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"BARGAIN BUY" TOPS SALE



Lot 67, the sale-topping Redoute's Choice colt during Day One at Karaka (Trish Dunell)

B loodstock agent James Bester and Aquis Farm teamed up to secure the top lot on the opening day of New Zealand Bloodstock's Book 1 Sale on Sunday - lot 67, a Redoute's Choice colt out of Group One-winning mare Griante (Good Journey).

The partnership went to \$800,000 to secure the colt out of Cambridge Stud's draft and were pushed all the way by Cambridge trainer Tony Pike.

Bester was pleased with his purchase and thought it was a bargain buy for what he has judged as the best Redoute's Choice colt he has seen at any sale this year.

"I think this colt at the Gold Coast, judging by what the

Redoute's Choice colts sold there, would have made well over A\$1 million," Bester said.

"In my view he was better than any colt I saw by Redoute's Choice at the Magic Millions, and we got him for NZ\$800,000, I consider that value.

"It's exactly what we thought we would have to pay for him. We wrote down that very number on the catalogue page and said this is an \$800,000 horse in New Zealand."

Bester purchased the son of Redoute's Choice for a colts syndicate and he believes he has the qualities to turn into a stallion prospect.



RICH HILL KARAKA 2019

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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"It's for an Aquis colts syndicate," he said. "We're trying to identify colts that will make stallion prospects.

"He's a beautiful Redoute's Choice, the sort of Redoute's Choice that everyone wants.

"He's got a beautiful head, lovely action, a smooth mover, and is a neat athletic horse. The mother was a Gr.1 Galaxy winner for goodness sake."

Bester said he loves coming to New Zealand and has had a lot of success with the New Zealand thoroughbred.

"I love New Zealand and I love the product here," Bester said. "I have had a lot of success with New Zealand colts and fillies, so what a pleasure." Aquis Farm chief executive Shane McGrath was delighted with the purchase and said the colt was the pick of the sale for both parties.

"He was James' pick of the sale and he was ours as well, so it made sense that we join forces," McGrath said.

"We have got some really good partners behind us now and we are fortunate that James has got some partners that want to join in this horse.

"All the colts will go through the program run by Kacy Fogden at Aquis in Queensland and the first of May we will sit down and work out what to do with him."

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INTERNATIONAL BUYERS TO THE FORE AT KARAKA



Lot 90, a Zoustar filly that fetched \$600,000 on Day One at Karaka. (Trish Dunell)

he variety and strength of the international buying bench in attendance at the National Yearling Sale at Karaka this year was in evidence throughout the opening day of the Book 1 sale.

While Te Akau Racing boss David Ellis, the King of Karaka, lead the charge for the locals it was the internationals who took home the three top-priced lots from the boutique Sunday session.

Amongst those was Lot 90, a

chestnut Zoustar filly from More Than Ready mare, Imanana, who fell to the \$600,000 bid of Godolphin Australia's Managing Director, Vin Cox.

Cox was fulsome in his praise for the filly who was offered out of the Cambridge Stud draft.

"She's by a superstar stallion in Zoustar, who couldn't be doing any better," he said.

"We obviously liked her. When you find filly's like that you expect to pay that sort of money.



"We got here on Friday and she was the one we zeroed in on.

"We knew we would have to pay that sort of money, although if someone had gone (bid) again I'm not sure what we would have done, but we would have worried about that then."

Cox and his team had inspected the mare at the Karaka sales complex upon arriving from Australia amongst a select list identified prior to the sale. *Continued on page 5*

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"We're not here to shoot the lights out," he said.

"We just want to be conservative about what we do and try and get the horses we want.

"It's great that Sheikh Mohammed is in the market for buying horses and supporting the Australian and New Zealand Industry as well.

"We thought she was right there with all the others we had seen (at other sales). We bid on a few at the Gold Coast and didn't get one so we're very happy to get this one here."

Whilst the international buyers made their mark it was David Ellis, the leading buyer from the past thirteen editions of the sale, who ensured they didn't have things all their own way.

Ellis signed for twelve of the 92 lots on offer on day one with Lot 100, a Written Tycoon colt from the Hallmark Stud draft, heading his purchase list when fetching \$475,000.

