

## **THURSDAY 15 JANUARY 2015**

### **FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH**

The \$250,000 JR & N Beckett Telegraph poses a few interesting scenarios on Saturday. Natuzzi could go one better this year after a decisive victory at Ellerslie last start. Barrier 16 however brings in a few risks. Trepidation will be seeking luck; the Falkirk gelding has been running on late. Expect similar tactics again. Soubrettes is currently favorite at \$4.80 for veteran jockey David Walsh. The 1200m handicap is famous for blistering sectionals. On a firm surface expect the time to be around the 1.07 mark. The track is currently Dead 4 and fine.

The \$240,000 AIB Group Insurance Levin Classic will showcase a clash of the best summer classic thoroughbreds. Stephen Marsh is no stranger to success with three year old fillies - he previously trained Lucia Valentina. Sardaaj is the outright favorite at \$2.10, while the fiercely talented Huka Eagle is a big threat at \$4.40.

Kawi looks a winning chance in the Tui-Backing a Winner Since 1889 Anniversary Handicap for Taranaki based trainer Allan Sharrock. The horse won over the course and distance in November, the previous experience puts him well into contention. The minimum of 53kg should aid the up and coming son of Savabeel.

### **KARAKA OPEN DAY TO ATTRACT NEW OWNERS**

The Karaka Open Day will be held at Karaka on Wednesday 4 February from 5pm until 8pm. The Karaka Open Day is designed as 'The Thoroughbred Experience' for those who aren't immersed in the racing culture yet and is a means of bridging the gap for people who have an interest in racing but aren't sure of how to take that next step into ownership.

The evening will be informative and answers questions on all things racing as well as how to get involved with ownership at all levels. Held on the picturesque front lawn at the Karaka Sales Complex, registered syndicators are welcome to parade a Karaka yearling purchase in the outdoor parade ring and it will give each syndicator a chance to share what horses they have available for syndication and why a prospective owner should join their team. Interested attendees will be able to ask questions and extract valuable information from syndicators and trainers present at the evening.

A panel of well-known guest speakers will be involved in an educational question and answer session where they can share their passion for the sport with the newcomers.

The recently rejuvenated Karaka Garden Bar will be open with a Happy Hour scheduled from 5pm to get things rolling. There will be plenty of food and wine options, keeping alive the hospitality tradition that Karaka vendors do so well during Sales time.

**Everyone is welcome to join New Zealand Bloodstock at the Karaka Open Day from 5pm to 8pm on Wednesday 4 February at the Karaka Sales Complex.**

## **CHAMPIONS DAY AT WINGATUI ON SATURDAY, 31 JANUARY 2015**

The South's only Premier meeting features the Group 3 White Robe Lodge Handicap, Listed Fire & Mechanical Dunedin Gold Cup and Listed ABC Business Sales Dunedin Guineas. The club is offering a 10% discount to owners who have had a horse start at Wingatui this season.

Book into the Winning Post Lounge - \$100 per person (or \$900 for a table of 10) - with a 3-course lunch, with 3 drinks included in the price, or Marquee options: Mini Marquee (10-15 people, includes 10 admission tickets) - \$350; or Midi Marquee (15 to 30 people, includes 30 admission tickets) - \$900; or Maxi Marquee Packages (30 to 60 people, includes 60 admission tickets) - \$1650

Admission on-course is \$15 per person. For more information, contact the Otago Racing Club on 03 489 6233 or email [charlotte@wingatui.co.nz](mailto:charlotte@wingatui.co.nz)

### TURNOVER INFORMATION

Date	Club	On-Course (Tote & FOB combined)		Totalisator (Off & on-course combined)		Fixed Odds (Off & on-course)		Races		Starters	
		14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14	14-15	13-14
5-Jan	Otaki	104,193	35,279	571,520	453,509	240,931	178,318	8	7	64	48
6-Jan	Whangarei	223,337	176,034	698,669	832,950	279,735	259,069	8	8	77	68
7-Jan	Reefton	61,371	62,819	492,627	503,950	236,088	215,403	8	8	63	58
8-Jan	Rotorua	53,786	46,141	633,352	484,553	272,679	188,479	8	7	74	62
9-Jan	Tauranga	88,750	98,074	688,228	744,760	328,144	295,635	8	8	78	75
10-Jan	Auckland	117,036	154,581	1,233,708	1,257,202	533,372	432,626	9	9	82	85
10-Jan	Marton	94,971	124,199	1,174,922	1,396,723	529,005	479,703	9	9	85	100
10-Jan	Kumara	384,306	395,785	1,216,407	1,222,446	379,199	234,270	11	10	100	96
11-Jan	Egmont	38,973	59,743	417,723	605,183	202,431	154,399	8	8	65	75

