

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

**Group & Listed Race  
Schedule for  
2013/2014 Season**

**following Review of  
2012/13 Season**

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1. The Graded Stakes Review for races run in the 2012-13 season has been completed by the Committee established for that purpose. The schedule of Group and Listed Races to be run in the 2013-14 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 2013-14, there have been five changes made. The Auckland Racing Club's Bonecrusher Stakes, Listed race, has been promoted to Group 3; the Manawatu Racing Club's Manawatu Breeders' Stakes, Listed race, has been promoted to Group 3; the Auckland Racing Club's Trevor Eagle Memorial 3YO run in late November has been promoted to a Listed race and Hawkes Bay Racing's Open 1200m Handicap run in 2013 on Hawkes Bay Cup day as the Ocean Park@Waikato Stud Handicap, has been promoted to a Listed race.  
The Counties Racing Club's Counties Cup Handicap, Group 2, has been demoted to Group 3.
4. Under the revised schedule, the total number of Black Type flat races is 147 compared to 145 last season.
5. The NZPC has considered and supported in principle a request to transfer the G1 Levin Classic from November to January at Trentham, with the G3 Wellington Stakes being shifted to replace the Levin Classic at Otaki in November. Both races are run over the same distance (1600m) with the same conditions. NZPC support for this proposal is conditional on a recommendation from the New Zealand Pattern Review Committee and requires the prior approval of the Asian Pattern Committee (APC) and NZTR.
6. This is the second year that the NZPC has operated under the new APC Ground Rules, which were approved by NZTR in consultation with the New Zealand Pattern Committee and the industry. In this second year of assessing races under the new regimen, any race failing to attain the minimum race rating required in the past two runnings is very likely to be issued with a warning, in most cases a second warning.
7. There are currently 17 races with 1st warnings (30 last year) and 14 races with 2nd warnings (5 last year).
8. 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 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 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) of the NZ Rules of Racing. 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, 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 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, 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 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** A year ago the NZPC suggested to NZTR Inc. that it may be timely for a holistic review of the Pattern of Racing in NZ to be undertaken. NZTR commissioned an independent Pattern Review Committee with wide-ranging terms of reference and that Committee is likely to report back to NZTR in about mid-September 2013 with some recommended changes. NZPC understands that their recommendations will include a change of place in the calendar for the Levin Turf Classic, Gr.1. This race is on the cusp of losing its Gr.1 status if it continues to compete against the two Guineas races in its current timeslot. NZPC believes it is not in the best interest of the industry to lose a Gr.1 3YO event from the pattern and in principle has supported a change in date for the Levin Classic to the Wellington Cup meeting in January, on the basis that the race would move with a second warning.
- To support the change in date of the Levin Classic, the NZPC has agreed to the Wellington Racing Club’s G3 Wellington Stakes, which is run over the same distance (1600m) and conditions as the Levin Classic, being shifted to November at Otaki to effectively replace the Levin Classic.
- NZPC has been advised that the Levin Racing Club, the RACE Group and the New Zealand Pattern Review Committee are keen to progress the change in date for the Levin Classic as a matter of urgency with an expectation that the swap with the Wellington Stakes is achieved in the 2013/14 season. Before any change in the date/timing of a Group One race can be made, NZTR is required to seek the approval of the APC.
- 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 2013-14 season, the Committee supports the Minimum Stakes Levels adopted by NZTR and set out below:

<b>Status</b>	<b>Minimum Stake</b>
Group 1	\$200,000
Group 2	\$85,000*
Group 3	\$70,000
Listed	\$50,000
<p><i>*The Committee notes that NZTR has recommended an increase in the minimum funded prizemoney for G2 races to \$100,000 from 1 January 2014.</i></p>	

- 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 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. 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 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 still 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. 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 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.
- 4.7** 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 available at [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).

## SECTION 5

# SUMMARY

- 5.1 As a result of the review, the number of black type races for 2013-14 compared with previous seasons is as follows:

Status	13-14	12-13	11-12	10-11	09-10	08-09
Group 1	22	22	22	22	22	22
Group 2	21	22	23	23	23	23
Group 3	39	36	33	33	33	33
Listed	65	65	68	66	68	68
Total	<b>147</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>146</b>
PJR	tbc*	11	12	12	12	12

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

- 5.2 The 2013-14 list includes the following changes to the previous season:

### Promotions/Relegations

#### Promotion

**Bonecrusher S LR to G3** – conducted by Auckland RC in late September, this early season black type opportunity for 3YOs has exceeded the required race rating of 105 for a G3 3YO race in its two most recent renewals. The promotion of this race supports the New Zealand 3YO Spring pattern by providing another valuable opportunity for quality three year olds that may be targeting the Group One Guineas races at Riccarton six weeks later.