"We have put a lot of work into this

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sale, we have been on the road for the last ten weeks looking at all the horses in the sale," Ellis said.

"We have been saying for some time that it's the best line-up of yearlings that we have seen at Karaka for probably 20 years.

"I think it reflects the fantastic growing season that we have had in New Zealand. These yearlings as foals were all weaned on the best grass possible, reflecting the unbelievable rainfall that we had through Jan, February, March and April.

"I think it is showing through in the individuals with terrific bone and just well-developed, mature yearlings."

Fresh from his Te Akau Racing stable producing the trifecta in the Karaka Million 2YO (1200m) race at Ellerslie on Saturday evening, Ellis is already looking to secure his next group of potential candidates for the 2020 edition.

"We have been spending a lot of

time on the promotion of the sale and we have got a lot of new owners investing," he said.

"We just want to be part of getting the next Karaka Million winner.

"We wanted to be active and support the New Zealand breeding industry.

"I think the good horses are making their money, but I still think it's possibly, if anything, just a buyers' market, no more. The prices are a little bit better than I thought they would be.

"This year I am putting another colts syndicate together.

"This Written Tycoon colt I see as a Karaka Million horse next year and we would like to hope that in the next few years that we would have a colt that would go to the Golden Slipper, Sires' Produce, and the Champagne Stakes in Australia at Randwick, and we think this is a colt that can do that."

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EXCHANGE RATE PLAYS IN FAVOUR OF INTERNATIONAL AGENT

ome quick mental arithmetic was enough to convince International Bloodstock Agent Hubie De Burgh to soldier on as he waged war in the auction ring during the early action on Day One at Karaka.

De Burgh had his sights set on Lot 19, an I Am Invincible filly from the Little Avondale Stud draft. As the bidding built steadily from the \$80,000 opening offer for the elegant brown filly, he was confident he had the firepower to see off the immediate challenges.

A raid-fire burst of action that saw her purchase price race past the \$400,000 mark had De Burgh sweating as he approached the limit of his budget. A final bid of \$500,000 saw him sign for the filly on behalf of his client, Sheikh Hamdan Bin Rashid Al Maktoum and his Shadwell Racing operation.

"That was the absolute bloody last bid," he said.

"I actually walked in thinking that I might get her for a bit less than that but the one before went for \$300,000 so I thought jeepers we're going to have to battle here.

"We converted it (the \$500,000) back into sterling and when you convert it back then that's very good value on what you buy in England.

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Lot 19, an I Am Invincible filly from the Little Avondale Stud draft parades in the auction ring at Karaka (Trish Dunell)



EXCHANGE RATE PLAYS IN FAVOUR OF INTERNATIONAL AGENT

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"When you're buying globally you have got to compare apples with apples. The big advantage down here is that you can pay half a million and then win half a million without winning a Group race.

"I'm not knocking European racing as it's the best in the world, but here you can put your hand on your heart and say you can buy a horse, win a stakes race and treble your investment.

"She is going to race for huge prizemoney in Australia so that makes all the difference."

De Burgh advised the filly would be heading to Lindsay Park in Melbourne to follow on from the five individuals that were purchased from the 2018 edition of the sale. "We've won two with one Group placed while another has won a trial.

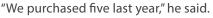
"We bought a couple of Derby types plus a couple of sharp ones, but this is more a get up and go type.

"She's by an unbelievable stallion from that Invincible Spirit family with a lot of speed in there.

"She could be a two-year-old (type) and just as easily a three-year-old, so she fits a lot of purposes."

The filly is out of the More Than Ready mare, Exposed and hails from an extended family that includes Gr.2 Eight Carat Classic (1600m) winner Contessa Vanessa along with speedy Listed Mufhasa Stakes (1300m) winner Astor.

