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WADDELL RELISHING CHANCE TO RIDE MELODY BELLE



Top quality mare Melody Belle will have to overcome a wide barrier to capture her third Group One title this season

Confidence levels set at extreme, ace jockey Jason Waddell got just the boost he was looking for when the field was released for Saturday's Gr.1 JR & N Berkett Telegraph (1200m) at Trentham.

Booked for \$1.90 pre-barrier draw favourite **Melody Belle (NZ)** (Commands), Waddell looked to the top of the Telegraph field and saw barrier three.

A perfect draw for Melody Belle.

Only problem was that the horse at the top of the book was Enzo's Lad (Testa Rossa) not Melody Belle, who was listed immediately below alongside the horror barrier of 18.

"I'd gone through my other draws and saw I'd drawn wide in the other feature races and the worst thing was I thought

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Melody Belle was going to be number one. I saw barrier three and thought 'great' but then saw it was Enzo's Lad," said Waddell, whose mounts have drawn 14 or wider in all four stakes races on Saturday.

"Before the barrier draw, I thought she was the closest to a sure thing I'd ever ridden in a Group One. It was a sit-and-steer job before barrier draws came out. The draw doesn't make things easy, but it will make it more satisfying if she can win."

Eased slightly to \$2.20, the Jamie Richards-trained Melody Belle remains a dominant favourite and Waddell is excited to ride her on Saturday.

Asked how he rated the Commands mare's last-start placing in the Gr.1 Railway (1200m) at Ellerslie from a similarly wide barrier, Waddell replied: "Incredible."

"I've been in awe of her since she beat me on Julius in the Foxbridge Plate (Gr.2, 1200m).

"She's one of the most genuine mares racing in New Zealand probably since Seachange. I'm really looking forward to riding her."

Waddell will formulate plans to combat Melody Belle's wide draw but won't be single-minded about how he rides her.

"I can't control the barrier draws but I can control how I prepare going into the race and how I prepare to give her the best chance of winning," he said.

"I'll have three or four ideas, but I won't put anything in place really until I see how the track is playing. If it's playing like it did last Saturday or like it did on Telegraph day last year, it's going to be near impossible to come down the outside and win.

"But if they can get out to the middle of the track and they're winning from there, I just need to get her comfortable in running and in a position where she's able to sprint over the top of them.

"I can't see myself being closer than four off the fence but hopefully something else is four deep and can give me a track into it."

A winner of the Gr.1 Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes (1400m) at Awapuni at two, Melody Belle is shooting for her third Group One win this season after earlier victories in the Tarzino Trophy (1400m) and Windsor Park Plate (1600m) at Hastings in September.

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RAMAGE LOOKING FOR NEXT CHAMPION AT KARAKA 2019

The desire to buy yet another world-class equine athlete will see seasoned Australian-based Bloodstock Agent, Duncan Ramage return to New Zealand Bloodstock's Karaka Sales Complex for the 2019 edition of the annual National Yearling Sale series next week.

Ramage has been coming to Karaka since the early 1990's and uses a simple philosophy in his buying process.

"As always, we hope to find the individuals that develop and mature into the fast race horses," he said.

"If you do your homework, have a good look and be creative in your thoughts, they are there."

Ramage will arrive four days out from the opening sale session and will cast his eye over a wide array of individuals that he has ear-marked in the Book 1 catalogue.

"We used to do all the parades leading into the sale for years but I decided that was unfair on the horses," he said.

"I found it is better judging them all within a few days rather than having an impression of one from three weeks ago.

"At a January sale they are still very much babies and one to two months is a big portion of their life in that time, so I've given that away."

Ramage remembers all-too-well one of his first forays to Karaka back in 1994 as he returned home with an upstanding Kaapstad youngster who, under the name Catalan Opening (NZ), went on to win twice at Group One level in Australia while also capturing the prestigious Hong Kong Bowl at Sha Tin.

Since then Ramage has never missed a Sale with some of his most notable purchases including multiple Group One winners So You Think (NZ) and Norzita (NZ) along with tough-as-teak stayer Precedence (NZ).

