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Dexter Dunn's quest for 1000

Sitting on 996 career driving wins in New Zealand and with a busy weekend ahead, Dexter Dunn looks almost certain to reel in the milestone and create more harness racing history.

Dunn will drive at four meetings across an extended weekend. His first commitment is Forbury Park on Thursday, where he can make a strong advance towards the milestone. Despite there only being a seven-race card, Dunn looks to hold the whip hand in several races. On Friday night he shoots north to Auckland for a cameo appearance. At this stage there's just the three drives for him at Alexandra Park with his father Robert's horse Jivin Cullen the pick of them.

On Saturday Dunn will drive in the Brothers In Arms Series in Oamaru, where he looks to have a couple of very strong drives. Then on Sunday its back home to a bumper meeting at Motukarara. Another strong book of drives may well have Dunn at 1000 wins. Dunn has four drives booked at Motukarara at this stage, with the promise of more to come.

Here are Dexter Dunn's confirmed drives for the weekend: (as at 2.00pm 21/11/12)

Forbury Park - Thursday

For The Ladies	Race 1	6:10pm
Chiola Belle	Race 2	6:38pm
Ochoa	Race 3	7:10pm
Cheyenne Princess	Race 4	7:40pm
Macintosh	Race 5	8:05pm
Rebateable	Race 6	8:30pm
Ohoka Kentucky	Race 7	9:00pm

Alexandra Park - Friday

Gadeiros	Race 6	8:35pm
Naenae Tabman	Race 7	9:00pm
Jivin Cullen	Race 8	9:25pm

Oamaru - Saturday

Marchesa	Race 1	12:15pm
Cabo Wabo	Race 2	12:50pm
Sutherland Reflector	Race 3	1:26pm
Blackleugh	Race 5	2:36pm
Live Lea	Race 6	3:16pm
Courage Talks	Race 7	3:56pm
Oscar	Race 8	4:36pm
Extreme Gift	Race 9	5:15pm
Optimo Denario	Race 10	5:56pm

Motukarara - Sunday

Castellina Lover	Race 5	2:05pm
Safedra	Race 7	3:19pm
Franco Harrison	Race 8	3:56pm
Donegal Starella	Race 12	6:10pm

Dunn will create history by being the youngest driver by six years to win 1000 races in New Zealand - his feat eclipsing records across both racing codes. To date Mark Jones at 29 is the youngest to drive 1000 winners in New Zealand. Dunn's strike rate is very good too. He is winning at better than a race every five drives.

Despite the runaway success Dunn has enjoyed in the past the statistics show us that Dunn has never had more wins to this point of the season. Currently on 53 wins, his previous best to the 21st of November has been 52, in both the 2009 and 2010 season.

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