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Day 1 of selling is done and dusted at Karaka 2019, @ globalgallop has a wrap from an action-packed day 2019 Book 1 Yearling Sale Statistics - Day 1 DAY 1 2019 BOOK 1 DAY 1 2018 BOOK 1 AGGREGATE \$10,892,500 \$11,505,000 **AVERAGE** \$155,607 \$151,382 MEDIAN \$110,000 \$110,000 CLEARANCE 76% 81% CATALOGUED 100 100 SOLD 70 76 TOP LOT Lot 67 Redoute's Choice Lot 48 Tavistock -- Griante (B.C) \$800,000 Bagalollies (B.F) \$500,000 & Lot 84 More Than Ready -Buckling (B.C) \$500,000







SWEYNESSE Don't miss his first yearlings at NZB Karaka 2019

Sweynesse is a chip off the old block

Darren Beadman

Sweynesse, is a son of former champion racehorse and super sire Lonhro. Beadman rode Lonhro in most of his 26 wins and he gets to work with many of that horse's sons and daughters at Godolphin.

- A multiple Group One performer (2nd G1 Randwick Guineas, 3rd G1 Spring Champion) beating some of the best 3YO Group One winners in Australia including Kermedec, Preferment, Hampton Court, Shooting To Win, First Seal.
- Winner of first four starts including dual Group 3 wins in the Spring Stakes and Gloaming Stakes.
- A winner at only start as a 2YO.
- A top 3YO Timeform rating of 122 makes Sweynesse one of the top Australian 3YO colts of his year.
- By Lonhro -The Champion 3YO, the Champion miler, the Horse of the Year, and now a Champion sire. Lonhro set a new Australian record of 160 individual winners in a season. His son Pierro, unbeaten juvenile Triple Crown winner, was rated the best juvenile colt in Australia since 1977.
- Out of the multiple winning mare Swansea by Champion Sire Singspiel (5XG1 Winner and sire of 99SW).
- Sweynesse is a magnificent individual. He stands 16.2 hh. He has a powerful hind quarter, a strong shoulder and a great athletic walk. He is very correct.
- Sweynesse is syndicated amongst many of New Zealand's top breeders who are strongly supporting him at stud.



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2019 Kara	aka 2019 - Book 1 — 27 Jan 2019
129	Sweynesse (AUS) - Keep Thinking (AUS), Bay/Brown Colt Windsor Park Stud
188	Sweynesse (AUS) - Madonna Mia, Black Filly Novara Park
497	Sweynesse (AUS) - Unearthed, Brown/Black Colt Wentwood Grange
530	Sweynesse (AUS) - Xpress, Chestnut Colt Nala Park
650	Sweynesse (AUS) - Cool Storm, Brown Colt Novara Park
2019 Kara	aka 2019 - Book 2 — 31 Jan 2019
699	Sweynesse (AUS) - Eastern Eclipse, Brown Colt Leanach Lodge Ltd
700	Sweynesse (AUS) - Electrostatic, Bay Colt Kilgravin Lodge
702	Sweynesse (AUS) - Ella's Cat (AUS), Bay Colt Windsor Park Stud
722	Sweynesse (AUS) - Fastnfree, Bay Colt Novara Park
798	Sweynesse (AUS) - Madam Butterfly, Brown Colt Novara Park
864	Sweynesse (AUS) - Polyatomic, Bay Colt Ralph Thoroughbreds
885	Sweynesse (AUS) - Rock Rose, Brown Colt Mapperley Stud Ltd
946	Sweynesse (AUS) - Tafaool (IRE), Chestnut Colt Brighthill Farm
1055	Sweynesse (AUS) - Cutluse, Bay Filly Wentwood Grange
1062	Sweynesse (AUS) - Darcybee, Bay Colt Bradbury Park
2019 Kara	aka 2019 - Book 3 — 3 Feb 2019
1090	Sweynesse (AUS) - Happy Endings, Brown Filly Brighthill Farm
1117	Sweynesse (AUS) - Likely Story, Bay Colt Highfield Grange Thoroughbreds
1148	Sweynesse (AUS) - Platinum Elle, Bay Colt Westend Partnership
1157	Sweynesse (AUS) - Quest for Kash, Bay Filly Brighthill Farm
1250	Sweynesse (AUS) - Cabal, Brown Filly Cambria Park
1251	Sweynesse (AUS) - Call Me Maybe, Bay Colt Sedgmere Farm
1254	Sweynesse (AUS) - Cangowest, Bay Filly Grangewilliam Stud
1269	Sweynesse (AUS) - Coterie, Bay Filly Cambria Park

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FURORE FOR LOR IN HONG KONG CLASSIC MILE

rankie Lor is shaking things up around Sha Tin. The second season handler landed his initial Group One last month and on Sunday the former jockey stamped his mark on the Four-Year-Old Classic Series with a first Hong Kong Classic Mile success.

