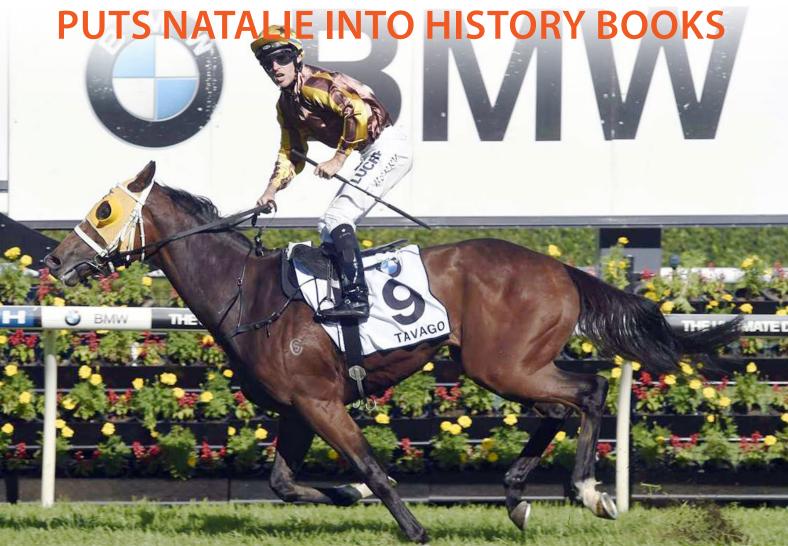


TAVAGO'S RUNAWAY ATC DERBY WIN



No jockey searches more for the camera to celebrate a win than Tommy Berry . . . and with Tavago's demolition of the Derby field he didn't waste a royal opportunity.

atalie Young has become the first woman to train an ATC Australian Derby winner as the trophy heads to New Zealand for the third time in four years.

The thirty-to-one shot **Tavago (NZ)** (Tavistock) gave Young and her partner Trent Busuttin an upset win in yesterday's 2400 metre classic at Randwick with the oddson favourite Tarzino (NZ) (Tavistock) never improving from fourth.

Although Young and Busuttin have been credited as training partners for many years at home, only Busuttin's name was beside that of Sangster (NZ) (Savabeel) when he won the 2011 Victoria Derby.

"She is twice the horsewoman than I am a trainer." Busuttin said. "It does make it more special that Natalie's name is there on the record."

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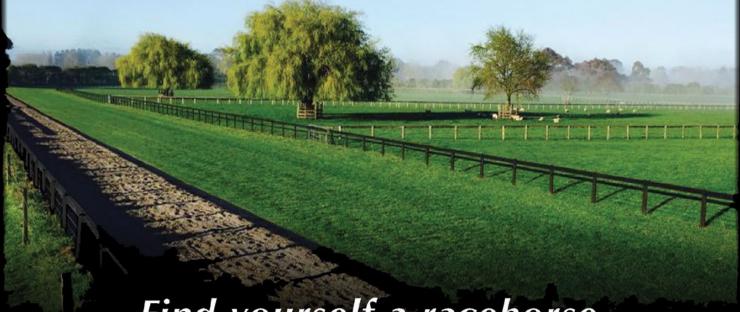




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TAVAGO'S RUNAWAY ATC DERBY WIN PUTS NATALIE INTO HISTORY BOOKS

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There was almost no name connected with the horse when he and several others were left stranded in New Zealand because of a mechanical problem with their plane. They finally arrived on Thursday night, giving Tavago the chance to add his name alongside last year's winner Mongolian Khan (Holy Roman Emperor) and 2013's winner It's A Dundeel (NZ) (High Chaparral).

It was also a first Derby win for Tommy Berry who had the gelding third behind Jameka (Myboycharlie) with Auckland galloper Splendido, racing in Australia as Oh So Splendido (NZ) (O'Reilly), taking the lead.

In the straight, Berry sent Tavago to the front and he responded to be 3¼ lengths clear of Jameka, the only filly in the field, at the line. James McDonald's mount Tally (Street Cry) made ground to finish another 1¼ lengths away third.

Tavago's win was timely for his stable, with Busuttin and Young to move their operation from Cambridge to Cranbourne, on the outskirts of Melbourne, in July.

"We've got forty boxes at the new Cranbourne centre and we'll be based there from July," Young said.

