

# RIVERTON TROTTING CLUB INC

C/- SOUTHERN HARNESS RACING INC.

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## 2022/2023

PRESIDENT: Mr B Stewart

VICE PRESIDENT: Ms T McMaster

HONORARY TREASURER: Mr D Hewitson

COMMITTEE: R E Drake (Life Member), A W Jenkins (Life Member), N Cleaver, B J Leith,  
L McKay, B Stevens, T McGrannachan, D Phibbs, R Mackintosh & T Kilkelly

### **ANNUAL REPORT AND STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR YEAR ENDED 30 APRIL 2023**

The 62<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting of members will be held at the Carriers Arms Hotel, Riverton  
on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm

- BUSINESS:**
1. To receive the Annual Report and Statements of Accounts for the year ending 30 April 2023
  2. To elect Office bearers 2023/2024
  3. To appoint an Auditor
  4. General

**AFTER THE MEETING A SOCIAL HOUR WILL BE HELD**

### OFFICE BEARERS 2023/2024

The following are the Nominees:

PRESIDENT: Ms T McMaster

VICE PRESIDENT: Mrs L McKay & Mrs T McGrannachan (shared)

HONORARY TREASURER: Mr D Hewitson

COMMITTEE : (3 Nominations for 3 Vacancies)

B Leith, N Cleaver & R Mackintosh

### ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

THE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION OF \$10.00 IS NOW DUE AND PAYMENT CAN BE MADE AT THE ANNUAL MEETING, ON LINE OR DIRECT TO OUR OFFICE,  
P O BOX 96, INVERCARGILL

*Copies of the Annual Financial Accounts have been sent via email for members who have given us an email address. Alternatively, copies will be available at the Annual General Meeting. If you would like a copy emailed or posted to you, please contact the Southern Harness Racing office. They can also be viewed online after the AGM on the Southern Harness website [www.southernharness.co.nz](http://www.southernharness.co.nz) under the tab Southern Club Financial Reports.*

J McEwan-Franks  
Club & Finance Manager

#### **RIVERTON TROTTING CLUB - EMAIL DATABASE**

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*Please indicate the Club name*

## RIVERTON TROTTING CLUB

### Presidents Report 2023

This year I can report that the Riverton Trotting Club showed a \$9,358 deficit. This was a marked improvement on last years \$14,564. The club contributed a total of \$6,000 in additional stakes for our two meetings after HRNZ reduced stakes on the back of the TAB reduced funding to the code.

The two dates HRNZ have given us for the 2024 season are Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February (Cup Day) and Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

Getting the May date is disappointing as I would have preferred Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March where we raced this season. HRNZ have decided without consultation that they would prefer the Invercargill club to race on that day.

This year's DT King Riverton Cup was unable to be held at Ascot Park in February because the nominations were light. We ran the cup at Winton at our March meeting with a lower rating ban and got a field of nine. The race was won by 'Nutcracker' trained and driven by Craig Ferguson. Our feature trotting race, the Neville Cleaver Fishing Aparima Trot, was held in February and was won by 'Ruby Seddon' trained by Doug McLachlan and driven by Kirstin Green.

On a promotional front, our gift baskets from Plaza Supervalue continue to be a hit and they're now very much part of Riverton Cup Day.

The BBQ for Team Teal at our March meeting was successful and thanks to the Riverton Butchery for providing the meat options.

Tracey, Reg, Lynley and I had a meeting with the Riverton Racing Club earlier this year to explore the possibility of racing on the Riverton grass track in February.

The meeting was extremely positive, and the Racing Club have given their approval for us to pursue the idea.

We feel returning to our community is an important step and beneficial in securing a solid sponsorship base.

The club last raced on the track in 2000 when two races were held as part of a galloping meeting. Double Damn won for Forbury trainer Brian O'Connor and local driver Allan Broomhall paying \$61.20. Sixteen horses started in the 2000 metre stand. In the other race the Maurice Kerr trained Glenburn Prince won paying \$11.25. He beat fourteen rivals with five horses scratched from the original field of twenty.

There are inherit risks in racing on grass - primarily the weather but there's a strong appetite for grass track racing which is close to the public and generally gets very good off-course betting. February weather patterns are generally pretty good in Southland these days.

