

CHRISTIAN CULLEN CANTERBURY MARES SPEED SERIES

The **CANTERBURY STANDARDBRED BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION**, in association with **IAN DOBSON** and **CULLEN BREEDING**, and the Methven, Ashburton, Nelson and NZ Metropolitan trotting clubs established the Christian Cullen Canterbury Mares Speed Series. Our objective is to provide additional opportunities for the middle-grade mares to get a genuine mile race time for breeding purposes.

Venue	Date	Distance	Stake
Methven	Sunday, 8th December 2013	1609m	\$9,000
Ashburton	Thursday, 26th December 2013	1609m	\$9,000
Nelson	Friday, 3rd January 2013	1609m	\$9,000
Nelson	Sunday, 5th January 2014	1609m	\$9,000
NZMTC	Friday, 31st January 2014	1950m	\$12,500
FINAL Ashburton	Saturday, 8th February 2014	1609m	\$16,000

CONDITIONS

- 4YO and older mares, up to C5, with less than \$50,000 lifetime stakes at time of nominations closing for the first race.
- All races are preferential barrier draw based on assessment, then earnings, using track grids. Ashburton and Methven do not use a grid, they number straight out.
- The first three place-getters in each race gain automatic entry to the final. The balance of the field will be made up of: (i) the mares with highest points total accumulated by the 4th (3 points), 5th (2 points) & 6th (1 point) heat place getters, and (ii) if needed other heat starters at the discretion of the Ashburton Trotting Club as host of the final.
- Maximum starters for each race is 14.
- Winner of two heats ineligible to enter any further heats.
- Only starters in a heat are eligible for the final.
- Mares nominated for a heat that is cancelled are eligible for the final, after the preferences, at the discretion of Ashburton Trotting Club.
- Stake distribution: 1st = 55%; 2nd = 20%; 3rd = 10%; 4th = 5 %, with balance of 10% shared by all remaining starters.
- A \$200 bonus will be paid to the financial member of CSBA (subscription paid before 1 December 2013) who bred the highest placed mare in each heat and the final.