



Tuesday 10 July 2012

Frankie Dettori to Carry Olympic Flame at Royal Ascot

Frankie Dettori will be carrying the Olympic Flame when it reaches Ascot Racecourse tomorrow morning around 3.30 am (NZ time).

Dettori, who is best known for his magnificent seven winners in one day at Ascot, will be passed the Torch as it makes its way from Ascot High Street, into the racecourse for a circuit of the Parade Ring.

As ambassador of the prestigious QIPCO British Champions Series, Frankie will be further adding to the spectacle on the day by carrying the Torch on horseback. He will be riding former top-class racehorse, Monsignor, on loan from racehorse re-homing charity HEROS.

Speaking of his Olympic Torchbearing challenge, Dettori said: "It is an honour and a privilege to be invited to carry the Olympic Flame, especially at a track that holds such happy memories for me. I'll be watching when the Flame reaches its final destination and the Olympic Games can begin."

Trainer's Licence Renewal – Important Notice

Trainers: If you have paid your licence renewal online you **MUST** still send in both pages of the completed and signed renewal form, before your licence for the new season will be renewed. This also applies to payments made by direct debit.

Senior Management Opportunity in Wellington

Manager Government Industry Agreement Secretariat – Applications Close 23 July

Biosecurity is a critical aspect of racing industry management. An experienced Senior Manager with outstanding relationship management skills is now being sought by the Ministry for Primary Industries.

You'll establish and lead a new team and a new function: the Secretariat will bring industry and government together on bio-security matters. You'll facilitate joint decision-making and cost-sharing agreements, to enable New Zealand to better prepare for, and respond to, new pests and diseases. You'll need to engage stakeholders in this vision, and your knowledge of the Primary sector will be key to your success. We encourage applications from those of you currently working within industry organisations.

More information, including a job description, is available at:

<http://careers.haines.co.nz/MPI/Pages/Opportunities.aspx?vacancyId=cbb2e706-e7a8-4e52-bae1-0f4072d0280c>

Or to discuss the position further please contact Judith Miller Judith.Miller@mpi.govt.nz +64 4 894 2684, or Karen Pugh Karen.Pugh@mpi.govt.nz +64 4 894 0531.

Canterbury Racing – Accounts Administrator

The Canterbury Jockey Club seeks a motivated and responsible person for the position of Accounts Administrator at its office at Riccarton Park Racecourse.

The Canterbury Jockey Club has as its core businesses the conducting of horse racing and the Riccarton Park Function Centre.

The position requires a proven work ethic and computer skills in excel, word and accounts in order to perform a variety of clerical duties including – debtors and creditors, back-up reception and telephone answering. A driver's licence is essential and knowledge of horse racing is desirable but not essential.

Hours of work are 8:30 am to 5:00 pm and there is a requirement to work on some weekends at racemeetings.

Applications for the position accompanied by a CV close at 4 pm on Friday, 13 July 2012 and should be addressed in writing to:

The Financial Manager
Canterbury Jockey Club
PO Box 11137
Sockburn
Christchurch 8443
Or emailed to: murray@riccartonpark.co.nz

Canterbury Racing – Clerk of Scales

Clubs within the Canterbury Racing Cluster area seek a motivated and responsible person for the position of raceday Clerk of Scales.

The position will be employed by the Club, and report to the Racing Club Manager conducting the raceday.

The Clerk of Scales is a casual position requiring the need to work approximately 44 racedays with travel to the Racecourses a necessity. The racedays are on a variety of days of the week spread throughout the year, and are conducted at Racecourses from Waimate in the south to North Canterbury.

The position requires a variety of skills including reliability, strict attention to detail, accuracy in written recording and keen powers of observation.

Knowledge of the rules of racing and raceday routine and procedures will need to be learned if not already understood.

Applications for the position close at 4 pm on Thursday 19 July 2012 and should be addressed in writing to:

Clerk of Scales
Canterbury Jockey Club
PO Box 11137
Sockburn
Christchurch 8443
Or emailed to: tim@riccartonpark.co.nz

AgITO Position Vacant - Equine Training Adviser

Join us in developing the profitability and performance of the Equine Industry through its people!

We're looking for an Equine Training Adviser, based in the central North Island, to work with trainers to encourage the training of their people.

As an Equine Training Adviser, you'll be out and about promoting and selling our training products to equine customers, as well as providing on-going support and service. You'll be working with everyone from employers to tutors and trainees. You'll seek out new customers, make sales, and build and maintain relationships. You'll also work closely with industry groups and different equine market sectors.

We're seeking someone with outstanding relationship management skills – the ability to network, establish new business relationships, and maintain these strong relationships. This will be enhanced by your proven sales experience and excellent communications skills. You'll also be well-organised and efficient, with an understanding of business processes so that you can achieve results.

An understanding of the equine industry is necessary.

This position would ideally be based in Hamilton, but could be based elsewhere in the central North Island.

So, if you have a passion for developing people through building relationships and sales we want to hear from you! For more information and to apply online please visit www.agitocareers.ac.nz.

Click on the link below to view the job description...

For further details, [click here](#) to view the full article (requires Adobe Acrobat reader).