Furore's (NZ) (Pierro) impressive victory in 1m 34.28s led a Lor charge that saw the handler seal second and fourth for good measure.

The Pierro gelding stormed the final 400m in 22.25s for a two and a half-length victory in the hands of Hugh Bowman. Success represented first blood on the road to the BMW Hong Kong Derby (2000m) on 17 March.

"It felt every bit as good as it would have looked," said Bowman, whose best previous finish in the race was a frustrating second aboard **Werther** (NZ) (Tavistock) three years ago.

"I'm delighted with him – this is not his trip. After performing like that over this distance today, that's very exciting for the rest of his Derby preparation."

But today's success was not exactly expected. Furore, the 5.4 third-choice in the market, was not even the top pick among Lor's five runners – a record number for a trainer in the race.

"Furore's form has improved each race," Lor said. "I thought he'd run well but winning is a little bit of a surprise because I thought Dark Dream was a little bit better. Sometimes it's like this!"

Bowman backed that assessment. The Australian ace was on the ground



Furore winning the Hong Kong Classic Mile

a week ago, riding Furore for the first time in a morning gallop. The G1 Rosehill Guineas (2000m) third had raced with promise in two lead-up races under Derek Leung.

"I sat on him last week and certainly wouldn't have expected him to show that sort of turn-of-foot over this distance against this opposition," Bowman said. "He worked like he'd run well at a mile but I had my doubts that he could win at this class at the mile.

"I thought, that being the case, I wanted to ride him a bit more conservatively than he was last start, just to get him a confidence-boosting run heading towards the Derby. He was here on a Derby pass and judging by how he performed this afternoon it puts him in very good stead for the



Furore was sold by Haunui Farm at the 2016 New Zealand Bloodstock Premier Yearling Sale for \$210,000 to Australian Bloodstock and Kris Lees Racing and was subsequently sold as a tried horse.

Race	HKJC Hong Kong Classic Mile L 1600m		
Winner	Furore (NZ) 2014		
Owners	Lee Sheung Chau		
Trainer	FC Lor		
Breeding	by Pierro (AUS) out of Stormy Choice (AUS) by Redoute's Choice (AUS)		
Breeder	GSA Bloodstock Pty Ltd		
Sales	2016 National Yearling Sale – Premier Session; V: Haunui Farm, P: PAustralian Bloodstock/Lees Racing; \$210,000		



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REGENCY ROLLS ON

egency Legend (NZ) (Pins) maintained his unbeaten Hong Kong record with a tough win under Zac Purton in the Class 2 Yuen Long Handicap (1200m). The exciting three-year-old conceded weight to all seven of his rivals but came out on top by a neck over Raging Blitzkrieg, having clocked a speedy 21.96s for the final 400m.

"In Class 2, carrying top-weight of 133(lb), it's really hard, especially in Hong Kong," trainer Danny Shum said of the 1.2 favourite's performance.

"Now he's won, he'll go to the Class

1 where he won't be carrying topweight, and then we'll give him two months off to refresh and we'll see. We'll let him relax a bit so that he's not so tight. There's no rush with him."

Regency Legend raced as Espumoso in New Zealand and was a two-time juvenile winner for Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman.

He also ran second in the Gr.2 Wakefield Challenge Stakes before his sale to Hong Kong interests.

Regency Legend was originally purchased at Karaka in 2017 by Pamsel Investments for \$50,000 and is out of the unraced O'Reilly mare Sparkling.

A half-brother by Savabeel is catalogued as Lot 423 in the Waikato Stud draft of this week's Book 1 session of New Zealand Bloodstock's National Yearling Sales.

Race	HKJC Yuen Long H. 1200m
Winner	Regency Legend (NZ) 2015
Owners	Wong Shun Yuen
Trainer	CS Shum
Breeding	by Pins (AUS) out of Sparkling by O'Reilly
Breeder	Waikato Stud Ltd



Regency Legend is unbeaten in three starts in Hong Kong



FIVE TO MIDNIGHT GETS DESERVED WIN AT ELLERSLIE

lass performer **Five To Midnight (NZ)** (Domesday) opened Karaka Million night at Ellerslie with an impressive display of his staying prowess when he took out the CollinsonForex Karaka Cup (2200m).

