# Report of the

# **NEW ZEALAND PATTERN COMMITTEE**

(formerly New Zealand Graded Stakes Committee)

Group & Listed Race Schedule for 2015/16 Season

following Review of 2014/15 Season

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## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- The Graded Stakes Review for races run in the 2014-15 season has been completed by the Committee established for that purpose. The schedule of Group and Listed Races to be run in the 2015-16 season has now been confirmed.
- 2. The New Zealand Graded Stakes Committee is now known as the New Zealand Pattern Committee (NZPC) from 1 January 2012. The change was made to fall into line with international convention.
- 3. In the schedule of Black Type races for 2015-16, there have been seven changes made. The Waikato RC James & Annie Sarten Memorial S., Gr.3, Manawatu RC Manawatu Challenge S., Gr.3 and Auckland RC Westbury Classic, Gr.3 have been upgraded to Gr.2. The Wellington RC Anniversary H., L and Canterbury Racing South Island Thoroughbred Breeders' S., L have been upgraded to Gr.3. The Taranaki RC Oaks Prelude, ungraded has been elevated to Listed status.
  - The Hawke's Bay RI Hawke's Bay Cup, Gr.3 has been downgraded to Listed.
- 4. Under the revised schedule, the total number of Black Type flat races is 148, one more than last season.
- 5. This was the third year that the NZPC has operated under the new APC (Asian Pattern Committee) Ground Rules, which were approved by NZTR in consultation with the NZPC and the industry. As before, any race failing to attain the minimum race rating required in the last running is very likely to be issued with a warning, and in most cases a second warning will be issued if the minimum rating has not been achieved in the past two runnings.
- 6. Following clarification from the APC, it has been established that an extra fillies' and mares' allowance is applicable to race ratings for open-gender races where one or more females featured in the first four finishers.
- 7. There are currently 17 races with 1st warnings (21 last year) and 4 races with 2nd warnings (8 last year).
- 8. The ANZ Race Ratings used principally to evaluate race quality are appended as Section 6 of this Report.

### 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 early 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 Bruce Sherwin, Cambridge

Mr Neville McAlister, Wellington

Mr Jeff McCall, Christchurch

NZTBA Nominees: Mr Michael Martin, Auckland

Mr Andrew Stewart, Cambridge Mr Mark Freeman, Wellington

Auction House: Mr Danny Rolston, Cambridge

### 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 APC Ground Rules drawn up by the Asian Pattern Committee. The list is then 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"). Retention of New Zealand's inclusion in Part One of the Blue Book is considered 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) of the NZ Rules of Racing. An application for a review does not apply in respect of a warning.

### 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, including N.Z.

### 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 the New Zealand Racing Conference (NZRC), the 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 prescribes that all Group races must have a permanent element within the racename.

# **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 schedule.

### 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 Race Ratings).

The NZPC has adopted the end of season ANZ Race 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, after taking into account the additional allowance if fillies or mares fill any of those placings. A race's ANZ Race Rating is evaluated by the NZPC in conjunction with that race's ANZ Pattern Rating (an average of the three most recent renewals' Race Ratings).

### 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

# The following guidelines should be read in conjunction with the APC Ground Rules which are available at:

http://www.nzracing.co.nz/Downloads/APC-RevisedGroundRules-29Nov%2011%20(3).pdf.

### 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, along with selected age group races 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 reassessment 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.

### 3.4.5 Other factors.

In assessing upgrades, admissions, downgrades or deletions of races to or from the schedule of black type races, the following factors may also be taken into account by the NZPC:

- (A) The ratings of the four highest rated horses to start (as well as the first four to finish).
- (B) The number of starters to have won a Group 1 race in the two most recent seasons.
- (C) The iconic or historical significance of some races of national importance including, but not necessarily restricted to, the national three-year-old Classics.
- (D) The effect on the overall pattern of racing or the shape of the "pyramid" (ref. 3.1.2, above).

# COMMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

- 4.1 The Committee has felt for many years that the New Zealand "pyramid" (ref. Operating Procedure 3.1.2) did not match international expectations. Although no Gr.1 race was downgraded this year, there are two Gr.1 races on second warning. The elevation of three Gr.3 races to Gr.2 status does take a little bit of heat out of this situation, but it is still likely that one or two Gr.1 races may be downgraded in coming years.
- 4.2 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.
- **4.3** For the 2015-16 season, the Committee supports the Minimum Stakes Levels adopted by NZTR and set out below:

Status	Minimum Stake
Group 1	\$200,000
Group 2	\$100,000
Group 3	\$70,000*
Listed	\$50,000

<sup>\*</sup>The minimum stake for Gr.3 is under review with the hope of increasing it to \$75,000 in the next 12 months..

- **4.4** Appreciation is expressed to those involved with making submissions, the majority of whom follow the guidelines advised to clubs. Those submissions assist the Committee with its deliberations.
- 4.5 One new race was introduced into the schedule of black type races for 2015-16. Further opportunities could arise within the next year or two to promote some races into the black-type structure at Listed level, particularly where these races can be programmed at the new Iconic and Premier One meetings, where increased minimum prizemoney is being targeted by NZTR. However, while the total number of flat races programmed each year continues to fall, the ratio of black type races has risen slightly to just over the target figure of 5%. Consequently, any new events introduced to the black type schedule would need to be offset by deletion of the weakest Listed races. While some open-age handicaps appear to be struggling to hold their position, at the same time the 3YO and Fillies/Mares categories appear to be somewhat

under-represented in the schedule. 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.

Fillies & mares (3YO & older) as a group are not particularly well catered for, especially through the summer period. In total, they have only 13 black-type opportunities. They have only two black type opportunities beyond a mile, both in the autumn. They also have only one black type opportunity at less than 1600m between late November and mid-May. It is noted by the Committee that other comparable racing jurisdictions seem to provide many more black type 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 in the hope that some could grow into black type races.

4.6 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 available at <a href="http://www.nzracing.co.nz/Downloads/APC-RevisedGroundRules-29Nov%2011%20(3).pdf">http://www.nzracing.co.nz/Downloads/APC-RevisedGroundRules-29Nov%2011%20(3).pdf</a>.

### **SUMMARY**

**5.1** As a result of the review, the number of black type races for 2015-16 compared with previous seasons is as follows:

Status	2015-16	2014-15	2013-14	2012-13	2011-12	2010-11
Group 1	22	22	22	22	22	22
Group 2	25	22#	21	22	23	23
Group 3	38	40	39	36	33	33
Listed	63	63	65	65	68	66
Total	148	147	147	145	146	144
PJR	tbc*	12	12	11	12	12

<sup>\*</sup> The number of Prestige Jumping Races will be confirmed at the NZPC meeting in late October.

**5.2** The 2015-16 list includes the following changes to the previous season:

### Upgrades/Downgrades

### **Upgrades**

James & Annie Sarten Memorial S. G3 to G2 – conducted by Waikato RC in late October, this 1400m seems to provide the ideal pathway for northern 3YOs progressing from the Hawke's Bay spring carnival to the New Zealand Guineas races at Riccarton. It has exceeded the required race rating of 110 for a G2 race in two of its three most recent renewals. Indeed, for each of those three years it out-rated most existing G2 races in this category.

**Manawatu Challenge S.** <u>G3 to G2</u> – conducted in late December, this weight-for-age 1400m contest has comfortably eclipsed the required race rating of 110 for a G2 race on two of the last three occasions as has its pattern rating from the last three events. In last season's race both the winner and runner-up were Gr.1 winners.

**Westbury Classic** <u>G3 to G2</u> – conducted by Auckland RC, this late summer 1400m race for fillies and mares has comfortably eclipsed the required race rating of 110 for a G2 race on two of the last three occasions as has its pattern rating from the last three events. The first four home in last season's race are all Gr.1 or Gr.2 performers.