"It has certainly been a timely win and I think we have a great team coming over. I'm not sure about this horse. We had the Queensland Derby in mind and it's still there.

Race	ATC Australian Derby Gr.1 2400m
Winner	Tavago (NZ) 2012
Owners	K R Banks, Mrs P Hatchard, S C Oldfield and R L Taylor
Trainer	Trent Busuttin & Natalie Young (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Tavistock out of Sara Ann by Stravinsky (USA)
Breeder	Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan
Sales	2014 National Yearling Sale, Premier Session; V: Cambridge Stud, P: C Oldfield; \$60,000

"He was nice and relaxed out there and Tommy gave him a great ride. He got him out of the gates well and that was the key."

Berry had done his homework, studying footage of the New Zealand Derby in which Tavago swooped from a long way back to finish sixth, less than two lengths from the winner.

"The horse has been missing the kick so we concentrated on waking him up a little bit behind the barriers to get him up there on the speed," Berry said.



Natalie Young . . . first woman to train a winner of the Australian Derby.

"He spotted them 25 lengths the other day and flew home to run sixth. A lot of people probably overlooked his run.

"One of my best thrills in racing was winning the Hong Kong Derby but to do it in my homeland in Australia, it's brilliant."

Tarzino's trainer Mick Price said he believed the soft track was against the colt.

"This track had me a bit concerned," Price said. "It's a bit gluggy. He was just on his wrong leg the whole way.

"It suggested to me he's just floundering a bit – changing his stride and struggling in the ground."

- AAP TURF





LUNA ROSSA'S SIRES' WIN A SURPRISE FOR ANDREW - 'BE BETTER WITH TIME'

urray Baker and Andrew Forsman went close to a Group One quinella at Awapuni yesterday with a duo they thought were a season away from making their mark at the top level.

Luna Rossa (NZ) (Written Tycoon) rattled home to claim the Courtesy Ford Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes

from Sicario (NZ) (Bullbars) with the winner's stablemate Saracino (NZ) (Per Incanto) a game third.

"They were gutsy runs from both of them," Forsman said. "Both will be better horses with time and they did well to get here, let alone run so well. They are both going to make really nice three-year-olds."

The heavy going at Awapuni was another curve ball tossed at the lightly tried pair.

"They had never galloped on that sort of track before so it was hard to be confident." Forsman said.

Luna Rossa had weighed in at her first three starts, including a late-finishing fifth in the Group Two

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Luna Rossa comes with a whirlwind finish for Lisa Allpress to overpower her rivals in the Sires' Produce Stakes.





LUNA ROSSA'S SIRES' WIN A SURPRISE FOR ANDREW – 'BE BETTER WITH TIME'

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Matamata Breeders' Stakes, before her maiden win at Trentham sealed a return to the central districts from her Cambridge base.

She settled toward the back of the field and powered home wide on the track under Lisa Allpress to end her two-year-old preparation on a perfect note.

"She's a Group One winner by Written Tycoon so she's a very, very valuable filly now," Forsman said. She is raced by her breeders John, Mark and Rachael Carter under their Jomara Bloodstock banner and her victory completed a memorable black type double as they also own the Group Three Manawatu Classic winner Humidor.

Luna Rossa will now be spelled and Saracino is also headed for a break after his bold front-running effort for third. The strapping Sicario, trained by Trent Busuttin and Natalie Young, impressed when splitting the Baker-Forsman pair with a strong showing at just his second appearance.

Race	Manawatu Sires' Produce S. Gr.1 1400m
Winner	Luna Rossa (NZ) 2013
Owners	Jomara Bloodstock Ltd
Trainer	Murray Baker & Andrew Forsman (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Written Tycoon (Aus) out of Wild Promises (Aus) by More Than Ready (USA)
Breeder	Jomara Bloodstock Ltd

NEWS IN BRIEF

First Impressions lands WA Oaks

Trainer Grant Williams and leviathan owner Bob Peters combined to win the \$A250,000 Group Three West Australian Oaks (2400m) at Ascot yesterday with **First Impressions (NZ)** (Rip Van Winkle).

Patiently ridden by Glenn Smith, First Impressions turned the tables on her odds-on stablemate Arcadia Dream (Domesday) to prove far superior in the run to the post.

The daughter of Group One Thorndon Mile runner-up Striker (NZ) (Van Nistelrooy), First Impressions in now an extremely valuable commodity.

