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BENZINI'S BIG WEIGHT OF LITTLE CONCERN TO MCCULLOCH



Benzini is ready to set a weight carrying record with a victory in tomorrow's Ipswich Cup

Kelly McCulloch sees no reason why **Benzini** (Tale of the Cat) can't set a new modern-day weight carrying record in Saturday's Listed Ipswich Cup (2150m).

McCulloch was aboard for Benzini's eye-catching late finish in last Saturday's Gr.2 Brisbane Cup (2200m) at Doomben and gave a glowing report of the Adrian and Harry Bull-trained seven-year-old's effort.

"His run was really good. They walked then sprinted from the 800m so he was no chance really but he felt awesome and I was really happy with him," McCulloch said.

"I'd looked at the field and it appeared there was a lack of pace but I thought they would go harder than they did. But that's just the way to ride him. That's how he races best. He can do things wrong if you bustle him out of the barriers.

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"It was just a leader-dominated race that played against him but he ran really well."

McCulloch returned home to Pukekohe after the Brisbane Cup, with the Ipswich Cup only becoming his next target after the Bulls were happy with the way the Tale Of The Cat gelding had come through his Doomben exertions.

"It doesn't look as strong as last week. He's got 60 kilos but that's indicative of him being a better class of horse. I don't think the weight will stop him," McCulloch said.

Since the metric scale was introduced in 1973, only Maurus (Medician) with 58kg last year has carried more than 56.5kg to win the Ipswich Cup.

Harry Bull told Racing Queensland he hadn't expected Benzini to get 60kg but he was confident he would handle

the weight and the likely heavy conditions.

"I thought he'd get a kilo less as that's what he carried when he finished fourth in the Premier's Cup. I thought 59 was going to be the topweight," Bull said.

"It's a big weight but he has raced well in the past in weight-for-age races at Group One level. He had 59kgs and was a run short when he ran fourth on a heavy track in the Premier's Cup.

"A wet track is not great but he handled the heavy going in the Premier's Cup quite well. His Brisbane Cup run was very good considering the fast time they ran home."

Should Benzini run well at Ipswich, he will tackle the Caloundra Cup (2400m) on July 1.

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TILEY ON MELBOURNE SCOUTING MISSION



Trainer Nigel Tiley has Megablast in top shape to make his Australian debut at Moonee Valley this weekend

Events over the next 10 days will determine whether Nigel Tiley will be back in Melbourne in the spring.

The Pukekohe Park trainer is currently putting the finishing touches on **Megablast (NZ)** (Shinko King), who will make his Australian debut at Moonee Valley tomorrow in the hands of Ben Melham.

"It's a learning curve and we're here to see how he copes with the travel and to this point he has coped very well," Tiley said.

"He's travelled nicely and he enjoyed a working gallop with one of Trent Busuttin's horses this morning at Cranbourne.

"We want to see where he sits

over here and if he happened to be dominant then we would be looking at bringing him back over in the spring."

Megablast was in fine touch during his last preparation with two wins and placings in the Gr.2 Avondale Cup and the Gr.3 Waikato Cup. He also finished fourth in both the Gr.1 Auckland Cup and the Gr.3 Counties Cup.

The grey son of Shinko King resumed last month with a nine length drubbing of his open handicap rivals over a mile to book his overseas passage.

"How he raced at Ellerslie was going to decide where we were going to go with him, whether we were going to stay in New Zealand and aim him at a couple of those winter

handicaps or, if he looked impressive, we'd put him on the plane. He couldn't have been more impressive so here we are," Tiley said.

"He's as well as I can get him so I would definitely like to think he's going to acquit himself well and then we'll back him up at Flemington on Saturday week."

Meanwhile, Megablast's former stablemate Oscar Eight (NZ) (Showcasing) won the fourth leg of the Golden Horseshoe series on debut in Singapore last weekend.

Re-named Mr Hanks, the son of Showcasing was stakes placed for Tiley and ended his brief New Zealand career with a close seventh from the outside gate in the Karaka Million.

