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# LINCOLN ON THE ROAD TO KRA TROPHY GLORY



Former kiwi galloper Lincoln Road is a leading chance in this weekend's Korea Racing Authority Trophy at Kranji

ust like the other Kranji trainers with a runner in the SING\$250,000 Korea Racing Authority Trophy (1200m) on Sunday, Shane Baertschiger makes up for the precious little he knows about the Korean trio with the better knowledge he has in his own charge **Lincoln Road (NZ)** (Swiss Ace) and even the local opposition.

By the time Lincoln Road, who landed in Singapore with a third over 1200m as his best showing from three starts in New Zealand when trained by Lisa Latta, reeled off his five wins in a row at Kranji, his ratings had shot up from 53 to 74, which scaled even higher to 80 even after his first taste of defeat in a Kranji Stakes A race over 1100m on June 24.

As the Swiss Ace four-year-old started to knock in win after win on the Polytrack, the Australian handler was already locking the reciprocal race between the Singapore Turf Club and the Korea Racing Authority in his crosshairs given the maximum rating of 90 his charge was steadily building up towards.

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"That was the race I had planned for him for a while. I was still happy with his last run even if it was the first time he got beat," said Baertschiger.

"It'll also be his first time over 1200m, but that's not because he doesn't have 1200m in him, far from it. It's just that there were no such races for him until this one came up.

"He ran up to 1400m in New Zealand, and I see no reason why he can't get the 1200m here on Polytrack.

"Unfortunately I don't know much about the Korean horses, but he will be running against some very good local horses like Good News and The General. "But I think at the handicap, we are worse off as his rating (80) is less than the others like Good News (90) and Nova Warrior (89) and as it's a set-weights race, they all carry 57.5kgs."

Baertschiger said the New Zealand-based Lincoln Farms Stable-owned gelding had pulled up in great shape after his last run and he could not fault his condition four days from his big assignment.

Lincoln Road was purchased from Westbury Stud's 2013 NZB Select Sale draft and has won over SING\$200,000 from his six starts since joining Baertschiger.



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# PROGRESSIVE MARE ON TRIAL FOR GROUP ONE TEST

**S ummer's Day (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) is already a winner at Hastings and she may return there next month for a crack at a Group One prize.

The daughter of Darci Brahma has been in great touch this preparation with four wins, including a successful open class debut and a last-start victory in the Listed Tauranga Classic.

If Summer's Day produces another bold showing in Saturday's Listed Powerworx Opunake Cup at New Plymouth then a return visit to the central districts for the Gr.1 Makfi Challenge Stakes at Hastings on August 27 is on the cards.

"If she happens to win again then we might just consider a run in the first one at Hawke's Bay," Cambridge trainer Tony Pike said.

Summer's Day has proved her versatility and defied her name during her current campaign with success on rain-affected going.

"She's come through the

grades very well," Pike said. "She's a progressive mare and we were concerned that she might not handle the ground last time out at Tauranga.

"She did that without a problem and she has come through the race really well. She's a mare in great form so there's no reason not to run again."

Vinnie Colgan has retained the ride on Summer's Day after successfully combining with her for the first time at Tauranga.



Another inspired effort on Saturday could see progressive mare Summer's Day take her place in the Gr. 1 Makfi Challenge Stakes next month



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## NEWS IN BRIEF



Illuminati (NZ) (Keeper) Foote has fingers crossed for Illuminati Ben Foote is hoping history can repeat at Ruakaka on Saturday.

The Cambridge trainer produced **Illuminati (NZ)** (Keeper) to win the ITM/ GIB Open (1400m) at Ruakaka at the same meeting last year in the hands of apprentice Viktoria Gatu.

This season's Listed Rotorua Stakes winner went on to beat all but Timy Tyler (NZ) (No Excuse Needed) in the Gr.3 Winter Cup (1600m) at Riccarton at her next start.