Purchased by prominent West Australian bloodstock agent John Chalmers on behalf of Peters, First Impressions was a \$270,000 graduate of the Haunui Farm draft at the 2014 Karaka Premier Yearling Sale.

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GOLD CUP WIN PUTS MAYGROVE IN LINE FOR ANOTHER AUSTRALIAN CAMPAIGN

n-form stayer Maygrove (Authorized) could be in line for another trip across the Tasman later this year.

The grey son of the Zabeel mare Lady Zhivago (NZ) was campaigned in Victoria during the spring with Group Three fourth placings in the Bart Cummings, the Geelong Cup and the Bendigo Cup the best performances of his seven-start stay.

Spelled on his return, Maygrove has quickly found form for Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman with his dogged win in yesterday's Group Two Kamada Park Awapuni Gold Cup completing a satisfying day for the Cambridge trainers.

"That was a very good effort as it was only his third start this time in and obviously his first over ground," said Forsman, who had earlier saddled Luna Rossa and Saracino to run first and third in the Manawatu Sires' Produce.

"There's the Hawke's Bay Cup for him but there are other options as well, like Brisbane."

Runner-up in his first two runs back at Hastings and Waverley, Maygrove raced in midfield and had improved under Matt Cameron 650 metres from home to be within striking distance at the top of the straight.



Matt Cameron has the grey Maygrove doing his best to hold out Trojan Warrior in the Awapuni Gold Cup.

"He had a good ride from Matt, who presented him at the right time," Forsman said.

Maygrove came with a determined finishing run and, when challenged by Trojan Warrior, rallied strongly for a busy Cameron to draw clear.

The honest King Kamada (NZ) (Shinko King) did his best for the race sponsor with another genuine effort for third ahead of Silverdale (NZ) (Castledale).

Race	Manawatu RC Awapuni Gold Cup Gr.2 2000m
Winner	Maygrove (Aus) 2010
Owners	JML Bloodstock Ltd (Mgr L Petagna) and P W O'Rourke
Trainer	Murray Baker & Andrew Forsman (Cambridge)
Breeding	By Authorized (Ire) out of Lady Zhivago by Zabeel
Breeder	Laurel Oak Lady Zhivago Syndicate
Sales	2012 National Yearling Sale, Select Session; V: Haunui Farm, P: Bruce Perry Bloodstock Ltd; \$110,000







ROKKII'S CARBINE CLUB STAKES WIN A REHEARSAL FOR NEXT YEAR'S DONNY

he win by **He's Our Rokkii (NZ)** (Roc De Cambes) over a mile on Doncaster day – a half-length victory in the Group Three Carbine Club Stakes over the half-million dollar earner Odyssey Moon (Snitzel) – has co-trainer David Hayes excited about his prospects in the main race next year.

An easing \$6 third favourite, He's Our Rokkii took up a position behind the leader on the rail before accelerating to hold off a challenge from the \$3.70 favourite.

The win was enough to convince Hayes he should target next year's Doncaster Mile with the three-year-old.

"He'll have a lovely weight next year and he's a big powerful miler," Hayes said.

Hayes added that He's Our Rokkii would have been well placed in the Australian Guineas but his course had been set with an eye to the future.

"We decided to go the softer route," he said. "We're treating him with a real four-year-old view."

He's Our Rokkii had three starts as a juvenile in New Zealand last season, placing second in the Group Three Phoenix Park Classic at New Plymouth before running an unlucky fourth in the Sires' Produce Stakes.

His next assignment will be in two weeks' time at Randwick in the Frank Packer Plate, over 2000 metres.

Jockey Dwayne Dunn said He's Our Rokkii had the quality to be a Group One performer.

"David and I had a little plan just to keep flying him under the radar," Dunn said. "We're just trying to give him a bit of confidence on the way through."

- AAP TURF

Race	ATC Carbine Club S. Gr.3 1600m
Winner	He's Our Rokkii (NZ) 2012
Owners	M A Pilkington, J R Collinson, C Feneridis, Seymour Bloodstock Syndicate (Mgr: D S Thomas), D L Elliott, G R Lechte, R W & Mrs A M Hill-Smith, J Lechte, R Chapman and Hall Thoroughbred Syndicate (Mgr: K M Hall)
Trainer	David Hayes & Tom Dabernig (Flemington)
Breeding	by Roc de Cambes out of Clerihew (GB) by Lomitas (GB)
Breeder	J R Collinson and C Feneridis



He's Our Rokkii (#3) stamps himself as a miler of the future with a Carbine Club win at Randwick on Doncaster day.