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BOOK CLOSED FOR IFFRAAJ

Iffraaj has had a standout season as a sire, which has seen breeders flock to him in droves. As a result, the Haunui Farm stallion's book is now closed heading into the 2017 breeding season.

His case has been helped by impressive Group One victories by Gingernuts (NZ) in the Gr.1 New Zealand Derby and Gr.1 Rosehill Guineas and Jon Snow (NZ) in the Gr.1 Australian Derby. Additionally, his northern hemisphere-bred son Ribchester won the Gr.1 Lockinge Stakes last month, while the stallion is also represented as the broodmare sire of Group One winner Melody Belle (NZ) (Commands).

Ribchester could add to his Group One tally when he lines up on the opening day of Royal Ascot as favourite for the Gr.1 Queen Anne Stakes.

Haunui Farm Managing Director Mark Chitty said the performances of his progeny exemplifies Iffraaj as an international stallion.

"It's been really satisfying. It's seen his book close going into the 2017 breeding season with a service fee rise.

"It has been good for the stud, but it has also been good for New Zealand to have another truly proven international stallion."

Iffraaj will stand at an increased service fee of \$25,000 + GST, an increase of \$7,500 + GST from last season.

"I think we have priced him very affordably for people," Chitty said.

"We were mindful about keeping people in the game and that has been able to happen, which I'm delighted about.

"Not many stallions have left a Group One performer in every crop they have had and he has so far in New Zealand. That shows the true worth of the horse."

While Chitty eyes Ribchester's progress in the lead-up to Royal Ascot, he is getting ready to stand another winner of the Gr.1 Lockinge Stakes at his Karaka property.



Belardo is a newcomer to the New Zealand stallion ranks who will stand his first season at Haunui Farm this year

Multiple Group One winner Belardo will stand his first season at Haunui for a service fee of \$12,000 + GST.

"He's a very high class racehorse. He performed at Group One level in every season he raced," Chitty said.

"He was a Group One-winning autumn two-year-old, who trained on as a four-year-old to win a Group One mile.

"His effort behind Teppin (in the Gr.1 Queen Anne Stakes) last year was voted the best male performance at Royal Ascot.

"We look forward to him arriving at the end of July."

Although excited about his new stallion's prospects, Chitty is wary about the influx of new stallions onto the New Zealand scene this coming season.

"I think it's exciting when new blood is introduced," he said.

"My concern would be whether they all get the support they deserve in terms of broodmare numbers. Time is going to be the judge of that."

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Tessastock (NZ) (Tavistock)

Kiwi mare up for stakes test

Tessastock (NZ) (Tavistock) will attempt to give Trent Busuttin his first Ipswich Cup on Saturday.

Busuttin, who co-trains with Natalie Young at Cranbourne, only received Tessastock 10 days before her run in the Gr.3 Chairman's at Doomben where she was unplaced.

Busuttin then elected to put a tongue tie on the mare and drop her back in class. She won a Class 3 1800m race on the Sunshine Coast on May 28.

"She will handle a wet track so that is a plus for her," Busuttin said.

"Ideally, she would sit back and be ridden quietly but I'm wary of the fact you do need to be rolling a long way out on that Ipswich track," Busuttin said.

The well-bred daughter of Tavistock, raced by Valachi Downs proprietor Kevin Hickman, will return to the New Zealand stable of Graham Richardson and Gavin Parker after Saturday's race.



Sultan Of Swing (NZ) (Bachelor Duke)

Sultan stays in the family

Multiple winner **Sultan Of Swing (NZ)** (Bachelor Duke) will have his first start for a new trainer this weekend.

The New Zealand-bred son of Bachelor Duke will step out for Craig Ritchie, the Warwick Farm-based brother of Shaune Ritchie who had care of the four-year-old

up to his last performance, a fast-finishing second earlier this month.

Sultan Of Swing will debut from his new quarters in the Kensei Handicap over 2000 metres at Rosehill on Saturday. James Innes has been booked for the ride.

