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AMBITIOUS SPRING PLAN FOR GUST OF WIND



The John Sargent trained Gust Of Wind

he last horse to beat Winx (Street Cry) will try to carve out her own piece of history as the first pregnant mare to win the Melbourne Cup.

Gust Of Wind (NZ) (Darci Brahma), the 2015 Australian Oaks winner, has had a luckless time since, while runner-up Winx has gone on to win every race she has contested, seven at Group One level.

But Gust Of Wind's trainer John Sargent is keen to have another crack at the Melbourne Cup in which the mare

finished sixth, 1-1-1/2 lengths behind her future suitor, third-placed Criterion.

And Sargent believes that being in-foal could be an advantage.

"I did it a lot with mares when I was in New Zealand," Sargent said.

"They always seem to race well. They grow a lot of hormones and blossom.

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"You just have to monitor them and make sure they are in the right cycles and then send them up to the stud.

"She will be up and back in a day.

"She will be back in the stable at the end of this month after a good break.

"Gust Of Wind is one of several mares Sir Owen Glenn has bought to go to his horse Criterion who is going to stud this year.

"We will get her ready for the Melbourne Cup which will be her last race."

A home-bred for Glenn, three-time Group One winner Criterion (NZ) (Sebring) will stand at Newgate Farm this spring as the highest Australian prize money earner to go to stud with more than \$7.2 million.

Trained by David Payne to win the Rosehill Guineas and Australian Derby, Criterion won the Queen Elizabeth Stakes and Caulfield Stakes in the care of David Hayes and Tom Dabernig.

He also finished second to Winx in last year's Cox Plate.

- AAP TURF

NEWS IN BRIEF

Henley Park celebrate South African victory

Classy youngster **Table Bay** (Redoute's Choice) provided a thrill for Cambridge based agistment farm Henley Park on the weekend with a Group Three victory in South Africa.

Sold from the Henley Park draft for \$120,000 at the 2015 Inglis Melbourne Premier Sale, Table Bay made it three wins from just four starts with victory in the Gr. 3 Langerman Handicap (1500m) at Kenilworth on Saturday.

Table Bay races from the Goodhope Racing Stables of Joey Ramsden for Markus Jooste and his wife Ingrid and is the fourth foal of unraced Cape Cross mare Gabriella. Ridden superbly by Donovan Dillon Table Bay defeated race favourite Our Mate Art (Artie Schiller) by a head to register his first stakes victory.

- NZ Racing Desk

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SUAVITO BUILDING UP FOR NEW SEASON RETURN

uavito (NZ) (Thorn Park) already has the C F Orr Stakes and Futurity Stakes on her resume and will be given the chance to add another of Caulfield's weight-for-age sprints early in the new season.

The rising six-year-old is back in work with trainer Nigel Blackiston in the early stages of her build-up to an August return.

"She has been back in the stable for a couple of weeks now and is just going through the motions of trotting, cantering and having a swim," Blackiston said.

"She looks great at this stage." Blackiston is keeping his options

open with Suavito but said as a Group One-winning mare she would be heading towards top-level races during the spring.

And the first Group One race of the 2016/17 season in Australia, the Memsie Stakes, is on the radar with Blackiston saying both the PB Lawrence Stakes and Memsie were first-up options.

"She's got a great record over the 1400 metres at Caulfield," Blackiston said.

"Either the Liston (P B Lawrence) or the Memsie will be her starting point.

"They're both at Caulfield over 1400."

Suavito won the Group One Futurity Stakes at Caulfield first-up in February 2014 and added the Group One C F Orr Stakes over the same course and distance when she resumed from a long break in February this year.

The Group Two P B Lawrence is on August 13, two weeks before the Memsie.

- AAP TURF



Multiple stakes winner Suavito is back in work and will be aimed at early spring features









HOME TURN INCIDENT NO IMPEDIMENT FOR MR LUIGI

espite a home turn scare that had trainer Peter Lock thinking the worst, progressive galloper Mr Luigi (NZ) (Darci Brahma) added to his growing reputation with a comprehensive winning performance at Tauranga on the weekend.

The rangy Darci Brahma gelding sent a shudder through punters who had made him a warm favourite for the last race of the day as he stumbled badly when challenging for the lead on the point of the home turn. Rider Sam Spratt took several strides to gather up her reins and rebalance her mount before setting him loose again as he powered away from his rating 65 rivals to score in emphatic fashion.