FLYING HANDICAP WIN PUTS MABEEL ON TARGET FOR ELLERSLIE'S EASTER

Group One test awaits the dashing Mabeel (NZ) (Savabeel) before his connections set their sights on an offshore challenge; the gifted five-year-old showing he was in the right order for more ambitious assignments when running his rivals ragged in the Listed Fairdale/ Goodwood Studs Flying Handicap at Awapuni yesterday.

"That was very special and we thought he would handle a loose track," said Natalie Young, who trains the gelding with her partner Trent Busuttin.

With Sam Spratt in the saddle, Mabeel was allowed to stride to the front and he was well clear at the top of the straight.

"He pretty much jumped out and left them to it," Young said. "Sam just had to hang on and he did it easily.



Having his first start on a track worse than dead, Mabeel handled Awapuni's heavy going with aplomb to land the open sprint.

"The Easter Handicap has always been his target and the plan we have is to go to Queensland for the Stradbroke Handicap.

"We've always thought he was the right type of horse for that race – he can run amazing sectionals."

Successful six times from twelve appearances, Mabeel won easing down from Seize The Moment (NZ) (Pins) with the topweight Scapolo (NZ) (Bachelor Duke) back in third.

"That was great and so was our two-year-old Sicario and he's going to be so much better next season," Young said.

Race	Manawatu RC Flying H. L 1400m
Winner	Mabeel (NZ) 2010
Owners	Miss D Ho
Trainer	Trent Busuttin & Natalie Young (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Savabeel (Aus) out of Ma by Cape Cross (Ire)
Breeder	Plans Awry Ltd
Sales	2012 National Yearling Sale, Premier Session; V: Shelby Park, P: Miss D Ho; \$80,000

NEWS IN BRIEF

Derby hopes raised for Who Dat Singa

Who Dat Singa (NZ) (Iffraaj) won the Listed Melvista Stakes over 2200 metres at Ascot in Perth yesterday, notching his first stakes win for trainer Alan Mathews.

The well-backed three-year-old sustained a long run, set alight from the 800 metre mark by rider Patrick Carbery, to comfortably hold VRC Derby placegetter Kia Ora Koutou (Blackfriars).

Who Dat Singa relished the step up in distance and will be one of the leading fancies for the Group Two West Australian Derby, over 2400 metres, in a fortnight.

Mathews and owner Lou Erceg bred Who Dat Singa in New Zealand and he has now won five of his ten starts, with a further three placings.

Out of the unraced Danasinga mare Singadablues, Who Dat Singa is from the family of New Zealand Derby winner Great Command (NZ) (Marscay).







JOHNO CAN STOP SWEATING NOW THAT HUMIDOR HAS FOUND SOME MANNERS

he talent possessed by **Humidor (NZ)** (Teofilo) has never been in question but his manners left room for doubt before an improvement at Awapuni yesterday enabled him to put away his age-group rivals.

The three-year-old ran straight and true to claim top honours in the Group Three Higgins Manawatu Classic, much to the relief of his trainers Johno Benner and Hollie Wynyard.

"He's been frustrating because he's always showed us plenty of ability," Benner said.

Humidor won his maiden over a mile at Wanganui in January and then finished runner-up at Te Rapa, where a wayward path in the straight cost him the race, before he was given his chance in the Group One New Zealand Derby.

He was unplaced in that after an awkward beginning and hanging throughout but did make some late ground.

"He didn't have the right Derby preparation but it was a \$750,000 race so we thought we would have a go," Benner said.

Humidor held a strong gallop in the run home to beat Five To Midnight (NZ) (Domesday) and the longshot Zbeauty (NZ) (Castledale).

The result was a welcome one for Benner and Wynyard, who recently lost the services of their stable star Vespa (NZ) (Elusive City).

The Group One winner was laid low last spring with a serious lung complaint and following his two most recent below-par performances the decision was made to retire the four-year-old to stud.