Along with the (NZ) moniker behind the name of each individual, denoting them as New Zealand-bred, each of those three carried the unmistakable racing colours of leviathan owner, Dato Tan Chin Nam and were trained by the master, Bart Cummings.

Ramage has been heavily involved in sourcing horses for the wealthy Malaysian entrepreneur over many decades and that will continue even after his passing in October last year.

"I bought Catalan Opening for Dato Tan Chin Nam in one of my first sales at Karaka," Ramage said.

"We had many many great years buying for him.

"With Dato's passing his horses now race under the Think Big Stud banner, which is a company.

"That company has a budget to continue racing although it probably won't race in the expansive nature as he once did, but we will be more selective with a smaller pool of horses going forward."

While Ramage will continue to buy for the Think Big Stud operation he is also quick to welcome other potential clients.

"My shingle will be out, I'm a gun for hire," he quipped.

Ramage is also looking forward to getting back to New Zealand and the Karaka environment which he describes as world-class.

"It's still the best sale-ground and the hospitality is second to none," he said. – NZ Racing Desk



Bloodstock Agent Duncan Ramage





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KNIGHT HOPES LIGHTNING STRIKES TWICE WITH SWEYNESSE FIRST CROP

Novara Park manager Ray Knight hopes lightning will strike twice when the first yearlings by **Sweynesse** go through the sale ring during Karaka 2019.

Knight, who manages the fledgling Cambridge farm for Luigi Muollo, has fond memories of the 2017 edition of the sale. Novara Park's ill-fated foundation stallion Jakkalberry was a headline act with his first crop, selling 12 yearlings for a total of more than \$950,000 including a \$440,000 price tag for a half-brother to Efficient.

"I don't know if we'll be able to hit those sorts of heights again, but I guess you never know," Knight said. "We didn't really expect to have those results with Jakkalberry's first yearlings either."

Sweynesse is by Lonhro out of the Singspiel mare Swansea, making him a half-brother to the Group Three winner and Group One-placed Rimraam.

Carrying the all-blue colours of Godolphin, Sweynesse won four of his 13 starts including the Gr. 3 Gloaming Stakes and Spring Stakes. He also ran second in the Gr. 1 Randwick Guineas and third in the Gr. 3 Spring Champion Stakes.

"It's always an exciting time when a stallion has his first yearlings going through the ring," Knight said. "Sweynesse is a lovely horse. He was a very good racehorse who we never saw the best of, and historically New Zealand breeders have done very well with this sort of horse."

There are five yearlings in the Karaka Book 1 catalogue, with 10 in Book 2 and



Novara Park resident stallion Sweynesse eight in Book 3.

Novara Park will offer just four of those, with Sweynesse yearlings also featuring in the drafts of Windsor Park Stud, Wentwood Grange, Nala Park, Leanach Lodge, Kilgravin Lodge, Ralph Thoroughbreds, Mapperley Stud, Brighthill Farm, Bradbury Park, Highfield Grange, Westend Partnership, Cambria Park, Sedgmere Farm and Grangewilliam Stud.

"The feedback from other vendors has been terrific, and that's how it's been every step of the way with this stallion," Knight said. "It dates right back to when his first foals arrived."

"He's had consistently strong support and good books of mares, and many of those are mares who have returned to him after breeders have seen the quality of foals he's produced.

It's very encouraging."

Overall, Knight is upbeat in the countdown to Karaka 2019, although he acknowledges the industry uncertainty that was clearly felt by vendors at the recent Ready to Run Sale.

"It's always an exciting time of year, and with a quality draft of yearlings heading towards the sale we have good reason to be excited," he said.

"But on the other hand, there's a bit of apprehension as we all wait to see what happens with the New Zealand industry.

"I think that what the industry really needs is confidence. Once a few things are in place and we see some signs of positive change, I'm sure everything will rebound quite quickly."

– The Informant





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CAMBRIDGE STUD LAUNCHES HORSE PASSPORT FOR INCREASED BUYER CONFIDENCE

Cambridge Stud is set to champion the cause for increased buyer confidence at New Zealand Bloodstock's upcoming Karaka Book One Sale.