The Lisa Latta-trained gelding gave his rivals weight and a beating as he lumped topweight of 60kgs to a half-head victory over race-favourite Mongolian Marshal (NZ) (High Chaparral).

Rider Johnathan Parkes settled Five To Midnight well off the early pace set by tearaway leader Redcayenne (NZ) (Bullbars),

Race	ARC Karaka Cup 2200m		
Winner	Five To Midnight (NZ) 2012		
Owners	Kamada Racing		
Trainer	Lisa Latta (Awapuni)		
Breeding	by Domesday (AUS) out of Fastnet Lady (AUS) by Fastnet Rock (AUS		
Breeder	The Oaks Stud		
Sales	2014 National Yearling Sale – Select Sale; V: The Oaks Stud, P: Lisa Latta Racing; \$165,000		

before easing him into contention approaching the home turn. Forced to come the widest into the straight, Five To

Midnight never shirked his task as he fought off the challenge from Mongolian Marshal in the concluding stages to notch his ninth career victory.

"I was pretty confident at the line as he stuck his head out," Parkes said.

"I wanted to ride him a little bit handier, but he can be a little bit tardy out (of the starting gates).

"I was a little worried down the back as I was on the fence with 60kgs and I knew I had to get off and get him rolling into the race.

"He's come up very good this time where his main target is the Auckland Cup. I think he'll be hard to handle in that."

Latta was thrilled by the win after the Domesday six-yearold had been a touch unlucky when beaten into fifth in the Gr.3 City Of Auckland Cup (2400m) at his previous start.

"He went a great race up here on New Year's Day," she said. "He ran the fastest last 600m in a fantastic run and then

we gave him a week in the paddock to freshen him up.

"He drew really well (today) and got a cosy trip on the rail before Johnathan got him off at the right time and got him going.

"We'll probably put him the paddock again for a few days, as that is what he thrives on.

"He gets into the Auckland Cup at a really nice weight."

Five To Midnight is scheduled to carry 56kgs in the Gr.1 Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup (3200m) on March 9, a race in which he was beaten by a nose by Ladies First (NZ) (Dylan Thomas) in 2018. – NZ Racing Desk

Five To Midnight wins the opening event on Karaka Million night (Trish Dunell)





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HIGH-PRICED YOUNGSTER IMPRESSIVE ON DEBUT



Exciting youngster Equinox cruises to victory at Trentham (Race Images – Peter Rubery)

n the eve of the New Zealand Bloodstock National Yearling Sale series it was appropriate that one of the star individuals of the 2018 edition should create plenty of attention with a winning racetrack debut.

The Jamie Richards-trained colt, **Equinox (NZ)** (Exceed and Excel), carries the colours of Te Akau Racing after David Ellis outlaid \$750,000 to secure him from the Pencarrow Stud draft during Book 1 at Karaka last year.

Purchased to become one of the three individuals that make up the Te

Akau 2018 Colt Breeding Syndicate, Equinox had looked the goods after scoring impressively over 800m at the Cambridge trials earlier this month.

Facing five rivals over 1000m at Trentham on Saturday, the powerfully built colt handled his first effort under raceday conditions with aplomb as he sat outside the early pace for rider Craig Grylls before extending clear in the run home to score comfortably by two and a quarter lengths.

Ellis, who was busy inspecting yearlings at the Karaka sales complex on Saturday afternoon, had been



expecting a good showing from Equinox, who is the first of the members of the 2018 syndicate to be seen on raceday.

"He is a lovely individual that has already shown us plenty at home," Ellis said.

"Jamie has done a great job educating all of our two-year-olds, so we had plenty of confidence to make the long journey to Wellington for his debut.

"He couldn't have been more impressive and I'm thrilled for his owners.

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HIGH-PRICED YOUNGSTER IMPRESSIVE ON DEBUT

"They have outlaid a lot of money to be a part of the syndicate, so to get a win first-up like that is extremely satisfying."

Ellis has a similar path plotted for Equinox to the one the Te Akau team followed last year with the 2018 Gr.1 Sistema Stakes (1200m) winner, Sword Of Osman (NZ) (Savabeel).