"He's a ripper of a horse and he's got a lot of natural improvement in him," Craig Ritchie said.



Moss 'n' Dale (NZ) (Castledale)

Moss chasing more Sydney cash

Moss 'n' Dale (NZ) (Castledale) will have a crack at further Sydney success in tomorrow's TAB Rewards Handicap (1500m) at Rosehill.

Moe trainer Peter Gelagotis made a successful raid when Moss 'N' Dale dead-heated for first in a Benchmark 78 at Randwick on April 22 before continuing his solid form with two top provincial performances.

Moss 'N' Dale enhanced his record with a subsequent win in an open at Warrnambool on May 4 before chasing home Tasmanian galloper Tshahitsi (Clangalang) in the Echuca Cup (1400m) on May 28.

Stable manager Manny Gelagotis said connections were initially disappointed the son of Castledale was beaten as favourite at Echuca before Tshahitsi enhanced the form with a comfortable Flemington success last Saturday.

"He's a really good talent and I was a bit disappointed he didn't win at Echuca but when I saw that horse come out and do what he did last Saturday at Flemington, I conceded that he was beaten by a good horse in really good form," Gelagotis said.

Moss 'N' Dale has won seven of his 21 starts with five of those victories coming on rain-affected tracks. The Rosehill circuit was rated a heavy (9) at acceptance time with showers forecast for today and Saturday.

NZB graduate ready to collect ahead of Bowl

Trainer Cliff Brown is as usual keeping a



Debt Collector (NZ) (Thorn Park)

level head as another big race looms up this weekend, the Patron's Bowl in which he will saddle up 2016 Singapore Horse of the Year **Debt Collector (NZ)** (Thorn Park).

The \$500,000 race over the mile is the second leg of the Singapore Four-Year-Old Challenge, the first Leg of which, the Stewards' Cup on May 28, saw the Australian handler's stable star run fourth.

The Stewards' Cup was the first local outing for Windsor Park graduate Debt Collector since his unplaced run in the US\$6 million Gr.1 Dubai Turf (1800m) at the end of March.

With regular partner Michael Rodd up, Debt Collector was in his familiar zone as he began looping the field from last to be within striking distance at the top of the straight. But that famous electric turn of foot which has annihilated many rivals before was not quite there this time as he peaked on his run to settle for fourth place.

"He blew out, but he still ran a great race," said Brown.

"We knew whatever he did he would improve from that run. Is he any better? I don't know, but he's well and we will find out on Sunday."

McKay changing with the times

For several years, campaigning horses through the winter was a foreign concept for Matamata trainer Peter McKay.

Seldom did horses carrying the blue silks with the yellow lightning bolt race past the end of April as McKay put both himself and his horses in holiday mode.

Things changed when McKay's son Shaun began his apprenticeship and the stable kept rolling into the winter months, mainly to support the promising young rider. [Full story here.](#)

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Upper Cut (NZ) (Yamanin Vital)

Leading 'chaser looking good

Grand National Steeplechase champion **Upper Cut (NZ)** (Yamanin Vital) is making encouraging progress in his early build-up toward the defence of his Riccarton title.

The Yamanin Vital gelding finished a respectable seventh on the flat to open his current campaign and he then beat subsequent Ellerslie winner Max (NZ) (Gallant Guru) over hurdles at Hawera last month.

Upper Cut will stick to the smaller fences at Trentham on Saturday in the Manawatu ITM Awapuni Hurdles.

"He's coming up pretty well and I couldn't be happier with him," part-owner and trainer Mark Oulaghan said. [Full story here.](#)



Prince Of Brooklyn (Magnus)

Princely foundation stallion at Grassyards

Prince of Brooklyn's (Magnus) arrival this week at Grassyards Farm near Dunedin will mark Mosgiel couple Jason Coutts and Charlotte Young's first foray into the stallion business.

Coutts negotiated the purchase of the son of Magnus with the help of New Zealand Bloodstock and Gavelhouse.

