

Report of the
NEW ZEALAND PATTERN COMMITTEE
(formerly New Zealand Graded Stakes Committee)

**Group & Listed Race
Schedule for
2012/2013 Season**

**following Review of
2011/12 Season**

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The Graded Stakes Review for races run in the 2011-12 season has been completed by the Committee established for that purpose. The schedule of Group and Listed Races to be run in the 2012-13 season has now been confirmed.
2. The New Zealand Graded Stakes Committee is now known as the New Zealand Pattern Committee from 1 January 2012.
3. In the schedule of Black Type races for 2012-13, there have been eight changes made. The Waikato Guineas, Gr.3 has been promoted to Gr.2 and the Mr Tiz Trophy, Sunline Vase and Westbury Classic have all been promoted from Listed to Gr.3. The Concorde H., Gr.2 and Waikato Cup, Gr.2 have both been demoted to Gr.3 and the CJC George Adams (Tattersall) H. [Easter Cup], Gr.3 has been demoted to Listed status. Additionally, the Owens Trophy [Kiwifruit Cup], L has been de-listed from black-type status. Under the revised schedule, the total number of Black Type flat races is 145 compared to 146 last season.
4. This is the first year that the NZPC has operated under the new Asian Pattern Committee (APC) Ground Rules, which were approved by NZTR in consultation with the New Zealand Pattern Committee and the industry. In this first year of assessing races under the new regimen, any race failing to attain the minimum race rating required is likely to be issued with a warning. Such a failure in consecutive years is likely to attract a second warning. There are currently 30 races with 1st warnings (45 last year) and 5 races with 2nd warnings (19 last year).
5. The ANZ Race Ratings used principally to evaluate race quality are appended as Section 6 of this Report.

SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 CONSTITUTION & CONVENTION

The New Zealand Pattern Committee (NZPC) is constituted in Rule 506 of the Rules of Racing. It is an independent committee jointly convened by New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Inc. (NZTBA) and New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing Inc. (NZTR). The secretariat of the NZPC is provided by NZTR.

1.2 COMPOSITION & SCHEDULE

1.2.1 The NZPC is comprised of eight voting members, viz. a Chairman who is appointed by NZTR after consultation with NZTBA, three nominees of NZTBA, three nominees of NZTR and one nominee of NZTBA to represent the thoroughbred auction companies. The personnel appointed to the Pattern Committee are expected to have the expertise and experience to exercise flexibility and discretion whilst continually maintaining a review of appropriate levels of Black Type opportunity for horses of different age, sex and aptitudes, throughout the total New Zealand racing scene. Committee appointments are made in December each year and take effect for the following calendar year.

1.2.2 The NZPC meets twice per year, usually in the third week of August when primary statistical data becomes available and (by teleconference) in November to review the prestige jumping races. Each year the NZPC conducts a robust review of its procedures and criteria and holds a frank discussion of all matters considered relevant.

1.2.3 A NZPC member has a conflict of interest with respect to the review process when that member, or their spouse, partner or immediate family member, is an office-bearer or management employee of a New Zealand racing club or of an organisation currently sponsoring a black-type race. Any member having disclosed a conflict of interest will not be debarred from participating in any discussion during the review. If consensus amongst committee members is not apparent regarding a particular race under review and the Chairman calls for a vote, then any member having a conflict of interest relating to that race will forfeit their right to vote on that particular race and may be asked to leave the room during the voting process.

1.2.4 The NZPC for the past season comprised :

Chairman:	Mr Chas Amon, Auckland
NZTR Nominees:	Mr Tom Jamison, Otaki
	Mr Russell Warwick, Papakura
	Mr Jeff McCall, Christchurch

NZTBA Nominees: Mr Michael Martin, Auckland
Mr Andrew Stewart, Taupo
Mr Stephen Till, Cambridge
Auction House: Mr Andrew Seabrook, Papakura

1.3 OBJECTIVES & RESPONSIBILITIES

The function of the NZPC is to annually review the best races in New Zealand for horses of different ages, gender and aptitudes and to produce a list of races worthy of black type status in sales catalogues in line with international standards, and to rate those races as (in descending order of importance) Gr.1, Gr.2, Gr.3 and Listed. Further, it is to produce a list of Prestige Jumping Races in NZ.

