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ARETHA DOUBLES THE DELIGHT FOR WINDSOR PARK STUD

aturday's victory by **Aretha (NZ)** (Charm Spirit) in the Gr.2 J Swap Contractors Ltd Matamata Breeders' Stakes (1200m) brought double delight for well-known Cambridge-based breeding operation Windsor Park Stud.

The victory carried dual significance for Windsor Park as the Murray Baker & Andrew Forsman-trained filly became both the first Southern Hemisphere winner for shuttle stallion, Charm Spirit as well as his first at stakes level in this part of the world.

Aretha is from the first New Zealand crop of the son of Invincible Spirit, who has enjoyed a dream start to his stud career in the Northern Hemisphere where he was rated the equal-leading European first crop sire in 2018.

The victory came just hours after another Windsor Park stallion, Shamexpress produced his third stakes winner when unheralded filly Embrace Me (NZ) took out the Gr.3 Typhoon Tracy Stakes (1200m) at Moonee Valley on Friday night.

"It was certainly a magic 24 hours and hugely exciting for us," Windsor Park Stud Manager Rodney Schick said.

"We have a really great bunch of young stallions who are just starting to kick goals so there is plenty to look forward to.

"I think what was most satisfying with Aretha winning was that her owner, Greg McCarthy, has been a long-time client of the Stud, so to be able to secure a real milestone for Charm Spirit with Greg being involved is just great."

Schick believes the win by Aretha is just another component to the momentum that Charm Spirit has built up since commencing duties at Windsor Park.

"He really has had a great start with good books of mares and some great results at the sales," he said.

"He was very well supported again this year with another solid book while his results at Karaka were very pleasing.

"Importantly he seems to be well sought after by the

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Two-year-old filly Aretha became the first Southern Hemisphere winner for Windsor Park shuttle stallion, Charm Spirit on the weekend (Trish Dunell)



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Australian market.

"He had a sensational result at the Gold Coast yearling sale where he averaged \$237,000.

"Australia is such a vital market for our Industry that we need to be kicking goals there so that type of result is just fantastic. "Combine that with the win by Embrace Me, which just backs up what Shamexpress has been doing to date and it was a very big weekend for us."

- NZ Racing Desk

NEWS IN BRIEF

Long Leaf one of three Lindsay Park Guineas chances

Lindsay Park will have a three-pronged attack on the Australian Guineas (1600m) as it looks to break a losing streak in the Group One race.

Amphitrite (Sebring), Hawkshot (Fiorente) and **Long Leaf** (Fastnet Rock) will represent the stable in the 1600m-race for three-year-olds at Flemington this Saturday, a race they haven't won since 2007.

New Zealand Bloodstock National Yearling Sale graduate, Long Leaf, will be having his first run since securing the Karaka Million 3YO Classic (1600m) last month, with Hayes indicating the the stable had followed a similar routine which led to his Ellerslie win and had kept



him fresh.

"He won a million-dollar race last start and he shouldn't be forgotten about," Hayes said.

"He went back to the farm and his gallop was brilliant on Thursday.

"We've given him a similar preparation as to what we did going into the race at Ellerslie. It worked there, so hopefully he'll run well here."

Long Leaf (\$51) is the outsider of the trio with Amphitrite (\$5) and Hawkshot (\$6) well fancied behind \$4.80 favourite Mystic Journey (Needs Further).

Long Leaf wins the Karaka Million 3YO Classic at Ellerslie (Trish Dunell)



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PLATINUM INVADOR WALKS DERBY TIGHTROPE

n eleventh-hour bid to secure a spot in the Gr.1 Vodafone New Zealand Derby (2400m) went to plan at Otaki on Saturday when rugged three-year-old **Platinum Invador (NZ)** (Redwood) took out the last race on the day.

An interrupted run in last week's Gr.2 Avondale Guineas (2100m) saw the Lisa Latta-trained gelding finish unplaced and languishing in 22nd place on the order of entry for the Ellerslie blue riband event that will be run on March 2.

With entry to the 18-horse Derby field based on stakes earned it left the connections of Platinum Invador no option but to try to improve his position up the ladder with a win at Otaki.