"I'm thrilled to get the opportunity to stand such an outstanding type, with both sprinting and staying blood in his pedigree," Coutts said.

He is out of the Zabeel mare Tristabeel, whose seven foals all have been winners. Foremost among those is brother Duke of

Brunswick, the winner of seven races. [Full story here.](#)

Stallions on show in Register

The latest edition of the New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Stallion Register is now in circulation.

The 152-page soft bound book features the tabulated pedigrees of 79 stallions at stud in New Zealand along with their race and stud records and the statistics of their sires.

Statistical data and stud information, location maps and photography by Trish Dunell completes the book, the 44th volume published.

The Stallion Register is available from the NZTBA at a cost of \$150 + GST, but is free to members of the association.



Strolling Vagabond (NZ) (Darci Brahma)

that she can run in and if she can win there she might sneak into the Cup. I certainly think that's the way to go with her." [Full story here](#)



Style By Design (NZ) (Iffraaj)

Collett impressed by filly

Alysha Collett sees a bright future for the Te Teko juvenile winner **Style By Design (NZ)** (Iffraaj).

"She's going to be lovely three-year-old over a bit more ground – definitely very promising," the Pukekohe-based jockey said.

Style By Design settled back in the field before unwinding strongly in the run home to break her maiden at her fourth start.

By Iffraaj out of the dual stakes winner Chaparella (NZ) (High Chaparral), Style By Design completed a double for Collett and trainer Ralph Manning who claimed the opening event on Wednesday with Cotes De Bourg (NZ) (Roc de Cambes).

Trainer keen to chase Cup start

Gerald Innes is making plans for a return trip to Christchurch for his in-form mare **Strolling Vagabond (NZ)** (Darci Brahma).

"I've nominated her for the Winter Cup, but she's only rated on 71 at the moment," the Opaki trainer said.

"Last year I sent her down to Pam Robson so she's familiar with her place and I'll see if I can do the same.

"There's an open mile at Oamaru on July 23 or a Rating 75 over 1400 on the same day



Shared Secrets (NZ) (Nadeem)

Filly's ability no secret

Lightly-raced filly **Shared Secrets (NZ)** (Nadeem) has a bright staying future, according to Awapuni part-owner and trainer Mark Oulaghan.

"She's been back in work for a week and I think she can develop into a pretty good horse over ground," he said.

Shared Secrets came a long way in a short time this season and ran fourth in the Gr.3 Desert Gold Stakes at her third appearance.

The daughter of Nadeem, who was bred by Oulaghan, then broke her maiden over 2100 metres in the New Zealand St Leger Trial before she was unplaced in the Gr.1 New Zealand Oaks.

Doiknowyou on cups' trail

Tauranga will be the next port of call for the in-form winter stayer **Doiknowyou (NZ)** (Kashani).

"He'll go for the Kiwifruit Cup next," trainer Ben Ropiha said. "After that, I'll look at freshening him up and we might head down south for the Winter Cup. That's usually quite a testing mile and can suit a 2000 metre horse."

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Doinknowyou (NZ) (Kashani)

Doinknowyou, who won over 1600m three runs back, finished runner-up in the Gr.3 Rotorua Cup before his last-start third in the Cornwall Handicap at Ellerslie.

"In hindsight, we should have let him lead and roll along," Ropiha said. "We'll be inclined to do that in future if it's a slow pace, he needs a genuinely run race."



Master Viking (NZ) (Mastercraftsman)

Winners flowing for Mo

Apprentice jockey **Dylan Mo** brought up a significant milestone in his developing career with a double at Wednesday night's Happy Valley meeting in Hong Kong, signaling the end of the rider's 10-pound allowance and taking him to a new phase as a seven-pound claimer.

Back-to-back wins on the Dennis Yip-trained My Blessing (NZ) (Tavistock) and Tony Millard's Master Viking (NZ) (Mastercraftsman) took Mo to 20 wins for the season, the point at which his claim reduces from 10 pounds to seven.