2012 Horse of the Year Awards to be held in the Waikato

New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing's 2012 Horse of the Year Awards will be held at the Claudelands Events Centre in Hamilton starting at 6.00pm on Wednesday 12 September 2012.

The Waikato Racing Club is racing on the same day.

Finalists for the Awards will be announced in early August. Voting papers are then sent out to the Voting Panel for submission to NZTR's auditor, Deloitte, in the week before the Awards night. A total of 20 Awards for the 2011-2012 racing season are celebrated on the night.

Tickets are available for \$150.00 each and can be obtained from Amanda Fensom on 04 576 6240 or amanda.fensom@nzracing.co.nz

Ticketing information will be included in the July issue of the *Thoroughbred Racing Monthly* magazine published on Friday, 6 July 2012.

Northern Region Trials Changes 17 & 24 July

Northern Region Trials Changes – Tuesday 17 July (Counties, Sand) & Tuesday 24 July (Cambridge)

Following consultation between Cambridge JC, Counties RC, the Northern Regional Programming Committee & NZTR, the impending trials in the region have been amended as follows:

Tuesday 17 July was Counties RC (Sand), now Cambridge JC
Tuesday 24 July was Cambridge JC, now Counties RC (Sand)

The decision to swap these trial meetings was made at the request of Cambridge JC & with a view to reducing the gap in (grass) trialling opportunities in the region following the cancellation of the Paeroa trials on 28 June.

NZ Starter Statistics YTD Update

In the 11 months to 30 June 2012 there has been a total of 5,470 individual starters in New Zealand, which represents a decline of just 37 horses (0.6%) when compared with starters that raced in the same period last year.

Statistics confirmed by NZTR this week show that 2,584 male horses have raced this season, which represents an overall decrease of 55 (1.8%), while there has been a slight increase of 18 female starters (0.7%) for the same period this year.

The 2012-14 NZTR Business plan was looking to limit the reduction of individual starters to just over 4% over the next three years by encouraging more fillies and mares to race.

Season:	Male:	Female:	Total
1 Aug - 11 to 30 June -12	2,886	2,584	5,470
1 Aug -10 to 30 June 11	2,941	2,566	5,507
Variance	- 55	+ 18	- 37
Percentage change	-1.8%	+0.7%	-0.67%

Turnover Information for the Period ending 8 July 2012

Date	Club	On-Course		Off-Course		Fixed Odds		Starters	
								11-12	10-11
2/7	Matamata (1)	18,109		407,537		101,899		88	
4/7	Cambridge (2)	49,553	5.0%	652,418	7.2%	155,634	24.5%	102	9.7%
5/7	Waverley (3)	34,797		595,960		134,928		79	
6/7	Ashburton (4)	26,710		594,044		104,241		101	
7/7	Marton (5)	110,054	62.7%	1,109,424	11.7%	240,071	20.3%	94	5.6%
7/7	Waipa	82,421	61.7%	1,368,664	10.5%	242,395	27.0%	108	18.7%

(1) Racing Matamata; no equivalent meeting last year; 7 races this year.

(2) Cambridge JC; 9 races this year, compared with 10 races last year.

(3) Waverley RC; no equivalent meeting last year.

(4) Ashburton RC; raced on a Sunday last year, when there were 10 races. This year there were 8 races.

(5) Marton JC; 8 races this year, compared with 10 races last year.

NZ Thoroughbred Summary	This Season, Year to Date	Last Season, Year to Date	Variance +/()	Variance +%/(%)
Races	2,926	2,904	+22	+0.76%
Starters	31,047	31,119	(72)	(0.23%)
Avg Field Size	10.61	10.72	(0.11)	(0.98%)
Off-Course Turnover	302,094,995	316,563,044	(14,468,049)	(4.57%)
On-Course Turnover	33,118,944	36,420,912	(3,301,968)	(9.07%)
Total Totalisator Turnover	335,213,939	352,983,956	(17,770,017)	(5.03%)
Fixed Odds	67,283,692	55,025,124	+12,258,568	+22.28%
Total NZ Thoroughbred Turnover	402,497,631	408,009,080	(5,511,449)	(1.35%)
NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Race	137,559	140,499	(2,940)	(2.09%)
NZ Thoroughbred Turnover per Starter	12,964	13,111	(147)	(1.12%)

Total NZRB Racing Turnover	1,297,707,244	1,274,669,132	+23,038,112	+1.81%
Total NZRB Sports Turnover	232,871,355	177,770,918	+55,100,437	+31.00%
Total NZRB Turnover	1,530,578,599	1,452,440,050	+78,138,548	+5.38%

Overall turnover was up 19.7% (+\$5.38m) last week on the same week last year, +5.4% season to date.

Racing turnover was up 16.0% (+\$3.58m) for the week, with Domestic racing turnover up 18.6% (+\$1.90m).

Domestic thoroughbreds turnover was up 26.4% (+\$1.32m) (tote + fob) with two additional meetings (no Thursday or Friday meeting last year) and ten more races (+26.3%) with horse starts up 37.8% (avg. field size up 1.0 starters a race).

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

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