"Our target for Equinox is the Sistema Stakes at Ellerslie so we will take a similar path to the one we had last year for Sword Of Osman," he said.

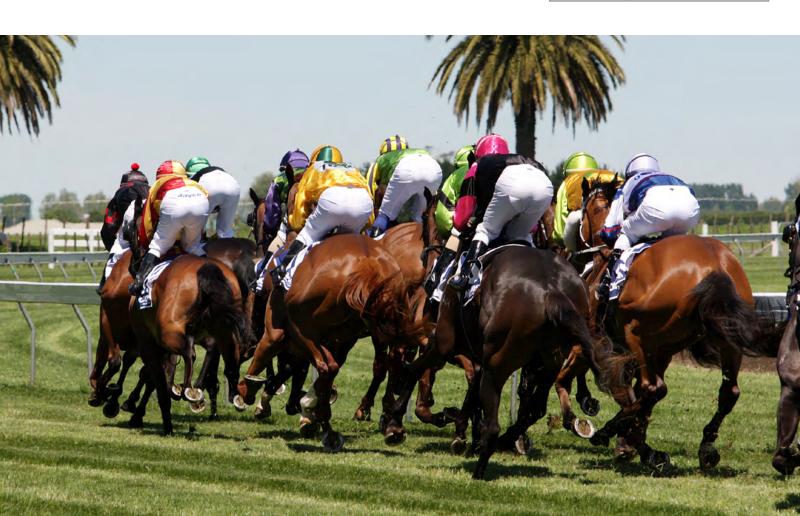
"He will go to the Group Three Slipper on his home track next month (Continued from page 11)

and then to the Sistema from there." The Gr.3 Reid & Harrison Limited Slipper (1200m) is one of the feature events at Matamata on February 23.

Ellis also reported that the other two members of the 2018 breeding syndicate, the \$1.025million Savabeel-Katie Lee colt (named Lethal) and the \$625,000 Snitzel-Floria colt (Laureate) were both making good progress and were likely to make their raceday debuts within the next six weeks.

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Race	WRC New World Railway Metro 2YO Maiden S. 1000m	
Winner	Equinox (NZ) 2016	
Owners	Te Akau 2018 Colt Breeding Syndicate (Mgr: Karyn Fenton- Ellis MNZM)	
Trainer	Jamie Richards (Matamata)	
Breeding	by Exceed and Excel (Aus) out of Our Ella Belle by Encosta de Lago (AUS)	
Breeder	Pencarrow Thoroughbreds Ltd	
Sales	2018 National Yearling Sale – Book 1; V: Pencarrow Stud, P: DC Ellis; \$750,000	



ALL ABOUT MAGIC IMPRESSIVE AT RICCARTON

ocal galloper All About Magic (NZ) (Showcasing) backed up the thoughts of her trainer Michael Pitman when she saw off the challenge of the North Island-raiders to take out the two-year-old contest at Riccarton on Saturday.

Pitman, who prepares the Showcasing filly with son Matthew, has a high opinion of his charge and wasn't afraid to line her up in stakes company at the New Zealand Cup Carnival for her debut



All About Magic finishes best to win at Riccarton (Race Images South)

run, where she finished a meritorious fifth.

Given plenty of time to get over that effort, All About Magic was having just her second raceday outing when she proved too tough for Marton visitor Miss Sweet Pee (NZ) (Mossman) and the Te Akau Racing-trained Matamata filly Vino Bella (NZ) (Burgundy) in the New Zealand Bloodstock Insurance Pearl Series sponsored contest.

After disputing the early speed, All About Magic fought best in the three-way war to score by half a neck in a slick 45.22 for the 800m journey.

"She's from one of the best families in the Stud Book," Pitman said.

"This is the family of Soliloquy (NZ) (So Big) and all those that Trevor McKee and others have done really well with.

"She had her first start in a stakes race, went off in the stalls and missed the start but she still ran on really well.

"She's just a lovely filly."

All About Magic is out of Montjeu mare, Rosecroft, the

daughter of Group Two winner Soltanto (NZ) (Tights) who was prepared by Trevor and Stephen McKee to win seven races while also being placed at Group One level in the 1991 Champion Stakes (2100m).

