2015 BAYER LECTURE SERIES – EQUINE PAIN**

The NZ Equine Research Foundation has announced that this year's speaker will be Dr Sarah le Jeune, the chief of the Equine Integrative Sports Medicine Service at the University of California Davis.

The topic is "Equine Pain: Using conventional veterinary medicine, acupuncture & chiropractic for diagnosis, treatment and rehabilitation".

The seminars will be held at:

Karaka
Cambridge Thoroughbred Lodge
Manfield Events Centre, Feilding
Canterbury Park Sales Facility

Saturday 18 July Sunday 19 July Wednesday 22 July Saturday 25 July

Each Seminar commences with registration at 1 pm, and finishes at 5.30 pm.

Further details are available from <a href="www.nzerf@xtra.co.nz">www.nzerf@xtra.co.nz</a> or contact Bev Stern Ph: 06 356 4940 Email: <a href="mailto:nzerf@xtra.co.nz">nzerf@xtra.co.nz</a>

#### NZRIDING FOR THE DISABLED - JO SEAGAR & THE GINGERBREAD HORSE CAMPAIGN

What is the Gingerbread Horse Campaign?

Gingerbread Horse is a fundraising campaign in support of NZ Riding for the Disabled and sponsored by Mauri anz, which asks people to register as a Baker, bake and decorate Gingerbread Horse biscuits before selling your biscuits to friends, family and the public and then donating the proceeds to NZRDA.

It's easy to become a Gingerbread Horse Baker - register for free and you'll receive a special baking pack which includes a horse-shaped cookie cutter, a recipe and decoration card, bags for wrapping up your biscuits, advertising posters and more.

Refer the attached link for further information – <a href="http://us6.campaign-archive2.com/?u=2f412b0279&id=326ad2f0be&e=840a88b37c">http://us6.campaign-archive2.com/?u=2f412b0279&id=326ad2f0be&e=840a88b37c</a>

# TARANAKI TR - \$5,500 PUNTERS CHALLENGE SATURDAY 18 JULY

Saturday 18 July at Pukekura Raceway.

Feature race Waikato Stud Opunake Cup, at listed level.

\$5,500 up for grabs, on-course in the NRM Punters Challenge.

Email <u>taranakiracing@xtra.co.nz</u> for details.

### **CANTERBURY REGION CHANGE OF TRIAL DATES**

To assist with the preparation of the Rangiora Racecourse for trials and harness racing the next two sets of Trials at Rangiora have both come forward one day.

The next Trials meeting will now be held on Tuesday 7 July 2015; and the trials following that on Tuesday 21 July 2015.

#### LICENCE RENEWAL APPLICATIONS

The Licence Renewal Application process for ALL licence-holders for the 2015/16 season is now well underway. Licence-holders are encouraged to <u>renew on-line</u> where possible.

If you have any questions concerning your licence renewal application, please contact the Licensing Department at NZTR on 04 576 6279 or <a href="mailto:licensing@nzracing.co.nz">licensing@nzracing.co.nz</a>

#### **COLOURS RENEWALS 2015-2020**

The five year colours registration cycle finishes on 31 July 2015. Renewals for the next five year period are able to be completed on-line. Renewal details were emailed out to colours holders last Friday 12 June, and were posted out to those without email addresses yesterday Thursday 18 June.

Owners are reminded that should they not wish to re-register their colours at this time then they will expire and become available for others to register from 1 September 2015.

New colours which have been previously registered with NZTR from 1 January 2015 will not incur another fee.