Mo, who was indentured to New Plymouth trainer Allan Sharrock in New Zealand, took time to find his feet upon his return to Hong Kong in September, going winless in 54 rides in 2016.

However, the start of 2017 brought more luck as the jockey broke his maiden on New Year's Day, and he has continued to improve since.

At the last six meetings at which Mo has ridden, dating back to 21 May, he has had 38 rides for eight wins, two seconds and six thirds.



Opie Bosson

Bosson's season at an end

Ace jockey **Opie Bosson** is unlikely to ride again this season.

He was stood down at Doomben on Saturday after just one ride aboard the Stephen Autridge and Jamie Richards-trained Heroic Valour (Fastnet Rock).

Doctors have told Bosson he was suffering a viral infection in his chest and he will now lay low for the next few weeks to recover.

"I felt terrible. It was disappointing to miss those rides but there was no way I could have ridden," said Bosson, who has a holiday booked next month before he resumes in the new season when he will chase a second Gr.1 Caulfield Cup win aboard Gingernuts (NZ) (Iffraaj).

Victorious in Group One races on both sides of the Tasman as well as success in Hong Kong earlier in the season, Bosson rode 52 domestic winners for stake earnings of \$2,341,705 in 2016-17.



Chocante (NZ) (Shocking)

Melbourne stayer's spring focus

Brisbane Cup winner **Chocante (NZ)** (Shocking) has returned to New Zealand for a short break before a spring carnival campaign across the Tasman.

"The horse is home now and hopefully it's all guns blazing for Melbourne in the spring," said trainer Stephen Marsh.

Raced by Wellington friends Mark Freeman and David Price, Chocante is a lightly-raced son of Shocking and has earned in excess of \$300,000 in prizemoney.

"It was great to have the owners over there and we celebrated a bit. It was a huge thrill and a great race to win," Marsh said.

"There are a few options for Chocante in the spring and we're certainly not ruling out heading to Sydney first. I will have a meeting with the owners and discuss whether we give him one run in New Zealand or head straight to Australia."

Melbourne in the mix for Group winner

Graham Richardson and Gavin Parker are going to be spoiled for choice in the new season with their multiple stakes winner **Volpe Veloce** (Foxwedge).

The high-class daughter of Foxwedge is in the early stages of a new preparation after spelling particularly well.

"She had two months off and she's really strengthened," Richardson said. "She did two weeks of pre-training and she's been back with us for a couple of weeks.

"She might go to the Foxbridge Plate and then we may look at Melbourne. There are any number of fillies and mares' races there.

"Nothing has been confirmed yet though and there's Hawke's Bay to think about as well."

Volpe Veloce has won seven of her eight starts, including the Gr.2 Eight Carat Classic, the Group Three Eulogy Stakes and at Listed level the Karaka Mile and the Castletown Stakes.

Options a plenty for Belle du Nord

Standout two-year-old **Belle du Nord (NZ)** (Reliable Man) has recently returned to Emma-Lee and David Browne's Cambridge stable after a two-month spell.

The Reliable Man filly had an impressive two-year-old season, featuring a comprehensive victory over subsequent Gr.1 J.J. Atkins runner-up Aloisia (NZ) (Azamour) and Listed Castletown Stakes winner Hard Merchandize (NZ) (Burgundy) at Trentham in March.

She backed-up that performance with a brave second to Karaka Million winner Melody Belle (NZ) (Commands) in the Gr.1 Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes at Awapuni.

[Full story here.](#)

Carnival targets for stakes winner

The Hawke's Bay carnival will be the spring focus for the dual Listed winner **Nymph Monte (NZ)** (Tavistock).

"The plan is to run him in the mile (Gr.1 Windsor Park Plate) and then into the 2000 metre race (Gr.1 Livamol Classic)," part-owner and trainer Grant Nicholson said.

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Nymph Monte (NZ) (Tavistock)

Nymph Monte hasn't raced since he finished at the tail of the field in the Gr.2 Auckland Cup.

"He had a few little issues and then he was ridden in front in the Cup – that wasn't the plan, he's never been there in his life," Nicholson said.