It is the responsibility of the NZPC to conduct that review in a manner that conforms to international standards and utilises clear and consistent criteria. It also has a duty to communicate its findings in an Annual Report to be circulated to interested parties by the beginning of September each year.

The NZPC must remain aware that the integrity and international credibility of our black type system is crucial to the national thoroughbred industry. The Committee makes recommendations to Clubs where it feels that the pattern of racing could be improved with the introduction of a particular type of race or races.

1.4 INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVES

The NZ list of black type races and their groupings is expected to conform to the Ground Rules drawn up by the Asian Pattern Committee (APC) and submitted through the Asian Racing Federation (ARF) to the International Grading and Race Planning Advisory Committee (IRPAC), who in turn recommends the list to be ratified by the Society of International Thoroughbred Auctioneers (SITA). The list is then published along with all other approved national lists in the annual International Cataloguing Standards and International Statistics booklet ("Blue Book"). It is important to recognize that retention of N.Z.'s inclusion in Part One of the Blue Book is crucial to the national thoroughbred industry.

1.5 REVIEW PROCESS

There is no appeal process available against the decisions of the Committee in respect of any race or races. However, application may be made to a Review Panel for a review of the Committee's list as outlined under Rules 506 (9)-(12). An application for a review does not apply in respect of a warning.

SECTION 2

HISTORY

2.1 BLACK TYPE

Black-type (or stakes) races are those that differentiate prestige races from others. The purpose of black-type races is to confer additional status (and therefore implied value) to the placegetters in those races. The first three finishers in designated black type races receive bold typeface in sales catalogue pedigrees. The appearance of black type in catalogues had its origins in North American catalogues in the 1950s. It was first adopted outside of North America by New Zealand in 1970. In the early 1970s Europe adopted the black-type system for their pattern races and other countries followed.

2.2 GROUP DESIGNATIONS

Black type races are rated (in descending order of importance) with the designators Gr.1, Gr.2, Gr.3 and Listed. Group designators grew out of the European Pattern Race System in the early 1970s. It was quickly adopted in North America and then gradually adopted throughout the rest of the thoroughbred world, including New Zealand in 1984-85.

2.3 INTERNATIONAL UNIFORMITY

In 1981 the International Cataloguing Standards Committee (ICSC) was formed to oversee the publication (Blue Book) of all lists of black type races worldwide and promote uniformity of standards. In 2007 ICSC transferred responsibility for this role to IRPAC. In 2012 the APC assumed an overseeing governance role over all the domestic graded stakes jurisdictions in the ARF region.

2.4 NEW ZEALAND DEVELOPMENTS

New Zealand's black type races were determined initially by the senior pedigree compiler at the then sole auction house. From about the mid-1970s the task was done by a committee of representatives of NZTBA, the auction house and New Zealand Racing Conference (NZRC), predecessor of NZTR. The Committee was overseen by NZRC. In 1995 a complete review of the process was undertaken, resulting in the current structure of the NZPC being implemented. In 2012 the Committee was renamed from New Zealand Graded Stakes Committee to New Zealand Pattern Committee.

2.5 REGISTERED RACENAMES

In 2001 Registered Racenames were introduced to enable a race to be identified over a period of years, regardless of the changes that may be made to its raceday name. The Registered Racenames provide the historical link to the current racename and sponsor. The APC also prescribe that all Group races must have a permanent element within the racename.

SECTION 3

OPERATING PROCEDURES

3.1 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTIONS

The NZPC compares New Zealand's list of black type races to those of other countries in Part 1 of the Blue Book in order to ensure the international credibility of the black type in our sales catalogues.

3.1.1 Number of black-type races

As a target, the NZPC restricts the number of black type races in New Zealand to approximately 5% of the estimated number of flat races run during the season. This is in line with most other racing jurisdictions and is considered appropriate for New Zealand.

3.1.2 Pyramid model

With regard to the allocation of group designators to New Zealand's black type races, the NZPC endeavours to establish and maintain the widely accepted "pyramid" model used by most countries in Part 1 of the Blue Book. The ideal pyramid has more Group 2 races than Group 1 races, and the total number of Group 3 races should exceed the combined total of Group 1 and Group 2 races.

