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## TRAINERS RATE PEACEFUL'S 3YO PROSPECTS



*Smart filly Peaceful claims top black type honours at Te Rapa (Trish Dunell)*

**M**urray Baker and Andrew Forsman won't be in any hurry to press the promising **Peaceful (NZ)** (Savabeel) into action in her classic season.

The Cambridge trainers believe they have a quality prospect on their hands with the filly, who on Saturday bagged further black type with success in the Listed Ssanyong Auckland Futurity Stakes (1400m) at Te Rapa.

"She'll get a mile and 2000m so she's won't be getting up for the Gold Trail Stakes," said Baker in reference to the

Hawke's Bay race early in the 2018-19 term.

"She's a stakes winner by Savabeel, she's got a good pedigree and she'll make a nice three-year-old."

Runner-up in the Listed Champagne Stakes (1200m) at Riccarton at her previous outing, Peaceful settled behind the leaders one off the fence and finished resolutely in the run home to beat Cyber Attack (NZ) (Shamexpress), Sol Invictus (NZ) (Haradasun) and the winner's stablemate Ole Ole (NZ) (Makfi).

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"She was on the outside with no kick back and she ran on really well," said Baker, whose stable have now produced 18 stakes winner this season.

"Ole Ole didn't look that happy back on the inside, but he'll keep – he's a good horse."

Winning rider Matt Cameron said he was happy to race off the fence and said Peaceful appreciated being out in the open.

"There's a lot of sand coming back and it's not very comfortable, especially for young horses.

"We had the momentum up and got away with it. She's a filly on the way up."

Peaceful was bred by Westbury Stud and sold by Gerry

Harvey's nursery at Karaka in 2017 for \$260,000 to Masterton-based agent Bruce Perry, bloodstock manager to part-owner Lib Petagna.

– NZ Racing Desk.

<b>Race</b>	<b>Ssanyong Auckland Futurity Stakes L 1400m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Peaceful (NZ) 2015</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>G P Clarke, JML Bloodstock Ltd (Mgr: L Petagna) &amp; P W O'Rourke</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Murray Baker &amp; Andrew Forsman (Cambridge)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Savabeel (AUS) out of Paloma by Mossman (AUS)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>G Harvey</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>2017 National Yearling Sale - Premier; V: Westbury Stud, P: Bruce Perry Bloodstock; \$260,000</b>



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# CHOYSA RUNS RIVALS RAGGED AT FLEMINGTON

A daring front-running ride aboard **Choysa (NZ)** (Zabeel) has landed Kate Walters her first winner at Flemington.

Choysa got out to a lead, estimated to be 20 lengths in the middle stages of the Saturday's Trevor Clarke Handicap (2500m), defying the chasing pack in the run home.

Sent off a \$12 chance, Choysa ran out a 2-3/4 length winner from the \$4 favourite Lycurgus (Star Witness), with Falago (Fastnet Rock) 2-1/4 lengths away third.

"Last start I drew barrier one and didn't jump well," Walters said.

"I was in behind other horses and he got pulling really hard and I had nowhere to go so today I needed to get him into his own rhythm and let him relax underneath me.

"If you start fighting on his mouth, he'll beat you every time as he's too big and strong."

Walters said she had no idea how far she was in front of the chasing pack going into the home turn and didn't want to go looking over her shoulder.

"I got beaten as an apprentice at Manangatang doing that one day so that's something I don't ever do," she said.

- AAP

<b>Race</b>	<b>VRC Trevor Clarke H. 2500m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Choysa (NZ) 2010</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>Mr PA Smithies</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Wayne Walters (Sale)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Zabeel out of Classy Choice (AUS) by Redoute's Choice (AUS)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>Monovale Holdings Ltd</b>



Choysa wins at Flemington in a daring front-running display (Bruno Cannateli)





# JOLLY HONOUR CONTINUES WINNING ROLL OF RELIABLE MAN PROGINEY

**Jolly Honour (NZ)**  
(Reliable Man)  
produced a strong staying effort to win the A\$100,000 tab.com.au Handicap (2000m) at Randwick on Saturday.

Given a lovely ride by top hoop Tye Angland, Jolly Honour came with a well-timed run and hit the front at the 100m mark and eased away for a comfortable win, giving the impression that he would have no trouble going further.

Jolly Honour is trained by champion ex-pat Kiwi conditioner

Chris Waller and is the third Reliable Man winner from the Waller stable in recent weeks and adds to the stallion's growing list of winners.

