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NZ SIRES TAKE CENTRE STAGE AT NZB'S READY TO RUN SALE



Mr Lang Lin (centre) with NZB Managing Director Andrew Seabrook

As the hammer fell on the final run of NZB's 2018 Ready to Run Sale of Two-Year-Olds, continued demand was evident for the progeny of leading New Zealand sires Savabeel and Tavistock.

The aggregate at the close of selling reached \$24,325,500 for 252 horses sold, while the average reached \$96,530 and the clearance rate settled at 68%. Overall, results were back on last year's Australasian record-breaking Sale.

NZB Managing Director Andrew Seabrook commented on the Sale.

"The results have been a little bit disappointing given the results over the last 12 months with the success of Ready to Run Sale graduates in the jurisdictions of Asia and Australia.

"The late announcement of stakes decreases in Singapore, an increase in Australians buying in Europe in recent months, and the status of the New Zealand industry are a few factors that have worked against us.

"In saying that, I was encouraged by the level of investment made by Chinese buyers at the Sale."

In the late afternoon of Day 2, Mr Lang Lin of Inner Mongolia Rider Horse Group secured the top price of the day, and the overall Sale, when he went to \$525,000 to secure Lot 432, a colt by Savabeel from the draft of Dormello Stud.

Dormello Stud were the leading vendor by average with three lots sold at an average of \$203,667.

Another two Savabeel colts sold on Day 1, Ohukia Lodge's Lot 84 and Lot 127, for the second-highest equal price of the Sale at \$500,000.

Savabeel, who last season made another clean sweep of the New Zealand stallion awards, was the leading sire by both average (three or more sold) and aggregate at the close of selling. Savabeel provided the top four lots, and with a total of 11 lots sold achieved an average of \$313,182 and an aggregate of \$3,445,000.

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There were 11 horses who reached a figure of \$300,000 or more and five of those were knocked down to the bid of Hong Kong-based buyers.

Hong Kong purchased 41 lots for total receipts of \$7,125,000 with Ricky Yiu contributing to that spend with five lots purchased for \$745,000 in receipts, including a Per Incanto colt at Lot 140 purchased for \$230,000.

For the third consecutive year, the overall leading buyer was Te Akau Racing Principal David Ellis. Among his

eight purchases was Lot 137, a son of Savabeel, who made \$440,000 and contributed to his total spend of \$1,302,500.

The leading vendor by aggregate was Riversley Park who sold 18 horses for an aggregate of \$2,911,000, including Lot 198 (a colt by Tavistock) and Lot 238 (a colt by Exceed and Excel) who each made \$400,000 destined for Australia and Hong Kong respectively.

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WOLF SNARES STAR KARAKA COLTS

The formidable pairing behind three-time Group One-winner, and now sire, Mongolian Khan have teamed up once again to top this year's New Zealand Bloodstock Ready to Run Sale.

Inner Mongolia Rider Horse Industry principal Mr Lang Lin, commonly known as Mr Wolf, went to \$525,000 to secure lot 432 – a Savabeel full-brother to dual Group One winner Costume (NZ).

The colt will join the Cambridge stable of Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman, who trained Mongolian Khan to Group One glory for Lang. He too is a graduate of the sale and Lang is hoping his latest acquisition can reach the same lofty heights as his predecessor.

Lang thought the colt was the horse of the sale and is already looking towards a breeding career with his purchase.

"Our aim is to buy the best, not just in-terms of racing in New Zealand, but with the aim of breeding and selling in New Zealand in the future," Lang said.

"We thought his pedigree page was the best in the sale."

Lang has already invested heavily in his New Zealand breeding operation. He stands two stallions in New Zealand – Mongolian Khan at Windsor Park Stud in Cambridge and Mongolian Falcon at Willow Glen Stud in Waimate – and has a large broodmare band dispersed throughout the country.

He is hoping the Savabeel colt can join his stallion roster in the coming years but is looking forward to his racing career in the meantime.



Lot 432, the Savabeel colt from the Dormello Stud draft topped this week's New Zealand Bloodstock Ready To Run Sale of two-year-olds

"He will be heading to Murray Baker to train and race and we'll be looking towards a breeding career with him," he said.

Baker was happy with the result and is looking forward to the colt joining his stable in the coming months after a brief spell.

"Coming through the Ready to Run Sale is tough on him and he has probably been in and out of his box about 60 times (over the sale)," he said.

"They get tired and he will certainly benefit going out in the paddock."

The colt was sold by Graeme and Debbie Rogerson's Dormello Stud and Baker said he received positive feedback from the vendors about the top lot.

"Mr Wolf had his eyes on another couple, but obviously this is the one he wanted," he said.

"He's a quality horse, I just hope he can gallop.