A heady ride by Chris Johnson saw Platinum Invador weave a course between runners in the home straight to earn a comfortable victory and, importantly, secure a valuable \$15,625 injection to his career earnings.

That lifted the Redwood three-year-old into 19th place on the order of entry, just one spot away from a guaranteed Derby start.

Latta was philosophical about the position she now finds herself in with Platinum Invador who is looking to join stablemates Sir Nate (NZ) (Nadeem) and Lincoln Falls (NZ) (Dundeel) in the Ellerslie feature.

"It's really in the lap of the gods now," Latta said.

"We've done all we can and it would be good to get a start with him as I think we have all seen he is very much a genuine stayer and will be suited by the 2400m of the Derby.

"It's not ideal that we might have to race three weeks in a row, but he has pulled up well and if he can make the final field, I think he will acquit himself well."

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Platinum Invador wins at Otaki to boost his chances for a start in the Gr.1 Vodafone Derby at Ellerslie this weekend (Race Images, Peter Rubery)





PLATINUM INVADOR WALKS DERBY TIGHTROPE

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Latta is pleased with her two guaranteed Derby runners who have taken contrasting paths to the event.

"Sir Nate worked really well at home on Saturday morning and I'm very pleased with him," she said.

"He had a decent break after running third in the 2000 Guineas (Gr.1 1600m) and has steadily improved in his three starts since then.

"He was running on nicely in the Avondale Guineas and will be at peak fitness for the Derby. He is a classy customer who has performed well at the top level so he would have to be a big chance."

Lightly raced Dundeel colt Lincoln Falls has also pleased Latta after not enjoying the best of racing luck in his most recent starts which include a promising fifth in the Gr.2 Waikato Guineas (2000m) at Te Rapa.

"I think we have learnt a lot with Lincoln Falls in his last two runs," she said.

"He has a very good sprint at the end of his races, but we have probably been guilty of riding him a little too far back.

"The track was funny at Te Rapa last time and he made up

really good ground in a race that was dominated by those on the pace.

"If we can draw a good barrier in the Derby and he can find a forward position then I think he could surprise a few people.

"I guess that will be the same for everyone as barrier draws are key in these types of races. A little rain wouldn't hurt as well, especially for Sir Nate, but we will just have to see how it all pans out and just play the cards we are dealt."

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	Otaki Maori RC Vets on Riverbank 2100m.
Winner	Platinum Invador (NZ) 2015
Owners	N J McAlister & Lincoln Farms Bloodstock Ltd
Trainer	Lisa Latta (Awapuni)
Breeding	by Redwood (GB) out of Atomic Dancer (AUS) by Danehill Dancer (IRE)
Breeder	C Stewart; Auckland; NZ
Sales	2017 National Yearling Sale - Festival V: Westbury Stud \$25000 P: Lisa Latta Racing







GUINEAS TARGET FOR UNBEATEN FILLY

rainer Allan Sharrock will lift his sights with promising three-year-old **Our Hail Mary (NZ)** (Ocean Park) after she maintained her unbeaten record with a comprehensive victory over 1200m at Otaki on Saturday.

The Ocean Park filly had looked above average when sweeping to victory over 1100m on her home patch at New Plymouth last month and maintained that impression with another outstanding performance on the weekend.

Settled near last by rider Dylan Turner, Our Hail Mary eased to the outer at the 600m before moving around the field to join issue shortly after commencing the run home. The filly found plenty over the last

100m to draw clear of her rivals as she scored by a neat length from Floral Belt (NZ) (Pins), who chased her hard all the way home

Sharrock was taken by the performance of the filly who is from Ekraar mare Repenting, a full sister to his multiple Group One winner, Shez Sinsational (NZ) (Ekraar).

"That was terrific although she really is a 2000m filly," he said.

"She's out of a full sister to Shez Sinsational and I think she is a really really nice horse."

Sharrock, who outlaid \$35,000 for the filly when purchasing her out of the Cambridge Stud draft at the 2017 National Yearling Sale, believes she has what it takes to compete at a higher



Our Hail Mary retains her unbeaten record with a comprehensive victory on the weekend (Race Images, Peter Rubery)

level when she steps up in distance.