This will be fully discussed at the AGM before any further action is taken. There is still a bit of detail to work through.

This is my last year as President after eleven years at the helm. I've thoroughly enjoyed my stint but feel it's time to hand over the keys to Tracey McMaster. I'll still remain on the committee short term as Immediate Past President and to help with the transition.

I'd like to thank my committee for their support and help this season and special thanks to Lynley McKay for securing two new sponsors for the season in the Riverton Butchery and Colac Bay Tavern and Tracey McMaster for increasing our membership base.

In finishing I'd also like to thank Southern Harness Office staff, Jason Broad, Lindsay Beer, Julie McEwan-Franks and Nicole Elliott.

Bruce Stewart

President

**Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated**

**Performance Report**

**For the Year Ended 30 April 2023**

**Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated**  
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## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Entity Information

#### For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated is a club, registered under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908.

**Entity's Purpose or Mission** The primary objective of the Club is to promote, conduct and control harness racing and is registered with the Harness Racing New Zealand Code ("the Code") consistent with the Code's constitution. The Club is a recognised industry organisation in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020.

**Nature of Business** Harness Racing Club

**Incorporated Society Number** 225507

**Additional Information** The Club is incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908 and is a recognised industry organisation in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020.

As the Club is primarily involved in the conduct and promotion of race meetings - rather than the generation of profit - it is considered a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes. Nonetheless, any profit generated provides the Club with more resources that make future operations more sustainable; these resources are held as cash reserves and available for use by the Club as the need arises.

The Club is party to various agreements with other racing clubs with respect to the operation of assets (race tracks) that are jointly owned and operated by member Clubs. These arrangements, however, do not create a separate legal entity that the Club controls; the extent of the operation recognised by the Club is limited to its share of the assets and its own costs spent on the use and maintenance of the assets.

### Contact Details

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## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Entity Information (continued)

For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

<b>Auditor</b>	Audit Professionals Limited Chartered Accountants Dunedin
<b>Bankers</b>	ANZ and SBS Banks Invercargill
<b>Solicitors</b>	Murray Little Cruickshank Pryde Invercargill
<b>IRD Number</b>	010-849-539
<b>Entity Structure</b>	<p>The Club is primarily engaged in a service activity with focus on conducting and promoting race meetings consistent with existing racing rules and regulations.</p> <p>The Club's leadership and management team - along with a good number of volunteer members and staff - are involved in ensuring that race meetings are conducted as planned and to a level expected by participants, members and regulators alike.</p> <p>Committee members: B Stewart (President), T McMaster (Vice president), D Hewitson (Honorary Treasurer), R Drake (Life Member), A Jenkins (Life Member), B Leith, R Mackintosh, L McKay, B Stevens, T Kilkelly, T McGrannachan, N Cleaver and D Phibbs.</p>
<b>Main Sources of Cash and Resources</b>	<p>The Club's mainline revenue is industry funding from the Code which is used to defray the costs and expenses on the Club's race meetings.</p> <p>The Club is also engaged in sale of goods and services to members and the public from which revenues are generated to augment its operational requirements. Goods sold include various race-related items, agricultural products and bar sales.</p> <p>Revenue generated from investments and use of Club's assets include interest and other fees.</p>

## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Entity Information (continued)

#### For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

**Main Methods Used to Raise Funds** The terms and amount of industry funding revenue are agreed by the Code and the Club at the beginning of each racing year based on planned race meeting events and activities.

In addition, proceeds from the sale of goods and services (including charges for use of the Club's assets) are based on agreed prices determined with reference to current market prices for such goods and services.

The Club also receives grants, subsidies and donations from various sources including Club members, individual and corporate sponsors and industry organisations (the Code and other clubs).

Of particular note, the Club receives services in kind which are considered vital in its race-meeting events; and although these are highly appreciated, these are difficult to value and hence, not included in this Performance Report.

**Entity's Reliance on Volunteers and Donated Goods and Services** As discussed above, the Club is a recipient / beneficiary of various goods and services in kind. These proceeds are vital in the Club's race meeting events.