"I was just talking with Graeme and he had a big rap on him and he is a good judge, so fingers-crossed."

Baker is unsure whether the son of Savabeel will race as a two-year-old, but he will test him at the trials later this season.

"We'll certainly give him a bit of experience, trial him, and see where we go from there."

Meanwhile, Lang was active on the first day of the sale, purchasing a More Than Ready colt out of Riversley Park's draft for \$240,000.

He too will join the Baker-Forsman team, with an eye towards a future career at stud.

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MEGABLAST SET FOR AUDACIOUS TILT AT COUNTIES CUP



Megablast will tackle Saturday's Gr.3 Ssangyong Counties Cup at Pukekohe

Totally. Absolutely.

That was Nigel Tiley's response to the suggestion that Megablast's (NZ) (Shinko King) preparation for Saturday's Gr.3 Ssangyong Counties Cup (2100m) at Pukekohe was rather unorthodox.

Under the care of Victoria trainer Darren Weir, Megablast had a four-start spring campaign in Melbourne and went to the paddock after his sixth placing in the Gr.3 Queen Elizabeth Stakes (2600m) on the final day of the Melbourne Cup carnival at Flemington.

Owners John and Diane Bowbyes had told Tiley that the Shinko King seven-year-old was returning home and that got the Pukekohe trainer thinking.

"(Tiley's wife) Lee and I were just going to take him home and put him in the paddock but we looked at the weather

forecast and it was meant to be wet," Tiley said.

"I rang Di and said 'you wouldn't believe it, we are supposed to get torrential rain next week. He's been in the paddock a week, but he'll still be hard fit and I reckon the Counties Cup is worth a look'.

"She said 'put him in and we'll look at him when he goes off the plane'. He went to Mike Moroney's on Wednesday morning before he flew home and had a trot and canter on the sand and his track rider said he felt great.

"He's got off the plane looking great and Lee will give him a trot and canter around Friday and Saturday morning. I know him well and I'll know how well he is from his demeanour when he comes off the track."

A winner of six of his 11 starts on heavy tracks, Megablast

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MEGABLAST SET FOR AUDACIOUS TILT AT COUNTIES CUP

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finished fourth in the 2016 Counties Cup on a dead track before placing in the Gr.3 Waikato Cup (2400m) and Gr.2 Avondale Cup (2400m) and finishing fourth in the Gr.1 Auckland Cup (3200m) at Ellerslie.

He went on to win the Gr.2 Easter Handicap (1600m) at Ellerslie and last winter won the Listed Caloundra Cup (2400m) in Queensland.

"I wouldn't be doing this if the track wasn't going to be rain-affected or if it would hurt the horse," Tiley said.

"Darren Weir gets his horses rock-hard fit and even 10 days out in the paddock, he's not going to have lost much fitness, especially with the plane trip back home.

"This track is amazing. After the rain we've had this week, it's still only a dead six but the weather is meant to pack in for Friday night and Saturday and that would be right up his alley."

Megablast is sure to become a social media hit in the coming days too, as Tiley ensured a camera was focused on his staff when the grey was unloaded from his float on Thursday morning.

"I purposely didn't tell the staff because I knew they'd be that excited to see him. I'd told them we were unloading one I'd bought from the Ready To Run Sales but when the ramp came down and it was him, my foreman Penny Burgess just burst into tears. It was great and it will make a classic video."

Tiley will also produce the Bowbyes-raced Bisou Bisou (Shaft) in the Gr.2 Dunstan Feeds Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes (1400m) at Pukekohe along with Thousandkissesdeep (NZ) (Sepoy) in the Listed Splice Construction Stakes (1100m) and Demonetization (All Too Hard) and Kirkintilloch (NZ) (Falkirk) on the undercard.

"When Bisou Bisou won at Ellerslie, I'd only had her three weeks and I said to Michael Coleman 'if she races like she's been working, she'll be hard to beat' and she's worked really well this week too. The whole idea of her coming to me was to see if we could get a bit of black-type somewhere," Tiley said, adding that Demonetization would also be hard to beat.

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BAVELLA IN RED FOR JUVENILE FEATURE

There are no black marks against the name of exciting two-year-old prospect **Bavella** (Snitzel) as she takes on stakes company for the first time in Saturday's Listed Splice Construction Stakes (1100m) at Pukekohe.

Karaka trainer Lance Noble has revealed long-term targets of the Gr.1 Sistema Stakes (1200m) at Ellerslie and the Gr.1 Courtesy Ford Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes (1400m) at Awapuni, both in March, for the impressive Ellerslie debut winner but would love to tick off a spring feature win first.

"Already we are thinking of the autumn and the Group One races for her but we've got to prove we are good enough," he said.

"But she hasn't done anything wrong and we're happy to give her the chance."