As the first New Zealand vendor to adopt the revolutionary technology, Cambridge Stud has launched a comprehensive yearling information service called Horse Passport on its new website www.cambridgestud.co.nz.

"The importance of this passport is that not only does it enable complete transparency, but it also makes life a lot easier for potential buyers through having all the information they need in one place," said Cambridge Stud CEO, Henry Plumptre.

"Buyers can go to our website and find information on each yearling such as current owner, breeder, horse history, a custom research pedigree that Cambridge Stud has commissioned from Arion Pedigrees, photos, videos and pedigree updates, along with x-ray and scope reports by highly respected veterinarians Rob Hitchcock and Chris Lawler.

"Our goal quite simply is to enable buyers to buy from Cambridge Stud with confidence."

The Horse Passport has been created by Vicky Leonard and was adopted in Australia by Bhima Thoroughbreds at last week's Magic Millions Gold Coast Sale, where the benefits

for syndicators, trainers and fellow buyers were immediately evident.

"By having this information readily available, syndicators and trainers will be able to on-sell yearlings purchased more efficiently and at no extra cost to them. Traditionally, to be compliant to on-sell they have had to obtain Vet Certificates and reports after the sale, but now with the click of a button, Cambridge Stud will be able to supply this information to them," explained Plumptre.

The merits of this innovative template were quickly appreciated by Cambridge Stud's new owners Brendan and Jo Lindsay.

"Our 2019 Book One draft is our very first yearling consignment as the owners of Cambridge Stud. It's a new era for the stud and improving the information access for the 56 yearlings we are offering is very much an innovation we wish to adopt," said Brendan Lindsay.

"Transparency is so important to buyers and by using the Horse Passport, we can provide potential buyers with not only increased confidence but with a convenient and time-saving vital information service as well."



Lot 122 Iffraaj ex Katie Lee colt



Lot 67 Redoute's Choice ex Griante colt



NEWS IN BRIEF



More Wonder (NZ) (Mossman)

Rogerson hoping for more fortune with More Wonder

Trainer Graeme Rogerson is hoping for better luck at Trentham on Saturday with tough three-year-old **More Wonder (NZ)** (Mossman) set to take his place in the Gr.1 Harcourts Thorndon Mile (1600m).

More Wonder, whom Rogerson trains in partnership with wife Debbie and granddaughter Bailey, finished a luckless fourth in last Saturday's Gr.1 Levin Classic (1600m) won by Madison County (NZ) (Pins) after being held up significantly in the home straight.

Sam Collett will take the reins this weekend, with Rogerson disappointed with the ride of Lisa Allpress in the Levin Classic and he is adamant his charge should have won. [Full story here](#)

Group One homecoming for True Excelsior

Connections of New Zealand-bred stakes performer **True Excelsior (NZ)** (Exceed and Excel) are hoping a return to her homeland will result in the addition of a valuable Group One victory to her record.

The Leon and Troy Corstens-trained mare will line-up in the Gr.1 JR & N Berkett Telegraph (1200m) at Trentham on Saturday and her Melbourne-based conditioners said

they are pleased with her ahead of her first New Zealand assignment.

"She travelled over very well, she looks well and is coming along really nicely," Leon Corstens said. [Full story here](#)



Excalibur (NZ) (Tavistock)

Advice could reap Wellington Cup success

Success in Saturday's Gr.3 NZ Campus of Innovation & Sport Wellington Cup (3200m) at Trentham would be the ultimate payoff for a bit of friendly advice between friends several years ago.

Leading jockey Jason Waddell was keeping himself busy and building fitness for a return to race-riding at the time and was one of the busiest jockeys at the breeze-up session for the 2015 New Zealand Bloodstock Ready To Run Sale of 2yos.