Illuminati has failed in two runs since her Rotorua win but Foote is counting on a return to Ruakaka, where she has had four starts for two wins and two placings, and better track conditions to spark a return to winning form. **Full story here.** 

## Flemington weight relief for Spreadeagled

Robert Smerdon is gambling on the weight relief that comes with a rise in class to get **Spreadeagled (NZ)** (Mastercraftsman) back into winning form at Flemington.

Spreadeagled heads to the Flemington Event Staff Handicap on Saturday, a 1600m benchmark 90 race.

For added insurance the trainer has called on the services of claiming apprentice Beau Mertens to partner the rising the five-yearold, replacing senior jockey Dwayne Dunn.

"He drops a lot in weight and will get on to better footing which I think he'll be more effective on," Smerdon said.

Spreadeagled will carry 53.5kg after Mertens' claim.

New Zealand bred and raced by Peter Mitchell of Cox Plate winner Bonecrusher (NZ) (Pag Asa) fame, Spreadeagled has won five of his 10 starts for Smerdon.

#### Newnham relying on Kiwi help

The former right hand man to leading trainer Gai Waterhouse is hoping a New Zealand-bred horse can credit him with his first city training success.

Mark Newnham, who has set up his own operation at Warwick Farm, will be



Lanciato (NZ) (Per Incanto) represented by Per Incanto three-year-old Lanciato (NZ) at Canterbury on Saturday. "I haven't got many horses to take to the races so it's nice to have a genuine Saturdayclass horse like him," he said.

A dual winner in New Zealand, Lanciato has placed in one of his two runs since joining Newnham's team.



Music Magnate (NZ) (Written Tycoon)

**Baker stagnant with Music Magnate** Trainer Bjorn Baker's maiden Group One

winner **Music Magnate (NZ)** (Written Tycoon) will miss the spring, after sustaining a virus in the winter period.

The Doomben 10,000 winner is Baker's stable star after his Group One win in Brisbane, but Baker reported the four-yearold Written Tycoon gelding had suffered a setback.

"It [the Group One win] was even more special as I bought the horse - we've had him for a long time," Baker said.

"He hasn't been straightforward; he had one or two issues.

"We've been patient with him and it worked out well.

"Unfortunately, he just recently had a virus so he'll be out for the spring and we'll bring him back for the New Year."

#### Top Kiwi stayer joins Waller

**Sacred Master (NZ)** (Mastercraftsman) has crossed the Tasman after making outstanding progress under the guidance of Tony Pike during his last preparation, to join the Chris Waller stable.

"We really want to have a crack at the



Sacred Master (NZ) (Mastercraftsman) Metropolitan with him and that comes up pretty early," Pike said.

"He went over a few weeks ago and I couldn't be in three places at once with horses in Brisbane and at home. We've always had a very good association with Chris so it made sense."

The son of Mastercraftsman made rapid gains during his last preparation and had an outstanding campaign which included a win in the Gr.2 Avondale Cup and a third placing in the Gr.1 Auckland Cup.

Sacred Master made an appearance at the Randwick trials last week and he finished a bold fourth over 1050 metres under Rory Hutchings.



Airlie House (NZ) (Tavistock)

#### Airlie House sold to Singapore

Talented Tavistock gelding **Airlie House** (**NZ**) will do his future racing in Singapore.

The Robert Patterson-trained four-yearold gelding won five of his 18 starts and placed in a further seven races, including a last-start Te Rapa second behind Snowdrop (NZ) (Pins) in May.

Heather Crofskey, who bred Airlie House in partnership with her husband Peter and raced him with Alice Doorbar, Terry and Annie Hinton and Bruce Pepperell, tweeted the news on Wednesday. <u>Full story here.</u>

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#### Hong Kong apprentice heads down under

Champion Hong Kong apprentice jockey Kei Chiong Ka-kei will start her one-month stint in Australia with five metropolitan rides in Adelaide.

Chiong is spending the Hong Kong offseason with leading Adelaide trainer Phillip Stokes.

She has three rides for Stokes and two for John Hickmott at Morphettville on Saturday.