Bred and raced by Cambridge Stud owners Brendan and Jo Lindsay, Snitzel filly Bavella had two trials before racing for a win and a second placing before sitting outside the leader on debut at Ellerslie last month and going to the line eased down 1 1/4-lengths clear of Saturday's rival She's A Lady (NZ) (Swiss Ace).

"It was a pretty good first start. She was very professional. She did it nicely and had a lot more left. It was a good strong win because she showed early speed and then was able to quicken in running. She's trained on well since," Noble said.

"We've tried to space her races but there's not a lot around for two-year-olds anyway. After she won, this was the obvious race to target leading into Christmas racing."

Bavella is out of a mare the Lindsays have been breeding from for four generations, her dam Zonza (NZ) winning the Gr.3 Ladies Day Vase (1600m) at Caulfield and finishing fourth in the Gr.1 Livamol Classic (2040m) at Hastings, the Zabeel mare never starting at a distance shorter than 1400m.

"Anything out of a Zabeel mare is pretty versatile. Coupled up with Snitzel, you get that speed and hopefully with Zabeel, you've got the stamina too," Noble said.

"Our unknown is just how she will handle a wet track but we'll take our chances. It's better to find out in a stakes race that she can't handle a wet track, than to avoid it and find out in a lower grade race later on that a wet track is no problem."

TAB bookmakers installed Bavella a \$1.80 favourite for the Splice Construction Stakes ahead of She's A Lady at \$4 and last-start Te Rapa winner Maybeashowoff (NZ) (Showcasing) at \$5.20.

Noble, the private trainer for the Lindsays, will also produce Save The Date (NZ) (Savabeel) in the Gr.2 Dunstan Feeds Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes (1400m) and Prince Jabeel (Savabeel) and Sistabeel (Savabeel) on the undercard at Pukekohe.

Save The Date and Sistabeel have both been served by Cambridge Stud stallion Tavistock, but Sistabeel isn't in foal.

Noble was optimistic Save The Date would prove competitive in the fillies and mares weight-for-age feature.

"Her run in the Hawera weight-for-age mares race (Taranaki Breeders' Stakes) was good. She ran fifth and wasn't far away. She's improved since with a first and second at Ellerslie and the rain won't disadvantage her as much as some of the others," Noble said.

"She's as well as she can be and this presents as a good opportunity to grab some black-type. If she ran third, that would be a great result for her."

Save The Date is a \$19 chance in the TAB market, which is headed by Group One winner Volpe Veloce (Foxwedge) at \$3.30 and Sleeping Beauty (NZ) (Rip Van Winkle) at \$4.50.

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Exciting two-year-old filly Bavella will be looking for her first stakes success at Pukekohe tomorrow



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Volpe Veloce (Foxwedge)

Wide draw concerns Richardson

Group One-winning mare **Volpe Veloce** (Foxwedge) will attempt to add more black-type to her record when she lines-up in the Gr.2 Dunstan Feeds Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes (1400m) at Counties on Saturday.

While heavy rain is forecast ahead of the Group Two contest, it has been her wide draw (barrier nine) that has put a dampener on the race for her connections.

"It is what it is, there is predicted to be a little bit of rain, which won't do her any harm and sometimes you are better drawing out a bit wide (in those conditions)," said Graham Richardson, who trains in partnership with Gavin Parker. [Full story here](#)



Five To Midnight (NZ) (Domesday)

Weather watch on Counties ahead of Cup

Many trainers are keeping a cautious eye on the weather in Auckland ahead of Saturday's Counties Cup meeting at Pukekohe Park.

The track was rated a Dead 6 on Wednesday, after 9mm of rain overnight and more rain is forecast for the remainder of the week.

Palmerston North-based trainer Lisa Latta is hoping the forecast improves but

admits she has a versatile contender in the Gr.3 SsangYong Counties Cup (2100m), in last start Listed Feilding Gold Cup (2100m) winner **Five to Midnight (NZ)** (Domesday).

[Full story here](#)



Lucky For All (NZ) (Tavistock)

Lucky For All secures Ballarat Cup start

Two scratchings have paved the way for Ballarat Cup favourite **Lucky For All (NZ)** (Tavistock) to secure a start in the 2200m race on Saturday.

The Darren Weir-trained Lucky For All was second emergency when the final field was declared on Wednesday but the Chris Waller-trained Savacool (NZ) (Savabeel) and John McArdle-trained Smart As You Think (So You Think) have since been taken out, meaning the gelding gains a start.

Lucky For All, to be ridden by Jye McNeil, was the \$3.90 favourite on Thursday for Saturday's 2200m race.

Lucky for All ran fourth on debut in New Zealand earlier this year when racing as Lucky for Some while in the care of Roger Lang. Following that run he transferred to Weir and has since had four wins and two placings from nine starts.