In reviewing the breeze-up footage, Cambridge trainer Shaune Ritchie noticed that Waddell was aboard several of the two-year-olds he liked and decided to approach the jockey and ask his thoughts. [Full story here](#)

Moore camp happy with Beauty Generation's final Stewards' Cup gallop

Three men and their cameras faced the cold breeze that nipped along Sha Tin's backstretch at 7.31am on Thursday morning, all to capture on file **Beauty Generation's**



Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road To Rock)

(NZ) (Road To Rock) final gallop before Sunday's Gr.1 Stewards' Cup (1600m).

As workouts go, it looked good enough: not obviously exuberant, not blow-me-down sensational, but most certainly the display of a horse in peak form,

"It's the first time Romain (Clavreul), who rides him every morning, has been on him out on the grass and he just said he felt amazing," Moore said after his "French riding boy" had delivered an entirely upbeat post-gallop assessment.

"He said he doesn't know where he gets all this energy from," Moore continued, "the horse just feels so good. He loves what he's doing; he's thriving and maybe getting better; he's such a competitor."

Beauty Generation started his workout at the 1800m point and galloped 800m in an easy 53.9s (28.3, 25.6) before slowing into the turn and easing down to a walk for his return along the dirt track's back side.

"That's how we want him going into another Group One race," the trainer said. "He's going into the race in perfect shape, if not better than he's ever been. He's relaxed in his work, he's a happy horse and we couldn't be happier."

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Sir Plush strikes gold in Gosford Cup

Sir Plush (NZ) (Pins) could well have been running in Gosford's feature sprint, the Listed Takeover Target Stakes (1200m), but trainer Bjorn Baker's bold decision to try him over ground has paid off with victory in the Gold Cup.

The winner of seven races between 1100 and 1400 metres, Sir Plush stepped out in Thursday's Listed Gosford Gold Cup (2100m) as an \$8 chance.

Mindful it was Sir Plush's first attempt beyond 1600m, Glyn Schofield kept him comfortable before unleashing him in the final stages to claim Satono Rasen (Deep Impact) by a half head.

"I got a lovely run and the speed was on," Schofield told Sky Thoroughbred Central.

"I just wanted to put him to sleep to make sure he would run the trip and when the pressure came on at about the 600 metres, I didn't want to go at that stage.

"I wanted to bide my time on a horse having his first go at the trip and he did it well."

Sir Plush becomes the 80th stakes winner for the late Waikato Stud stallion Pins, who will be represented by 27 yearlings across Books 1,2 &3 at Karaka this year.

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Oceanex (NZ) (Ocean Park)

Oceanex to relish distance rise

Apprentice Lachie King will link with Mick Price's in-form filly **Oceanex (NZ)** (Ocean Park) at Flemington on Saturday.

The daughter of Ocean Park has started her career with two wins and two placings and is the favourite for Saturday's Flemington Event Staff Handicap (2000m) following an impressive last-start victory over a mile at The Valley.

"I've been getting a lot of support from Mick Price and am very fortunate to be able to take the steer on a filly going places," King said.

"It looks a winnable race for her, obviously she's quite progressive and every time she's going out I think she's getting better and better and I think Saturday we'll see the best of her."

The three year-old impressed when hitting the line strongly on December 29 and King thinks the step out in trip to 10 furlongs will suit her perfectly.

A tilt at Saturday week's Karaka Million 3YO Classic (1600m) at Ellerslie was being considered for Oceanex, but connections have opted to keep her closer to home, with the Gr.1 Vinery Stud Stakes (2000m) the long-range target.

Waikato Stud stallion Ocean Park has been represented by a host of winners in recent months, with the Mick Price-trained son of Ocean Park, Senrima Tide (NZ) also successful at Sandown on Wednesday.

'Switched on' Lady Cuvee makes her mark

Chris Waller always knew **Lady Cuvee's (NZ)** (Savabeel) pedigree would count for something despite the filly making an inauspicious start to her racing career.

But for all of his mastery as a trainer, not even Waller was sure if the three-year-old was ready to do what she did at Warwick Farm on Wednesday.

The outsider of Waller's four runners in the Events By ATC Handicap, Lady Cuvee overwhelmed her rivals in the 1400m race.