Lock was thankful nothing was amiss with his charge who looks certain to progress through to top company after producing such a performance on a day when a number of

Race	BOP RC Phil Mangos-Bayleys Country H. 1400m.
Winner	Mr Luigi (NZ) 2010
Owners	Trevor Sargent
Trainer	Peter Lock (Te Aroha)
Breeding	by Darci Brahma out of Hairini by Zabeel
Breeder	G C Luoni; Waikato; NZ

runners walked home due to the tough and testing nature of the waterlogged track conditions.

"My heart went in my mouth there for a moment as I thought he had broken down," admitted the Te Aroha based conditioner.

"My first instinct was he had done a tendon but when I saw Sam gather him up and he got going again I let out a pretty big sigh of relief.

"He has a huge amount of ability and we haven't seen anywhere near the best of him yet so it would have been a tragedy if he had of broken down just when he is starting to hit his straps."

Lock is quick to admit he believes the gelding has the ability to compete with the top echelon and not just on the deep winter tracks.

"I believe he will be just as competitive on good tracks as he is now when it's wet," he said.

"He got beaten in 1.09 for 1200 metres at Tauranga as a maiden and was wide all the way so that gives me confidence to think he can handle the better going. He's only really starting to fully mature as he is by a Zabeel mare so come the

spring I think he will be the real deal."

Lock will now sit down with owner Trevor Sargent and plot the gelding's path over the next few months.

"I'm thrilled for Trevor as he has raced horses with me for over thirty years and I think we've got a real good one for him," he said.

"I'll have a chat with Trevor about what he wants to do with him but I would guess we will have a crack in the next grade and then we might look at what there is on offer leading into the spring."

-NZ Racing Desk

Mr Luigi and Sam Spratt cruise to victory at Tauranga





MARSH TEAM FIRING WHILE BOSS ENJOYS EUROPEAN SOJOURN

ritty Tauranga winner **El Duque**(NZ) (Bachelor Duke) showed his liking for the tough conditions that prevailed at Tauranga on the weekend as he added to the winning run of the Stephen Marsh stable while the boss enjoys a summer sojourn in Europe.

Marsh and partner Danielle Johnson are currently enjoying the sights and scenes of Paris on their month long travels although Marsh was tuned to Saturday's racemeeting as evidenced by the busy phone of stable foreman Rhys Mildon.

Mildon's phone began to ring just seconds after the horses crossed the line in the Capital Tractors Tauranga sponsored 1400 metre event even though it was close to midnight in the French



El Duque (outer) gets in the deciding stride to defeat a game Rich Billie Marsh

capital.

"He listened to the race and when the commentator said there could be an inquiry he was straight on the phone with instructions," laughed Mildon.

"As it turned out the siren didn't go so there was no cause for concern."

Mildon was confident his charge would have held the race had there been a protest although he conceded the nuggety gelding had drifted out slightly in the concluding stages of the contest.

"He has got a bad habit of loafing when he gets to the front and he did it again on Saturday," he explained.

"He tends to gawk around a bit so hopefully he can get that out of his game as he gets more experience.

"He is a very tough customer who thrives on the winter tracks. He's only had seven starts and won three of them so we think he can pick up some more while the tracks stay wet. "The stable has had a good run of late with three wins in seven days which has added to a pretty good season already although we are hoping to grab a few more while the boss is away."

Marsh currently sits ninth on the Trainer's Premiership ladder with 42 wins for the season including seven stakes victories and a treasured first Group One triumph in Australia with Sofia Rosa (NZ) (Makfi) scoring in the Australian Oaks.

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	BOP RC Capital Tractors Tauranga H. 1400m.
Winner	El Duque (NZ) 2011
Owners	A R Cookson, G N Glogoski, M J & P Prendergast & L A Skinner
Trainer	Stephen Marsh (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Bachelor Duke (USA) out of Our Centasea (AUS) by Centaine (AUS)
Breeder	A R Cookson; G N Glogoski; M J & P Prendergast & L A Skinner; Auckland; NZ



RUGBY AND RACING KEEPS WOOD BUSY AT TAURANGA

gritty winning performance by tough Tavistock gelding **Pacorus (NZ)** was the first leg of a successful "double" for Cambridge trainer Chris Wood at Tauranga on the weekend.

Shortly after sharing a celebratory drink with the delighted connections of Pacorus, Wood slipped away to watch son Jonty play a starring role for the Mount Maunganui premier rugby team in their top of the table clash with Te Puke Sports.

