

“It’s the thrill. There’s nothing more enjoyable or anything that gives you so much adrenaline, as seeing your horse winning.”

CHOOSING NAMES

The naming of a horse can often be one of the most contentious and hotly debated topics between owners. However, naming a horse can also be one of the most creative and fun parts of the registration process.

Names are often based on that of the sire and the dam, the following are some examples of some clever names using this method:

BRALESS – by Showoff II from Snuggles

LAKANUKI – Lonesome Dude from Cold Shoulder

THE MODEL – Truly Vain from The Vision

ISLE FLOOREM – Dance Floor from Summer Isles

BAREALL – Victory Dance from Starkers

Listed below are some useful hints to bear in mind when naming a horse:

- Names cannot exceed 18 characters, including the spaces.
- Don't apply for names whose spelling or pronunciation is similar to names already registered.
- A name cannot be re-used until 15 years has elapsed since the foaling of a similar named horse.
- Names for broodmares cannot be used again until 12 years has elapsed since that name last appeared in a Volume of the Stud Book.
- Names of winners of Group One races are protected.
- Name of a Stallion cannot be used until 25 years after it last appeared in a studbook.

A name application form must be completed by all owners wishing to register a name for a horse. On this form you should list in order of preference the name you have selected together with other details about the horse like breeding, age and importantly the brands that appear on the horse. If your horse is in training it should be named *before* your trainer advises it is ready to run.

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CHOOSING COLOURS

Racing Colours comprise a set of jacket, sleeve and cap and the racing colours themselves. These colours are separated into two distinct categories, owners and stable colours.

OWNERS AND STABLE COLOURS

Owners may register a set of Colours in their own name by advising of their selection. Owners colours are registered on a five year renewal cycle, the next renewal date is 31 July 2010. Cost \$77.50.

Alternatively, if the trainer of a horse has registered stable colours these may be used by owners, again saving the expense of registering their own colours.

Stable Colours cost \$154.50 to register.

Different colours can be used for the Jacket, Sleeve and Cap backgrounds and for the markings on each of these.

To see the different colour combination options and to design your own colours, please visit www.nzracingwear.co.nz



SELLING YOUR RACEHORSE

Horses are sold for various reasons: realising an asset, breeding, change of career, or retirement.

If your horse has been successful, you could probably sell it for a large price through private sale. But if your horse's results haven't been the best, then a Tried Racehorse Sale is a good option. It may also be sold as an event horse and take part in equestrian events. Or, if your horse has a good pedigree and/or good racetrack performances behind it, you may be able to sell it to a stud for breeding.

BREEDING

A good pedigree and a successful racing history mean your racehorse will be a top candidate for a becoming a stud horse in its retirement.

Stallions can attract a service fee from \$500 to \$100,000 or more per service, and a successful stallion can serve approximately 120 mares per season.

The breeding of a mare sent to each stallion also plays a significant part in the perceived value of the horse as a yearling. As you can see, there is significant money to be made from breeding, and many racehorses go to stud after their racing days are over. Note: While some 70% of fillies and mares (females) go to stud, only 2% of colts and entire (males) are considered suitable for use as sires.