**South Island Thoroughbred Breeders' S.** <u>L to G3</u> – conducted by Canterbury JC in late March, this 1600m race for fillies and mares has met or exceeded the race rating of 100 required for Gr.3 status for each

of the past three years. The pattern rating is comfortably above the expected level.

**Anniversary H.** <u>L to G3</u> – conducted by Wellington RC at its major January meeting, this 1600m handicap has met or exceeded the race rating of 105 required for Gr.3 status for each of the past three years. It was won earlier this year by subsequent Gr.1 winner Kawi.

**Oaks Prelude S.** <u>Unlisted to L</u> – conducted by Taranaki RC in mid-February, this well established race over 1800m has on several occasions provided the subsequent winner of the New Zealand Oaks, Gr.1. This year proved no exception. Its race rating of 106.5 ranked it among the best 3YO filly races of the year.

### **Downgrade**

**Hawke's Bay Cup H** <u>G3 to L</u> – conducted over 2200m in mid-April, this race's decline in recent years seems symptomatic of the decline in quality of NZ's middle distance and staying handicaps. It has failed to meet the required 102 APC minimum benchmark in each of the past three years and its most recent renewals compare unfavorably with many of the Listed Handicaps.

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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 2,745 flat races run in the 2014-15 season and 145 black-type races which represents 5.28%.

### 5.4 Summary of warnings

Status	2nd Warnings Maintained	•		1st Warnings Maintained		1st Warnings Removed
Group 1	2	-	1	1	-	2
Group 2	-	1	3	2	1	2
Group 3	-	-	1	1	2	5
Listed	-	1	-	-	5	6
PJRs	PJR races to be reviewed in October					
Total	2	2	5	4	8	15

### 5.5 2<sup>nd</sup> Warnings Maintained

G1	Auckland Cup	Auckland RC
G1	Easter H	Auckland RC

# 5.6 2<sup>nd</sup> Warnings Issued

G2	Wellington Cup H	Wellington RC
L	Dunedin Gold Cup H	Otago RC

# 5.7 Reverted to 1<sup>st</sup> Warnings

G1	Telegraph H.	Wellington RC
G2	Championship Stakes	Auckland RC
G2	Wellington Guineas	Wellington RC
G2	Hawke's Bay Guineas	Hawke's Bay RI
G3	Rotorua Cup H	Rotorua RC

# 5.8 1<sup>st</sup> Warnings Maintained

G1	Levin Classic	Levin RC
G2	Wakefield Challenge S	Wellington RC
G2	Avondale Cup H	Avondale JC
G3	White Robe Lodge H	Otago RC

# 5.9 1<sup>st</sup> Warnings Issued

G2	Awapuni Gold Cup		Manawatu RC
G3	Taranaki 2YO Classic		Taranaki Racing
G3	Counties Cup		Counties RC
L	New Zealand St Leger		Wellington RC
L	James Hazlett S.		Otago RC
L	George Adams H.	Easter Cup	Canterbury JC
L	Marton 1600		Marton JC
L	Taumarunui Cup		Taumarunui RC

# 5.10 1st Warnings Removed

G1	New Zealand Oaks		Wellington RC
G1	Thorndon Mile		Wellington RC
G2	ARC George Adams H	Rich Hill Mile	Auckland RC
G2	Japan New Zealand Trophy		Racing Tauranga
G3	Manawatu Classic		Manawatu RC
G3	Marton Metric Mile H		Marton JC
G3	Manawatu Cup H		Manawatu RC
G3	New Zealand Cup		Canterbury JC
G3	Trentham S		Wellington RC
L	Star Way 1000	Wentwood Grange S	Waikato RC
L	Wanganui Guineas		Wanganui JC
L	Soliloquy S		Auckland RC
L	Riverton Cup H		Riverton RC
L	Easter Classic H	Spring Classic	Canterbury JC
L	Lightning H		Wellington RC