**Manawatu Breeders S LR to G3** – conducted by the Manawatu RC in mid-April, this race's promotion to G3 supports the New Zealand pattern for Fillies and Mares in the autumn by providing a second Group race over 2000m with the Gr 2 Dulcie [Travis] S at Te Rapa two weeks later the only other black type opportunity for mares in New Zealand run over a distance of more than 1600m. The Manawatu Breeders Stakes has exceeded the required race rating of 100 for a G3 Fillies & Mares race in each of the past three renewals.

**Trevor Eagle Memorial 3YO upgraded to LR** – conducted by the Auckland RC in late November over 1500m, this race was won by the Group One filly Habibi in 2012 and Group One winner Ocean Park in 2011. On the strength of its most recent renewals this new race has

met the required race rating for a G3 3YO race and the NZPC had no hesitation in promoting the race to Listed status.

**Ocean Park@Waikato Stud** upgraded to LR – conducted by Hawkes Bay Racing in April at their Hawkes Bay Cup meeting, this Open Handicap run over 1200m supports the New Zealand pattern by providing a valuable opportunity for sprinters in the late autumn period. While there is one Gr 1200m sprint [Darley Plate] in early March and the LR Lightning H (1200m) run at Trentham in mid-March, the committee noted that there is no black type sprinting opportunities for the remainder of the season. Given the Hawkes Bay track generally provides a “good” surface at this time of the year and that this race had met the required APC benchmark, the Committee were supportive in the promotion of this new race to Listed status.

### Relegation

**Counties Cup H** G2 to G3 – conducted over 2100m by the Counties Cup in late November, this race, like the Waikato Cup the previous year, has continued to decline in quality since the Auckland Cup was shifted to March. The Counties Cup has failed to meet the required 107 APC minimum benchmark in each of the past five years and its two latest renewals were at the lower end of the G3 Handicaps. The Committee, while concerned at seeing a number of the historic summer Cup races trending down each year has no option but to downgrade the Counties Cup to G3 based on its recent performances.

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 2,894 flat races run in the 2012-13 season and 145 black-type races which represents 5.01%.

### 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	-	5	2	-
Group 2	1	5	-	1	4	1
Group 3	-	3	-	-	1	3
Listed	-	3	2	-	2	10
<b>Total</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>14</b>

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

G1	Levin Turf Classic	<i>Levin Classic</i>	Levin RC
G2	Wakefield Challenge S		Wellington RC

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

G1	Thorndon Mile		Wellington RC
G2	Championship Stakes		Auckland RC
G2	Wellington Guineas		Wellington RC
G2	ARC George Adams H	<i>Rich Hill Mile</i>	Auckland RC
G2	Japan Trophy		Tauranga RC
G2	Queen Elizabeth H	<i>City of Auckland Cup</i>	Auckland RC
G3	White Robe Lodge H		Otago RC
G3	Hawkes Bay Cup H		Hawkes Bay RI
G3	Rotorua Cup H		Rotorua RC
LR	Riverton Cup H		Riverton RC
LR	Easter Classic H	<i>CJC Spring Classic</i>	Canterbury JC
LR	Dunedin Gold Cup H		Otago RC

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

LR	Gore Guineas		Gore RC
LR	Feilding Gold Cup		Feilding JC

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

G1	Ellerslie Sires' Produce S	<i>Diamond S</i>	Auckland RC
G1	New Zealand 2000 Guineas		Canterbury JC
G1	Railway S		Auckland RC
G1	Telegraph H		Wellington RC
G1	International S		Waikato RC
G2	Hawkes Bay Guineas		Hawkes Bay RC

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

G1	Auckland Cup		Auckland RC
G1	Easter H		Auckland RC
G2	Waikato Guineas		Waikato RC
G2	Wellington Cup H		Wellington RC
G2	Avondale Cup H		Avondale JC
G2	Great Northern Guineas		Auckland RC
G3	Manawatu Cup H		Manawatu RC
LR	Great Northern Foal S		Auckland RC
LR	Star Way 1000	<i>Wentwood Grange S</i>	Waikato RC