Kip Elser

American comes up trumps at sale

American horseman Kip Elser has recorded a great result in his first foray into

the New Zealand thoroughbred scene.

Elser, who operates Kirkwood Stables in South Carolina in the United States, purchased two yearlings earlier this year and made a profitable return when offering them at New Zealand Bloodstock's Ready to Run Sale at Karaka this week.

Elser's wife, Helen, was intent on coming to New Zealand to further their global operation, and they did so this year after testing the Australian market. [Full story here](#)



Lot 84 Savabeel-Lady Chaparral colt

Dream horse goes to Hale

Cambridge Bloodstock agent Stuart Hale lay awake on the eve of New Zealand Bloodstock's Ready to Run Sale with a Savabeel colt running through his mind and he decided then and there he was going to buy him.

Hale did just that on Wednesday, going to \$500,000 to secure lot 84, a Savabeel colt out of Group Three winner Lady Chaparral (NZ) (High Chaparral).

"He was the best horse of the sale with the best pedigree. He jumped over my bed all night," Hale said.

"By Savabeel out of a Group-winning High Chaparral mare, where can you go wrong?"

[Full story here](#)

Successful pinhook for Woburn Farm

Victorian trainer Richard Laming went to \$300,000 for a son of Toronado out of the Stravinsky mare Circus Polka on Thursday, providing a tidy profit for vendors Adrian Stanley and Hannah Kettlety of Woburn Farm.

The Cambridge-based couple purchased the half-brother to stakes performer Modoc (Haradasun) for \$80,000 at the Melbourne Yearling Sale

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Lot 407 Toronado-Circus Polka

"He was a lovely horse, he breezed up well and he has got lots of improvement there," Laming said.

"He's still pretty raw and there is a lot to come from him.

"I'm happy with the price. There are some good clients coming in him and Woburn have stayed in as well, so it's even better.

"This is the only one we've bought this week, but I am happy with the one I've got."

Laming said he was excited by the start the progeny of Toronado had made in the northern hemisphere, where he has five first-crop stakes performers.

"He's doing a good job in Europe, I think he has left 22 winners already."

Savabeel colts highlight day one

Waikato Stud recorded a standout session on Day One of New Zealand Bloodstock's Ready to Run sale on Wednesday, selling four of the five top lots.

The quartet were prepared by Jamie Beatson under his Ohukia Lodge banner and the result was made sweeter by the fact that all four are sired by resident champion stallion Savabeel.

"I have known Jamie and (his cousin) Sam Beatson for a long time and the Beatson boys used to break in for us," Mark Chittick said. [Full story here](#)

Ellis catches another Shark

Te Akau Racing principal David Ellis has had plenty of success at New Zealand Bloodstock's Ready to Run Sale and he is hoping his latest acquisition can reach similar heights.

Ellis purchased triple Group One winner Gingernuts (NZ) (Iffraaj) at the sale in 2015 for \$42,500 and went to \$230,000 to secure current stable star Te Akau Shark (NZ) (Rip Van Winkle) a year later.



Te Akau Shark (NZ) (Rip Van Winkle)

The Rip Van Winkle gelding has won five of his six career starts-to-date, including the Gr.2 Coupland's Bakeries Mile (1600m) at his last-start, and Ellis went to \$152,500 to secure his three-quarter brother at Karaka on Wednesday. [Full story here](#)



Embellish (NZ) (Savabeel)

Embellish retired

Group One-winning entire **Embellish (NZ)** (Savabeel) has been retired after an ongoing knee issue and is set to join Cambridge Stud's stallion roster next year.

"He arrived at Te Akau Stud yesterday where he will let down," Te Akau principal David Ellis said.

"He will transfer to Cambridge Stud in February and he will be standing there from next season."

Ellis purchased the son of Savabeel out of Waikato Stud's 2016 New Zealand Bloodstock Premier Yearling Sale draft for \$775,000 and later sold a share of the horse to Cambridge Stud's Brendan and Jo Lindsay after his victory in last year's Gr.1 Al Basti Equiworld New Zealand 2000 Guineas (1600m).

He finished runner-up to Scott Base (NZ) (Dalghar) in the Karaka Million 3YO Classic (1600m) but has been amiss since sustaining a bone chip in his knee when racing in Melbourne.

"When he had a bad check in his race in Melbourne, he chipped a bone in his knee and it's obviously still hurting him because he's just not stretching out like we know he can," Ellis said.

"He's going to make a great sire. He's one of the most beautiful animals you will ever see and he is one of the best horses Te Akau has trained."



Lot 77 Charm Spirit-Key To Success

Charm Spirit colt earmarked for international sale

The Hong Kong Jockey Club were active on the first day of New Zealand Bloodstock's Ready to Run Sale on Wednesday, purchasing a Charm Spirit colt for \$250,000.