### **SECTION 6**

# 2014-15 AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND CLASSIFICATIONS RACE RATINGS

### (including f&m allowance)

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6.1 Two-Year-Olds	Current	Minimum expected
Manawatu Sires' Produce S., Gr.1	105.75	105
Ellerslie Sires' Produce S., Gr.1 (Diamond)	105.25	105
Wakefield Challenge S., Gr.2	101.75	102
Matamata Breeders' S., Gr.2 (f)	102.5	97
Eclipse S., Gr.3	104	97
Taranaki Classic, Gr.3	95.25	97
Karaka Million, L (R)	101.75	(97)
Matamata Slipper, L	101	(92)
Counties Challenge S., L	100.75	(92)
Star Way S., L	98.75	(92)
Ryder S., L	97.5	(92)
CJC Welcome S., L	97.25	(92)
CJC Champagne S., L	96.75	(92)
Great Northern Champagne S., L	95.75	(92)
Great Northern Foal S., L	95.75	(92)
Triton S., L (Castletown)	95.25	(92)
Wellesley S., L	93.75	(92)
6.2 Three-Year-Olds		
New Zealand Derby, Gr.1	112.75	110
NZ Two Thousand Guineas, Gr.1	110	110
Levin Turf Classic, Gr.1	106.5	110
New Zealand Oaks, Gr.1	108	105
NZ One Thousand Guineas, Gr.1	104.5	105
Avondale Guineas, Gr.2	110.25	107
Hawke's Bay Guineas, Gr.2	109	107
Championship S., Gr.2	108.5	107
Waikato Guineas, Gr.2	108.25	107
Great Northern Guineas, Gr.2	107.5	107
Wellington Guineas, Gr.2	107.5	107
Sir Tristram Classic, Gr.2	106	102
Eight Carat Classic, Gr.2	102.5	102
Royal S., Gr.2	102.25	102

James & Annie Sarten Memorial S., Gr.3	110	102
Manawatu Classic, Gr.3	109.25	102
Bonecrusher S., Gr.3	103.75	102
Mr Tiz Trophy, Gr.3	103.25	102
Cambridge Breeders' S., Gr.3	103.25	102
Wellington S., Gr.3	not run	102
Lowland S., Gr.3	104.5	97
Sunline Vase, Gr.3	103.25	97
Desert Gold S., Gr.3	102.75	97
Gold Trail S., Gr.3	101.25	97
Eulogy S., Gr.3	99.25	97
Karaka 3YO Mile, L (R)	107.5	(102)
Great Northern Guineas Prelude, L	104	(97)
Dunedin Guineas, L	103.75	(97)
Northland Breeders' S., L	103.5	(97)
John Grigg S., L (Ray Coupland)	103	(97)
Canterbury S., L	103	(97)
Southland Guineas, L	102.25	(97)
Trevor Eagle Memorial S., L	101.5	(97)
Gore Guineas, L	101.25	(97)
Wanganui Guineas, L	98.75	(97)
Inglewood S., L (NZB Airfreight)	102.25	(92)
Warstep S., L	101.5	(92)
Soliloquy S., L	98.5	(92)
Otago Breeders' S., L (NZB Insurance)	97.5	(92)
Trudy Thomson Memorial S., L	96.5	(92)
Canterbury Belle S., L	95.75	(92)
6.3 Three Years & Older		
Horlicks P., Gr.1 (Windsor Pk)	115.5	110
Ormond Mem. Gold Cup, Gr.1 (Spring Cl.)	114.5	110
Hawke's Bay Challenge S., Gr.1	114.25	110
Waikato Sprint, Gr.1	113.75	110
Captain Cook S., Gr.1	113.75	110
International S., Gr.1	113.5	110
Second Century S., Gr.1 (NZ S.)	112.75	110
Railway H., Gr.1	111.75	110
Otaki-Maori WFA S., Gr.1	111.5	110