#### **TURNOVER INFORMATION**

NZ Thoroughbred Summary FY15	This Season, Year to Date	Last Season, Year to Date	Variance +/()	Variance +%/(%)	
Meetings	300	310	(10)	(3.23%)	
Races	2,548	2,588	(40)	(1.55%)	
Total Starts	26,593	26,593 26,936		(1.27%)	
Avg Field Size	10.437	10.408	+0.03	+0.28%	
Number of races less than 8 starters	409	422	(13)	(3.08%)	
Off-Course Turnover (Totalisator & FOB)	363,673,888	352,087,943	+11,585,945	+3.29%	
On-Course Turnover (Totalisator & FOB)	31,561,607	33,062,839	(1,501,232)	(4.54%)	
Total NZ Thoroughbred Turnover	395,235,496	385,150,782	+10,084,714	+2.62%	
Subtotal Totalisator Turnover	280,358,185	293,606,447	(13,248,261)	(4.51%)	
Subtotal FOB Turnover	114,875,007	91,544,320	+23,330,687	+25.49%	
NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Race	155,116	148,822	+6,294	+4.23%	
NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Starter	14,862	14,299	+564	+3.94%	
Total NZRB Racing Turnover	1,503,857,511	1,350,469,352	+153,388,159	+11.36%	
Subtotal NZ Racing Turnover	736,574,545	727,390,845	+9,183,700	+1.26%	

Subtotal Imported Racing Turnover	767,282,966	623,078,507	+144,204,459	+23.14%
Total NZRB Sports Turnover	353,078,544	251,491,934	+101,586,610	+40.39%
Total NZRB Turnover	1,856,936,055	1,601,961,286	+254,974,769	+15.92%

NZ Thoroughbred Export Turnover \$NZ (to 7 Jun)	298,055,464	278,191,445	+19,864,019	+7.14%
Total Races (to 7 Jun)	2,503	2,538	(35)	(1.38%)
NZ Thoroughbred Export turnover \$NZ per race	119,079	109,610	+9,469	+8.64%

Date	Club	On-Course (Tote & FOB combined)		`		Fixed Odds (Off & on-course)		Races		Starters	
		14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14
10-Jun	Avondale	40,812	-	726,102	-	257,178	-	9	-	121	-
11-Jun	Wanganui	34,961	24,325	532,359	519,956	217,091	184,160	8	7	107	76
12-Jun	South Canterbury	17,580	15,835	384,132	368,793	180,195	149,896	8	7	71	58
13-Jun	Whangarei	92,002	80,246	1,409,457	1,232,444	617,299	464,900	11	10	142	107
13-Jun	Manawatu	61,906	89,167	896,760	1,058,960	344,235	302,668	9	9	95	102

## Meeting details:

- Avondale JC Wednesday meeting ran 9 races this season. The equivalent meeting last season was abandoned due to storm damage caused by high winds and rain.
- Wanganui JC Thursday meeting ran 8 races in FY15, 7 races in FY14.
- South Canterbury RC Friday meeting ran 8 races this season, 7 races last season.
- Whangarei RC Saturday meeting ran 11 races in FY15, 10 in FY14.

# Turnover summary notes:

- Total NZ thoroughbred turnover is up 2.6% year to date.
- 10 less meetings and 40 less races have been run than to the same date last season.
- Turnover per race is up 4.2%.
- Total starts made by thoroughbreds in NZ are down 343, 1.3 % less.
- Average field size is 10.437 in FY15, up from 10.408 (0.28%) in FY14.
- The number of races with less than 8 starters is 13 lower than the season prior (409 v 422).
- The decline in NZ thoroughbred totalisator turnover (down 4.5%) has been offset by an increase in FOB turnover (up 25.5%).
- Export turnover (\$NZ) is up 8.6% per race to 7 June.

Note: Turnovers are provided by the NZRB from various reports. On-course is totalisator turnover on the meeting and on intertrack meetings, plus FOB racing turnover on the meeting only (FOB intertrack is not provided from these reports at present). On-course self service turnover is also not currently included. Total NZRB racing turnover is all racing bet on through the NZRB. NZ racing turnover is NZ thoroughbred, harness and greyhound turnovers combined; imported racing turnover is all imported thoroughbred, harness and greyhound turnover. Combined with sports, the racing turnover provides the total NZRB turnover. NZ thoroughbred export turnovers are stated in \$NZ, generally up to a week or two behind other turnover numbers.