<b>NZ Thoroughbred Summary FY15</b>	<b>This Season, Year to Date</b>	<b>Last Season, Year to Date</b>	<b>Variance +/( )</b>	<b>Variance +%/ ( )%</b>
<b>Meetings</b>	158	166	(8)	(4.82%)
<b>Races</b>	1,346	1,379	(33)	(2.39%)
<b>Total Starts</b>	14,267	14,511	(244)	(1.68%)
<b>Avg Field Size</b>	10.60	10.52	+0.08	+0.73%
<b>Number of races less than 8 starters</b>	197	210	(13)	(6.19%)
<b>Off-Course Turnover (Totalisator &amp; FOB)</b>	201,988,218	196,081,954	+5,906,264	+3.01%
<b>On-Course Turnover (Totalisator &amp; FOB)</b>	19,694,986	19,818,548	(123,562)	(0.62%)
<b>Total NZ Thoroughbred Turnover</b>	<b>221,683,204</b>	<b>215,900,502</b>	<b>+5,782,702</b>	<b>+2.68%</b>
Subtotal Totalisator Turnover	160,637,970	166,292,476	(5,654,505)	(3.40%)
Subtotal FOB Turnover	60,618,429	49,608,011	+11,010,418	+22.19%
<b>NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Race</b>	164,698	156,563	+8,135	+5.20%
<b>NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Starter</b>	15,538	14,878	+660	+4.43%
<b>Total NZRB Racing Turnover</b>	798,533,168	721,086,085	+77,447,083	+10.74%
<b>Total NZRB Sports Turnover</b>	155,589,509	120,334,431	+35,255,078	+29.30%
<b>Total NZRB Turnover</b>	<b>954,122,677</b>	<b>841,420,516</b>	<b>+112,702,161</b>	<b>+13.39%</b>

<b>NZ Thoroughbred Export Turnover \$NZ (to 31 Dec)</b>	154,230,554	146,692,603	+7,537,951	+5.14%
<b>Total Races (to 31 Dec)</b>	1,192	1,229	(37)	(3.01%)
<b>NZ Thoroughbred Export turnover \$NZ per race</b>	129,388	119,359	+10,029	+8.40%

Meeting details:

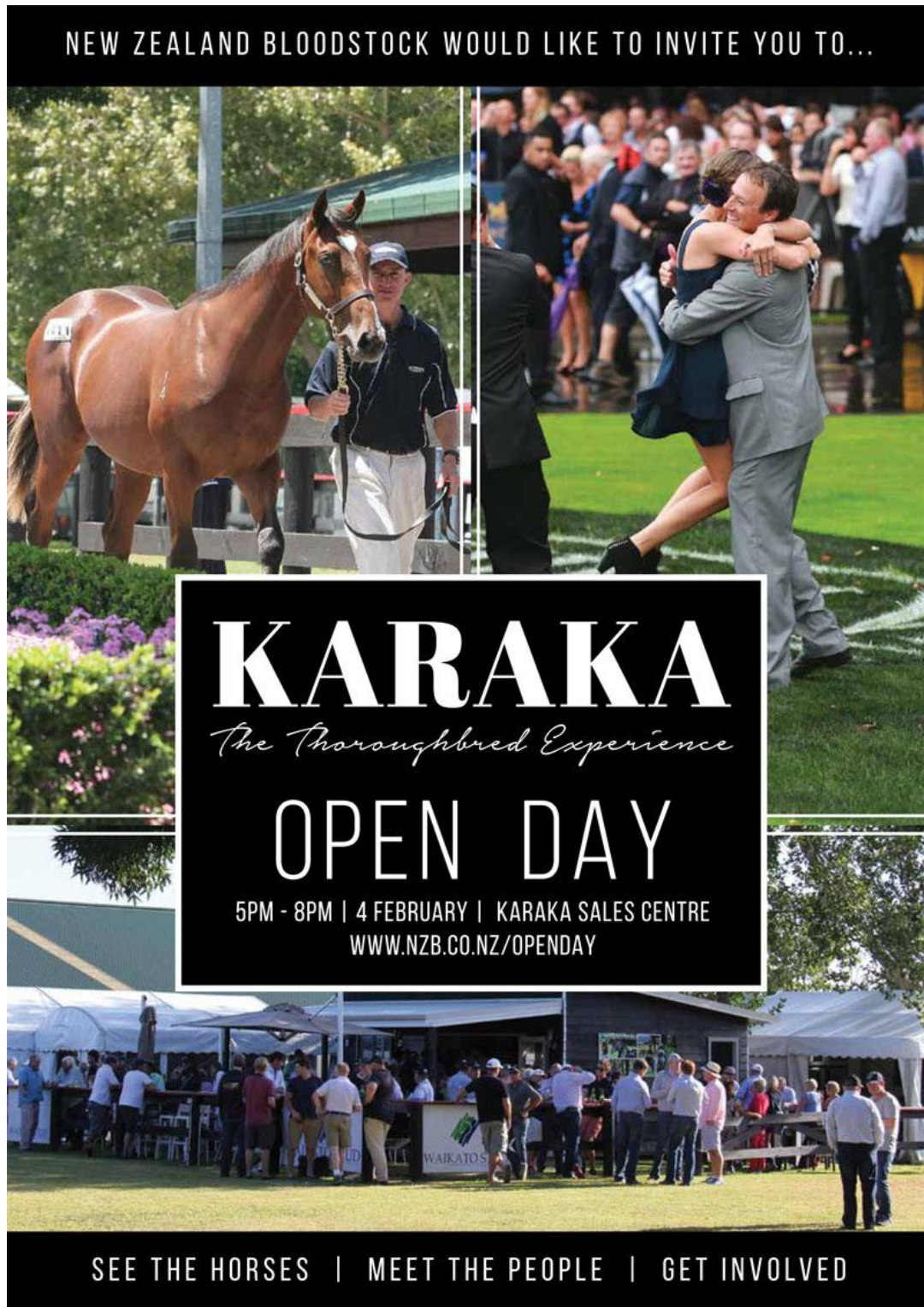
- Otaki-Maori RC Monday meeting equivalent was run on a Sunday last season; 8 races this season, 7 last.
- Whangarei RC Tuesday meeting equivalent was run on the previous Friday in FY14.
- Racing Rotorua Thursday meeting equivalent was run on Monday in the previous season; 8 races this season, 7 last.
- Kumara RC Saturday meeting ran 11 races in FY15, 10 races in FY14.
- Egmont RC Sunday meeting equivalent was run at Waipukurau last season.

Turnover summary notes:

- Total NZ thoroughbred turnover is up 2.7% year to date.
- 8 less meetings and 33 less races have been run than to the same date last season.
- Turnover per race is up 5.2%.
- Total starts made by thoroughbreds in NZ are down 244, 1.7% less.
- Average field size is 10.60 in FY15, up from 10.52 in FY14.
- The number of races with less than 8 starters is 13 less than the season prior (197 v 210).
- The decline in NZ thoroughbred totalisator turnover (down 3.4%) has been offset by an increase in FOB turnover (up 22.2%).
- Export turnover per race (\$NZ) is up 8.4% to 31 December.

Note: Turnovers are provided by the NZRB from various reports. On-course is totalisator turnover on the meeting and on intertrack meetings, plus FOB racing turnover on the meeting only (FOB intertrack is not provided from these reports at present). Total NZRB racing turnover is NZ thoroughbred, harness, greyhound plus all imported thoroughbred, harness and greyhound turnover; combined with sports this provides the total NZRB turnover. NZ thoroughbred export turnovers are stated in \$NZ, generally up to a week or two behind other turnover numbers.

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