Certain donated goods include real properties made in favour of the Club and which are used in the conduct of the Club's operations. In some instances, donated goods have attached conditions which the Club has to satisfy before full entitlement over the goods is vested in the Club. Until such time, the donated goods, though available for use by the Club, are presented as a present obligation in the Club's statement of financial position.

Services in kind come in the form of volunteers both during race meeting events and off-season. Volunteers (mostly members of the Club) are involved in the set-up of race meeting events, various activities during the event to ensure orderly conduct of the race, and in the day-to-day upkeep and maintenance of the Club's premises.

Without these donated goods and services, the Club would have required more funds to defray costs and expenses which would have potentially made the conduct of race meeting events even more challenging. On this basis, the Club highly values these donated goods and services and considers them a vital part of its operations.

## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Statement of Service Performance

#### For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

##### Description of the Club's Outcomes

The Club is primarily engaged in the conduct and promotion of harness racing. Race meetings are held at Ascot Park Raceway, Invercargill and at Central Southland Raceway, Winton.

To ensure that the Club meets its goals, prize money (stakes) has to be built-up from various sources that consequently enables a more attractive race participation.

The Club's management has also been actively working with Southern Harness Racing, and the Code to ensure that industry funding remains a steady source of operational funding for race meetings.

##### Description of Outputs

	<b>Actual 2023</b>	<b>Actual 2022</b>
Number of Race Meetings Held	3	2
Number of Races	30	22
Number of Horses Started	287	215
Total Stakes Offered	\$300,000	\$230,000
Total Stakes Paid	\$287,166	\$220,182

Race meetings are held on 26 May 2022 and 3 March 2023 at Central Southland Raceway, Winton, and on 12 February 2023 at Ascot Park Raceway, Invercargill.



**Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated**  
**Statement of Financial Performance**  
**For the Year Ended 30 April 2023**

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
<b>Revenue</b>			
Race Meeting Revenue	1	345,054	255,791
Other Operating Revenue	2	596	539
Finance Revenue	3	3,485	1,847
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>349,135</b>	<b>258,177</b>
<b>Less Expenses</b>			
Race Meeting Costs & Expenses	4	343,163	255,134
Other Operating Expenses	5	15,330	17,607
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>358,493</b>	<b>272,741</b>
<b>(Deficit) for the year</b>		<b>(9,358)</b>	<b>(14,564)</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

Statement of Financial Position

As at 30 April 2023

	Note	2023 \$	2022 \$
<b>Current Assets</b>			
Bank Accounts	6	85,516	13,231
Accounts Receivable		1,150	690
Accrued Interest		410	275
GST Receivable		3,368	3,671
Short-term Deposits	7	80,000	161,775
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>170,444</b>	<b>179,642</b>
<b>Non Current Assets</b>			
Advance – Southern Harness Racing Incorporated		-	250
<b>Total Non Current Assets</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>250</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>		<b>170,444</b>	<b>179,892</b>
<b>Current Liabilities</b>			
Accounts Payable		200	290
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>200</b>	<b>290</b>
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>200</b>	<b>290</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>		<b>170,244</b>	<b>179,602</b>
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>			
Accumulated Surpluses	8	170,244	179,602
<b>Total Accumulated Funds</b>		<b>170,244</b>	<b>179,602</b>

For and on behalf of Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

 President

10<sup>th</sup> July 2023

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<b>Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>		
<b>Cash was received from:</b>		
Industry Profit Distribution & Other Race Meeting Receipts	47,678	30,069
Donations, Fundraising & Other Similar Receipts	15,750	5,770
Fees, Subscriptions & Other Receipts from Members	596	639
Net GST movement	303	85
	<b>64,327</b>	<b>36,563</b>
<b>Cash was applied to:</b>		
Payments to Suppliers & Employees	76,967	51,599
Donations Paid	450	800
	<b>77,417</b>	<b>52,399</b>
<b>Net Cash Flows (to) Operating Activities</b>	<b>(13,090)</b>	<b>(15,836)</b>
<b>Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities</b>		
<b>Cash was received from:</b>		
Receipts from the Maturity of Investment	161,775	13,741
Interest Receipts	3,350	1,720
Repayment of Advance – Southern Harness Racing	250	-
	<b>165,375</b>	<b>15,461</b>
<b>Cash was applied to:</b>		
Interest reinvested in bank deposits	-	969
New bank term deposits	80,000	-
	<b>80,000</b>	<b>969</b>
<b>Net Cash Flows from Investing and Financing Activities</b>	<b>85,375</b>	<b>14,492</b>
Net Increase/ (decrease) in Cash Held	72,285	(1,344)
Cash at the Beginning of the Year	13,231	14,575
<b>Cash at the End of the Year</b>	<b>85,516</b>	<b>13,231</b>
<b>This is represented by:</b>		
Bank balances	85,516	13,231
<b>Total Cash &amp; Bank Balances</b>	<b>85,516</b>	<b>13,231</b>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Statement of Accounting Policies

