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HIGH MODE LANDS INAUGURAL JERICHO CUP



High Mode takes out the inaugural running of the Jericho Cup at Warrnambool.

ew Zealand-bred stayer **High Mode (NZ)** (Redwood) ran out the comfortable winner of the inaugural A\$292,000 Haymes Paint Jericho Cup (4600m) at Warrnambool on Sunday.

The event was established to commemorate the centenary of a race run on the desert sands in Palestine in World War I to divert attention from the Australian Light Horse's charge at Beersheba. The race is restricted to Australian and New Zealand-bred horses. Settled in midfield by rider Clayton Douglas through the first lap of the marathon, High Mode began to inch closer to the leading pack with just on 1600m to run.

Douglas, who had won Warrnambool's famed Grand Annual Steeplechase (5500m) earlier in the year on race-rival Gold Medals (NZ) (Elvstroem), made his move on High Mode approaching the home corner.

The son of Westbury Stud-based stallion Redwood burst



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clear before maintaining a powerful gallop to the finish line to defeat Crafty Cruiser (Good Journey) by three lengths with Havana Haymaker (Teofilo) a further 2-1/2 lengths away third.

High Mode had demonstrated his staying potential with a third-placed finish behind Dornier (Artie Schiller) in the 2017 VRC St Leger (2800m). Trainer Anthony Freedmen sent the five-year-old to Wagga to win over 3800m in August and Sunday's race was the fourth start this preparation.

Douglas, who has been mixing riding over the jumps with the flat now that he has his weight under control, was quick to point out that High Mode had been specifically set for the race.

"We earmarked this horse a long way out for this race," he said. "This prep he's been working a lot better and, to be honest, Anthony's done a terrific job with this horse, he's one of the best trainer's in the country and you can see why.

"The horse was only fourth-up today and he could have gone another lap.

"They went pretty solid early and then The Dominator

took off and made a mid-race move, but I wasn't really worried as I knew my horse would be strong at the end.

"He took the corner at the bottom of the hill really well and saved a bit of ground, so it was really good."

High Mode was purchased by Freedman for \$105,000 out of the Westbury Stud draft at the 2015 edition of the NZB Ready To Run Sale of two-year-olds.

His career record now stands at four wins from 18 starts with over A\$360,000 in prizemoney.

Race	Warrnambool RC Jericho Cup 4600m.
Winner	High Mode (NZ) 2013
Owners	King Lodge Racing, Boyd Bloodstock, East Meets West No 3, Mr L Guzzardi, Mr R N Livy, Mr S J O'Rourke, Mr T Payne
Trainer	Anthony Freedman (Mornington)
Breeding	by Redwood (GB) out of Lalla (GB) by Silver Hawk (USA)
Breeder	Mrs K J & M H Dalgleish
Sales	2015 Ready to Run Sale V: Westbury Stud \$105000 P: Freedman Racing





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RACEDAY EXPERIENCE PAYS WINNING DIVIDEND FOR EXCITING JUVENILE



Probabeel cruises to the line at Ellerslie (Trish Dunell)

xciting two-year-old **Probabeel** (NZ) (Savabeel) gave racegoers a glimpse of her undoubted ability when she blitzed her rivals over 1100m at Ellerslie on Saturday.

Narrowly defeated over 1000m at Te Rapa on debut, the Brendan and Jo Lindsay owned Savabeel filly put that experience to good use to nail her first career victory.

Prepared at Matamata by Jamie Richards, the filly had been confidently tipped to improve over the extra distance of Saturday's contest with one punter outlaying \$20,000 at \$1.55 on the Fixed Odds market shortly before race start.

That confidence did look a little shaky when rider Opie Bosson was seen working on the filly approaching the home turn as she set out after second favourite O'Charm (NZ) (Charm Spirit).

Those worries quickly dissipated as Bosson balanced his mount up, before she extended effortlessly to race clear



for a four and a half-length victory.