Chiong rode 37 winners in the Hong Kong season to claim the apprentice premiership and was voted Hong Kong's most popular jockey ahead of Joao Moreira.

She was the first female rider to be licensed in Hong Kong since Carol Yu retired in 2000.

Chiong spent time riding in New Zealand where she was indentured to Graham Richardson and Allan Sharrock and rode a total of 45 winners over three seasons.



Lucia Valentina (NZ) (Savabeel)

Quiet hit-out for top mare Multiple Group One winner Lucia Valentina (NZ) (Savabeel) was given an easy trial at Wyong on Monday.

The New Zealand-bred and owned mare loomed into contention on the turn, but she wasn't put under any pressure in the straight and tailed the five horse field home in her 845m heat.

It was the Savabeel five-year-old's first public appearance since she won the Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Randwick in April.

Lucia Valentina will open a campaign aimed at the Gr.1 Cox Plate in the Gr.2 Warwick Stakes on August 20.

#### Kawi in good shape

Multiple Group One winner **Kawi (NZ)** (Savabeel) has made a solid start to his spring campaign.

On Tuesday, the Savabeel gelding narrowly downed Authentic Paddy (NZ) (Howbaddouwantit) in an open 1000 metre trial at Foxton.



Kawi (NZ) (Savabeel)

Kawi is likely to resume in the Gr.2 Lisa Chittick Foxbridge Plate at Te Rapa on August 13 before the Hawke's Bay carnival and then a possible spring campaign in Melbourne.



Who Shot Thebarman (NZ) (Yamanin Vital)

Group One duo back on track New Zealand-bred Group One winners Who Shot Thebarman (NZ) (Yamanin Vital) and Preferment (NZ) (Zabeel) were in action at the Rosehill trials on Tuesday ahead of their spring campaigns.

The Chris Waller-trained pair stepped out in a 900 metre heat with the former winning the heat and Preferment a close seventh.

Who Shot Thebarman may resume in the Gr.2 Warwick Stakes on August 20 while Preferment is likely to return in the Gr.2 Chelmsford Stakes on September 3.

#### **Caorunn on target for Championship**

The Shane Baertschiger trained **Caorunn** (NZ) (Showcasing) will line up next Sunday week in the Group 3 Juvenile Championship (1200m).

The much-hyped Showcasing two-yearold, who boasted three wins up to 1200m in New Zealand as well as a fourth place in the Karaka Million (1200m), was evidently not quite fully screwed down at his Kranji debut in the fourth Leg of the Singapore Golden Horseshoe series on June 10. He finished



Caorunn (NZ) (Showcasing)

fifth, but one month later, came very close to bagging the top prize in the final Leg, the Group Two Aushorse Golden Horseshoe when a fighting second to Lim's Racer (NZ) (Red Giant).

"Caorunn pulled up good after his run in the Aushorse. It's confirmed. He's going for the Juvenile Championship next Sunday," said Baertschiger.

"I thought the tough run would take something out of him, but no worries at all, he was bouncing around the next day. Matthew Kellady will ride him again."



Mark Chittick

#### Boys flying racing flag for stud

Champion New Zealand farm Waikato Stud have reversed a trend this season.

"It's been interesting – usually our racing team is focussed on fillies, but this time between Garry and I we've been having a really good run with the colts and geldings," said principal Mark Chittick, referring to his father's involvement.

The Matamata farm has been to the fore in Australia, in particular, with the undefeated **Bullrush (NZ)** (O'Reilly) and the blueblood **Beckham (NZ)** (Pins), as well as the recently sold **Whoop Whoop (NZ)** (Savabeel).

"He's gone to Hong Kong and will be trained by Tony Millard," Chittick said. "He's a lovely type of horse, but he didn't

pass the x-ray testing as a yearling so we raced him and he's proved to be an up and



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coming horse and Mick Price had a really good opinion of him.

"However, he is a gelding and the money from Hong Kong was too good to refuse." Full story here.