#### For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

##### Reporting Entity

Riverton Trotting Club ("the Club") is incorporated under the Incorporated Societies Act 1908. The primary objective of the Club is to promote, conduct and control harness racing and is registered with Harness Racing New Zealand Code ("the Code") consistent with the Code's constitution. The Club is a recognised industry organisation in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020.

##### Statement of Compliance and Basis of Preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Racing Industry Act 2020, which requires compliance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand ("NZ GAAP").

As the primary objective of the Club is not towards making financial returns but the promotion, conduct and control of harness racing, it has designated itself as a not-for-profit public benefit entity (PBE) for financial reporting purposes.

The Club has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (NFP) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting – Accrual (Not-For-Profit) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. Where a specific transaction is not covered by PBE SFR-A (NFP), the Club applied guidelines under Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards (Reduced Disclosure Regime).

The accounting principles recognised as appropriate for the measurement and reporting of the Statement of Financial Performance and Statement of Financial Position on an historical cost basis are followed by the club, unless otherwise stated in the Specific Accounting Policies.

The information is presented in New Zealand dollars. All values are rounded to the nearest dollar.

The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the Club will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

##### Specific Accounting Policies

The following specific accounting policies which materially affect the measurement of the Statement of Financial Performance and Statement of Financial Position have been applied:

##### (a) Revenue Recognition

Revenue is recognised when there is a legal right to receive cash either in the current period or in the future. Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, taking into account contractually defined terms of payment and excluding taxes or duty.

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised when the inventories are sold while revenue from the sale of services is recognised as revenue by reference to the stage of completion of the service at balance date, based on the actual service provided as a percentage of the total service to be provided.

Revenue arising from grants, donations, subsidies and items of similar nature (collectively, revenues from non-exchange transactions) are recognised as revenue upon receipt of the asset unless a condition ("use

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**Statement of Accounting Policies (continued)**  
**For the Year Ended 30 April 2023**

or return") is attached; in which case, a liability is initially recognised and upon satisfaction of the condition, the liability is reduced and revenue is recorded.

The Club also receives services-in-kind from various volunteers and members in conducting race meeting events. Although these are highly valued by the Club, these are difficult to measure and hence, not included in the Performance Report. Goods received in kind are recorded as assets when they are received.

**(b) Expenses**

Expenses are recognised when there is a legal obligation to pay cash either in the current period or in the future. This is the point where the expense is incurred by the Club.

**(c) Trade Receivables**

Receivables are recognised by the Club once it has the legal right to collect the cash in the future. Receivables are initially recorded at the amount owed and adjusted for impairment when there is likelihood that the amount (or some portion of it) will not be collected. The Club's receivables are normally collectible within 30 days.

**(d) Income Tax**

The Club is a racing club, as defined in Section 5(1) of the Racing Industry Act 2020, and is therefore exempt from income tax in accordance with the provisions of Section CW 47(2) of the Income Tax Act 2007.

**(e) Investments**

Investments are bank deposits recognised upon purchase and initially measured at the amount paid.

**(f) Goods and Services Taxation (GST)**

The Club is registered for GST. Revenues and expenses have been recognised in the performance report exclusive of GST except that irrecoverable GST input tax has been recognised in association with the expense to which it relates. All items in the Statement of Financial Position are stated exclusive of GST except for receivables and payables which are stated inclusive of GST.

**(g) Subscriptions**

Subscriptions are recognised on an accrual basis.

**(h) Trade Creditors**

Payables represent amounts owing by the Club to suppliers for goods or services received. These are classified as current if they are due to be settled within the next 12 months from the year-end reporting date. These are recorded at the amount owing and are normally non-interest bearing.