"I was a little bit worried turning in as she hit a little bit of a flat spot," Bosson said.

"Once she changed leg and balanced up, she came up underneath me straight away."

Bosson believes the filly is amongst the top juveniles in the Te Akau team although he cautioned that she was currently going through a development phase.

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"She's up there but she's probably just growing a little bit at the moment and going through a developing stage," he said.

"Whatever she does now is just a bonus as I just can't wait for her as a three-year-old."

Trainer Jamie Richards was another to be impressed by the victory.

"It was a bloody good win and she's a pretty exciting filly," he said. "She had trialled really well and probably didn't quite get the rub of the green on debut at Te Rapa. She tried hard and wasn't beaten by much (a head).

"She's a tall filly, with plenty of scope, and doesn't really look like a natural two-year-old, but she possesses an X-factor which means she's capable of doing what some (Continued from page 4)

other horses aren't able to.

"She's a very laidback customer in training, but her work had been good and the side winkers helped her concentration."

The victory continues a winning run with two-year-olds for new Cambridge Stud proprietors Brendan and Jo Lindsay who also race brilliant Snitzel filly Bavella. The Lance Nobletrained Bavella is unbeaten in two runs following her success in the Listed Splice Construction Stakes (1100m) at Pukekohe last weekend.

Bred by Garry Chittick, Probabeel was purchased for \$380,000 by Te Akau Racing boss David Ellis from the Waikato Stud draft during the Book 1 session at the 2018 NZB National Yearling Sale. She is the daughter of stakesplaced Pins mare Far Fetched and from an extended family that includes multiple stakes winners Tootsie (NZ) (Pins) and Legless Veuve (NZ) (Pins). – NZ Racing Desk

Race	ARC Withers & Co Chartered Accountant 2YO Maiden S. 1100m.
Winner	Probabeel (NZ) 2016
Owners	B J Lindsay MNZM & Mrs J E A Lindsay
Trainer	Jamie Richards (Matamata)
Breeding	by Savabeel (AUS) out of Far Fetched by Pins (AUS)
Breeder	G J Chittick; Waikato; NZ
Sales	2018 National Yearling Sale - Book 1 V: Waikato Stud Ltd \$380000 P: DC Ellis



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RICHARDSON RETURNS TO IMPRESSIVE ELLERSLIE WINNER

atamata trainer Graham Richardson didn't have to wait long for his first winner since returning from a short overseas trip when **Suspense (NZ)** (Rip Van Winkle) took out the opening event over 2100m at Ellerslie.

Richardson, who prepares the four-year-old with training partner Gavin Parker, had flown back in to New Zealand in the early hours of Saturday morning.

Any jet-lag that the popular conditioner was feeling was quickly shaken off as the lightly raced Suspense showed admirable staying qualities to forge clear in the run home after disputing the pace for most of the journey.

The victory now qualifies the Rip Van Winkle gelding for the rich Dunstan Feeds Stayers Championship Final (2200m) to be raced at the venue on January 1.

Richardson, who registered his 700th career training victory during the week, was quick to pay tribute to the ride of Trudy Thornton who took the initiative to plant her mount outside the leader after being caught wide from an outside barrier.

"It was a smart ride," he said.

"She went forward when they were going to walk.

"I was thinking 'oh gawd' as he wouldn't settle for a while as he's got a lot to learn.

"He looked as though he would be the first one beaten but he won easily in the end."

Richardson has high regard for his charge as a staying prospect with the Dunstan Final his next assignment.

"He's pretty smart," he said.

"We'll go for the Dunstan hopefully as he will get a start now.

"He probably doesn't need another run between now and then, but we will wait and see."

Richardson also paid tribute to the team at his Matamata stable after reaching the 700-win mark with Paisley Park's (NZ) (Azamour) victory in the last race at Rotorua on Wednesday.

> Trudy Thornton gets promising stayer Suspense home at Ellerslie (Trish Dunell)

"I watched the race (on Wednesday) on the computer with Paul O'Sullivan," he said.