The handsome chestnut was sold at Karaka by Bradbury Park and was knocked down to the bid of Mulcaster Bloodstock for \$70,000.



*Jolly Honour wins with a well-timed run at Randwick (Bradley Photography)*

<b>Race</b>	<b>ATC Tab.com.au H. 2000m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Jolly Honour (NZ) 2014</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>Mr PYW Ng</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Chris Waller (Rosehill)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Reliable Man (GB) out of Vexed (AUS) by Ferocity (AUS)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>RA &amp; JE Ferguson Partnership Syndicate</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>2016 National Yearling Sale – Select Session; V: Bradbury Park, P: Mulcaster Bloodstock; \$70,000</b>



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# HURDLER GIVES WEIGHT AND A BEATING TO RIVALS

**The Shackler (NZ)** (Istidaad) coped admirably at Trentham with both weight of expectation and the top of handicap.

Strongly fancied in the market on Saturday, the sprightly 11-year-old produced a faultless front-running performance under 69kg to hammer his opposition in the K. S. Browne Hurdle (3200m).

“He relaxed well, but I was a bit worried when they started coming at him,” trainer Paul Nelson said.

“Wee Biskit (NZ) (Zed) came up to him and he said I don’t want to see you and away he went.”

As he had done when successful in the Waikato Hurdles (3200m), The Shackler revelled in his work at the

head of the field and measured his jumps well.

The son of Istidaad was eyeballed three flights from home, but he jumped the last two fences with precision and drew clear for a hollow victory.

“We got away with a soft lead and Thatz David (NZ) (Stark South) challenged and then dropped off and Wee Biskit did pretty much the same,” regular rider Aaron Kuru said.

“With the 69kg it was a good test for him today, but he was too good.”

Thatz David rallied well in the closing stages to cut Wee Biskit out of third money with the northern visitor El Corby (NZ) (Istidaad) a sound fourth in his opening jumping outing of the winter.

The Shackler completed an early double for Nelson and Kuru following their success in the Pak ‘n’ Save Upper Hutt Steeplechase (4000m) with Perry Mason, raced by the successful I See Red Syndicate.

“It’s a big thrill for the syndicate, they’ve had well over 30 winners since they got going in the early 2000s,” Nelson said.

– NZ Racing Desk.

<b>Race</b>	<b>WRC KS Browne Hurdle H. 3200m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>The Shackler (NZ) 2006</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>S P Dromgool</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Paul Nelson (Hastings)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Istidaad (USA) out of Heavens Choice by Chem (USA)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>S P Dromgool</b>



The Shackler on his way to victory at Trentham (Peter Rubery Race Images)





# STUDD TAKES HIS CHANCE FOR LEADING TRAINER

Charlie Studd made the most of his opportunity at Trentham for one of the country's top jumping stables.

The Cambridge-based jockey combined with the Kevin Myers-trained **The Big Opal (NZ)** (Storm Creek) for victory in Saturday's Irvines McGregor Grant Steeplechase (4000m).

Although joining forces infrequently, they have a good strike rate with Studd now having ridden three winners from nine rides for the Wanganui horseman.

"It gives a lot of confidence and means a lot to be in these colours," Studd said.

He allowed The Big Opal to bowl along in front and the nine-year-old gave an excellent display of jumping on his way to another win over the big fences.

"The track really helped him and he was going well and I was just saving him up," Studd said.

The Big Opal had stablemate Sea King (NZ) (Shinko King) on his tail 600m from home, but the son of Storm Creek wasn't to be denied and he made the most of his four kilo pull in the weights to draw clear.

"He's a tough horse and a lovely jumper," Studd said. "We went along at a good gallop and he did the job, it's fantastic."

The Black Opal won twice on the



*The Big Opal who gave a dashing display at Trentham (Peter Rubery Race Images)*

flat and once over hurdles and has found the big fences much more to his liking.

His past successes include two editions of the Koral Steeplechase (4250m) and the Waikato Steeplechase (4000m).

Barn mate Sea King chased gamely after racing keenly through the early stages of the contest and Shamal (NZ) (Zabeel) made ground from the back for third.

The disappointment of the race was the favourite Wise Men Say (NZ)

(Yaminin Vital), who settled at the tail of the field and stayed there.

– NZ Racing Desk.

