

FRIDAY 5 JUNE 2015

FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

The month of June sees a continuation of Winter racing. While the weather has in places been turbulent, that has not dampened the quality of racing. This weekend the Waikato Racing Club hosts a ten race card starting at 11.10 am and concluding at 4.08 pm. 164 runners have accepted racing for total stakes of \$179,500 on offer. The Wellington Racing Club headlines the central region with an eight race card featuring two jumping events and another Amateur Rider's race in the Flair sponsored series. Waimate Jockey Club will round out the weekend on Sunday at Oamaru with seven races programmed.

New Zealand three year old Werther trained by Andrew Campbell is the outright favourite for the \$500,000 Queensland Derby. The son of Tavistock will aim to become the first overseas trained winner since Court Ruler (John Wheeler) triumphed six years ago. The \$2,000,000 Stradbroke Handicap features two kiwi trained runners Sacred Star and El Roca. Hall of Fame inductee Rough Habit is the last New Zealand trained horse to claim this prestigious handicap.

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	Saturday 18 July
Cambridge Thoroughbred Lodge	Sunday 19 July
Manfield Events Centre, Feilding	Wednesday 22 July
Canterbury Park Sales Facility	Saturday 25 July

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

Further details are available from www.nzerf@xtra.co.nz

LICENCE RENEWALS

Licence renewal applications for ALL licence-holders for the 2015/16 season are now underway. Licence-holders are encouraged to renew on-line where possible.

Licence renewal applications have been posted out today to all trainer and rider licence holders who do not have "active" email addresses or those who do have "active" email addresses but who have not yet renewed.

Licence renewal applications for Stable Hand and Trackwork Rider licence holders, for those that have not renewed on-line, are expected to be posted out next Tuesday, 9 June.

If you have any questions concerning your licence renewal application, please contact the Licensing Department at NZTR on 04 576 6279 or licensing@nzracing.co.nz

COLOURS RENEWALS 2015-2020

Please note the five year colours registration cycle finishes on 31 July 2015. Renewals for the next five year period will be able to be completed on-line. Renewal details will be sent out to colours holders by the end of next week, Friday 12 June. Those unable to renew on-line will be sent an invoice.

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.

FLAIR NATIONAL AMATEUR RIDERS' SERIES 2015

After the third round of thirteen of the Flair Amateur Riders' Series Scotty MacNab has a 1 point lead over Caley Myers. The fourth race of the Series is being held at Trentham tomorrow.

Scotty McNabb	18
Caley Myers	17
Lisa Kennedy	10
Linda Wheeler	10
Missy Browne	10
Harley Cushing	9
Jamie-Lee Lupton	3
Aaron McDonald	2
Danielle Hirini	2
Marita-Jane Frith	1
Jonty Reid	1
Michelle Northcott	1

Points: 1st - 10; 2nd - 7; 3rd - 5; 4th - 3; 5th - 2; 6th - 1

TURNOVER INFORMATION

NZ Thoroughbred Summary FY15	This Season, Year to Date	Last Season, Year to Date	Variance +/()	Variance +%/(%)
Meetings	287	297	(10)	(3.37%)
Races	2,440	2,481	(41)	(1.65%)
Total Starts	25,386	25,818	(432)	(1.67%)
Avg Field Size	10.404	10.406	(0.00)	(0.02%)
Number of races less than 8 starters	399	406	(7)	(1.72%)
Off-Course Turnover (Totalisator & FOB)	350,840,957	339,906,297	+10,934,660	+3.22%
On-Course Turnover (Totalisator & FOB)	30,940,851	32,404,688	(1,463,837)	(4.52%)
Total NZ Thoroughbred Turnover	381,781,808	372,310,985	+9,470,824	+2.54%
Subtotal Totalisator Turnover	270,601,168	283,875,032	(13,273,864)	(4.68%)
Subtotal FOB Turnover	111,178,337	88,435,938	+22,742,399	+25.72%
NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Race	156,468	150,065	+6,403	+4.27%
NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Starter	15,039	14,421	+618	+4.29%
Total NZRB Racing Turnover	1,443,506,766	1,293,689,503	+149,817,263	+11.58%
Subtotal NZ Racing Turnover	709,733,656	700,420,347	+9,313,309	+1.33%
Subtotal Imported Racing Turnover	733,773,110	593,269,156	+140,503,954	+23.68%
Total NZRB Sports Turnover	335,591,712	237,860,862	+97,730,850	+41.09%
Total NZRB Turnover	1,779,098,478	1,531,550,365	+247,548,113	+16.16%

NZ Thoroughbred Export Turnover \$NZ (to 24 May)	288,439,380	268,816,938	+19,622,442	+7.30%
Total Races (to 24 May)	2,384	2,427	(43)	(1.77%)
NZ Thoroughbred Export turnover \$NZ per race	120,990	110,761	+10,229	+9.23%

Date	Club	On-Course (Tote & FOB combined)		Totalisator (Off & on-course 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
27-May	Te Aroha	53,119	50,764	765,177	660,929	300,045	232,554	10	10	123	123
28-May	Feilding	22,592	33,932	379,294	548,914	159,841	212,713	7	8	61	71
29-May	Canterbury	34,358	34,346	477,758	488,008	257,031	174,001	9	9	89	80
30-May	Wanganui	102,170	111,823	1,204,280	1,344,003	473,277	433,808	10	10	111	129
30-May	Auckland	60,960	91,566	892,121	1,152,325	406,064	359,969	9	9	78	93
31-May	Otago	30,093	26,931	558,085	413,135	237,805	132,474	11	8	104	62

Meeting details:

- Feilding JC Thursday meeting ran 7 races this season, 8 races last season.
- Otago RC Sunday meeting ran 11 races in FY15, 8 in FY14.

Turnover summary notes:

- Total NZ thoroughbred turnover is up 2.5% year to date.
- 10 less meetings and 41 less races have been run than to the same date last season.
- Turnover per race is up 4.3%.
- Total starts made by thoroughbreds in NZ are down 432, 1.7 % less.
- Average field size is 10.404 in FY15, down slightly from 10.406 (+0.02%) in FY14.
- The number of races with less than 8 starters is 7 lower than the season prior (399 v 406).
- The decline in NZ thoroughbred totalisator turnover (down 4.7%) has been offset by an increase in FOB turnover (up 25.7%).
- Export turnover (\$NZ) is up 9.2% per race to 24 May.

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.