



**Tuesday 4 December 2012**

### **Place6 Goes National on Saturday 8 December**

The trials have been run and the results are impressive – the TAB's new Place6 racing bet is a winner.

Punters were given the chance to take Place6 bets on five domestic race meetings as an early "taster" of the new tote bet type, which goes national on 8 December.

TAB Head of Race Betting Michael Dore said Place6 had hit the ground running.

"A Place6 punter at the recent Manawatu harness meeting took away more than \$2,500 from a \$10 Place6 bet. A Wanganui greyhounds fan collected \$971 from a \$9 investment when the Place6 bet struck multiple winning combinations, collecting the \$107.90 dividend eight times on a single ticket".

"All the good stuff that could happen with Place6 did happen. As well as the big winners at Manawatu and Wanganui, we had a customer who took a \$1 Place6 Easybet on the Timaru gallops and collected \$240 when all the runners came in".

Place6 requires the successful selection of six placegetters in six races. That means there's more ways to win, with hundreds of possible winning combinations in every Place6 bet.

To celebrate the official nationwide launch of Place6 on December 8, when the new bet type will be available on all domestic race meetings, the TAB will pony up bonuses to get the Place6 pools going at the six meetings on launch weekend.

"With six New Zealand meetings involved that weekend (three on Saturday, December 8, and three on Sunday, December 9) we'll be putting a bonus of \$10,000 into each of those Place6 pools.

Punters can take a Place6 bet from as little as \$1. Percentage betting will be available. Place6 will be available through at all TAB outlets and via all sales channels.

\$10,000 Bonus Money will be injected into the Place6 pool at each of the following thoroughbred meetings:

#### **Saturday 8 December**

Auckland RC  
Wellington RC

#### **Sunday 9 December**

Waipukurau JC

### **Victoria Carter Appointed New Chair of NZTR Members' Council**

The Members' Council of New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing (NZTR) has unanimously appointed Mrs Victoria Carter to the chair of the 12-member body.

The Members' Council is responsible for all aspects of appointing and reviewing the performance of the six independent Directors to the NZTR Board.

Victoria Carter is also Chair of the Auckland Festival, Director of the Auckland Racing Club and various other private companies including JUCY Rentals, and Cityhop.

### **Australia's Marcus Oldham Equine Sports Scholarship**

Australia's outstanding Equine Management course is delivered at Marcus Oldham at Geelong near Melbourne.

On offer for study in 2013 is the AUD\$10,000 Marcus Oldham Equine Sports scholarship for ambitious and determined students who want to start their career with the one-year Diploma of Horse Business management.

You will gain skills in business management, equine science, training and handling, horse husbandry, breeding and much more; you'll enjoy study tours in Australia and New Zealand, a strong industry network and alumni in both countries, and excellent employment opportunities.

**Applications close Friday 4 January 2013. Course commences Monday 4 February 2013.**

Information on the course and how to apply for the scholarship on [www.marcusoldham.vic.edu.au](http://www.marcusoldham.vic.edu.au).

### **2012 New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing Annual**

#### **The Perfect Christmas Present for any Racing Enthusiast**

This is a must read for thoroughbred racing enthusiasts of all generations, an opportunity to reflect on the past season and experience the excitement and glamour of the New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing industry.

With detailed profiles on equine champions the length and breadth of the country, and the people behind them, the New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing Annual is the perfect Christmas gift for anyone interested in racing.

Continuing in the vein of Annuals past, the 41st Edition recaps on all the highlights of the 2011/2012 season and includes features on:

- New Zealand Horse of the Year Mufhasa (NZ)
- Star Kiwi three-year-old Silent Achiever (NZ)
- Top class sprinters Guiseppina (NZ) and Atomic Force
- Champion 2YO Warhorse (NZ)
- Weight-for-age stars Jimmy Choux (NZ), Veyron (NZ) and Shez Sinsational (NZ)
- International high-flyers So You Think (NZ), Super Easy (NZ), Fay Fay (NZ) and Little Bridge (NZ)
- In depth profile on the Raffles Farm team of Sacred Falls (NZ) fame
- A tribute to Black Caviar
- And much, much more....

Purchase the Racing Annual online at <http://www.nztm.co.nz/Racing-Annual> or send a cheque for \$45.50 to New Zealand Thoroughbred Marketing, PO Box 20580, Hamilton 3241

### **Festive Fun This Week**

Some great racing action coming up with Christmas at the Races this week:

Counties	Wednesday 5 December
Taranaki	Thursday 6 December
Riccarton Park	Friday 7 December
Trentham	Saturday 8 December
Waipukurau	Sunday 9 December

Visit [theraces.co.nz](http://theraces.co.nz) for details.