Barnaby (NZ) (Shocking)

#### McKay strengthening racing team

Jacob McKay is steadily building up his Waikato stable headed by the talented **Barnaby (NZ)** (Shocking).

The Matamata horseman went out on his own last November to establish a breaking and pre-training operation following a successful training partnership with his father Peter, which included Group One successes with Puccini (NZ) (Encosta De Lago).

It wasn't long before the three-year-old Barnaby, inherited from Lance Noble when he took up a private role with Brendan and Jo Lindsay at Karaka, provided McKay junior with his first solo success with a winning debut on his home track in March.

"I bought a property at the racecourse and

people offered us a couple of racehorses," he said. "I was lucky to get this horse off Lance.

"I've now got 14 in work at the moment with six racehorses, breakers and pretrainers and we would like to be going to the sales to buy a few more young ones later on." **Full story here.** 

## Trial winners and a Tavistock feature in gavelhouse.com July

Among the 57 entries in this month's gavelhouse.com online auction are some interesting lots including two trial winners and a weanling colt by Tavistock.

Lot 12 – Tavistock colt from Zenada who is a half to stakes winner Storm Signal. Great pin-hook prospect for anyone looking to enhance their 2017 yearling sale draft. X-rays available in the NZB repository.

Lot 22 – Sensitive Smile, a two year old filly who's had one start to finish second to the smart juvenile Pluck That. Half-sister to El Novio.

<u>Missraad</u> - broodmare by champion broodmare sire Volksraad in foal to Mapperley Stud's first season sire Atlante (Fastnet Rock).

**Fast Dragon** – stakes winning juvenile by champion sire Fastnet Rock. Retired from racing and ready to go to stud.

Other sires represented include Al Akbar, Alamosa, Burgundy, Centaine, Ferlax, Flying Spur, He's Remarkable, Jimmy Choux, Keeper, Minardi, Pentire, Per Incanto, Postponed, Savabeel, Shocking, Sufficient, Thewayyouare and Wanted. <u>Full story here.</u>



High Forty (NZ) (Danzighill)

#### Five in line for jumping title

Five horses will vie for the title of champion jumper for the 2015-16 racing season.

The winners will be announced at New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing's Horse of the Year Awards Dinner, at the Langham Hotel, in Auckland, on Sunday, August 7.

Finalists have also been confirmed for the Trainer of the Year and the Media Award.

The finalists are: **Jumper of the Year:** High Forty (NZ) (Danzighill), Jack Romanov (NZ) (Ustinov), Just Got Home (NZ) (Storming Home), Sea King (NZ) (Shinko King), Wee Biskit (NZ) (Zed).

**Trainer of the Year:** Stephen Autridge and Jamie Richards, Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman, Tony Pike.

**Media Award:** Steve Davis (Trackside), Michael Holland (TVNZ), Mark McNamara (Trackside), Dennis Ryan (The Informant).

## **Remembering our Hall Of Fame Heroes**

## Bill Broughton- Champion jockey, the horseman's horseman

Bill Broughton, based at Awapuni through his long career, was "the horseman's horseman." He was never, as he himself said, regularly associated with a champion. Yet he won 11 premierships (a New Zealand record until overhauled by Lance O'Sullivan); he was in the top three jockeys on the ladder throughout a 20-year period; his sojourn at the top level actually spanned three decades (1930s, '40s and '50s) and his lifetime tally of 1446 winners was a record at the time of his retirement. Broughton was renowned not so much for individual talents or flair but for all-round professionalism and fitness. He was known as a patient rider, very strong in a finish, and most of New Zealand's big races came his way.







