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MEDIA RELEASE – DATE AND VENUE CHANGES NEXT WEEK

With the flooding this week in Dunedin, extensive repairs are required to the Forbury Park track. Following an assessment this morning by club officials, it was clearly obvious that these would not be able to be completed to an appropriate standard for the Forbury Park TC meeting on Thursday, 11 June. As a result, alternative options have been considered to ensure this racing opportunity is not lost to the region and have this announced as early as possible to the industry.

I am pleased to advise that following great co-operation by the NZ Racing Board, other codes and clubs, the following changes are being made to the dates schedule for next week:

- Harness Racing Waikato meeting on Sunday, 14 June will transfer to the evening of Thursday, 11 June at Cambridge Raceway;
- Forbury Park TC meeting scheduled for Thursday, 11 June will transfer to Saturday, 13 June to be run at Gore.

Nominations and acceptances for both meetings will remain as previously programmed. For the Cambridge meeting, these will be on Tuesday, 9 June. Some minor changes will be made to the Forbury Park TC programme to accommodate the venue change and transfer of some Harness Plus races. Details of these will be outlined in the official programme on www.hrnz.co.nz.

Moving the Forbury Park licence to Gore will enable repairs to be undertaken on the track to ensure it is available for its next scheduled meeting on Thursday, 18 June.

In conclusion, HRNZ thanks the industry for its support in approving these changes in such a timely and accommodating manner.

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Summary of Harness Meetings Next Week:

- Thursday, 11 June – Harness Racing Waikato at Cambridge
- Friday, 12 June – Auckland TC at Alexandra Park
- Friday, 12 June – NZ Metropolitan TC at Addington Raceway
- Saturday, 13 June – Forbury Park TC at Gore
- Sunday, 14 June – Oamaru HRC at Oamaru