3.1.3 Category opportunities

The NZPC oversees the full range of horse categories (age, gender, distance aptitude) so that all horses might have adequate opportunities to compete for black type status.

3.2 CRITERIA

3.2.1 Quality.

The paramount criterion applied by the NZPC is established quality of the field over time.

3.2.2 Race conditions.

In the overall pattern, weight-for-age is given higher priority than set weights, which is given higher priority than set weights and penalties, which is, in turn, given higher priority than handicap conditions.

All black type races for 2YOs and 3YOs are to be run at set weights or set weights and penalties.

In line with international trends, it is unlikely that further handicap races will be elevated to Gr.1 status.

Races for which entry is restricted to horses sold at a particular sale or sales are not eligible for group status. Furthermore, to be granted (R) Listed status, such a race must achieve a standard of quality equivalent to a group race.

3.2.3 Prize money.

Black type races must be run for a stake that meets or exceeds minimum levels that are subject to annual review by NZTR.

3.2.4 The pattern.

The NZPC considers each race's timing and place within the pattern of racing.

3.2.5 Continuity.

Continuity on the list and with a particular grading is considered desirable, so long as that continuity is credible and does not compromise the integrity of the system.

3.2.6 Miscellaneous.

Other criteria may be considered if deemed to be relevant, e.g. historical importance, regional factors, impact of adverse weather, opportunities for various aptitude categories, etc.

3.3 ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGIES

3.3.1 Australia and New Zealand Race Classifications (ANZ Ratings).

The NZPC has adopted the end of season ANZ Ratings as its primary statistical assessment tool. This rating averages the first four finishers in a race, as rated for their full season's performances. A race's ANZ Rating is evaluated by the NZPC in conjunction with that race's historical ratings for up to the five most recent renewals. If required, consideration is also given to the ratings of the highest rated four runners and the first eight placegetters.

3.3.2 New Zealand handicap ratings.

The NZPC also has at its disposal the NZ race day handicap ratings for the starters in all races reviewed. The NZPC will consult these if the ANZ Ratings do not provide clarity in a particular comparison between races.

3.3.3 Full field results.

The NZPC also has the official result files of all races reviewed, along with the number and quality of black type performers (covering the current and previous season) in each race.

3.4 UPGRADING / DOWNGRADING

3.4.1 Conditions for gaining black type.

(A) For a race to gain entry to the black type system a position must be available within the allowable number of black type races for New Zealand, (approximately 5% of races run). The race must have achieved in its recent renewals a level of quality higher than that of the lower rating races already on the list catering for a similar category of horse.

(B) It must also have been run under the same terms and conditions, distance and timing for two consecutive previous renewals. (This may be deviated from in the most exceptional circumstances).

It is not necessary for a host club to make a submission for entry to the black type system. The NZPC maintains a "watch list" of all unrestricted

races run for a stake of (currently) \$40,000 or more and reviews that list every year.

3.4.2 Conditions for maintaining status.

Other than continuing to meet the field quality criterion, some other conditions must also be maintained. A race may be subject to re-assessment by the NZPC if there are changes proposed in terms of one or more of –

- (a) the distance (100m or more for races below 1600m and 200m or more for races of 1600m or above)
- (b) the date (more than 2 months)
- (c) the stake
- (d) the venue
- (e) the host club
- (f) the race conditions

Each change or combination thereof is considered on a case-by-case basis and must be notified by the host club to the NZPC at the earliest opportunity.

If a scheduled black type race is not programmed by its host club, or, if having programmed it, the host club declines to run the race prior to the calling of nominations, then NZTR may at its discretion re-allocate the race to another club willing to run the race under the same terms and conditions within the current pattern. If a black type race has had nominations called for, then the club must run the race, regardless of the number of acceptors.

3.4.3 Conditions for downgrading a race (Warning Process)

(A) When a race is being considered for downgrading, a written warning will be given to the host club and the race will not be downgraded until it has been run with a second warning.

(B) Where a club has already had a first warning in respect of a race, the warning may be maintained, lifted or progressed to a second warning.

(C) Because a club is entitled to have two further renewals of a race at the status quo after the issue of a first warning, the NZPC intends to issue first warnings at the earliest sign of decline in the quality of a race.