Race	Manawatu Classic Gr.3 2000m
Winner	Humidor (NZ) 2012
Owners	Jomara Bloodstock Ltd
Trainer	Johno Benner & Hollie Wynyard (Otaki)
Breeding	by Teofilo (Ire) out of Zalika by Zabeel
Breeder	Jomara Bloodstock Ltd

They have since worked hard on getting Humidor to race more kindly and their efforts were rewarded at Awapuni where he gave Mark Du Plessis a much easier ride.

Du Plessis stalked the leader Maritimo (NZ) (Pins) and saved lengths by sticking to the fence into the straight when the field fanned wide.

"We decided to be positive and put him right in it," Benner said. "We thought we had the best stayer in the race and didn't think the track would be a problem either."

> In the hands of Mark Du Plessis, Humidor was a true professional over the 2000 metres of yesterday's Manawatu Classic.







ASTARA OPENS SIRE'S ACCOUNT WITH DOMINANT ELLERSLIE JUVENILE WIN

romising filly **Astara (NZ)** (Dalghar) yesterday gained a deserved victory at Ellerslie and in the process credited her sire with his first Southern Hemisphere winner.

The Donna Logan and Chris Gibbs-trained two-yearold, who had produced encouraging performances at her first two starts, sat outside the leader in the Ginde Juvenile before asserting her superiority in the run home for rider Sam Collett.

A half-brother to the multiple European Group One

Race	ARC Ginde 2YO H. 1300m
Winner	Astara (NZ) 2013
Owners	Mr Neven Botica
Trainer	Donna Logan & Chris Gibbs (Ruakaka)
Breeding	by Dalghar (Fr) out of Svita (Aus) by Success Express (USA)
Breeder	Botsky Pty Ltd

winners Daylami and Dalakhani, Dalghar was a Group Two winner who stood his first season at Brighthill Farm in 2012 after a season in France. He has produced three winners from his only Northern Hemisphere crop.

"Astara has showed plenty of promise and was a good second at Te Aroha and then she was a really strong fourth in the Matamata Breeders' Stakes," Brighthill's Nick King said.

"It's great to see the stallion off the mark here and we're really chuffed it's come at a Saturday meeting at Ellerslie.

"The fact that she is raced by Neven Botica is very special. Neven bought Dalghar off the Aga Khan and then retired him to stud in France. While he was there he contacted us about bringing the horse here.

"He's done very well and the buyers really got after them at Karaka where they sold up to \$90,000 at K2 and in K3 three of them broke \$50,000," King said.

"He will have a lot more runners out in the next month and they will be better at three than two.

"I know Donna and Chris think a fair bit of Astara and they debated whether to go to Awapuni for the Group One but there was the question of a heavy track.

"She's got the job done at Ellerslie and great for Dalghar to get on the board."

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Astara looks a class above as she strides away with the juvenile event on yesterday's Ellerslie card.



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OLYMPIC ANTHEM COMPLETES STABLE **CHANGEOVER WITH SENSATIONAL WIN**



Olympic Anthem's big finish is too powerful for his rivals at Kranji on Friday night.

he sensational win by **Olympic Anthem (NZ)** (Starcraft) at Kranji on Friday night brought up James Peters' first win as a trainer in his own right, the 31-year-old Englishman standing in for his former boss Michael Freedman when he returned to Australia at the beginning of the year.

With fourteen winners recorded under his care but technically credited to Freedman's name until the Aussie's tenure ended on March 31, Peters has definitely been warming up nicely before officially taking over the team of pretty much the same horses and owners on April 1.

To add a further sense of milestone to the event, Olympic Anthem was scoring first-up from a five-month spell while the rider, Nooresh Juglall, was riding his first winner since returning from an injury-enforced layoff of close to three months.

Surrounded by friends, new right-hand man Mick Lockett and representatives of the China Horse Club who race Olympic Anthem, Peters was a happy man as he greeted his maiden winner.

"It's relief more than anything else," said the former track rider and amateur jockey. "I have to admit there was a bit more pressure tonight as it was the first time my name was in the racebooks but there was no change to the routine.

"I'm glad I got that first winner out of the way early. The longer it drags on, the more the pressure builds up."

Of his winner, Peters mentioned bleeding issues and spoke about trying him over longer distances. "That didn't quite work out," he said. "But he's a nice horse who can come through when everything falls right and tonight Nooresh gave him a great ride."