While both sports were affected by the rough weather experienced on the day Wood wasn't complaining about

Race	BOP RC GPS-It Precision Land H. 2100m.
Winner	Pacorus (NZ) 2011
Owners	John & Jennifer Morison, John Borich, Tony Craig, Ian Goodlet, Ken Green, Neville Jamieson, John Morgan, Trevor Palmer & Tim Vince
Trainer	Chris Wood (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Bachelor Duke (USA) out of Muppy (AUS) by Snaadee (USA)
Breeder	by Tavistock out of Za Tiara by Zabeel
Sales	2013 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Landsdowne Park Ltd \$15000 P: DC & JE Morison

getting a little wet in both pursuits.

"I managed to keep relatively dry at the races but got soaked on the sideline at the rugby," he chuckled.

"Mind you when your horses are winning and you see your family do well it's worth it."

Wood was taken with the victory of Pacorus who has really hit his straps in recent weeks.

"He is a very promising type and typical of his breeding he has taken time to strengthen up and take advantage of the ability he has," he said.

"Viktoria (Gatu) did come back after his last start and admit she didn't do such a good job on him but she made amends on Saturday with a very good ride. I told her to settle him where he was comfortable and let him bring you into the race and she did that nicely.

"I did think he was a little flat going down the back but when he got going he toughed it out well and was strong on the line."

Wood believes his charge will get even better as he gets older and does hold a long term plan to try him across the Tasman next season.

"I have said to his owners that once he is fully mature he will be pretty competitive in the staying ranks," he noted.

"I think he is just the type we could take to Melbourne, away from Carnival time, and do well so that is hopefully where we will aim him next year.

"For the time being we'll just bring him through the grades. I think he might just have one or maybe two more runs this time in then he can have a break and come back in the spring."

- NZ Racing Desk

Will be pretty competi

A heady ride by Viktoria Gatu lands Pacorus a decisive winner on the weekend





ALLPRESS PRODUCES FRONT-RUNNING GEM ON ZUCCHERO

ormer North Island trained galloper **Zucchero (NZ)** (Pins) made it two wins from just three runs from his new southern base, courtesy of a superbly judged ride by Lisa Allpress at Riccarton on the weekend.

Allpress took the rugged Pins gelding straight to the front against his rating 65 rivals and dictated the play throughout the contest to score by a comfortable one and three quarter lengths in the 1400 metre contest.

Trainer Neil Ridley was impressed by the effort of both Allpress and Zucchero who seems to have finally come of age in this campaign.

"He showed a lot of promise up north but couldn't crack it up there," he said.

"He seems to have thrived since he's been with me and he's starting to live up to that early promise.

"I think another key has been the wet tracks. When Lisa won on him

Lisa Allpress has Zucchero clear and in no danger of defeat at Riccarton earlier in the month she said he just loved it so it gave us the confidence to keep him going.

"He likes to run along a bit so she rode him perfectly on Saturday and he never really looked like being caught."

Ridley has plans to give the gelding another run at either Oamaru or Ashburton before returning to Riccarton for the upcoming Grand National carnival in early August.

Allpress is currently in a purple patch of form as she strives to reclaim the National Jockey's Premiership title she last won in 2012. A winning double on Saturday made it seven wins for the week and carried her 12

clear of nearest rival Matt Cameron who has held the title for the past two seasons.

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	Amberley RC North Canterbury Veterinary Clinics H. 1400m.
Winner	Zucchero (NZ) 2011
Owners	Barneswood Farm Ltd for S C Green & G C Beemsterboer
Trainer	Neill Ridley (Riccarton)
Breeding	by Pins (AUS) out of Striker by Van Nistelrooy (USA)
Breeder	D G & R B McLaren Ltd; Auckland; NZ
Sales	2013 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale V: Haunui Farm \$180000 P: GC Beemsterboer





NZ STALLION AWARDS

THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	
SAVABEEL	\$14,021,181	
TAVISTOCK	\$11,522,417	
PENTIRE	\$8,208,977	
O'REILLY	\$7,249,712	
ZABEEL	\$6,814,739	
PINS	\$6,665,040	
DARCI BRAHMA	\$6,460,333	
IFFRAAJ	\$5,823,297	
ELUSIVE CITY	\$4,849,973	
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$4,714,419	
Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the		

highest stakes earnings worldwide

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$7,915,839
PENTIRE	\$6,788,497
ZABEEL	\$5,895,475
TAVISTOCK	\$4,851,339
DARCI BRAHMA	\$3,711,855
PINS	\$3,666,279
IFFRAAJ	\$3,411,509
O'REILLY	\$3,108,995
SHINKO KING	\$2,357,301
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$2,269,067

