

PROGRAMME CONDITIONS

N.Z. YEARLING SALES SERIES NO 22

N.Z. METROPOLITAN TROTTING CLUB – 11th MAY 2013

- RACE NAME:** PGG Wrightson N.Z. Yearling Sales Series Open
Final/Consolation (Open Division)
- AGE:** For two year olds
- ELIGIBILITY:** Only for those horses which were nominated for N.Z. Yearling Sales Series No 22 and for whom the appropriate payments have been made. (Paid up to Level “W”)(YS22 W)
- DISTANCE:** Of a distance not less than 1 mile and not greater than 2,200 metres, to be determined by the club.
- NUMBER OF STARTERS:**
All races will be despatched from the mobile start with a maximum of 13 horses or a lesser number if the safety limit requires it. Right of re-entry and barrier positions will be as per the club’s normal policy. Front line numbers will be as per the safety limit unless other stated by the club.
- RACE SERIES:** Within each age group no horse is eligible to compete in more than one Division Final/Consolation of the Series (i.e. a horse that starts in the Open Final cannot then start in the N.H.T., Fillies, Final or Consolation)
- CONSOLATION RACE:**
Where the number of acceptors for the Final are such that a further field of eligible horses (Minimum of two starters) a consolation race will be run.
The consolation will be conducted in a way which relates as closely as possible to that which applies to the finals and the system used for field selection, etc will be consistent with the conditions applying to the series as a whole. However no vendors bonus will apply to the stakes.

FIELD SELECTION:

A nomination must be made to the club conducting the event.

The horses to start will be selected by a panel comprising:

- A representative of the N.Z. Sires Stake Board**
- The Chief Handicapper, Harness Racing New Zealand**
- A representative of the Programme Committee of the host club**

Nominators will be required to advise the club of the relevant trials form of their horse.

No person shall be appointed to the selection panel who has any interest in any nominated horses subject to that selection.

Firstly the field for the Final will be selected with the first three from each of the Open Graduate races automatically gaining selection to the Final with the balance of the field being selected on the basis of the Preference List. To be eligible for selection a horse must nominate for the final as per the Club's programme i.e. a horse cannot just be nominated for the Consolation.

The field for the Consolation will be selected from those horses that did not gain selection to the Final as per the Preference List. A horse must start in the Final if selected or on the ballot and gains a start – it cannot just nominate for the Consolation. Horses selected as ballots for the Final are eligible for the Consolation but in the event of gaining a start in the final will be declared ineligible for the consolation.

Preference List –(see above)

1st Preference	Official Group Race Winners
2nd Preference	Official Race Winners - Totalisator - (Gross minimum stake \$4,500 and above)
3rd Preference	Official Race Winners – Totalisator
4th Preference	Official Group Race - Placegetters
5th Preference	Official Race Placegetters – Totalisator - (Gross minimum stake \$4,500 and above)
6th Preference	Official Race Placegetters - Totalisator
7th Preference	Official Race Winners – Non Totalisator
8th Preference	Official Race Placegetters – Non Totalisator
9th Preference	Official Qualifiers – (Barrier & Qualifying)
10th Preference	Unqualified

Where two or more horses are on the same preference the selection committee will take into account the overall performance of the horse.

Please note that a 2 Y.O. must be either qualified or have received a clearance from behind the mobile gate prior to nomination.

STAKES:

The estimated stake for the Final will be **\$225,000.**

The stake for the Consolation is estimated to be 10% of the Final stake this percentage to reduce by 1% for every acceptor less than ten acceptors for the said consolation.

Stakes will be paid as listed below,
after deduction of the Vendor's Bonus
(Where applicable)

1st	55%
2nd	17%
3rd	9.5%
4th	5%
5th	3.5%
Other Starters	10%

The Other Starters 10% is to be divided amongst all other starters provided that each horse is not allocated an amount which exceeds 2.5% of the stake after the deduction of the Vendor's Bonus except as below.

Where in any case there are less than 9 starters the Board shall maintain a pro rata distribution of any residue stake to the first five starters. Where following that single calculation any surplus money remains, it shall be paid to the winner.

Where the consolation is run as a non tote event and there is a scratching the money allocated to the scratched horse will be retained by the Board and total stakes payout reduced accordingly.

Vendor's Bonus:

An amount of 2½% shall be divided 1¾%, ½%, ¼% of the Final Stakes to the vendor of first, second and third placed horses in the Final. (Vendor – as registered with HRNZ at fall of hammer).

A trophy and dress rug will be donated by the N.Z. Sires Stakes Board to the Final winner.

A dress rug will be donated by the N.Z. Sires Stakes Board to the Consolation winner.