(D) Where a second warning has been issued, this may be maintained, removed completely, reverted to a first warning or the race may be downgraded.

(E) Black type races scheduled for the early part of the season and carrying a second warning that have already been advertised in Thoroughbred Racing Monthly (TRM) prior to the August meeting of the NZPC, will carry disclaimers in TRM noting that the club and NZTR each reserves the right to alter the conditions of the race including the stake and/or the black type status of the advertised race if it is downgraded by the NZPC.

(F) Black type races run for a stake below the minimum prescribed level will be automatically downgraded for that running irrespective of any warning level attached to the race.

(G) The required warning period is also not applicable where a race has undergone significant change (as detailed in 3.4.2 above). Such a change may be approved by the NZPC at its discretion with or without the imposition of a (greater) warning level.

For a race to be de-listed the NZPC must give consideration to the “pyramid” structure which limits black type to approximately 5% of races run.

3.4.4 Conditions for upgrading a race.

(A) For a race to be considered for upgrading within the black type system the NZPC must be satisfied that a vacancy exists in the relevant category above.

(B) It must have achieved in its recent renewals a level of quality higher than that of the lower rating races in the category above catering for a similar category of horse.

(C) It must also have been run under the same terms and conditions, distance and timing for two consecutive previous renewals. (This may be deviated from in the most exceptional circumstances).

The NZPC invites clubs to make submissions for their races to be upgraded, but a submission is not a prerequisite for upgrading and the NZPC will upgrade races without submissions where appropriate.

SECTION 4

COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1** The Committee remains concerned that the current New Zealand “pyramid” (ref. Operating Procedure 3.1.2) still does not match international expectations. The first step in addressing that situation is to downgrade up to three Group 1 races. This step is bound to meet resistance from the Clubs affected, but the NZPC feels obliged to take the measures necessary to ensure the credibility of New Zealand’s black-type races.
- 4.2** From time to time it becomes apparent that some stakeholders still do not understand the way in which this Committee is constituted. It is not a sub-committee of either NZTR or NZTBA. The Pattern Committee is jointly appointed by, but independent of, those two bodies. The Committee submits the listing of New Zealand’s black type races to APC without requiring the approval of the two convening bodies and its decisions are final, subject to the review process outlined under 1.5 in the Introduction.
- 4.3** It is the responsibility of a Club to notify the NZPC where a significant change in conditions is contemplated. Changes in one or more of the distance, timing and conditions can in fact result in an entirely different race being conducted. Although the Committee is sympathetic to programming and other issues, the integrity of the system is paramount.
- 4.4** For the 2012-13 season, the Committee supports the Minimum Stakes Levels adopted by NZTR and set out below:

Status	Minimum Stake
Group 1	\$200,000
Group 2	\$85,000
Group 3	\$70,000
Listed	\$50,000

- 4.5** Appreciation is expressed to those involved with making submissions, the majority of whom follow the guidelines advised to clubs, which in turn assists the Committee with its deliberations.
- 4.6** Opportunities could arise within the next couple of years to promote some races into the black-type structure at Listed level, as some open-age handicaps appear to be struggling to hold their position, while the 3YO and Fillies/Mares categories appear to be somewhat under-represented in the listings. The Committee urges Clubs to identify gaps

in the calendar for horses in those two categories, taking into account distance aptitudes and the provision of preparatory opportunities leading in to the established pattern races.

For example, there is currently only one black-type opportunity north of Dunedin for 3YO sprinters between late October and the end of April without taking on older horses.

Also the fillies & mares (3YO & older) as a group are not particularly well catered for, especially through the summer period. They have only two black-type opportunities beyond a mile, both in the autumn. It is noted by the Committee that other comparable racing jurisdictions seem to provide many more opportunities for the fillies and mares category and this Committee would like to see every major carnival in NZ programme at least one race for this category.

- 4.7** In line with international expectations, the Committee will continue to use race ratings provided by the Australasian Classifications Committee as our primary statistical assessment tool. This meets requirements by the APC, set out in their Ground Rules which are included with this Report and referred to in an accompanying letter.
- 4.8** The Committee resolved to change its name from New Zealand Graded Stakes Committee to New Zealand Pattern Committee effective from 1 January 2012. This action was taken to fall into line with international convention.