Soltanto is the daughter of the Ray Verner-trained Soliloquy who won 14 races including the Gr.1 Lion Brown Sprint at Te Rapa. Owned by Richard Moore, Soliloquy went on to produce multiple Group One winner Solveig (NZ) (Imposing) along with top performers Quibble (NZ) (Ruling), Solstice (NZ) (Marceau) and Soltanto.

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Race	CJC NZB Insurance Pearl Series 2YO S. 800m
Winner	All About Magic (NZ) 2016
Owners	S J Rathgen
Trainer	Michael & Matthew Pitman (Riccarton Park)
Breeding	by Showcasing (GB) out of Rosecroft by Montjeu (IRE)
Breeder	S J Rathgen



TE AKAU TRIFECTA PROVIDES RELIEF FOR RICHARDS

ou could forgive Te Akau Racing's Jamie Richards for allowing himself a moment of celebration following the running of the Karaka Million 2YO (1200m) on Saturday evening.

In his first season in sole-charge of the Te Akau Racing team, Richards had just provided the trifecta in New Zealand's richest two-year-old race with Probabeel (NZ) (Savabeel), Aotea Lad (NZ) (Savabeel) and dead-heater Yourdeel (NZ) (Dundeel).

While feeling a sense of satisfaction, Richards admitted his overwhelming emotion was that of relief.

"I was pretty relieved after the race, to be honest," Richards said.

"Once you get to raceday there's not much more you can do, you just have to have faith in your horse and the jockey on top of it. "We were really happy with our horses until we got to the barrier draw where our three best chances drew outside.

"Thankfully there was good speed in the race and I think the filly that won is quite a classy horse. She can do things that other horses don't."

While reluctant to split Te Akau's five runners in the final field, Richards was clear that Probabeel looked to be the stable's best chance of success based on her lead-up form.

"If she hadn't have drawn the outside, she was clearly our best chance," he said.

"She's a filly that has a lot of X-factor about her, she's not a natural two-year as she's a big, scopey filly so whatever she is doing at the moment is a bonus for the future."

Richards also revealed that the



application of blinkers for the race had also bolstered his hopes for her chances.

"We'd given her quite a bit of work at home in the blinkers as the first couple of times she raced she lacked a bit of ringcraft.

"After she had a freshen up, we gave her a jump-out with the blinkers on and she really went well.

"We didn't put a full-cup blinker on because she raced keen enough last start, so we met her half-way and she seemed to appreciate that."

Richardson advised that Probabeel would most likely head to the paddock for a few days before a discussion with owners Brendan & Jo Lindsay would take place to outline possible options for her in the autumn.

With the commencement of the New Zealand Bloodstock National Yearling Sale at Karaka on Sunday, Richards' attention now turns to working with Te Akau boss, David Ellis, to select the next crop of youngsters for the stable.

"It's a pretty busy time out here (Karaka) as we try and buy the next good horse," he said.

"We work pretty hard through the summer and enjoy a bit of a break in the winter, so we will soldier on for now and celebrate our success when we do get the chance."

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Te Akau Racing boss David Ellis (left) with Jamie Richards at Karaka (Trish Dunell)





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NZ STALLION AWARDS

THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	
SAVABEEL	\$9,253,526	
ROAD TO ROCK	\$5,306,350	
DARCI BRAHMA	\$4,471,839	
O'REILLY	\$4,053,084	
PINS	\$3,800,018	
PER INCANTO	\$2,781,318	
TAVISTOCK	\$2,548,763	
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$2,473,751	
SWISS ACE	\$2,232,339	
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$2,168,543	
Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the		