Sold by Prima Park, lot 77 is out of a half-sister to dual Group Two winner Lady Kipling (NZ) (Savabeel), and Mark Richards of The Hong Kong Jockey Club said he was pleased with their purchase.

"He's just a nice balanced horse with very much a sprinter's look about him. He has plenty of depth behind the saddle which is often what we're looking for," Richards said.

"Charm Spirit is by a champion sire in Invincible Spirit and he's made a cracking start of things in the northern hemisphere.

"He's got a Group winner and more than 20 other winners. He's made a good start. This horse looks like a sharp horse, so fingers-crossed he'll turn out to be a good one."

The son of Charm Spirit has been earmarked to go through the ring again at The Hong Kong Jockey Club's international sales.

"He'll go to the international sales but that won't be until 2020," Richards said. "We've got the best part of 18 months with him at least between now and then.

"I should think that he'll be an even better horse once we get him gelded as well, I think that'll only be to his advantage."

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Doncaster in Te Akau's sights

After impressing with victory in the Gr.2 Coupland's Bakeries Mile (1600m) at Riccarton earlier this month, **Te Akau Shark (NZ)** (Rip Van Winkle) has plenty of racing options ahead of him this season according to his trainer Jamie Richards.

The four-year-old son of Rip Van Winkle will head to the spelling paddock in the coming days after his undefeated spring campaign in preparation for an autumn campaign which could include the Gr.1 Doncaster Mile (1600m) at Randwick.

"He left the South Island Saturday morning and got back Sunday afternoon, he's going to be thoroughly checked over by our veterinary team before he goes out to Te Akau Stud for a well-deserved break," Richards said.

"I would say the horse will go to Australia and we were thinking we would like to aim him at the Doncaster."

Richards said he has been involved with some quality horses at Te Akau and is excited for the future with his charge.

"We have been very fortunate since I have been training to have had the likes of Gingernuts, Melody Belle and Xtravagant. We have a bit of a yard stick of what you think is good work and good racing and he really stepped up to the mark."

"It is great to have a choice of where to go (with him this autumn) and we think he is a horse good enough to go over to Australia and be competitive."



Hiflyer (NZ) (Tavistock)

Unorthodox path to Railway

Top Te Aroha galloper **Hiflyer (NZ)** (Tavistock) will take an unorthodox path to the Gr.1 Sistema Railway (1200m) at Ellerslie on New Year's Day.

Hiflyer has been set for the major sprint since being put aside for a spell following his sixth to Melody Belle (NZ) (Commands)

and Savvy Coup (NZ) (Savabeel) in the Gr.1 Windsor Park Plate (1600m) at Hastings last September.

"He really thrived during his spell and he's been back in work about two to three weeks," trainer Peter Lock said. [Full story here](#)



Remington (NZ) (Darci Brahma)

Coupland's target in-mind for Remington

While Te Akau Shark (NZ) (Rip Van Winkle) has been grabbing the headlines this spring, trainer Jamie Richards believes he has unearthed another potential star for the future in the form of **Remington (NZ)** (Darci Brahma).

The four-year-old son of Darci Brahma has never been out of the money in his eight starts to date, winning four of those including three this spring.

"He has been the real find of the (New Zealand Cup) carnival for us," Richards said.

"He went down there just a lowly rated horse that had some nice form in some weaker company in the Autumn but he really stepped up to perform with distinction in the carnival."

Purchased for \$75,000 out of Pencarrow Stud's 2016 New Zealand Bloodstock Select Yearling Sale draft by Te Akau principal David Ellis, Remington could follow in the same steps as his famous stablemate next year.

"He has travelled home and like Te Akau Shark he will head out to Te Akau Stud for a break and he might be a horse we can get ready for the Coupland's next year," Richards said.

"I think we will just take him along quietly, he has had four or five runs down there in the South Island so we will look to give him three or four weeks off and then get him ready for a campaign.

"There are no real plans yet, it is just a case of picking the right races to keep his

confidence up before we get too carried away."



Jip Jip Rock (High Chaparral)

Oaks in-mind for talented filly

Byerley Park trainers Peter and Dawn Williams won the Gr.1 Gavelhouse.com New Zealand 1000 Guineas (1600m) at Riccarton on Saturday with Media Sensation (I Am Invincible), but she is not the only three-year-old filly that is exciting her connections.

Stablemate **Jip Jip Rock (High Chaparral)** has shown plenty of promise on the track, including a last-start victory at Te Aroha which brought up Dawn's 1000th win as a trainer.

Owned by Barneswood Farm's Sarah Green and Ger Beemsterboer, Jip Jip Rock could meet her well-credentialed stable and ownership-mate Media Sensation in feature fillies races later this season, including the Gr.1 Al Basti Equiworld New Zealand Oaks (2400m) next year.