**Changes in Accounting Policies**

There have been no changes in accounting policies. All policies have been applied on a basis consistent with those from the previous performance report.

## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Notes to the Performance Report

#### For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

#### 1 Race Meeting Revenue

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
	(3 race meetings)	(2 race meetings)
Stakes Funding – HRNZ and Southern Harness Racing Top-ups	281,166	220,182
Venue Funding - HRNZ	46,960	29,700
<b>Total Stakes and Venue Funding</b>	<b>328,126</b>	<b>249,882</b>
Race Meeting Sponsorships	4,750	4,850
Net Bar & Catering Revenue	1,178	417
Community grants and donations	11,000	642
<b>Total Race Meeting Revenue</b>	<b>345,054</b>	<b>255,791</b>

Grants, subsidies and donated assets are mostly cash and cash equivalents received from grantors; these are recorded as revenue upon receipt unless a condition exists on the transfer which requires the Club to return the asset received if the condition is not satisfied. In which case, the Club recognises the asset received initially as a liability and recognises revenue when the condition is satisfied. Two grants were from Trillian Trust Ltd totalling \$11,000 towards racecourse rental, photo finish services and racebook printing.

#### 2 Other Operating Revenue

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Sundry	118	-
Membership Subscriptions	478	539
<b>Total Other Operating Revenue</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>539</b>

#### 3 Finance Revenue

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Interest Revenue	3,485	1,847
<b>Total Finance Revenue</b>	<b>3,485</b>	<b>1,847</b>

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**Notes to the Performance Report (continued)**  
**For the Year Ended 30 April 2023**

**4 Race Meeting Costs & Expenses**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
	(3 race meetings)	(2 race meetings)
Stakes Paid through Southern Harness Racing Club's Contribution to Stakes	281,166	220,182
Total Stakes Paid	<u>287,166</u>	<u>220,182</u>
Advertising	2,383	2,416
Other Raceday Expenses (includes Trophies/Rugs)	3,043	1,881
Race Day Promotions (includes Sponsors Bar & Catering)	4,257	2,133
Race Meeting Services (includes Security)	6,434	5,160
Race Meeting Wages	9,154	5,053
Racebook Costs	2,085	940
Rental- Racecourse	23,000	14,000
Sponsorship & Promotions Fees	2,079	1,544
Tote Wages	<u>3,562</u>	<u>1,825</u>
<b>Total Race Meeting Costs &amp; Expenses</b>	<b><u>343,163</u></b>	<b><u>255,134</u></b>

**5 Other Operating Expenses**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Administration Fees	11,437	13,913
Audit Fee	1,500	1,450
Communication Expenses	-	93
Committee Costs	239	193
Conference Expenses	1,483	91
Donations	450	800
Insurance	29	762
Postage, Printing & Stationery	<u>192</u>	<u>305</u>
<b>Total Other Operating Expenses</b>	<b><u>15,330</u></b>	<b><u>17,607</u></b>

**6 Bank Balances**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
SBS Current Account	194	13,231
ANZ Premium Account	<u>85,323</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total Bank Balances</b>	<b><u>85,516</u></b>	<b><u>13,231</u></b>

## Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### Notes to the Performance Report (continued)

#### For the Year Ended 30 April 2023

<b>7 Short-term Deposits</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
SBS Bank Term Deposit (18-8)	-	60,000
SBS Bank Term Deposit (20-9)	-	71,612
SBS Bank Term Deposit (21-9)	-	30,163
ANZ Bank Term Deposit (1000)	80,000	-
<b>Total Short-term Deposits</b>	<b>80,000</b>	<b>161,775</b>

The Club has investments in term deposits with banks for which interest revenue is recognised during the term of the investment. These investments have original maturities of more than 90 days and are rolled on a continuing basis unless used by the Club for its operational cash requirements. Term deposits with original maturities of 90 days or less are classified by the Club as cash and cash equivalents. Term deposits with a maturity date within 12 months of balance date have been recorded as Short-term deposits.