## 5.10 1st Warnings Removed

G2	Churchill S H	<i>Coupland's Bakeries Mile</i>	Canterbury JC
G3	Thames Valley S	<i>Tauranga S</i>	Tauranga RC
G3	Winter Cup H		Canterbury JC
G3	Cuddle S		Wellington RC
LR	Wellesley S		Wellington RC
LR	Northland Breeders S	<i>Westbury Stud Challenge S</i>	Whangarei RC
LR	Southland Guineas		Southland RC
LR	Dunedin Guineas		Otago RC
LR	Otago RC Breeders Stakes		Otago RC
LR	Rotorua Challenge S		Rotorua RC
LR	Marion 1600 H	<i>Rangitikei Gold Cup H</i>	Rangitikei RC
LR	Newmarket H		Auckland RC
LR	New Zealand St Leger		Wellington RC
LR	Taumarunui Cup H		Taumarunui RC

## SECTION 6

# 2012-13 AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND CLASSIFICATIONS RACE RATINGS

<b>6.1 Two-Year-Olds</b>		<b>Minimum expected</b>
Ellerslie Sires' Produce S., Gr.1 (Diamond)	105	105
Manawatu Sires' Produce S., Gr.1	104.75	105
Wakefield Challenge S., Gr.2	102.75	102
Matamata Breeders' S., Gr.2	99.25	97
Eclipse S., Gr.3	100	97
Taranaki Classic, Gr.3	98	97
Super Bonus Classique, L (R)	101	(97)
Counties Challenge S., L	103	(92)
Wellesley S., L	99.75	(92)
Matamata Slipper, L	99.5	(92)
Great Northern Champagne S., L	98.75	(92)
Triton S., L (Castletown)	97.5	(92)
CJC Champagne S., L	96	(92)
CJC Welcome S., L	94.25	(92)
Ryder S., L	93.5	(92)
Great Northern Foal S., L	91.25	(92)
Star Way S., L	90.25	(92)
<b>6.2 Three-Year-Olds</b>		
New Zealand Derby, Gr.1	110	110
NZ Two Thousand Guineas, Gr.1	109.5	110
Levin Turf Classic, Gr.1	107.25	110
NZ One Thousand Guineas, Gr.1	107.25	105
New Zealand Oaks, Gr.1	104	105
Avondale Guineas, Gr.2	109.25	107
Hawke's Bay Guineas, Gr.2	106.75	107
Great Northern Guineas, Gr.2	105.5	107
Championship S., Gr.2	105.25	107
Wellington Guineas, Gr.2	104.75	107
Waikato Guineas, Gr.2	104.75	107
Sir Tristram Classic, Gr.2	107	102
Eight Carat Classic, Gr.2	105.75	102

Royal S., Gr.2	105.75	102
James & Annie Sarten Memorial S., Gr.3	109.5	102
Manawatu Classic, Gr.3	107	102
Cambridge Breeders' S., Gr.3	105	102
Wellington S., Gr.3	103	102
Mr Tiz Trophy, Gr.3	102.5	102
Gold Trail S., Gr.3	107.5	97
Sunline Vase, Gr.3	103	97
Desert Gold S., Gr.3	102.75	97
Eulogy S., Gr.3	102.5	97
Lowland S., Gr.3	101.25	97
Karaka 3YO Mile, L (R)	104.75	(102)
Bonecrusher S., L	106	(97)
Wanganui Guineas, L	104.75	(97)
Northland Breeders' S., L	104.5	(97)
Canterbury S., L	103	(97)
John Grigg S., L (Ray Coupland)	101.25	(97)
Great Northern Guineas Prelude, L	101	(97)
Southland Guineas, L	100.5	(97)
Gore Guineas, L	100.5	(97)
Dunedin Guineas, L	99.5	(97)
Trudy Thomson Memorial S., L	99.75	(92)
Warstep S., L	98.5	(92)
Inglewood S., L	98.25	(92)
Soliloquy S., L	98.25	(92)
Canterbury Belle S., L	95.75	(92)
Otago Breeders' S., L	95.5	(92)
<b>6.3 Three Years &amp; Older</b>		
Otaki-Maori WFA S., Gr.1	117.5	110
Hawke's Bay Challenge S., Gr.1	116.75	110
Second Century S., Gr.1 (NZ S.)	116.5	110
Waikato Sprint, Gr.1	114	110
Galaxy S., Gr.1 (Zabeel)	113.75	110
Horlicks P., Gr.1 (Windsor Pk)	113.75	110
Captain Cook S., Gr.1	113.25	110
Ormond Mem. Gold Cup, Gr.1 (Spring Cl.)	113	110
Telegraph H., Gr.1	110.75	110