Criteria: Sire whose progeny have accumulated the highest combined stakes earnings in Australia & New Zealand

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$2,445,525
DARCI BRAHMA	\$2,250,140
IFFRAAJ	\$1,654,435
PINS	\$1,352,109
TAVISTOCK	\$1,239,465
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$1,153,290
PENTIRE	\$1,106,501
ALAMOSA	\$1,092,038
KEEPER	\$1,005,168
THORN PARK	\$989,133

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
KAWI	\$498,000
JULINSKY PRINCE	\$309,500
XIONG FENG	\$579,685
DECORAH	\$141,400
VOLKSTOK'N'BARRELL	\$238,750
VALLEY GIRL	\$254,625
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NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG JUNE 22

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
I'M A WITNESS (NZ) 2011 by Commands (AUS) out of Sing Song Girl by Generous (IRE)	Dame Sian Elias & H A Fletcher; Auckland; NZ	HKJC Tai Mong Tsai H. 1200m.	
VARA PEARL (NZ) 2010 by Savabeel (AUS) out of Dance on Fire by Volksraad (GB)	P Webb; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Tsam Chuk Wan H. 1650m.	2011 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: Dormello Stud, P: Whitby BStk Trust; \$6,000 2012 Ready to Run Sale; V: Dormello Stud, P: NZB-ag; \$20,000
HEROIC GURU (NZ) 2010 by Gallant Guru (AUS) out of Enzed by Anziyan (USA)	B J & Mrs L E Anderton; South; NZ	HKJC Violet Hill H. 1800m.	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG JUNE 26

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
Fortune Road – CHEERFUL BOY (H.K.) (NZ) 2011 by Road to Rock (AUS) out of Hanabananah (AUS) by King Charlemagne (USA)	Nearco Stud Limited; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Centurion Restaurant H. 1400m.	2012 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: Highden Park, P: Lime Country Thoroughbreds Ltd; \$30,000
BABA MAMA (NZ) 2012 by Per Incanto (USA) out of Irish Magic by O'Reilly	Mrs MA Wallace	HKJC Beas River Country Club H. 1200m	2014 Ready To Run Sale; V: Ardsley Stud, P: Mr PL Ho; \$130,000
ATHENA BABY (NZ) 2011 by Swiss Ace (AUS) out of Miscellanea (AUS) by Vettori (IRE)	G Harvey; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Moon Koon H. 1600m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Select Session; V: Westbury Stud, P: John Bell B/stock & Racing; \$90,000

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NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE JUNE 24

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
MR TRY (NZ) 2010 by Thorn Park (AUS) out of Vettori Tycoon by Vettori (IRE)	Mrs F R & Dr M C Vautier; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1700m.	2012 Ready to Run Sale; V: Diamond Lodge, P: Mr Dean Wiles; \$2,000
LAKE HUKA (NZ) 2011 by Guillotine out of Royal Cashel (AUS) by Royal Academy (USA)	Windsor Park Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Kranji S. 1200m.	2013 Ready to Run Sale; V: Windsor Park Stud, P: LK Laxon; \$40,000
MY BROTHERS KEEPER (NZ) 2010 by Handsome Ransom (AUS) out of Mighty Myrtle by O'Reilly	W J Bloodstock Ltd; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m.	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE JUNE 26

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
LET'S TALK NOW (NZ) 2009 by Keeper (AUS) out of Finissima (AUS) by Fasliyev (USA)	G W Carvell; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1200m.	
HEE'S EGO (NZ) 2011 by Tale of the Cat (USA) out of Quatro (AUS) by Rock of Gibraltar (IRE)	Go Bloodstock New Zealand Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1200m.	2012 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: Blandford Lodge, P: New Zealand BStk Ltd; \$24,000 2013 National Yearling Sale - Select Session; V: Phoenix Park, P: DC Ellis; \$100,000
REALLY CAPABLE (NZ) 2012 by Handsome Ransom (AUS) out of Finissima (AUS) by Fasliyev (USA)	G W Carvell; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1400m.	
SPADE OF ACE (NZ) 2012 by Swiss Ace (AUS) out of Political Princess (AUS) by Desert Prince (IRE)	G Harvey; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1200m.	2014 Ready to Run Sale; V: Westbury Stud, P: NZB as agent; \$27,500
PREFERRED (NZ) 2011 by Elusive City (USA) out of My Kindaway by Howbaddouwantit (USA)	Mrs A J M & S T Fraser; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Select Session; V: Maara Grange, P: NZB as agent; \$37,500