

DATE SUMMARY for **TAUPŌ RACING CLUB**

1. Wednesday, 24th August 2022
Fiber Fresh Stud Day



2. Friday, 16th September 2022
GET SET EVENT HIRE
Ladies Day



3. Wednesday, 5th October 2022
PlaceMakers/Generation Homes
Tradies Day



4. Tuesday, 8th November 2022
CHRISTMAS AT THE RACES



5. Friday, 30th December 2022
PAK'nSAVE SUMMER FESTIVAL
HARCOURTS TAUPŌ CUP DAY



6. Sunday, 29th January 2023
FEATURE DAY
Yet to be named

EXCITING YEAR IN STORE FOR TAUPŌ

The Club will have a very busy year with meetings increasing by 50%. Six race days will keep committee and staff on their toes this year.

SPRING LAUNCH

August 24th is Fiber Fresh Stud Day is always an exciting day to help launch Spring Racing in the North.

The Feature event is the Taupō PAK'n SAVE Fillies 1100m. The stake has had a major rise from \$25,000 to \$40,000 which was last run 2 years ago.

This race is usually a great guide to the best fillies of the year coming from the field, often with multiple black type winners. Many go on to compete at the Gold Trial stakes at Hastings some 3 weeks later.

We have established a similar event to be open for all 3YO Colts and Geldings which will attract horses heading to various Guineas events.

With 2 Group Trials before the first race, there is plenty on the day for true enthusiasts of thoroughbred racing. These trialists are starting their spring campaigns for NZ and Australia.

LADIES DAY

The Club is promoting a grand ladies HAT day on Friday 16th September and we are keen for members, sponsors, owners and the public to get involved. Our Sub Committee are planning for several prizes on the day.

We expect the Champagne to be a drink of choice in what will be an excellent social occasion on GET SET EVENT HIRE Race Day -LADIES DAY.

TRADIES DAY

PlaceMakers and Generation Homes head up Tradies Day on Wed 5th October, an event that has been established over the last 3 years.

New businesses will be joining in for a fun afternoon.

CHRISTMAS AT THE RACES- A NEW DAY

Tuesday 8th November, the same day as the New Zealand Trotting Cup.

The plan is to be a Twilight Meeting starting with a first race just after 2pm.

All Taupō Businesses are invited to have their Christmas Parties at the races.

There will be packages available for all business sizes and other groups who want to join in the fun.

Live Music will make this a great occasion.

HARCOURTS TAUPŌ CUP DAY -Friday, December 30th

This 2000m Event has gone from strength to strength over the last 4 years. It was the biggest Country Cup in NZ at \$65,000 last season. Watch this space for announcements on this year's stake.

The Wellington Racing Club are impressed with the quality of fields and are offering the winner free entry into the Wellington Cup next year. Last year Lincoln King ran second in our race and the went on to win the Wellington Cup.

Packages for this day and all our meetings will be on our web site in the near future. Post Covid we are expecting a bumper crowd.

NEW DATE Sunday 29th January (Auckland Anniversary Weekend)

This is an Ellerslie Day to be run in Taupō and will be a Feature Day with \$30,000-\$40,000 stakes, so some great racing will be in store for the holiday crowds.

WITH 2 NEW RACE DAYS THIS SEASON, THERE ARE A NUMBER OF SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

If you know a group or business keen to get involved then please let Marion know and we will make contact. We have opportunities for big or small sponsorships. secretary@tauporacingclub.co.nz or 021 749 179

CLUB PROJECTS AT TAUPŌ:

Memberships:

With the new season ready to start, renewal of memberships are now due. The colour for this season is BLUE.

Track irrigation/Storage Pond:

Our new pond and system is ready to go live for the new season when required. This will be a big asset to Summer racing at the track

Tree removal:

The gum trees on the public car park have been removed and the stumps the stump grinder has been busy removing the last of them. This will give much more room for parking and safety from falling branches and debris.

The committee also agreed to the roadside Douglas Fir Trees to be removed as they had become a Health and Safety Issue. One fell in the wind last year and crushed the woodshed next to the house. We are working with the council landscapers to improve the roadside and entrances to the track.

Track and ground general:

The Public car parking area is needing work to bring back to order following the tree removal and we have a few large mounds of leftover debris which are completely out-of-bounds at present. For Health and Safety reasons these areas must be kept clear.

The main running track has the rail out while the reconstructed inside track is rejuvenating after work done. With NZTR assistance, the next effort is to re-establish the back straight bend into the Gliding Club to widen the corner.

NZMCA:

The preliminary drafts have been formatted and signatures are imminent agreeing for the Motor Caravan Association and the Taupō Racing Club joint venture of the Members Car Park area during the year. This is a very exciting initiative for the club allowing a steady annual income and a new interest for all.

NZTR Community Club of the Year:

Two years in a row! The 2020-2021 Runner-Up trophy for the Community Club of the Year was presented to the club. We now hold two Runner-Up trophies in the office. Thanks to all our volunteers and Committee for hard work to make the club such a great environment to be a part of.

Your committee

Terry Campbell (President)
Darrell Harris (Vice President)

Angela Amodeo

Ross Brown

Warren Coventry

Gerald Fell

Barry Levings

John McDermott

Alan Payne

Bruce Petersen

Supported by

Russell Williams (Course Manager)

Marion Thompson (Secretary)

assisted by

Kelly Foley

Geneive Kalan-Appleby

and

Chris Bell

Paul Marshal

Keelin Petersen

Tracey Thompson

with

Andrew and Paula Farquhar
recently resigning.

The Committee thank Andrew and Paula for their help over the past year. Andrew's IT experience has assisted to bring the club into the 21st Century.

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We are saddened by the loss of Honourable Life Member Christine McElwee who was a huge contributor to the Taupō Racing Club. Christine worked with the Taupō District Council Archives Division and secured a space for all race books to be recorded and stored in their Archives. In 2015, after being commissioned by the club to research the first fifty years of the club, she published our Anniversary Book "Winning against the odds". This is a great legacy to leave the club. The racing community is grateful to have had Christine as an active member who gave freely her time, knowledge and support.

Condolences to the Brewer families.