## Avondale JC Vacancy - Sponsorship Consultant

**WANTED:** Dynamic Sales skills, detailed accuracy, integrity and personality.

A technology savvy University Graduate or undergraduate with Marketing and Communications studies background to act as Sponsorship Sales Consultant at the Avondale Jockey Club for a commission sales role.

A short term contract now that the studies have ended.

Email [john@grosv.co.nz](mailto:john@grosv.co.nz)

## Stratford RC 31 December 2012 – Stake Increases

The Stratford RC has announced Stake Increases for the following races at the 31 December meeting:

Open Handicap 2000m Stratford Cup	\$20,000 (previously \$12,000)
Rating 65 Benchmark 1600m	\$10,000 (previously \$7,000)

## Feature Race Nominations and Withdrawals Information

### Wellington RC

**Wednesday 5 December** – 1<sup>st</sup> late nominations and 1<sup>st</sup> withdrawals J&N Berkett Telegraph Hcp

**Tuesday 11 December** – 1<sup>st</sup> noms Thorndon Mile

**Wednesday 12 December** – 1<sup>st</sup> withdrawals and 1<sup>st</sup> late noms Pacific Jewellers Wellington Cup

### Auckland RC

**Thursday 6 December** – 1<sup>st</sup> withdrawals Sistema Railway Stks, City of Auckland Cup, Dunstan Feeds Stayers Championship.

## Turnover Information for the Period ending 2 December 2012

Date	Club	On-Course		Off-Course		Fixed Odds		Starters	
								12-13	11-12
26/11	Waipa (1)	22,669		422,501		152,913		81	
28/11	Thames (2)	63,823		604,825		214,166		78	
29/11	South Canterbury	22,948	59.0%	617,918	4.6%	187,266	5.4%	85	8.6%
30/11	Levin (3)	192,083	5.4%	1,144,403	17.4%	441,590	31.6%	100	20.6%
1/12	Auckland (4)	165,685	16.4%	1,748,897	13.0%	641,268	49.1%	123	18.5%
1/12	Wanganui (5)	140,395	1.9%	1,092,837	6.4%	300,668	56.4%	108	18.2%
2/12	Otago (6)	163,312	17.2%	474,961	31.5%	168,845	21.2%	64	35.4%

(1) Waipa RC; no equivalent meeting last year; this year there were 8 races.

(2) Thames JC; last year this meeting was a Racing Matamata meeting, at which there were 9 races; there were 8 races this year.

- (3) Levin RC; last year there were 10 races, compared with 9 races this year.  
 (4) Auckland RC; last year there were 11 races, compared with 10 races this year.  
 (5) Wanganui JC; last year there were 11 races, compared with 10 races this year.  
 (6) Otago RC; last year there were 10 races, compared with 8 races this year.

<b>NZ Thoroughbred Summary</b>	<b>This Season, Year to Date</b>	<b>Last Season, Year to Date</b>	<b>Variance +/( )</b>	<b>Variance +%/ ( )%</b>
<b>Races</b>	1,016	1,062	(46)	(4.33%)
<b>Starters</b>	10,777	11,150	(373)	(3.35%)
<b>Avg Field Size</b>	10.61	10.50	+0.11	+1.03%
<b>Off-Course Turnover</b>	108,780,567	110,116,759	(1,336,192)	(1.21%)
<b>On-Course Turnover</b>	10,329,756	11,507,817	(1,178,061)	(10.24%)
<b>Total Totalisator Turnover</b>	119,110,323	121,624,576	(2,514,253)	(2.07%)
<b>Fixed Odds</b>	30,708,306	21,496,677	+9,211,629	+42.85%
<b>Total NZ Thoroughbred Turnover</b>	149,818,629	143,121,253	+6,697,376	+4.68%
<b>NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Race</b>	147,459	134,766	+12,694	+9.42%
<b>NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Starter</b>	13,902	12,836	+1,066	+8.30%
<b>Total NZRB Racing Turnover</b>	527,562,618	468,708,338	+58,854,280	+12.56%
<b>Total NZRB Sports Turnover</b>	84,845,827	92,376,273	(7,530,446)	(8.15%)
<b>Total NZRB Turnover</b>	<b>612,408,445</b>	<b>561,084,611</b>	<b>+51,323,834</b>	<b>+9.15%</b>

Largest betting race for last week was the Group 1 Levin Classic on Friday at Otaki which turned over (tote + final field) \$394k, down 3.4% on last year's race.

Note: NZRB supplied On-course Turnover total represents On-course turnover placed on NZ thoroughbred meetings from all on-course venues. 'Total' NZ Thoroughbred turnover figure includes Off-course (including Pick 6), On-course (NZRB figure as commented above) and all Fixed Odds Turnover. All Turnover figures are supplied by the NZRB.

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