"She's not a big filly, she's a lot like other High Chaparral's, which can be a bit small – Dundee wasn't a big horse," Peter Williams said.

"I do see her getting to that black-type level this summer, but I think it will be after Christmas.

"There are not many races that suit before then. She'll run at Auckland, there's a three-year-old 1500m race there, she'll probably be aimed at that and then we will go from there.

"You have got the Royal Stakes and those sort of races. If she keeps competing well, we might even have a look at the Oaks.

"She's a staying filly and we have always had that in-mind."

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Craig Grylls

Grylls grateful for Singapore opportunity but home is where the heart is

Kiwi jockey Craig Grylls has fully enjoyed his last one and a half years at Kranji but has still decided not to prolong his Singapore adventure.

Grylls is not among the list of jockeys

licensed for the 2019 season simply because he did not put in an application for a licence renewal. The 28-year-old jockey is returning to New Zealand to continue his riding career.

"I'm very grateful to the Singapore Turf Club for the opportunity. It has been a very good learning curve and it has certainly improved my riding," Grylls said.

"I've received good support from most trainers in general, especially Lee Freedman. I gave him his first Singapore winner, Mr Clint, last year and this year, he gave me just under half of my winners (14 from 32).

"Other trainers like Bruce Marsh, Donna Logan, Mark Walker, CT (Cheng Tee) Kuah have also supported me, and I can't thank them enough.

"Curvature (for Freedman) has been the best horse I've ridden, I've won four races with him. I'm also grateful to Cliff Brown

for giving me the opportunity on Zac Kasa in the Lion City Cup, we came close with a second to Lim's Cruiser."

Despite the good run, the call from home was in the end too strong to resist.

"I've decided it was a good time to go home. My wife Milou and I missed home and the lifestyle, at times there isn't a lot to do here," said Grylls.

"I'll first head to Sweden a couple of days after the last meeting here (December 9). I'll spend Christmas there with Milou's family and it's also a good opportunity to go there as Singapore is halfway between Sweden and New Zealand.

"I will then head back to New Zealand in mid-January and I will ride freelance again. I was sitting in eighth spot before I left home and hopefully I can pick up where I left off."





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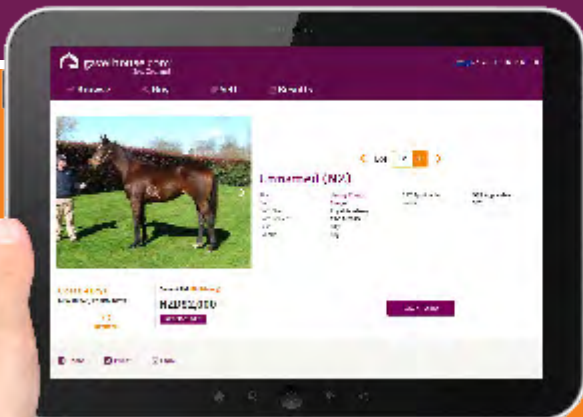
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LOGAN KEEN TO BUILD ON WINNING MOMENTUM

Trainer Donna Logan boarded her plane to Singapore this morning with a spring in her step after a successful hit and run mission at the annual New Zealand Bloodstock Ready To Run Sale of two-year-olds at Karaka this week.

Logan, who has really started to hit her straps in Singapore with seven wins in the last five weeks, will have some fresh blood to take back to her Kranji base after securing three well-priced colts during the two-day sale.

Logan outlaid \$28,000 for Lot 411, a Haradasun colt from the Kiltannon Stables draft on Thursday after earlier spending \$34,000 for Lot 150, a Nadeem colt from Woburn Farm and \$40,000 for Lot 107, an El Roca colt from Kilgravin Lodge on the first day of the sale.

To complement those purchases Logan also had new stable client, Mr Krit Chittaseni, secure a cracking Super Easy colt, Lot 434 from the Prima Park draft, for \$170,000 that will also find his way to Singapore in the future.

"It was a really good sale and I'm thrilled with the horses we managed to buy," Logan said.

"It was tough buying but I think we did pretty well.

"I was also delighted for Mr Chittaseni as he fell in love with the Super Easy colt and was determined to get him.

"He is a new client for my stable and

I'm very thankful he is putting this sort of support in behind us."

Logan has turned heads in Singapore in recent weeks with her winning run and she believes it is just the tip of the iceberg for the operation.

"We've taken time to get to where we want to be which was always to be expected given what it takes to set up in a new location," she said.

"I said all along that Rome wouldn't be built in a day and that is how it has panned out.

"The horses settled in quite quickly but it has taken time for us to put all the pieces in the puzzle together the right way.