Galaxy S., Gr.1 (Zabeel)	111.25	110
Thorndon Mile, Gr.1	111.25	110
Telegraph H., Gr.1	110	110
Easter H., Gr.1	109.5	110
Auckland Cup, Gr.1	106.75	110
NZ Thoroughbred Breeders' S., Gr.1	108.75	105
Thames Valley S., Gr.2	112.25	107
ARC George Adams H., Gr.2 (Rich Hill)	111.75	107
Churchill S., Gr.2 (Couplands)	109	107
Japan-New Zealand Trophy, Gr.2	108.5	107
Wellington Cup, Gr.2	105.5	107
Avondale Gold Cup, Gr.2	105.25	107
Awapuni Gold Cup, Gr.2	105	107
Lady Norrie S., Gr.2	107.25	102
Dulcie S., Gr.2	106.5	102
Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' S., Gr.2	101.5	102
Alison S., Gr.3	111.75	102
Manawatu Challenge S., Gr.3	111	102
Foxbridge P., Gr.3	108.5	102
Arawa S., Gr.3 (Lion Red)	107.75	102
Great Northern Challenge S., Gr.3	107.75	102
Marton Metric Mile, Gr.3	107	102
GR Kelt Memorial H., Gr.3	106.25	102
Thompson H., Gr.3	105.75	102
Rotorua Cup, Gr.3	105.25	102
Concorde H., Gr.3	105.25	102
Waikato Gold Cup, Gr.3	104	102
King's P., Gr.3	103.5	102
Trentham S., Gr.3	103.25	102
Taranaki Cup, Gr.3	103.25	102
Manawatu Cup, Gr.3	102.75	102
New Zealand Cup, Gr.3	102.5	102
Queen Elizabeth H., Gr.3 (City of Auckland)	102.5	102
Canterbury Gold Cup, Gr.3	102.5	102
Stewards' H., Gr.3	102.5	102
Winter Cup, Gr.3	102.25	102
Counties Cup, Gr.3	101	102

White Robe Lodge H., Gr.3	100.75	102
Hawke's Bay Gold Cup, Gr.3	99	102
Westbury Classic, Gr.3	107.5	97
Taranaki Breeders' S., Gr.3	105.25	97
Canterbury Breeders' S., Gr.3	101.75	97
Manawatu Breeders' S., Gr.3	101	97
Cuddle S., Gr.3	100.5	97
Newmarket H., L	108.25	(97)
Counties Bowl, L	106.75	(97)
Jackson S., L (Wanganui Challenge)	105.75	(97)
Flying H., L	105.75	(97)
Lightning H., L	105.75	(97)
Anniversary H., L	105	(97)
FC Johnstone H., L	105	(97)
Kaimai S.H., L	104.5	(97)
Marton Cup, L	104.25	(97)
City of Napier Sprint H., L	103.75	(97)
Rotorua Challenge P., L	103.75	(97)
Levin S., L	103.75	(97)
Westminster H., L	103	(97)
Spring Classic H., L	103	(97)
Pegasus S., L	103	(97)
Metropolitan Trophy, L	102.5	(97)
Great Easter H., L	102	(97)
Matamata Cup, L	101.75	(97)
Jim & John Evans H., L (Karaka Classic)	100.75	(97)
Timaru Cup, L	100.5	(97)
Timaru S., L	100	(97)
Anzac H., L	100	(97)
Wanganui Cup, L	99.5	(97)
Riverton Cup, L	98	(97)
Feilding Cup, L	97.75	(97)
Marton 1600 H., L (Rangitikei)	96.5	(97)
James Hazlett H., L	95	(97)
Taumarunui Cup, L	95	(97)
CJC George Adams H., L (Easter Cup)	94.5	(97)
Dunedin Gold Cup, L	94	(97)

New Zealand St Leger, L	92	(97)
Opunake Cup, L	not run	(97)
Rotorua S., L	104.25	(92)
South Island Breeders' S., L	104	(92)
Wairarapa Breeders' S., L	102.5	(92)
Tauranga Classic, 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.