SECTION 5

SUMMARY

5.1 As a result of the review, the number of black type races for 2012-13 compared with previous seasons is as follows:

Status	12-13	11-12	10-11	09-10	08-09	07-08
Group 1	22	22	22	22	22	24
Group 2	22	23	23	23	23	23
Group 3	36	33	33	33	33	29
Listed	65	68	66	68	68	70
Total	145	146	144	146	146	146
PJR	tbc*	12	12	12	12	12

* The number of Prestige Jumping Races will be confirmed at the Pattern Committee meeting in November.

5.2 The 2012-13 list includes the following changes to the previous season:

Promotions/Relegations

Promotion

Waikato Guineas [H S Dyke] (2000m) Gr.3 to Gr.2 - this race has consistently rated highly since the changes to the NZ 3YO pattern when the Derby shifted to March. The latest renewal rated above all of the equivalent Gr.2 3YOs. This year's winner Silent Achiever went on to be the first filly since Popsy in 1993 to win the NZ Derby, emulating the formline of the 2011 NZ Derby winner Jimmy Choux, which had also won the Waikato Guineas in his lead-up to the Derby.

Mr Tiz Trophy (1200m) LR to Gr.3 – since this race was promoted to Listed status in the 2009-10 season it has continued to perform particularly well. The latest renewal rated well above the required Gr.3 3YO benchmark. The Committee were very supportive of this 1200m 3YO race being promoted to Gr.3 level.

Sunline Vase (2100m) LR to Gr.3 – since this race was promoted to Listed status in the 2008-09 it has also performed consistently. The latest renewal rated well above the required Gr.3 3YO Filly benchmark. The Committee acknowledged the programming of the Gr.3 3YO Lowland Stakes over same distance, which is run at Hastings the previous Saturday. While both races can be seen to be catering for the same pool of 3YO Fillies, the Committee was of the opinion that the

Sunline Vase had clearly established its credentials as a Gr.3 in its own right.

Westbury Classic (1400m) LR to Gr.3 – this race was promoted to Listed status in 2008-09 as part of the Auckland RC Cup carnival and has also established its position on the calendar. The latest renewal rated particularly highly and the Committee were very supportive of this race being promoted to Gr.3 level.

Relegation

Concorde H (1200m) Gr.2 to Gr.3 – this race was downgraded on the basis that the ANZ rating for the latest renewal was well below the 107 Gr.2 Older Horse minimum benchmark. A First Warning was issued for the 2008/09 running of the race and a second warning was issued the following year. The Committee were of the view that the race in recent years had performed well below the required standard for a Gr.2 race.

Waikato Cup H (2400m) Gr.2 to Gr.3 – this race has been on a second warning since 2008/09 pending determination by the Committee as to the change in the pattern of races in the North with the transfer of the Auckland Cup to March. The latest renewal of this race was again disappointing, with the race rating failing to meet the required 102 minimum standard for a Gr.3 Older Horse benchmark.

CJC George Adams [Easter Cup] (1600m) Gr.3 to LR – this race had been issued with a first warning in 2008/09 and a second warning in 2010/11. The latest renewal of this race was again disappointing, being the lowest rated race on the Gr.3 Older Horse schedule, with a rating that only just met the required 97 minimum standard for the LR Older Horse benchmark.

Owens Trophy [Kiwifruit Cup] (2100m) LR to delisted – this race was issued with a second warning in 2009/10. Its latest renewal was again disappointing. The race was clearly the lowest rated Older Horse Listed event with a race rating of 91.5, falling well below the minimum race rating required in this category (97).

- 5.3 The number of Black Type races for each season is expected to equate to approximately 5% of flat races run, as prescribed in Operating Procedure 3.1.1. There were 2,934 flat races run in the 2011-12 season and 146 black-type races scheduled which represents 4.97%.