She came from the second half of the field to beat stable companion Savigne (NZ) (Ocean Park) by a length in a performance that Waller expects to hold her in good stead as the distances get longer.

"She's a well-bred filly by Savabeel so you would expect her to start switching on about now," he said.

"That was about the only real positive thing we could take into today but give them their opportunity and they'll run well."

NZ-bred hits milestone

A Wednesday night win at Happy Valley put **Clement Legend (NZ)** (Ocean Park) in an elite group of horses who can lay claim to winning four consecutive races this season.

Only Beauty Generation (NZ) (Road To Rock), who contests Sunday's Gr.1 Steward's Cup (1600m), and Elusive State (All American), who is on a path to Dubai, have achieved the same feat.

The Danny Shum-trained Clement Legend was declared the winner in a tight three-way finish and despite the win will now be

targeted at daytime racing.

"He was a little bit cautious under the lights," Shum told the South China Morning Post.

"Hopefully next time I can run him on January 27 in a Class Four over 2000m. I just need to see how he pulls up over the next few days and we'll decide. I think he can win in Class Four again. He shouldn't go up too many points for that."

The son of Ocean Park was sold out of Blandford Lodge's 2016 New Zealand Bloodstock Yearling draft and the Matamata farm will offer a half-sister by Savabeel at Karaka later this month as lot 427.



Te Akau Shark (NZ) (Rip Van Winkle)

Shark nearing return

One of New Zealand's most talked about gallopers **Te Akau Shark (NZ)** (Rip Van Winkle) is building towards autumn assignments and holds a nomination for the A\$5 million All Star Mile (1600m) at Flemington on March 16, but is more likely to target the Gr.1 Doncaster Mile (1600m) at Randwick on April 4.

The Jamie Richards-trained four-year-old has been beaten only once in his six-start career and demolished his rivals when winning the Gr.2 Coupland's Bakeries Mile (1600m) last November.

"He's going to trial in two or three weeks' time in early February and then we are going to make some decisions on what he is doing," Te Akau principal David Ellis said.

"We are almost certain to have the Doncaster as his main aim this year. We like to win a good handicap race with our horses before we go weight-for-age. Then he might back up in the Queen Elizabeth (Gr.1, 2000m) later on in the carnival."

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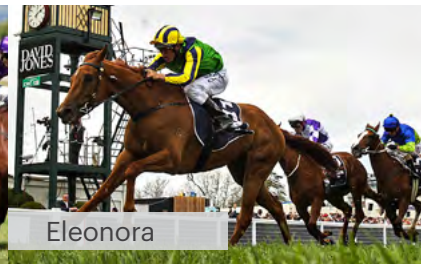
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368	b	Pins (AUS)	Salkantay (NZ)
575	b	Dundeel (NZ)	Arpeggio (NZ)
584	b	Tavistock (NZ)	Banchee (NZ)
615	b	Reliable Man (GB)	Camellia (NZ)
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LOT	COL	SIRE	DAM
154	b	Tavistock (NZ)	Lafleur (NZ)
187	br	Vancouver (AUS)	Madame Echezeaux (NZ)
272	br	Redoute's Choice (AUS)	Orquidea (NZ)
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"We haven't made any decisions and we are having a meeting on the 12th of February and after that we would have seen how he has come through the trial and we will firm up on what happens.

"I would say he would have a trial and two races before the Doncaster."

Te Akau Shark is part-owned by NRL legend Paul Gallen.



Shesonfire (NZ) (Zacinto)

Heavy favourite clears maidens

The Stephen Marsh-trained **Shesonfire (NZ)** (Zacinto) was backed into \$1.70 favouritism for the Mills Reef Winery 1100 at Arawa Park on Wednesday and she did not disappoint punters, winning by 1-1/2 lengths over Lismore Diamond (NZ) (O'Reilly).

The four-year-old daughter of Zacinto has been knocking on the door for some time, placing in four of her previous five starts.

Her connections were thrilled with the victory and are hoping she can add to her win tally before a breeding career beckons.