"I think I stole her," he said

"She is looking for ground now as she was off the bridle at the 700m, probably a little bit sloppy in the ground, but she was tenacious.

"I think the Wellington Guineas is coming up so we could be looking at that as she is a very good horse."

The Gr.2 Norwood Family Wellington Guineas (1400m) is one of the feature events at Trentham on March 16.

Sharrock looks likely to have another feature contender running at Trentham that day with Reliable Man three-year-old filly Schist (NZ) enhancing her prospects for the Gr.1 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai New Zealand Oaks (2400m) when closing off strongly for second over 2100m behind Platinum Invador in the last race of the day.

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	Otaki Maori RC Cavallo Farm S. 1200m.
Winner	Our Hail Mary (NZ) 2015
Owners	S A Sharrock, K M Fleming, T F Fleming & B L Fleming
Trainer	Allan Sharrock (New Plymouth)
Breeding	by Ocean Park out of Repenting by Ekraar (USA)
Breeder	Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan; Waikato; NZ
Sales	2017 National Yearling Sale - Premier V: Cambridge Stud \$35000 P: SA Sharrock



NZ STALLION AWARDS

THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	
SAVABEEL	\$10,163,754	
ROAD TO ROCK	\$6,468,804	
DARCI BRAHMA	\$5,269,779	
O'REILLY	\$4,711,666	
PINS	\$4,124,924	
PER INCANTO	\$3,370,424	
TAVISTOCK	\$3,170,306	
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$2,916,100	
OCEAN PARK	\$2,630,953	
SWISS ACE	\$2,566,637	
Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the highest stakes earnings worldwide		

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$6,065,109
O'REILLY	\$2,701,952
PINS	\$2,470,987
TAVISTOCK	\$1,714,925
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$1,658,620
DARCI BRAHMA	\$1,635,057
PER INCANTO	\$1,584,839
OCEAN PARK	\$1,570,445
RELIABLE MAN	\$1,304,190
IFFRAAJ	\$1,256,908

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

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$3,029,928
PINS	\$1,380,232
PER INCANTO	\$1,362,299
DARCI BRAHMA	\$1,060,955
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$934,855
IFFRAAJ	\$922,363
SHOWCASING	\$883,787
O'REILLY	\$808,886
ALAMOSA	\$791,040
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$788,157

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
PROBABEEL	\$581,000
MADISON COUNTY	\$576,625
SANTA MONICA	\$183,250
DEE AND GEE	\$95,625
TE AKAU SHARK	\$196,875
WYNDSPELLE	\$141,625
XPRESSION	\$94,500
TIPTRONIC	\$107,200
ON THE ROCKS	\$305,325
DANZDANZDANCE	\$291,000

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand





NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG FEBRUARY 20

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
TRENDIFUL (NZ) 2010 by Sandtrap (USA) out of Allaboutme by Al Akbar (AUS)	Grangewilliam Stud Ltd	HKJC Fanling H. 1200m.	2012 National Yearling Sale - Festival Session V: Grangewilliam Stud \$16000 P: R R BStk
MERRYGOWIN (NZ) 2012 by Castledale (Ire) out of Sweet Fascination (AUS) by Irgun (USA)	C J & Mrs K B Webber	HKJC Rotary Centenary Challenge H. 1650m.	Gavelhouse 2016 April Sale V: Mr WD Larsen \$68000 P: Merry-Go-Lucky Syndicate

NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG FEBRUARY 24

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
FLYING NOBLE (NZ) 2013 by Ekraar (USA) out of Keeperinthemyst by Keeper (AUS)	B W & K W Hawtin; J S & K J McAllister; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Butterfly H. 1400m.	
TIME TO CELEBRATE (NZ) 2013 by Per Incanto (USA) out of Silver Cent by Centaine (AUS)	M McSweeney; NZ	HKJC Fu Tai H. 1600m.	2015 South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale V: Berkley Stud \$82500 P: Shailer T/breds
VOYAGE STAR (NZ) 2015 by Guillotine out of Next Century by Stravinsky (USA)	Windsor Park Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Lung Yat H. 1200m.	2017 Ready to Run Sale V: Windsor Park Stud \$130000 P: ABC B/stock
TIANCHI MONSTER (HK) Formidable (NZ) 2014 by Shocking (AUS) out of Princess Biscotte (AUS) by Casino Prince (AUS)	C C E; Mrs C F; Mrs I S & J W Thompson; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Tai Hing H. 2000m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Rich Hill Stud \$39000 P: KRD Racing

NZ BRED WINNERS IN **SINGAPORE** FEBRUARY 33

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
STAY THE COURSE (NZ) 2015 by Epaulette (AUS) out of Z'Honor by Zabeel	T R & Mrs V M Pascoe; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Manulife Cup 1400m.	2016 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale V: Esker Lodge \$95000 P: Wattle Grove T/ breds
DARK NECESSITIES (NZ) 2014 by Pins (AUS) out of Sparkling by O'Reilly	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Cancham Cup 1000m.	
STAR EMPEROR (SIN) Stealth Giant (NZ) 2013 by Red Giant (USA) out of Lotta Luv by Dubawi (Ire)	C J & Mrs K B Webber; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Canada Cup 1200m.	



NZ BRED WINNERS IN MACAU FEBRUARY 22

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
RIVER DOUBLE (NZ) 2013 by Red Giant (USA) out of De World Cup (AUS) by Dehere (USA)	Lockyer Thoroughbreds; Waikato; NZ	Macau Clydebank H. 1350m.	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN MACAU FEBRUARY 23

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
PEARL LUCKY (NZ) 2014 by Red Giant (USA) out of Crystal Hill (AUS) by Danehill (USA)	G Harvey; Auckland;	Macau Tsimshatsui	2016 Ready to Run Sale V: Westbury Stud
	NZ	H. 1500m.	\$24000 P: Stanley Chin Stable
RIVER COLOUR (NZ) 2011 by El Hermano out of	H G W & Mrs K L	Macau Shatin H.	
Golans Lass by Golan (IRE)	McQuade	1800m.	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN MALAYSIA FEBRUARY 23

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
RED RACKHAM (NZ) 2012 by Onceuponatime out of Easy Way by Casual Lies (USA)	Miss D L Williamson	Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1100	
WHAT (NZ) 2014 by Ocean Park out of Howmuchyacharging by Howbaddouwantit (USA)	Fairdale & Goodwood Studs	Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1100	2016 Ready To Run Sale V: Archer Park \$16000 P: Anna Scott Holdings Sdn Bhd
WAR DRAGON (NZ) 2014 by Battle Paint (USA) out of Jabot by Green Perfume (USA)	Chequers N.Z. Ltd	Selangor TC Class 3 H. 1200	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN MALAYSIA FEBRUARY 24

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
BRISTOL DIAMOND (NZ) 2012 by Sakhees Secret (GB) out of Sparkling Promise (GB) by Wolfhound (USA)	Llanhennock Trust	Perak TC Class 5 H. 1400	2014 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Wentwood Grange \$22500 P: Mr MA McLean
NOVA WARRIOR (MLY) Lucky Baci (NZ) 2011 by Bachelor Duke (USA) out of Muppy (AUS) by Snaadee (USA)	Mrs B L & Dr P V Rattray	Perak TC Class 4 H. 1100	2013 National Yearling Sale – Festival Sale V: Esker Lodge \$11000 P: Makaraka Horse Company
TOTALITY (NZ) 2008 by Danroad (AUS) out of Brindillemousse (AUS) by Last Tycoon (IRE)	Collins Bloodstock Ltd, Highview Stud Ltd & J S Ospray	Perak TC Class 5 H. 1200	
ARCHER COMPANY (NZ) 2012 by Darci Brahma out of Magical Moment (GB) by Sadlers Wells (USA)	P J & P M Vela Ltd	Perak TC Class 5 H. 1200	2014 Ready To Run Sale V: Mana Park \$50000 P: Red Hare Bloodstock