<b>8 Accumulated Funds</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Opening Balance	179,602	194,166
Deficit for the Year	(9,358)	(14,564)
<b>Closing Balance</b>	<b>170,244</b>	<b>179,602</b>

#### **9 Transactions & Balances with Key Management Personnel & Close Members of their Family**

Key management personnel (KMP) of the Club include the members of the Committee and various sub-committees of the Club, the Chief Executive and Executive Management Team who exercise control or significant influence over the financial and operating decision-making of the Club. For purposes of financial reporting disclosures, the Club also considers transactions with close family members of KMP as related party transactions.

##### **Transactions**

KMP are also members of the Club and pay membership fees and other fines and charges on the same rate and terms as charged to other members who are not KMP. In addition, members of the Club may have an interest in racing through ownership, breeding, training, driving or similar capacity. KMP and close members of their family may also join races and be eligible for stake money from the Club under normal trade terms and conditions applicable to other persons not otherwise considered KMP.

With the exception of the regular fees and charges, compensation and race-related transactions under normal terms, there have been no other transactions between the Club and its KMP and close family members during the year (2022: nil).



## **Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated**

### **Notes to the Performance Report (continued)**

#### **For the Year Ended 30 April 2023**

#### **10 Arrangement with Southern Harness Racing Incorporated**

Harness Racing Clubs in the Southland and Otago regions developed a regionalised model which was introduced for the 2017 financial year. Under the Heads of Agreement a new structure was developed with the commissions on Off Course and Fixed Odds betting turnover and Group Race subsidies being paid to Southern Harness Racing. This was part of a bulk funded agreement with Harness Racing New Zealand and the New Zealand Racing Board (now Racing New Zealand). There have been subsequent changes to this model since 2017.

From August 2020 Clubs hosting Race Meetings now receive a Venue Payment per race day rather than any bulk funded commissions. This is to assist them with their race meeting running costs. Southern Harness Racing are responsible for race programming and the allocation of stakes funding. HRNZ are responsible for the payment of all Stakes. A key aim of this structure is to ensure consistent race programming and increased stakes across all meetings.

#### **11 Related Parties**

There were no significant related party transactions during the financial year (2021: Nil) that were on terms and conditions that are likely to be different from the terms and conditions of transactions in similar circumstances, involving parties that are not related.

#### **12 Commitments**

The Club has no commitments as at 30 April 2023 (2022: Nil)

#### **13 Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees**

The Club has no contingent liabilities and no guarantees as at 30 April 2023 (2022: Contingent Liabilities Nil. Guarantees Nil.)

#### **14 Events Occurring After Balance Date**

There were no events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a significant impact on the Performance Report.

## ***Independent Auditor's Report***

to the Committee members of Riverton Trotting Club Incorporated

### **Our Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Riverton Trotting Racing Club Incorporated (the Club) which comprise the statement of financial position as at 30 April 2023 and the statement of financial performance and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and the statement of accounting policies and other explanatory information.

In our opinion, the financial statements included in the accompanying Performance Report present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Club as at 30 April 2023 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date in accordance with the accounting standard, Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting-Accrual (Not-For-Profit).

### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) (ISAs (NZ)). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Club in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 (Revised) *Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners* issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code)*, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our firm has provided accounting assistance with the presentation of the Performance Report. This assistance has not impaired our independence as auditors of the Club.

### **Information Other than the Financial Statements and Auditor's Report**

Other information included in the Performance Report with the financial statements comprises the entity information and the statement of service performance. The Committee members are responsible for this other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. We are required to report any misstatement of other information. We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **Committee Members' Responsibilities for the Financial Statements**

The Committee members are responsible, on behalf of the Club, for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting-Accrual (Not-For-Profit) and for such internal control as the Committee members determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements the Committee members are responsible for assessing the Club's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Committee members either intend to liquidate the Club or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (NZ) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material, if individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the External Reporting Board website: [https://xrb.govt.nz/Site/Auditing\\_Assurance\\_Standards/Current\\_Standards/Page8.aspx](https://xrb.govt.nz/Site/Auditing_Assurance_Standards/Current_Standards/Page8.aspx)

This report is made solely to the Committee members as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Club's Committee members those matters which we are required to state in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Club and the Club's Committee members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report or for the opinions we have formed.

*Audit Professionals Limited*

Chartered Accountants  
10 July 2023

Dunedin