"It's a big sigh of relief, we have been waiting for this for a long time," Racing Manager Todd Pollard said.

"Probably the last five starts we have been thinking this is her day and she has finally done it for some great owners.

"Now that she has had her maiden win, hopefully she can go on with it. She has got a nice pedigree behind her, she is a half-sister to a good horse (Fifty Fifty) in Hong Kong who is a Group Three winner, so she has got a lot of value as a broodmare."

Wild set to fire in Autumn

The Lance O'Sullivan and Andrew Scott-trained **Autumn Wild** (Snitzel) added a second win to her career tally at Rotorua on Wednesday when taking out the ISCL 1230.

The three-year-old filly settled at the rear of the field for apprentice jockey Taiki



Autumn Wild (Snitzel)

Yanagida before he improved her four-wide at the top of the straight and ran away with the race, winning by two lengths over Atom Ant (NZ) (Zacinto), with a further head back to Full of Talent (NZ) (Falkirk).

"She still wants to overdo it a bit around the back there, but Lance was adamant that he wanted to teach her to relax, breathe and quicken," Scott said.

"It was good today that she did quicken the way we had hoped. If she can just continue to learn to relax and quicken like the way she did, there is still a future for her for sure.

"It's good that she is coming on today."

Scott believes she will be better suited to racing over the autumn months.

"She is only going to get stronger over the autumn months when there is a bit more give in the ground, but it was really encouraging today."

Autumn Wild is out of dual Group One winner Regimental Gal (General Nediym), who went on to be crowned Champion Three-Year-Old Filly in Australia in 2003-04.



Craig Grylls

Grylls set to fire in his homeland

The New Zealand jockey ranks will be bolstered significantly by the return of Craig Grylls from Singapore.

The 28-year-old, who has ridden eight Group One winners and more than forty stakes winners, was back riding trackwork at Matamata on Wednesday morning after he and wife Milou returned home on Tuesday.

"It was good catching up with everyone at trackwork and hopefully I can form some good associations again," Grylls said. [Full story here](#)



Probabeel (NZ) (Savabeel)

Karaka Million jockeys confirmed for Te Akau

Trainer Jamie Richards will be represented by five runners in Saturday week's Karaka Million 2YO (1200m), with the man at the helm of the Te Akau Racing operation looking to notch the stable's third Karaka Million winner in as many years.

The stable sent out Melody Belle (NZ) (Commands) to win the 2017 edition and repeated that success when Avantage (Fastnet Rock) saluted last year.

Opie Bosson will stick with pre-post favourite Probabeel (NZ) (Savabeel) following the daughter of Savabeel's impressive victory at Ellerslie on Sunday.

Leading Sydney-based jockey James McDonald will be back in his homeland and will partner Group Two-winning juvenile Aotea Lad (NZ) (Savabeel).

Matthew Cameron will ride Yourdeel (NZ) (Dundeel), who finished a short-neck behind Probabeel at Ellerslie on Sunday, while debut winner Louis Luck (Dissident) will have the services of Shafiq Rusof.

Jonathan Riddell completes the quintet and will ride stakes performer Challa (Dissident).

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Consensus (NZ) (Postponed)

Cup challenge for Consensus

Group One-winning mare **Consensus (NZ)** (Postponed) added a second Group Three win to her record at Trentham on Saturday when victorious in the Trentham Stakes (2100m) and the seven-year-old mare will be aiming to increase that tally to three next month.

The Stephen McKee-trained runner will bypass the Gr.1 Herbie Dyke Stakes (2000m) next month in favour of the Gr.3 Platinum Homes Taranaki Cup (1800m) at New Plymouth on February 2.

"She's nominated for the Herbie Dyke Stakes, but we will probably miss that one," McKee said.

"She hasn't gone her best races at Te Rapa, so she will run in the Taranaki Cup in about three weeks' time.

"She has pulled up well, she was home just after midnight on Saturday night, she looks really well."