"I've had to change quite a few things that we normally did in New Zealand and we've just taken small steps to get the journey started.

"I did say about six weeks ago I thought we were ready to go boom and we definitely have."

With a steady stream of winners of late Logan is also seeing the benefits a successful run can bring in respect of new ownership opportunities.

"I've had fantastic support from day one from some very loyal clients," she said.

"Just lately though the doors have started to open and the enquiries are now coming from people who may not have thought of us in the past.

"We're on a roll and I definitely have my sights set high for the next 12 months as I believe we have the quality of horse we need to take on the best races up here." – NZ Racing Desk



Trainer Donna Logan is really starting to hit her straps in Singapore



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GLOBAL NZ BRED WINNERS

15/11/2018 - 21/11/2018

AUSTRALIA

Artie Schiller : Unresolved (NZ) (Rose Alba by Verglas) 2013;
20/11/2018, 1st Dubbo TC Rising Star H. 1600m
Sold by Little Avondale Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$75000

Dalghar : Leardo (NZ) (Ustinova by Ustinov) 2015;
17/11/2018, 1st Illawarra TC Ramsay Healthcare Maiden P. 1300m
Sold by Riverrock Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$56000
Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$30000

Ekraar : She Goes Pop (NZ) (Repetition by Kingdom Bay) 2012;
18/11/2018, 1st SCTC E Angel Mooloolaba SLSC H. 1800m

Encosta de Lago : Don't Plead Guilty (NZ) (Ballermoss by Lord Ballina) 2010;
17/11/2018, 1st Cranbourne TC City of Casey Tri-Codes H. 1600m
Sold by Curraghmore Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$350000

Ferlax : Rare Episode (NZ) (Sister Phenomenon by Rock of Gibraltar) 2015;
17/11/2018, 1st Illawarra TC IRT Foundation H. 1000m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$100000

Keeper : Keep Up (NZ) (Black Widow by Black Minnaloushe) 2012;
21/11/2018, 1st Wine Country RC Cessnock Cup 2300m
Sold by Kiltannon Stables at Ready to Run Sale for \$100000

O'Reilly : Toss and Tell (NZ) (Heads or Tales by Tale of the Cat) 2011;
17/11/2018, 1st Yea RC Rodwells 2018 Yea Cup 27/1 Trophy H. 2100m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$160000

O'Reilly : O'Driscoll (NZ) (Fireside by Thorn Park) 2013;
15/11/2018, 1st Port Macquarie RC Sandbox H. 1500m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$150000

Ocean Park : Deep Blue Sea (NZ) (Mohegan Sky by Straight Man) 2014;
16/11/2018, 1st Tweed River JC Global Investigation Solutions Maiden P. 1530m

Ocean Park : Loved One (NZ) (More to Love by Danasinga) 2015;
18/11/2018, 1st Newcastle JC Nationwide Metro & Provincial Maiden P. 1400m

Pentire : Penny to Sell (NZ) (Stretto by Dance Floor) 2011;
17/11/2018, 1st Dunkeld RC Dunkeld Cup 1800m

Pentire : Bennelong (NZ) (Gin City by Heroicity) 2014;
17/11/2018, 1st Bathurst TC Kings Hotel Maiden H. 1100m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

Pins : My Pendant (NZ) (My Locket by Any Suggestion) 2015;
21/11/2018, 1st MRC Mypunter.com Maiden P. 1200m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$100000

Raise the Flag : Yogi (NZ) (Malozza by Grand Lodge) 2012;
17/11/2018, 1st MRC Sandown Cup L 3200m
Sold by D. G. & H. A. Voice at South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale for \$1000

Redwood : Tamarack (NZ) (Our Squeezer by Redoute's Choice) 2013;
17/11/2018, 1st ATC Summer Racing H. 2400m
Sold by Westbury Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$90000

Redwood : Romancer (NZ) (Romantically by Foreplay) 2013;
18/11/2018, 1st Donald DRC Donald Cup 1620m
Sold by Westbury Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$110000

Reliable Man : Man Alive (NZ) (Animate by Zabeel) 2014;
18/11/2018, 1st Donald DRC Buloke Shire Council Maiden P. 2000m
Sold by The Oaks Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$340000

Reset : Cincinnati Red (NZ) (Regarded by Redoute's Choice) 2014;
18/11/2018, 1st Geelong RC All-New Audi A8 Maiden P. 1140m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

Savabeel : Magical Charm (NZ) (Lucida by O'Reilly) 2014;
21/11/2018, 1st WATC Western Racepix H. 2150m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$170000

Shocking : Sickening (NZ) (Summer Lot by Kingdom Bay) 2012;
18/11/2018, 1st Donald DRC Mt Jeffcott Hotel Party H. 2000m
Sold by Rich Hill Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$160000