"He's had two months out and he's been back in for a month. He's very, very well."

Angelology earns a break

Patrick Payne will resist the temptation to press on with the talented New Zealand-bred jumper **Angelology (NZ)** (Coats Choice), a runaway winner of last Saturday's South Australian Grand National Steeplechase at Morphettville.

"You never see a horse travel that easy at the 600m mark of a jumps race and he was basically still cantering and he did a great job," Payne said.

"He's probably done his job this season so I reckon we might put him aside now and pick out some suitable races for him next year."

Angelology began his career with Wanganui trainer Kevin Myers, whose partner Angela Illston shares in the ownership of the Coats Choice gelding with Payne's sisters Maree Prebble and Cathy McEvoy.

Walker on a roll in Singapore

Ten winners in the past week have Mark Walker 13 winners in front of Alwin Tan in his chase for a second trainers' premiership in Singapore.

Walker won five New Zealand trainers' titles from Matamata before setting up in Singapore.

"He's such a terrific trainer," Te Akau principal David Ellis said. "Mark surrounds himself with great team members - Gus and Karen Clutterbuck, Robbie Hewetson and all his staff."

Walker, who has now sent out 48 winners this season, won the premiership in 2015 with a tally of 86.

Riddells to relocate to Cambridge

An association that began back at Woodville in the early nineties will be renewed next month when Awapuni-based trainer Trina Riddell, and her jockey husband Jonathan, head north to relocate to Cambridge.

Riddell has taken up an opportunity to work for leading trainers Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman in a pre-training operation, while also continuing to train a small team of her own. She will be based at the property of former Cambridge trainer Mark Brooks, who recently moved to Ballarat.

For Riddell it is an opportunity that proved too hard to turn down despite her and Jonathan and their two daughters having to leave a well-established home base at Awapuni. [Full story here.](#)



Ladies First (NZ) (Dylan Thomas)

Group One goal for talented mare

Allan Sharrock sees a Group One future for his progressive mare **Ladies First (NZ)** (Dylan Thomas).

"Long-term, the Auckland Cup will be the main aim and we'll work back from there to see which races will be suitable for her," the Taranaki trainer said.

"She'll be more than capable of competing on a firm track if we happened to strike one at Ellerslie – she's a very sound mare.

"Over the extreme distances like 2400 and 3200 metres the good ground wouldn't worry her, it would over 1400 but not over those staying distances." [Full story here](#)

Online bloodstock sales soar

New Zealand Bloodstock subsidiary gavelhouse.com's record breaking sale on Monday saw the business hit major milestones in a little over a year of operation.

A total of 40 lots were sold for an aggregate of \$581,800, pushing the total turnover for sales to over \$3 million since it launched in April, 2016.

"Having the full backing and support of the team at NZB, in particular the bloodstock agents, has enabled us to provide a level of expertise and advice that's second to none in the online space in terms of valuations, where to best place your horse for maximum returns and reaching buyers," sales and marketing manager Haylie Martin said.

The top lot on Monday was purchased by renowned bloodstock agent John Foote in his first foray into buying online. The broodmare Ampin (NZ) (Pins) is in foal to New Zealand's award-sweeping Group One sire Savabeel and sold for a record \$211,000.



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Holding horse: **Holly Cook** (Sarah Linton Equine Therapy). Behind horse L to R: **Phillipa Higgins-Drysdale** (Breckon Farm), **Hazel Tremayne** (Waikato Stud), **Grace Pettit** (Highden Park), **Eli Barr** (Waikato Stud), **Cindy Alexander** (Club Med Lodge), **Sarah Linton** (blue hat - Equine Therapist), **Charlotte Wilcock** (Wellfield Stud), in behind **Jessica Hilton** in (Pencarrow Stud), **Yurun Mao** (Wellfield Stud), **Monica Pitcher** (Seaton Park), **Chloe Roache** (Cambridge Stud), **Sharon Scott** (Breckon Farm). On ground R to L: **Jim Carroll** (Windsor Park), **Sam Bleakley** (Highden Park), **Toni Southgate** (Brighthill Farm), **Kiah Moysten** (Highden Park), **Anna Vaneceova** (Valachi Downs), **Kimberley Sanders** (Windsor Park / St Peters). Attendees not in photo: **Amy-Grace Rimmington** (Windsor Park) & **Joseph Bradley** (Wentwood Grange).