Shillelagh (NZ) (Savabeel)

Shillelagh nominated for All Star Mile

New Zealand bred and owned mare **Shillelagh (NZ)** (Savabeel) was among a host of nominations by leading trainer Chris Waller for the A\$5 million All Star Mile (1600m) at Flemington in March.

With star stablemate Winx (Street Cry) a notable absentee from the nominations,

Shillelagh is well credentialed for the lucrative mile race.

Raced by her Hunterville breeders Christopher and Susanna Grace, Shillelagh won the Gr.1 Cantala Stakes (1600m) at Flemington in 2017 and returned to the venue 12 months later to land the Gr.1 Empire Rose Stakes (1600m).

"She continues to prove herself as one of the best mares in Australia and her track and distance record speaks for itself," Waller said.

"She is in career best form this season."

Waller also nominated star three-year-old The Autumn Sun (Redoute's Choice), in addition to Ancient Spirit (Invincible Spirit), D'Argento (So You Think), Unforgotten (Fastnet Rock), Tom Melbourne (Dylan Thomas) and Kaonic (NZ) (Savabeel).

Group One target for Supera

Talented four-year-old **Supera (NZ)** (Savabeel) landed her first stakes success last weekend when winning the Gr.3 Tui-Backing A Winner Since 1889 Anniversary Handicap (1600m) and the well-related



Supera (NZ) (Savabeel)

mare will now be set for bigger targets.

Prepared by Ken and Bev Kelso, who train in partnership with Mark Donoghue, Supera has now won five of her ten starts for her owner and breeder Sir Peter Vela.

The daughter of Savabeel is a half-sister to multiple Group Three winner Eleonora (NZ) (Makfi) and is a granddaughter of champion stayer Ethereal (NZ) (Rhythm). [Full story here](#)



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AUSTRALIA

Artie Schiller : Maheera (NZ) (Mahmooda by Fusaichi Pegasus) 2014;
11/01/2019, 1st Hamilton RC Functions at HRC H. 2200m

Bachelor Duke : Water Boy (NZ) (Asshewaqua by Black Hawk) 2011;
12/01/2019, 1st Glen Innes JC Glen Innes Services Club H. 1200m
Sold by Rich Hill Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$5000
Sold by Stellar Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$75000

Bernardini : Play Me Now (NZ) (Gabana by Jungle Pocket) 2015;
11/01/2019, 1st Cranbourne TC Gavelhouse.com Maiden P. 1400m

He's Remarkable : Age of Chivalry (NZ) (Onyx by Kaapstad) 2015;
16/01/2019, 1st MRC Blue Star Print Maiden P. 1200m
Sold by Curraghmore at Ready to Run Sale for \$50000
Sold by Mapperley Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$4000

Iffraaj : Red Liberty (NZ) (Syrah by Traditionally) 2013;
15/01/2019, 1st Gunnedah JC Porchetta Raceday H. 1300m
Sold by Trelawney Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$100000

Jimmy Choux : Manolo Blahniq (NZ) (Floramour by More Than Ready) 2013;
12/01/2019, 1st VRC Chester Manifold S. L. 1400m
Sold by Curraghmore Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$115000

Jimmy Choux : Hand to Hand (NZ) (Formal Combat by Fuji Kiseki) 2013;
13/01/2019, 1st Port Lincoln & North Shields RC EP Function Hire H. 1750m

Makfi : The Delphi (NZ) (Fjall by Viking Ruler) 2014;
13/01/2019, 1st Sale TC No 1 Car Wash H. 2219m
Sold by Jamieson Park at National Yearling Sale for \$140000

Mastercraftsman : Melomakarona (NZ) (Biscuit by High Chaparral) 2014;
16/01/2019, 1st Kyneton & Hanging Rock RC CLSA Australia Maiden P. 1850m
Sold by Lyndhurst Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$100000

O'Reilly : Irish Butterfly (NZ) (Papilio by Redoute's Choice) 2015;
13/01/2019, 1st Sale TC Carlton Draught Maiden P. 1205m
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$220000

O'Reilly : Profusive (NZ) (Velvet and Satin by Carnegie) 2013;
15/01/2019, 1st Mackay TC TAB H. 1300m
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$270000