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OLYMPIC ANTHEM COMPLETES STABLE CHANGEOVER WITH SENSATIONAL WIN

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The nod to the Mauritian jockey was a fitting wrap to all the accolades.

"A big thanks to James for giving me the opportunity to ride this horse," said Juglall, whose flying start to the 2016 season was derailed when he hurt his back in a barrier trial fall in mid-January.

"It's been a frustrating last three months especially coming back at a time when all the jockeys are doing so well. That win has definitely come at the right time.

"James told me this horse can be difficult to ride but I was able to get him to settle in midfield. The pace was on and once he saw daylight on the outside, I knew he could win."

The five-year-old certainly left a big impression when he was peeled to the outside as pacemaker Pioneer Seven (Flying Pegasus) began to falter soon after looking to have settled the issue when dashing clear at the 300 metre mark. Well ridden by Juglall, Olympic Anthem swept past shortpriced favourite My Lucky Strike (Charge Forward) to post a one-length win as Super Winner (Kaphero) came on for third, a neck away, with Pioneer Seven battling into fourth.

With his fourth success from just ten starts, Olympic Anthem has now amassed more than \$S240,000 in prizemoney for the China Horse Club.

- Singapore Turf Club

Race	Singapore TC Benchmark 97 H. 1000m
Winner	Olympic Anthem (NZ) 2010
Owners	China Horse Club Stable
Trainer	James Peters (Kranji)
Breeding	by Starcraft out of Fire Song by Senor Pete (USA)
Breeder	P Webb
Sales	2012 National Yearling Sale, Premier Session; V: Trelawney Stud Ltd, P: DGR Thoroughbred Services; \$150,000





MR SCORSESE WINS AGAIN TO HAVE LAURIE LOOKING AT RICHER RACES

xciting prospect **Mr Scorsese**(NZ) (Pentire) didn't let his legion of backers down in Friday night's \$575,000 Novice over 1200 metres at Kranji, but did manage to give them a few heart flutters midrace.

The odds-on favourite was all the rage to bring up a double after his superlative debut win three weeks ago but the horse's supporters had not reckoned with an unlikely enemy – himself.

The beginning was troublefree enough, with jockey Vlad Duric allowing the three-year-old to drop to the rear, as he did on debut, travelling comfortably.

But when Duric decided to up the ante from the 700 metre point, improving Mr Scorsese on the outside, the horse was worryingly doing everything wrong at the same time – zigzagging around, shying away, throwing his head around.

But Duric has seen it all before, did not let up and in the end, under hard riding, Mr Scorsese's sheer class came to the fore as he drew clear for a 2½ length winning margin.

Trainer Laurie Laxon, who is now one win short of the 1200 mark, was full of praise for the Oscar Racing Stable's latest find and seemingly unconcerned about the lack of tractability, which he said he was already on top of.

"He wobbled around the turns and was eight wide and deserved to get beat," Laxon said in his own exaggerated style. "But he was too



He may have proved tough to ride but at the finish Mr Scorsese was travelling sweetly as an easy winner

good for them in the end. He's already worn blinkers in a trial some time ago and he'll be a different horse next time."

That "next time" will be the Sgp-Group Two Singapore Three-Year-Old Classic, over 1400 metres on April 24, with hopefully the Sgp-Group One Singapore Guineas, at 1600 metres on May 15, to follow.

Duric, who is also the last-start partner of the exciting three-year-old Fitzroy (NZ) (Swiss Ace), knows he is in for a tough decision soon but was happier for now to concentrate on Mr Scorsese's potential.

"He came back beautifully for me but I started to panic when he spat the bit after two furlongs, especially as it was his first time under the lights," said the in-form Australian. "I gave him a squeeze just to keep him switched on and he ran on very well in the end.

"He's still very green and learning what racing is all about and he's looking for the mile. But he sure is an exciting horse."

- Singapore Turf Club

Race	Singapore TC Novice S. 1200m
Winner	Mr Scorsese (NZ) 2012
Owners	Oscar Racing Stable
Trainer	Laurie Laxon (Kranji)
Breeding	by Pentire (GB) out of Marie Claire by O'Reilly
Breeder	P J & P M Vela Ltd
Sales	2014 National Yearling Sale, Premier Session; V: Pencarrow Stud, P: L K Laxon; \$80,000