"It was a good result and I was really chuffed for all my staff. "Parksy (Gavin Parker) is doing a great job at home and it continued while I was away."

The victory by Suspense was the highlight of a mixed day for the Richardson/Parker team with race favourite Rocket Fuel (Smart Missile) finishing out of the money in the Listed Trevor Eagle Memorial (1500m), after playing up in the barrier, while Tiptronic (NZ) (O'Reilly) fought well for third in the Gr.3 Eagle Technology Stakes (1600m).

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	ARC Dunstan Feeds Qualifier 2100m.
Winner	Suspense (NZ) 2014
Owners	B Ainsworth, K L Anderson, S M Anderson, C Brugh, P C Dixon, J M Henwood, Mrs M McQuillan, M J W Skilling, D Trubshoe, Uncle & Nieces Syndicate & C M Wilson
Trainer	Graham Richardson & Gavin Parker (Matamata)
Breeding	by Rip Van Winkle (IRE) out of Cerberus by O'Reilly
Breeder	Pencarrow Thoroughbreds Ltd; Waikato; NZ
Sales	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Pencarrow Stud \$110000 P: Richardsonracingconz





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BIGGER TARGETS IN SIGHT FOR STAYER

romising stayer **Shared Secrets** (NZ) (Nadeem) bounced back to winning form at Wanganui on the weekend with an eye-catching display that could result in her contesting some of the better distance features coming up over the summer months.

Successful in the New Zealand St Leger Trial (2100m) at Otaki as a threeyear-old, Shared Secrets has always hinted she could be a potential Cups horse when fully matured.

Now in her five-year-old season, the Mark Oulaghan-trained galloper looks set to repay her trainers faith in her staying ability after producing a gritty performance in the hands of Dylan Turner to take out Saturday's rating 72 2040m contest.

"She's a handy sort of mare that's just taken a while to come to it," Oulaghan said after the victory.

"She was well ridden and I think that counts a bit for it (the win)."

Oulaghan, who bred the Nadeem mare and also shares in her ownership, has adopted a patient approach with his charge who was registering her third career victory at just her 18th start.

With three races under her belt in her current campaign, Oulaghan is now ready to step Shared Secrets up to a bigger challenge at her next run.

"We'll look at something a bit better at her next start," he said.

"That will be a staying race somewhere."



Shared Secrets looks ready to step up to better company after her Wanganui victory (Race Images – Peter Rubery)

Shared Secrets currently holds a nomination for two feature events at Ellerslie, the Dunstan Feeds Stayers Championship Final (2200m) on January 1 and the Gr.1 Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup (3200m) on March 9.

Oulaghan may also look closer to home with races like the Gr.3 Hotel Coachman Manawatu Cup (2100m) at Awapuni on December 22 and Listed Gallagher Marton Cup (2100m), at the same venue on January 5, two possible options.

A win in the Marton Cup would continue a strong family association

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with the race after Shared Secrets' grand-dam, Semper Fidelis (NZ) (Grosvenor), took out the 2002 edition of the race amongst her ten career victories.

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	Wanganui JC Palamountains Recovery H. 2040m.
Winner	Shared Secrets (NZ) 2013
Owners	C K Campbell, R M Cuff, M W Freeman, M K Oulaghan & R D Southey
Trainer	Mark Oulaghan (Awapuni)
Breeding	by Nadeem (AUS) out of Eva Kelly by O'Reilly
Breeder	M K Oulaghan; Central; NZ

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Yearlings By: Proisir (10), Shocking (6), Pentire (5), Jimmy Choux (4), Fastnet Rock, Savabeel, Tavistock, Deep Field, Kermadec, Real Impact, Iffraaj, Headwater, Darci Brahma and Super Easy.