Ocean Park : Senrima Tide (NZ) (Flying Change by Flying Spur) 2014;
16/01/2019, 1st MRC Clanbrooke Racing H. 1600m

Pins : Oh Why (NZ) (Just be Cos by No Excuse Needed) 2014;
12/01/2019, 1st Glen Innes JC Glen Innes Nursing Services P. 1400m

Raise the Flag : The Mist (NZ) (The Cloud by Classic Fame) 2013;
14/01/2019, 1st Shoalhaven City TC Tapstar and Dripette H. 2200m

Rip Van Winkle : Grazie Mille Bella (NZ) (Tekeela by Thorn Park) 2013;
12/01/2019, 1st Atherton TC Tom English Memorial H. 1100m

Savabeel : Patrician - Live and Free (Aust.) (NZ) (Patrimonium by Green Desert) 2014;
12/01/2019, 1st ATC Autumn Carnival on Sale H. 1800m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$200000

Savabeel : Lady Cuvee (NZ) (Lily Bollinger by O'Reilly) 2015;
16/01/2019, 1st ATC Events by ATC Maiden H. 1400m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$80000

Swiss Ace : Rapid Ace (NZ) (Suppose by Danehill) 2015;
11/01/2019, 1st SCTC Pitchers Hospitality Maiden H. 1000m

Tavistock : Tavsomfun (NZ) (Miss Debonair by Danehill) 2014;
11/01/2019, 1st Cranbourne TC NZB Karaka 2019 Maiden P. 1600m
Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$180000

Tavistock : Vintage Stock (NZ) (Phillipa Glass by Volksraad) 2015;
13/01/2019, 1st Bunbury TC Bunbury Blind Gallery H. 1410m
Sold by Rich Hill Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

Tavistock : Tavisocks (NZ) (Keep Smiling by Stravinsky) 2014;
16/01/2019, 1st Kyneton & Hanging Rock RC Bendigo Service Centre H. 1850m
Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$27500

Zabeel : Balestrand (NZ) (Parfore by Gold Brose) 2012;
11/01/2019, 1st TRC Off the Track H. 1400m

HONG KONG

Mastercraftsman : Right Choice (NZ) (Grand Belt by O'Reilly) 2014;
12/01/2019, 1st HKJC Yun Ping H. 1400m
Sold by Bradbury Park at National Yearling Sale for \$90000

Ocean Park : Clement Legend (NZ) (Spiriting by Montjeu) 2014;
16/01/2019, 1st HKJC Bowrington H. 2200m
Sold by Blandford Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$180000

Savabeel : Hall of Fame - Dances With Dragon (H.K.) (NZ) (Around the Clock by Galileo) 2013;
12/01/2019, 1st HKJC Sun Wui H. 1800m
Sold by Lyndhurst Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$230000

MACAU

New Trumps : St Trump (NZ) (Lady Pedder by Orpen) 2014;
13/01/2019, 1st Macau Royal Ascot H. 1500m

Snitzel : Luen on Dance Kid (NZ) (Dance My Dance by Sadler's Wells) 2014;
13/01/2019, 1st Macau Japan Racing Association Trophy 1500m
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$180000

Turffontein : Tremendous Wins (NZ) (Choisira by Choisir) 2014;
13/01/2019, 1st Macau Doncaster H. 1200m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

SINGAPORE

Burgundy : Venus de Milo (NZ) (Breezed by Fusaichi Pegasus) 2014;
11/01/2019, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m

Per Incanto : Wecando (NZ) (Magic Daze by Grosvenor) 2014;
11/01/2019, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m
Sold by Kilgravin Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$40000

Savabeel : Classified (NZ) (Fire Song by Senior Pete) 2011;
13/01/2019, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m
Sold by Trelawney Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

Showcasing : Boy Next Door (NZ) (Lemonade by Bertolini) 2015;
13/01/2019, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1000m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

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Buffalo Man : Peach Cove (NZ) (Tennisciti Belle by Citidancer) 2012;
10/01/2019, 1st Santa Anita Claiming 1600m



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