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AUSTRALIA

Alamosa : Super Mover (NZ) (Elusive Quarry by Zabeel) 2010;
11/06/2017, 1st Hamilton RC Apsley Cup 1600m
Sold by Monoval Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$31000

Bachelor Duke : Canterbury Walk (NZ) (Figeac by Zabeel) 2010;
13/06/2017, 1st Pakenham RC Total Animal Supplies Maiden P. 1400m

Coats Choice : Angelology (NZ) (Fallen Angel by Faltaat) 2008;
10/06/2017, 1st SAJC Grand National S/chase 3500m
Sold by Berkley Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$3250

Congrats : Sir Charleston (NZ) (Dancesteps by Danehill) 2012;
12/06/2017, 1st Murray Bridge RC B&L Cox Electrical H. 900m
Sold by Westbury Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$80000

Darci Brahma : My Empire (NZ) (Josephines Fortune by Encosta de Lago) 2013;
11/06/2017, 1st Hawkesbury RC Equine Veterinary Centre Maiden H. 1300m

Keeper : Queen of Heights (NZ) (Summer Heights by Stark South) 2013;
12/06/2017, 1st ATC Tab.com.au P. 1600m

Makfi : Frankincense (NZ) (Scent of Joy by Redoute's Choice) 2012;
08/06/2017, 1st Pakenham RC Cardinia Shire H. 1400m
Sold by Westbury Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$125000

Mastercraftsman : Solar Coaster (NZ) (Belle Diva by High Chaparral) 2013;
08/06/2017, 1st Pakenham RC XXXX Gold Maiden P. 2200m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$250000

Mastercraftsman : General Custer (NZ) (Trujillo by Saint Ballado) 2011;
10/06/2017, 1st SAJC Hughes Limousines H. 1950m
Sold by Blandford Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$105000

Mettre en Jeu : Maitre du Jeu (NZ) (Call the Tune by O'Reilly) 2010;
11/06/2017, 1st Hamilton RC Pinkerton Palm Hamlyn H. 2200m

Myboycharlie : River Drift (NZ) (Lady Migaloo by General Nediym) 2013;
11/06/2017, 1st Sapphire Coast TC GJ Gardner Homes Maiden P. 1200m

HONG KONG

Mastercraftsman : Master Viking (NZ) (Code Black by O'Reilly) 2011;
14/06/2017, 1st HKJC Lyndhurst H. 1200m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$80000

O'Reilly : Go Beauty Go (NZ) (Lodore Mystic by Centaine) 2012;
11/06/2017, 1st HKJC HKU Space H. 1600m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$320000

O'Reilly : Gasworx (NZ) (Kind Return by Zabeel) 2013;
13/06/2017, 1st Corowa RC Pfeiffer Wines H. 1200m
Sold by Wellfield Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$100000
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$77500

Pentire : Abebe (NZ) (Margarita by Dance Floor) 2010;
10/06/2017, 1st SAJC Grand National Hurdle 3500m
Sold by Rich Hill Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$58000

Pins : Lake Como (NZ) (Pedante by Danehill) 2012;
10/06/2017, 1st VRC Bruce Gadsden H. 1000m

Pins : Strangest Dream (NZ) (Pernod by Centaine) 2012;
10/06/2017, 1st Swan Hill JC Swan Hill Bus Lines H. 1300m

Raise the Flag : Yogi (NZ) (Malozza by Grand Lodge) 2012;
14/06/2017, 1st MRC Le Pine Funerals H. 1600m
Sold by D. G. & H. A. Voice at South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale for \$1000