Railway H., Gr.1	110.25	110
International S., Gr.1	109	110
Thorndon Mile, Gr.1	108	110
Auckland Cup, Gr.1	104.5	110
Easter H., Gr.1	104.5	110
NZ Thoroughbred Breeders' S., Gr.1	109	105
Churchill S., Gr.2 (Couplands)	109.5	107
Awapuni Gold Cup, Gr.2	109	107
ARC George Adams H., Gr.2 (Rich Hill)	106.5	107
Japan-New Zealand Trophy, Gr.2	106	107
Wellington Cup, Gr.2	105	107
Avondale Gold Cup, Gr.2	104.5	107
Counties Cup, Gr.2	102.25	107
Queen Elizabeth H., Gr.2 (City of Auckland)	101.75	107
Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' S., Gr.2	111.5	102
Lady Norrie S., Gr.2	110.25	102
Dulcie S., Gr.2	108.75	102
Thames Valley S., Gr.3	113.75	102
Manawatu Challenge S., Gr.3	113.25	102
Foxbridge P., Gr.3	110.25	102
Great Northern Challenge S., Gr.3	110	102
Alison S., Gr.3	109	102
Trentham S., Gr.3	107.25	102
King's P., Gr.3	107	102
GR Kelt Memorial H., Gr.3	106.5	102
Canterbury Gold Cup, Gr.3	105	102
Winter Cup, Gr.3	105	102
Taranaki Cup, Gr.3	104.75	102
Thompson H., Gr.3	104.75	102
Waikato Gold Cup, Gr.3	104	102
Concorde H., Gr.3	103.75	102
New Zealand Cup, Gr.3	102.5	102
Marion Metric Mile, Gr.3	102	102
Stewards' H., Gr.3	101.75	102
Hawke's Bay Gold Cup, Gr.3	101.75	102
White Robe Lodge H., Gr.3	101.75	102
Manawatu Cup, Gr.3	100.25	102

Rotorua Cup, Gr.3	99.5	102
Westbury Classic, Gr.3	110.25	97
Taranaki Breeders' S., Gr.3	104.75	97
Cuddle S., Gr.3	102.5	97
Arawa P., L	109	(97)
Pegasus S., L	106.25	(97)
Anniversary H., L	105.75	(97)
Marton Cup, L	105.5	(97)
Jackson S., L (Wanganui Challenge)	104.75	(97)
CJC George Adams (Tattersall) H., L	104	(97)
TRAC (Kaimai) S.H., L	103.75	(97)
Matamata Cup, L	103.5	(97)
Feilding Cup, L	103.5	(97)
Marton 1600 H., L (Rangitikei)	102.75	(97)
Newmarket H., L	102.75	(97)
Counties Bowl, L	102.5	(97)
Great Easter H., L	102.25	(97)
Levin S., L	102	(97)
Rotorua Challenge P., L	102	(97)
FC Johnstone H., L	101.75	(97)
Timaru S., L	101.5	(97)
Anzac H., L	100.5	(97)
Westminster H., L	100.25	(97)
Flying H., L	100	(97)
James Hazlett H., L	100	(97)
Opunake Cup, L	99.75	(97)
New Zealand St Leger, L	99.75	(97)
Lightning H., L	99.75	(97)
Metropolitan Trophy, L	99.75	(97)
Wanganui Cup, L	99.25	(97)
Jim & John Evans H., L	99	(97)
Taumarunui Cup, L	98.25	(97)
Timaru Cup, L	97.75	(97)
Riverton Cup, L	96.5	(97)
Spring Classic H., L	96	(97)
Dunedin Gold Cup, L	90.5	(97)
Manawatu Breeders' S., L	104.5	(92)

Canterbury Breeders' S., L	102.25	(92)
South Island Breeders' S., L	100.5	(92)
Rotorua S., L	100	(92)
Wairarapa Breeders' S., L	100	(92)
Tauranga Classic, L	99.75	(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.