5.4 Summary of warnings

Status	2nd Warnings Maintained	2nd Warnings Issued	Reverted to 1st Warnings	1st Warnings Maintained	1st Warnings Issued	1st Warnings Removed
Group 1	1		1	1	4	3
Group 2	2		-	4	3	2
Group 3	-		1	1	2	9
Listed	2		8	3	2	22
Total	5	-	10	9	11	36

5.5 2nd Warnings Maintained

Gr.1	Levin Classic		Levin RC
Gr.2	Wakefield Challenge S		Wellington RC
Gr.2	Counties Cup		Counties RC
LR	Gore Guineas		Gore RC
LR	Feilding Gold Cup		Feilding JC

5.6 2nd Warnings Issued

	Nil		
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5.7 Reverted to 1st Warnings from 2nd warning

Gr.1	International S		Waikato RC
Gr.3	Cuddle S		Wellington RC
LR	Otago Breeders S		Otago RC
LR	CJC Easter Classic	<i>Spring Classic</i>	Canterbury JC
LR	Marton 1600	<i>Rangitikei Gold Cup</i>	Rangitikei RC
LR	Dunedin Cup		Otago RC
LR	New Zealand St Leger		Wellington RC
LR	Northland Breeders S		Whangarei RC
LR	Dunedin Guineas		Otago RC
LR	Southland Guineas		Southland RC

5.8 1st Warnings Maintained

Gr.1	Railway H		Auckland RC
Gr.2	Wellington Guineas		Wellington RC
Gr.2	Championship S		Auckland RC
Gr.2	Japan Trophy		Tauranga RC
Gr.2	ARC George Adams (Tattersalls)	<i>Rich Hill Mile</i>	Auckland RC
Gr.3	White Robe Lodge H		Otago RC
LR	Wellesley S		Wellington RC
LR	Taumarunui Cup		Taumarunui RC
LR	Riverton Cup		Riverton RC

5.9 1st Warnings Issued

Gr.1	Ellerslie Sires' Produce S	<i>Diamond S</i>	Auckland RC
Gr.1	New Zealand Two Thousand Guineas		Canterbury JC
Gr.1	Telegraph H		Wellington RC
Gr.1	Thorndon Mile		Wellington RC
Gr.2	Hawkes Bay Guineas		Hawkes Bay RI
Gr.2	Churchill S	<i>Coupland's Bakeries Mile</i>	Canterbury JC
Gr.2	Queen Elizabeth H	<i>City of Auckland Cup</i>	Auckland RC
Gr.3	Rotorua Cup		Rotorua RC
Gr.3	Winter Cup		Canterbury JC
LR	Rotorua Challenge S		Rotorua RC
LR	Newmarket H		Auckland RC

5.10 1st Warning Removed

Gr.1	Second Century S	<i>New Zealand S</i>	Auckland RC
Gr.1	Auckland Cup		Auckland RC
Gr.1	Easter H		Auckland RC
Gr.2	Matamata Breeders S		Matamata RC
Gr.2	Avondale Guineas		Auckland RC
Gr.3	Taranaki 2YO Classic		Taranaki RC
Gr.3	Thames Valley S	<i>Tauranga S</i>	Tauranga RC
Gr.3	Eulogy S		Manawatu RC
Gr.3	Taranaki S	<i>Taranaki Cup H</i>	Taranaki RC

Gr.3	Thompson H		Wellington RC
Gr.3	Marton Metric Mile	<i>Merial Ancare Metric Mile H</i>	Marton JC
Gr.3	Canterbury Gold Cup		Canterbury JC
Gr.3	Manawatu Cup		Manawatu RC
Gr.3	Hawkes Bay Cup		Hawkes Bay RI
LR	Triton S	<i>Castletown S</i>	Foxton RC
LR	CJC Champagne S		Canterbury JC
LR	Ryder S		Levin RC
LR	Great Northern Foal S		Auckland RC
LR	Welcome S		Canterbury JC
LR	John Grigg S	<i>Ray Coupland S</i>	Canterbury JC
LR	Wanganui Guineas		Wanganui JC
LR	Soliloquy S	<i>Soliloquy Lodge S</i>	Auckland RC
LR	Canterbury Belle S	<i>NZ Bloodstock Airfreight S</i>	Canterbury JC
LR	Warstep S		Canterbury JC
LR	Inglewood S	<i>NZ Bloodstock Insurance S</i>	Canterbury JC
LR	Timaru Cup	<i>Coupland's Bakeries Cup</i>	Sth Canterbury
LR	Westminster H	<i>Timpson Family Sprint</i>	Waikato RC
LR	Wanganui Cup		Wanganui JC
LR	Jackson S	<i>Wanganui Challenge S</i>	Wanganui JC
LR	James Hazlett S	<i>Eclipse S</i>	Otago RC
LR	Counties Bowl		Counties RC
LR	Timaru S		Canterbury JC
LR	Jim & John Evans Metric Mile	<i>Karaka Classic</i>	Counties RC
LR	Great Easter H		Canterbury JC
LR	Tauranga Classic		Tauranga RC
LR	South Island Thoroughbred Breeders S		Canterbury JC