Shocking : Camillo (NZ) (Rixi by Strategic) 2013;
19/11/2018, 1st Clarence River JC Blues Brews & Bbq's H. 1200m

Sir Percy : Appoint Percy (NZ) (Bankonher by British Banker) 2011;
18/11/2018, 1st Canberra RC TAB Federal H. 1600m

Super Easy : Neptune's Spear (NZ) (Hestolemyroses by Elusive Quality) 2016;
17/11/2018, 1st BRC Novotel Brisbane Airport 2YO H. 1050m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$140000

Swiss Ace : Senseofwonder (NZ) (Pipit by Generous) 2011;
17/11/2018, 1st Julia Creek TC Top Pub H. 1350m

Zabeel : Lovera (NZ) (Franny by Selkirk) 2011;
20/11/2018, 1st Tatura RC Land Management Surveys H. 1980m

Zacinto : Miss Mandito (NZ) (Mandy O'Reilly by O'Reilly) 2014;
15/11/2018, 1st Seymour RC Bet365 H. 1400m



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Mastercraftsman : Gran Master (NZ) (Opus Four by Stravinsky) 2012;
18/11/2018, 1st HKJC BOCHK Business Integrated Services H. 1650m
Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$200000

O'Reilly : Shining On (NZ) (Savabeel Star by Savabeel) 2013;
21/11/2018, 1st HKJC Jackson H. 1200m
Sold by Mana Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$150000

Road to Rock : Montaigne - Beauty Generation (H.K.) (NZ) (Stylish Bel by Bel Esprit) 2012;
18/11/2018, 1st HKJC BOCHK Wealth Management Jockey Club Mile Gr.2 1600m
Sold by Highden Park at National Yearling Sale for \$60000

Towkay : Ocean Roar (NZ) (Crystal Jet by Clay Hero) 2008;
21/11/2018, 1st HKJC Battery Path H. 1000m

MACAU

Fastnet Rock : Fifty Flags (NZ) (Thousand Veils by Zabeel) 2012;
20/11/2018, 1st Macau Opunake H. 1510m
Sold by Trelawney Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$375000

Savabeel : River Treasure (NZ) (Dita von Teese by Pins) 2012;
20/11/2018, 1st Macau Ready to Run Sale Trophy 1510m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$40000
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$32000

Smart Missile : Thunder Bear (NZ) (La Bruja by Encosta de Lago) 2013;
16/11/2018, 1st Macau Sunflower H. 1800m
Sold by Westbury Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$250000

Snitzel : Luen on Dance Kid (NZ) (Dance My Dance by Sadler's Wells) 2014;
16/11/2018, 1st Macau Lily H. 1200m
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$180000

Turffontein : Tremendous Wins (NZ) (Choisira by Choisir) 2014;
20/11/2018, 1st Macau Counties H. 1050m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

Zed : Pearl Win Win (NZ) (Antonia Bella by Thorn Park) 2014;
16/11/2018, 1st Macau Violet H. 1500m
Sold by Grangewilliam Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$2600
Sold by Fencourt Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$30000

MALAYSIA

Echoes of Heaven : Tic Tac Toe (NZ) (Zahtui by Hawkeye) 2014;
18/11/2018, 1st Perak TC Decron Quikgro H. 1400m

Raise the Flag : Super Hard (NZ) (Deliteful Halo by My Halo) 2014;
18/11/2018, 1st Perak TC Mitavite Performer 3 H. 1200m

Showcasing : Soon You Think (NZ) (Contemplate by Dream Well) 2014;
17/11/2018, 1st Perak TC Ballistic H. 1800m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$50000

SINGAPORE

Battle Paint : Affleck (NZ) (Greenstone by Green Perfume) 2011;
18/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Kranji S. 1400m

High Chaparral : Mr Dujardin (NZ) (Affirmed Lane by Affirmed) 2014;
20/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 2000m
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

Jimmy Choux : Ironside (NZ) (Camilla by Personal Escort) 2014;
18/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Novice P. 1200m

Pins : Soldado (NZ) (Regal Ash by Green Desert) 2012;
16/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1100m
Sold by Venture Thoroughbreds Ltd at Ready to Run Sale for \$35000

Showcasing : Copacabana (NZ) (Cannsea by Canny Lad) 2013;
18/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m
Sold by Whakanui Stud Ltd at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$7500
Sold by Kilmore Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$70000

Super Easy : The Big Easy (NZ) (Vital Choice by Stratum) 2014;
16/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Open Maiden S. 1200m
Sold by Kiltannon Stables Ltd at Ready to Run Sale for \$100000
Sold by P. J. & S. N. Calnan at National Yearling Sale for \$40000

Super Easy : Thunder Dragon (NZ) (Astrogal by O'Reilly) 2015;
20/11/2018, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1400m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$90000



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