Rip Van Winkle : Grand Teton (NZ) (Zerello by Zerpour) 2013;
11/06/2017, 1st Hawkesbury RC Irresistable Pools & Spas Maiden P. 1800m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$200000

Shocking : Chocante (NZ) (Strictly Maternal by O'Reilly) 2012;
10/06/2017, 1st BRC Brisbane Cup Gr.2 2200m

Sir Percy : Cerutty (NZ) (Beckie Boo by Last Tycoon) 2011;
11/06/2017, 1st Port Augusta RC Motel Poinsettia H. 1600m

Street Cry : Verreaux (NZ) (Rose of Tralee by Sadler's Wells) 2011;
11/06/2017, 1st Hamilton RC Crownbet H. 2200m
Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$360000

Tavistock : Bullish Stock (NZ) (The Lady by Stravinsky) 2012;
10/06/2017, 1st VRC Ken Cox H. 1800m
Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$70000

Thorn Park : Phoenix Park (NZ) (Steal by Red Ransom) 2012;
14/06/2017, 1st MRC Cove Hotel H. 1400m
Sold by Lyndhurst Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$65000

Showcasing : Showboy - Jade Fortune (H.K.) (NZ) (Shades of Silk by Thunder Gulch) 2012;
14/06/2017, 1st HKJC Sports Club Diamond Jubilee H. 1650m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$15000

Tavistock : My Blessing (NZ) (Diversa by Danehill) 2012;
14/06/2017, 1st HKJC D'Aguilar H. 1650m
Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$41000



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MACAU

Ekraar : Fontainebleau (NZ) (Paisley Street by Jahafil) 2013;
10/06/2017, 1st Macau Taishan H. 1200m
Sold by Riverhead Thoroughbreds at Ready to Run Sale for \$29000

Elusive City : Diamond Rocket (NZ) (Gracin by Keeper) 2009;
10/06/2017, 1st Macau Zhaoqing H. 1200m

MALAYSIA

Sakhee's Secret : Secret Spice (NZ) (Caparison by Cape Cross) 2011;
11/06/2017, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1700m
Sold by The Oaks Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$47500

Shinko King : Monte Carlo (NZ) (Sulina by Mi Preferido) 2012;
11/06/2017, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1400m
Sold by Mana Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$50000

NEW CALEDONIA

High Chaparral : High Design (NZ) (North Brae by Just a Dancer) 2009;
10/06/2017, 1st Noumea Prix Edouard Pentecost 1800m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$50000

SINGAPORE

Alamosa : Super Genius (NZ) (Ensorcelz by Black Minnaloushe) 2013;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1100m

Burgundy : Bringer of War (NZ) (Eclectic Heights by Keeper) 2014;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1000m

SINGAPORE (CONT.)

Darci Brahma : Justice Light (NZ) (Amaryllis by Red Ransom) 2013;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Open Maiden S. 1200m
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

Keeper : Viviano (NZ) (Flying Florence by Centaine) 2011;
09/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Benchmark 83 H. 1200m
Sold by Seaton Park Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$85000

Pentire : Winchester Club - Duke of Normandy (Sing.) (NZ) (Call Minder by Christmas Tree) 2011;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1700m
Sold by Te Runga Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

Pentire : Golden Curl (NZ) (Forsaken Gold by Tierce) 2008;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Kranji A S. 1400m
Sold by Te Runga Stud Ltd at Ready to Run Sale for \$170000

Showcasing : Oscar Eight - Mr Hanks (Sing.) (NZ) (Zafonique by Bigstone) 2014;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Inglis Ready2race S. 1200m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$21000

Sir Percy : Perservere - Ahmar (Sing.) (NZ) (Tabernacle by Kaapstad) 2011;
11/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m
Sold by Martindale Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$9500

Swiss Ace : Lim's Signature (NZ) (Honey Gee by Jeune) 2013;
09/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1200m
Sold by DVD Bloodstock Ltd at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$12000

Thorn Park : Clutha Lad (NZ) (Maggies Farm by Forest Wildcat) 2009;
09/06/2017, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m
Sold by Blandford Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$36000



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