<b>Race</b>	<b>WRC McGregor Grant S/ chase 4000m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>The Big Opal (NZ) 2008</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>A J &amp; Mrs D I Dravitzki</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Kevin Myers (Wanganui)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Storm Creek (USA) out of Opal Desire by The Commander</b>
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# BAKER PRAISES MARE'S **FORMER TRAINER**

**M**urray Baker deflected much of the credit for **New York Minute's (NZ)** (Iffraaj) outstanding performance in her first appearance from her new quarters.

The Cambridge horseman and training partner Andrew Forsman produced the imposing daughter of Iffraaj, who was previously trained by Ilone Kelly, to distance her rivals in the Randwick Meats Handicap (1200m) at Trentham on Saturday.

"Ilone has really looked after this mare, she took her along patiently and did a fantastic job," Baker said.

New York Minute won five races for Kelly, whose family own the five-year-old, and was a multiple Group and Listed placegetter.

She last raced in September, but Baker was expecting a bold showing.

"She was pretty forward and she had trialled up well at Cambridge," he said. "She's a big, strong mare now."

Rider Lisa Allpress headed straight to the front on New York Minute, who travelled easily to the turn before lengthening stride and they had 11 and a-half lengths on runner-up Salamanca (NZ) (Alamosa) at the post.

She has won all six of her races on rain-affected going and she will now be part of a strong attack by the

stable on the Listed Woburn Farm Classic (1400m) at Tauranga on June 23.

"We're likely to have three in that with Deals In Heels (NZ) (Iffraaj) and Tomelilla (NZ) (Tavistock)," Baker said.

New York Minute's success continued a red letter day for her trainers, who also won races at Te Rapa with Peaceful (NZ) (Savabeel), Rippin (Rip Van Winkle) and Zanyetta (NZ) (Tavistock).

– NZ Racing Desk.

<b>Race</b>	<b>WRC Randwick Meats H. 1200m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>New York Minute (NZ) 2012</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>B Kelly OBE, Mrs J A Kelly, J J Kelly &amp; Mrs M A Kelly</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Murray Baker &amp; Andrew Forsman (Cambridge)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Iffraaj (GB) out of Zenno Queen by Zenno Rob Roy (JPN)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>Spyglass Hill Syndicate</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>2013 National Weanling; Broodmare &amp; Mixed Sale; V: Little Avondale Stud, P: JJ Kelly; \$15,000</b>



*New York Minute made an impressive return at Trentham (Peter Rubery Race Images)*





# HOT-POT ROMPS TO VICTORY AT TRENTHAM

**T**utta La Classe (NZ) (Per Incanto) deserved to go out a short-priced favourite at Trentham on Saturday and she had no trouble repaying the market's faith in her.

The Allan Sharrock-trained youngster was at less than even money and her army of supporters had no worries as she strolled to victory in the Rat Tat Plate (1000m).

Tutta La Classe had finished runner-up in both of her previous starts and had also showed her wet track ability with a second on her home track last month.

"It was only the four and a-half kilo claim on the other horse that beat her," rider Lisa Allpress said.

She was referring to apprentice Wiremu Pinn, who successfully combined with stablemate London Express (NZ) (Shamexpress) at New Plymouth.

That form was subsequently enhanced when London Express won the Listed Castletown Stakes (1200m) at her following appearance.

Allpress continued her association with Tutta La Classe at Trentham and she had no concerns during the race, but did have one beforehand.

"The jumps were inside the running rail and the horse shied at them on the way down so I requested they be moved – I thought I might be on the inside," she said.

So it proved after Tutta La Classe jumped well to lead and after surging clear 200m from home she was untroubled to score by three-quarters of a length.

Chasing Returns (NZ) (Tavistock) gave a strong account of himself on debut by finishing second and Miss Nibbles (NZ) (Bachelor Duke), another debutante, was third.

"He's a really good sort of horse, big and strong. He's smart," said the runner-up's co-trainer Johno Benner.

– NZ Racing Desk.



<b>Race</b>	<b>WRC Rat Tat 2YO Maiden S. 1000m</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Tutta La Classe (NZ) 2015</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>C P &amp; Mrs L J Thompson</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Allan Sharrock (New Plymouth)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Per Incanto (USA) out of Cantsaymydadsname by Almutawakel (Gb)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>C P &amp; Mrs L J Thompson</b>

*Tutta La Classe justified her short odds in style (Peter Rubery Race Images)*