SECTION 6

2011-12 AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND CLASSIFICATIONS RACE RATINGS

6.1 Two-Year-Olds		Minimum expected
Manawatu Sires' Produce S., Gr.1	106.25	105
Ellerslie Sires' Produce S., Gr.1 (Diamond)	104.5	105
Wakefield Challenge S., Gr.2	100.5	102
Matamata Breeders' S., Gr.2	100.25	97
Taranaki Classic, Gr.3	102.75	97
Eclipse S., Gr.3	100	97
Karaka Millions, L (R)	105.75	(97)
Matamata Slipper, L	100.75	(92)
Counties Challenge S., L	99.75	(92)
Triton S., L (Castletown)	99.25	(92)
CJC Champagne S., L	98.5	(92)
Ryder S., L	96.75	(92)
Star Way S., L	96.5	(92)
Great Northern Foal S., L	96.25	(92)
Great Northern Champagne S., L	95.25	(92)
CJC Welcome S., L	95.25	(92)
Wellesley S., L	91.75	(92)
6.2 Three-Year-Olds		
New Zealand Derby, Gr.1	111.25	110
Levin Turf Classic, Gr.1	109	110
NZ Two Thousand Guineas, Gr.1	108.75	110
New Zealand Oaks, Gr.1	109.5	105
NZ One Thousand Guineas, Gr.1	108	105
Great Northern Guineas, Gr.2	110.25	107
Avondale Guineas, Gr.2	110.25	107
Hawke's Bay Guineas, Gr.2	105.5	107
Wellington Guineas, Gr.2	103.5	107
Championship S., Gr.2	103.5	107
Eight Carat Classic, Gr.2	109.75	102
Sir Tristram Classic, Gr.2	109.25	102
Royal S., Gr.2	105.5	102
Waikato Guineas, Gr.3	110.75	102

James & Annie Sarten Memorial S., Gr.3	108.5	102
Manawatu Classic, Gr.3	105.75	102
Wellington S., Gr.3	104.75	102
Cambridge Breeders' S., Gr.3	103.5	102
Desert Gold S., Gr.3	109.25	97
Eulogy S., Gr.3	107	97
Gold Trail S., Gr.3	104	97
Lowland S., Gr.3	103	97
Karaka 3YO Mile, L (R)	104.25	(102)
Mr Tiz Trophy, L	109	(97)
Bonecrusher S., L	106.5	(97)
Canterbury S., L	106	(97)
John Grigg S., L (Ray Coupland)	103.25	(97)
Great Northern Guineas Prelude, L	101.25	(97)
Wanganui Guineas, L	100.75	(97)
Northland Breeders' S., L	99.25	(97)
Dunedin Guineas, L	98.25	(97)
Southland Guineas, L	98.25	(97)
Gore Guineas, L	95.75	(97)
Sunline Vase, L	104.75	(92)
Soliloquy S., L	101.25	(92)
Trudy Thomson Memorial S., L	100.25	(92)
Canterbury Belle S., L	99.5	(92)
Warstep S., L	98.75	(92)
Inglewood S., L	96.75	(92)
Otago Breeders' S., L	94.75	(92)
6.3 Three Years & Older		
Horlicks P., Gr.1 (Windsor Pk)	117.75	110
Hawke's Bay Challenge S., Gr.1	116.75	110
Ormond Mem. Gold Cup, Gr.1 (Spring Cl.)	115	110
Second Century S., Gr.1 (NZ S.)	113.75	110
International S., Gr.1	113.5	110
Waikato Sprint, Gr.1	113.25	110
Galaxy S., Gr.1 (Zabeel)	113.25	110
Auckland Cup, Gr.1	113	110
Captain Cook S., Gr.1	113	110
Otaki-Maori WFA S., Gr.1	112.75	110