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Danroad : Dungiven (NZ) (Voice by Volksraad) 2010; 16/07/2016, 1st Talmoi APRC Talmoi Picnic Cup 1400m

Elusive City : Joranda Falls (NZ) (Kapilas by Carnegie) 2007; 17/07/2016, 1st Wodonga TC Are You a Racing Member H. 1590m

Encosta de Lago: Esteban (NZ) (Nadege by Giant's Causeway) 2012; 16/07/2016, 1st ATC Schweppes H. 2000m

Sold by Regal Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$180000

High Chaparral : Chaquinta (NZ) (La Quinta Gold by Encosta de Lago) 2011;

15/07/2016, 1st Canberra RC Business Group Aus P. 2000m Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

O'Reilly : Cahira (NZ) (Prized Star by Prized) 2012; 19/07/2016, 1st Pakenham RC XXXX Maiden P. 1600m

Perfectly Ready : Perfectly Rosey (NZ) (Our Rosalee by Conquistarose) 2010; 17/07/2016, 1st Corowa RC Winning Edge Presentations Maiden H. 1400m

Pins : Beckham (NZ) (Glamour Puss by Tale of the Cat) 2010; 16/07/2016, 1st BRC Caltex Eagle Farm H. 1400m

## **MALAYSIA**

Gonski : Impel (NZ) (Solaris by Desert Sun) 2009; 17/07/2016, 1st Perak TC Perak Gold Vase L 1100m Sold by Westbury Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$10000 Sold by Eqwine Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$15000

Keeper : Jetstar Eagle (NZ) (Stellar Genes by Centaine) 2010;

16/07/2016, 1st Perak TC Spruce H. 1400m Sold by Mana Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$85000 Sold by Te Runga Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$75000

Sir Percy : Zhan Shen (NZ) (Legs Akimbo by Marscay) 2010; 16/07/2016, 1st Perak TC King's Knight H. 1600m Sold by Rich Hill Stud at South Island 2YO & Mixed Sale for \$7000

Sufficient : Mr Dreyfuss (NZ) (Go Norn by Clay Hero) 2011; 17/07/2016, 1st Perak TC Napoleon Solo II H. 1000m

#### Rios : Go by Rio (NZ) (Princess by Pupil) 2011;

16/07/2016, 1st Townsville TC Daintree Eco Lodge H. 1400m Sold by Anistay Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$22000 Sold by Seaton Park Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$9000

#### Shocking : Little Shocker (NZ) (Chicken Little by Telesto) 2013;

19/07/2016, 1st Wine Country RC New Season Racing Maiden 2YO H. 900m Sold by Rich Hill Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$20000

Volksraad : Chaos (NZ) (Ava by Montjeu) 2010; 16/07/2016, 1st Tuncurry Forster JC Prince of Penzance H. 1400m

**Volksraad : Jackpot (NZ) (Downloaded by Catcher in the Rye) 2011;** 17/07/2016, 1st Pakenham RC Bruce Clough Mazda H. 1400m Sold by Wentwood Grange at National Yearling Sale for \$75000

Zabeel : Devere (NZ) (Lady Dehere by Dehere) 2011; 17/07/2016, 1st Pakenham RC Polytrack H. 1600m

Zed : Zed Em (NZ) (Dont Kick My Float by Paris Opera) 2010; 16/07/2016, 1st Gawler & Barossa JC Wolf Blass Wines S/Chase 3340m

## SINGAPORE

Any Suggestion : Zahir (NZ) (Zevita by Zeditave) 2011; 17/07/2016, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m Sold by Scotsman Valley Farm Dispersal Sale at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$2000

## Coats Choice : Muscular Sprinter (NZ) (Sweet Spot by Royal Academy) 2012;

15/07/2016, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1400m Sold by Berkley Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$15000

Darci Brahma : Alibi (NZ) (Bound to Impress by Galileo) 2012; 17/07/2016, 1st Singapore TC Graduation P. 1200m

Sold by Esker Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$90000

Elusive City : Karalli - Lim's Affection (Sing.) (NZ) (En Pointe by Carnegie) 2011; 15/07/2016, 1st Singapore TC Kranji C. S. 1600m

Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$6000

Showcasing : Casing Royal (NZ) (Icy Bubbles by One Cool Cat) 2012;

15/07/2016, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m Sold by Highden Park at South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale for \$1000