PROISIR: The son of Choisir was a Star Group 1 Australian 3YO for Gai Waterhouse... trainers are thrilled with his first crop 2YO's. **SHOCKING:** Dual Group 1 Winning son of Street Cry... Proven Young Group 1 Sire with **13** Stakes Performers already from first crops to race.



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NZ STALLION AWARDS

THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$5,415,889
O'REILLY	\$3,027,652
DARCI BRAHMA	\$2,441,214
PINS	\$1,781,367
TAVISTOCK	\$1,746,938
PER INCANTO	\$1,700,454
THORN PARK	\$1,605,856
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$1,574,196
SWISS ACE	\$1,517,582
ROAD TO ROCK	\$1,336,945
Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived p	rogeny have accumulated the

Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the highest stakes earnings worldwide

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	
SAVABEEL	\$3,098,286	
O'REILLY	\$1,773,684	
PINS	\$1,271,812	
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$1,107,835	
TAVISTOCK	\$1,001,735	
DARCI BRAHMA	\$981,712	
REDWOOD	\$914,580	
IFFRAAJ	\$803,726	
GALLANT GURU	\$785,355	
PER INCANTO	\$746,816	
Criteria: Sire whose progeny have accumulated the highest		

combined stakes earnings in Australia & New Zealand

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$1,055,200	SAVVY COUP	\$201,250
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$651,335	TE AKAU SHARK	\$196,875
PINS	\$636,712	MADISON COUNTY	\$380,250
DARCI BRAHMA	\$581,005	REMINGTON	\$52,185
PER INCANTO	\$563,206	MAUNA KEA	\$60,525
IFFRAAJ	\$534,526	MELT	\$83,376
ZED	\$504,333	PERRY MASON	\$66,875
TAVISTOCK	\$440,050	DONNA ANNE BILLY	\$57,250
SHOWCASING	\$414,000	XPRESSION	\$92,000
SWISS ACE	\$365,402	JULIUS	\$48,875

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand



NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG NOVEMBER 28

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
FLYING QUEST (NZ) 2012 by Alamosa out of Enchant by Pentire (GB)	S K K Goh	HKJC Ferniehirst H. 1800	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN **HONG KONG** DECEMBER 2

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
EVER STRONG (NZ) 2013 by Savabeel (AUS) out of Fire Song by Senor Pete (USA)	P Webb	HKJC Hankow H. 1200m.	2015 Ready To Run Sale V: Diamond Lodge \$250000 P: Mr M Man
HANG'S DECISION (NZ) 2011 by Postponed (USA) out of Bislieri (AUS) by Encosta de Lago (AUS)	G Harvey	HKJC Mody H. 1650m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Westbury Stud \$55000 P: Sanders Racing

NZ BRED WINNERS IN **SINGAPORE** NOVEMBER 30

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
DARC BOUNTY (NZ) 2013 by Darci Brahma out	A W; Mrs V A & W	Singapore TC Kranji	2015 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale V:
of Miss Elusive (AUS) by Elusive Quality (USA)	K Pike	S. 1000m.	Longlands Stud \$100000 P: CS Chen

NZ BRED WINNERS IN **SINGAPORE** DECEMBER 2

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
SATELLITE STAR (NZ) 2012 by Buffalo Man (CAN) out of Dramatic Duchess by Drama Critic (USA)	Mrs S A Parvin & M J Springford	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1200m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale V: Totara Park Stud \$3500 P: DR Wiles
DREAMER LEGEND (NZ) 2011 by Any Suggestion (AUS) out of Digital Image by Pins (AUS)	Hallmark Stud Ltd & A K Roberts	Singapore TC Kranji S. 1600m.	2012 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale V: Hallmark Stud \$3500 P: New Zealand BStk Ltd

NZ BRED WINNERS IN MACAU NOVEMBER 30

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
STADIUM (NZ) 2013 by Redwood (GB) out of Concert Girl (AUS) by Danehill Dancer (IRE)	G Harvey	Macau Morphetville H. 1050m.	