Easter H., Gr.1	110.25	110
Telegraph H., Gr.1	107.5	110
Railway H., Gr.1	107	110
Thorndon Mile, Gr.1	106.75	110
NZ Thoroughbred Breeders' S., Gr.1	109	105
Awapuni Gold Cup, Gr.2	109	107
Wellington Cup, Gr.2	108.5	107
Avondale Gold Cup, Gr.2	107.5	107
Churchill S., Gr.2 (Couplands)	106.25	107
Japan-New Zealand Trophy, Gr.2	105	107
ARC George Adams H., Gr.2 (Rich Hill)	104.75	107
Counties Cup, Gr.2	103	107
Concorde H., Gr.2	102.5	107
Waikato Gold Cup, Gr.2	100.25	107
Queen Elizabeth H., Gr.2 (City of Auckland)	99.75	107
Lady Norrie S., Gr.2	108.5	102
Dulcie S., Gr.2	106.25	102
Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' S., Gr.2	102.75	102
Thames Valley S., Gr.3	110.75	102
Trentham S., Gr.3	109.75	102
Great Northern Challenge S., Gr.3	109.25	102
Foxbridge P., Gr.3	108.25	102
Taranaki Cup, Gr.3	107	102
Alison S., Gr.3	104.5	102
GR Kelt Memorial H., Gr.3	104.25	102
King's P., Gr.3	103.75	102
Thompson H., Gr.3	103.5	102
New Zealand Cup, Gr.3	103.5	102
Marion Metric Mile, Gr.3	103	102
Manawatu Challenge S., Gr.3	102.75	102
Stewards' H., Gr.3	102.5	102
Manawatu Cup, Gr.3	102.5	102
Canterbury Gold Cup, Gr.3	102.5	102
Hawke's Bay Gold Cup, Gr.3	102.25	102
Rotorua Cup, Gr.3	101.75	102
White Robe Lodge H., Gr.3	100.5	102
Winter Cup, Gr.3	100.5	102

CJC George Adams (Tattersall) H., Gr.3	97.5	102
Cuddle S., Gr.3	105	97
Taranaki Breeders' S., Gr.3	104.5	97
Timaru Cup, L	106.75	(97)
Westminster H., L	106	(97)
Wanganui Cup, L	105.75	(97)
TRAC (Kaimai) S.H., L	104.75	(97)
Matamata Cup, L	104.5	(97)
Flying H., L	104.5	(97)
Anzac H., L	104	(97)
Arawa P., L	103.75	(97)
Marion Cup, L	103.25	(97)
Opunake Cup, L	102.75	(97)
Jackson S., L (Wanganui Challenge)	102	(97)
Metropolitan Trophy, L	101.5	(97)
Anniversary H., L	100.25	(97)
Spring Classic H., L	100	(97)
James Hazlett H., L	100	(97)
Pegasus S., L	99.5	(97)
Marion 1600 H., L (Rangitikei)	99.25	(97)
Dunedin Gold Cup, L	99.25	(97)
Timaru S., L	98.5	(97)
Levin S., L	98.5	(97)
Counties Bowl, L	98.5	(97)
FC Johnstone H., L	98.5	(97)
Lightning H., L	97.25	(97)
Jim & John Evans H., L	97.25	(97)
Great Easter H., L	97	(97)
Taumarunui Cup, L	96.75	(97)
Rotorua Challenge P., L	96.25	(97)
Riverton Cup, L	96	(97)
Feilding Cup, L	95.25	(97)
Newmarket H., L	95.25	(97)
Owens Trophy, L	91.5	(97)
New Zealand St Leger, L	98.5	(97)
Westbury Classic, L	105.5	(92)
Rotorua S., L	102.75	(92)

Wairarapa Breeders' S., L	102	(92)
Canterbury Breeders' S., L	100.75	(92)
Manawatu Breeders' S., L	100.5	(92)
Tauranga Classic, L	100.25	(92)
South Island Breeders' S., L	97.5	(92)

n.b. The right-hand column (Minimum expected) is the rating figure which must be attained at least once every 3 seasons (4 for Group 1s) to avoid down-grading. Where that figure is bracketed (i.e. Listed races) the figure is approximate and given for guideline purposes only, since Listed races are not subject to review by the Asian Pattern Committee.