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	
SAVABEEL	\$5,574,469	
O'REILLY	\$2,276,587	
PINS	\$2,275,572	
TAVISTOCK	\$1,489,520	
DARCI BRAHMA	\$1,480,852	
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$1,407,520	
PER INCANTO	\$1,390,956	
OCEAN PARK	\$1,205,275	
RELIABLE MAN	\$1,132,885	
REDWOOD	\$1,095,010	
Criteria: Sire whose progeny have accumulated the highest combined stakes earnings in Australia & New Zealand		

highest stakes earnings worldwide

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS	BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$2,816,153	PROBABEEL	\$581,000
PINS	\$1,264,607	MADISON COUNTY	\$576,625
PER INCANTO	\$1,193,846	SANTA MONICA	\$182,250
DARCI BRAHMA	\$966,290	DEE AND GEE	\$95,625
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$872,755	TE AKAU SHARK	\$196,875
IFFRAAJ	\$796,358	WYNDSPELLE	\$97,625
SHOWCASING	\$793,727	XPRESSION	\$94,500
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$724,537	DANZDANZDANCE	\$282,500
FASTNET ROCK	\$695,835	LONG LEAF	\$530,500
O'REILLY	\$644,046	PRINCE OZ	\$81,250

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand



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NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG JANUARY 23

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
SNAP FIT (NZ) 2014 by Nadeem (AUS) out of Gold Circle by Kilimanjaro (GB)	l W Herbert; Central; NZ	HKJC Mong Kok H. 1000m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Little Avondale Stud \$120000 P: Michael Stedman B/stock
NAMJONG PLUS (NZ) 2013 by Zacinto (GB) out of Volkara by Volksraad (GB)	Mrs D C & N J Cournane; South; NZ	HKJC Southorn H. 1800m.	

NZ BRED WINNERS IN **SINGAPORE** JANUARY 25

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
MAN OF WORDS (NZ) 2014 by Alamosa out of Dementieva by Volksraad (GB)	Windsor Park Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1000m.	
GENTLEMEN AGREEMENT (NZ) 2014 by Per Incanto (USA) out of Sirca Dane (AUS) by Dexter (Gb)	J Karlovsky; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m.	
BERLINETTA (NZ) 2014 by Sufficient out of Barchetta by My Halo (Arg)	B J Wallace; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m.	
ROBIN HOOD (NZ) 2011 by Nom du Jeu out of Bail Us Out by Justice Prevails (AUS)	Goodwood Stud Ltd	Singapore TC Class 2 H. 1400m.	
SATELLITE WARRIOR (NZ) 2014 by Pins (AUS) out of De Lago Lady by Encosta de Lago (AUS)	Gartshore Bloodstock Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Mapperley Stud Ltd \$20000 P: NZB as agent 2016 Ready to Run Sale V: Anzac Lodge \$60000 P: Ric Wylie B/stock

NZ BRED WINNERS IN MACAU JANUARY 25

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
SILENT HEIGHT (NZ) 2014 by Redwood (GB) out of Passionella (AUS) by Falvelon (AUS)	A S McLachlan; Waikato; NZ	Macau Nottingham H. 1050m.	2015 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale V: Willowbank Stud \$1600 P: SJ Rathgen
			2016 South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale V: Three Valleys \$3500 P: NZB as agent



NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG JANUARY 27

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
REGENCY LEGEND (HK) Espumoso (NZ) 2015 by Pins (AUS) out of Sparkling by O'Reilly	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Yuen Long H. 1200m.	2017 National Yearling Sale - Premier V: Waikato Stud Ltd \$50000 P: Pamsel Investments
FURORE (NZ) 2014 by Pierro (AUS) out of Stormy Choice (AUS) by Redoute's Choice (AUS)	GSA Bloodstock Pty Ltd; NZ	HKJC Hong Kong Classic Mile L 1600m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session V: Haunui Farm \$210000 P: Australian B/stock/ Lees Racing
KING OPIE (NZ) 2014 by Ocean Park out of Hope So by Fast'n' Famous (AUS)	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Tai Tong H. 1400m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Waikato Stud Ltd \$120000 P: Miss JKS Mahoney

NZ BRED WINNERS IN MALAYSIA JANUARY 27

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
SECRET SPICE (NZ) 2011 by Sakhees Secret (GB) out of Caparison by Cape Cross (IRE)	Waikato Stud Ltd	Penang TC Class 5 H. 1100	2016 National Yearling Sale – Select Session V: Waikato Stud Ltd \$70000 P: Ric Wylie Bloodstock
RACER KING (NZ) 2011 by Pins (AUS) out of Cent To Win by Centaine (AUS)	Mrs J M & T M Henderson	Penang TC Class 4 H. 1200	2013 National Yearling Sale – Select Session V: Bluegables Farm \$85000 P: Mr TR Kieser

