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GENTIL TONTON APPRECIATES CHANGE OF SCENERY AND GUN RIDE FROM SAM



With a triumphant shout from Sam Weatherley, Gentil Tonton arrives in time to take the Taumarunui Gold Cup from the charging Pump Up The Volume (#2) with the gallant pacemaker Jochen Rindt boxing on for third.

widely travelled stayer **Gentil Tonton** (Yeats). The Irish-bred was making just his second start for trainer John Bell, who now also owns the gelding, when he came from the back of the field to triumph in yesterday's

change of environment has worked wonders for the

"When they come into a new stable they can sometimes grow another leg," Bell said. "He's a lovely horse."

Listed Woods Contracting Taumarunui Gold Cup at Rotorua.

A two-time winner in his native Ireland for Patrick Prendergast, Gentil Tonton then had one start in Hong Kong for Gary Moore before he transferred to the Cambridge stable of Trevor and Martin Cruz.

He was successful three times for the brothers and a further victory was posted from the yard of Lance O'Sullivan and Andrew Scott prior to him joining Bell's operation.

As is his style, Gentil Tonton settled toward the back of

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SWEYNESSE

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 98SW).
- 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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the field yesterday under leading apprentice Sam Weatherley before they improved near the home turn. A well-timed finish saw them score by half a length.

"Young Sam rode him a treat," Bell said. "He's not the easiest horse to ride."

Weatherley, who had ridden Gentil Tonton on four previous occasions, was true to his word at Rotorua.

"When Sam found out we were getting the horse he rang for the ride and said he'd win the cup - and he has," Bell said.

"We'll look for something for him now without travelling too far."

Gentil Tonton accounted for Pump Up The Volume (NZ) (Savabeel), the runner-up twelve months ago behind Jochen Rindt (NZ) (Ishiguru), who was a game third in the defence of his title.



Race	Taumarunui Gold Cup L 2200m
Winner	Gentil Tonton (Ire) 2011
Owners	John Bell
Trainer	John Bell (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Yeats (Ire) out of Champaka (Ire) by Caerleon (USA)
Breeder	Barronstown Stud

Sam Weatherley aives Gentil Tonton an affectionate pat after their Gold Cup triumph.

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BIG-HEARTED JESS APPEALS TO HAIRI

ingaporean jockey Hairi Marzuki can expect further opportunities from the premiershipwinning stable of Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman after another tidy performance for them yesterday.

Race	Taumarunui RC Keano at Sentry Hill Farm H. 1400m
Winner	Crafty Jess (NZ) 2013
Owners	W H Luff
Trainer	Murray Baker & Andrew Forsman (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Mastercraftsman (Ire) out of Dancing Jess by Danske
Breeder	Mrs A R & J A Poole
Sales	2015 National Yearling Sale, Select Session; V: Mapperley Stud Ltd, P: Baker Racing; \$21,000

The 30-year-old guided **Crafty Jess (NZ)** (Mastercraftsman) to victory in the Keano @ Sentry Hill Farm for the Cambridge trainers after riding the three-year-old to a previous-start victory at Hastings.

"It was a gutsy effort and it's always hard to step up again but we had been very happy with the way she had trained on," Forsman said.

"Hairi has ridden her a treat again. I said to him when I legged him up to ride her just like he did the start before and he's done that."

Marzuki jumped Crafty Jess out to a handy spot behind the pace and sat quietly until the top of the straight before asking the daughter of the Group Three-winning mare Dancing Jess (NZ) (Danske) for a serious effort.

Shellez Ace (NZ) (Swiss Ace) was in front 200 metres out but Crafty Jess finished resolutely to get the better of her close to the post and earn a short neck decision.

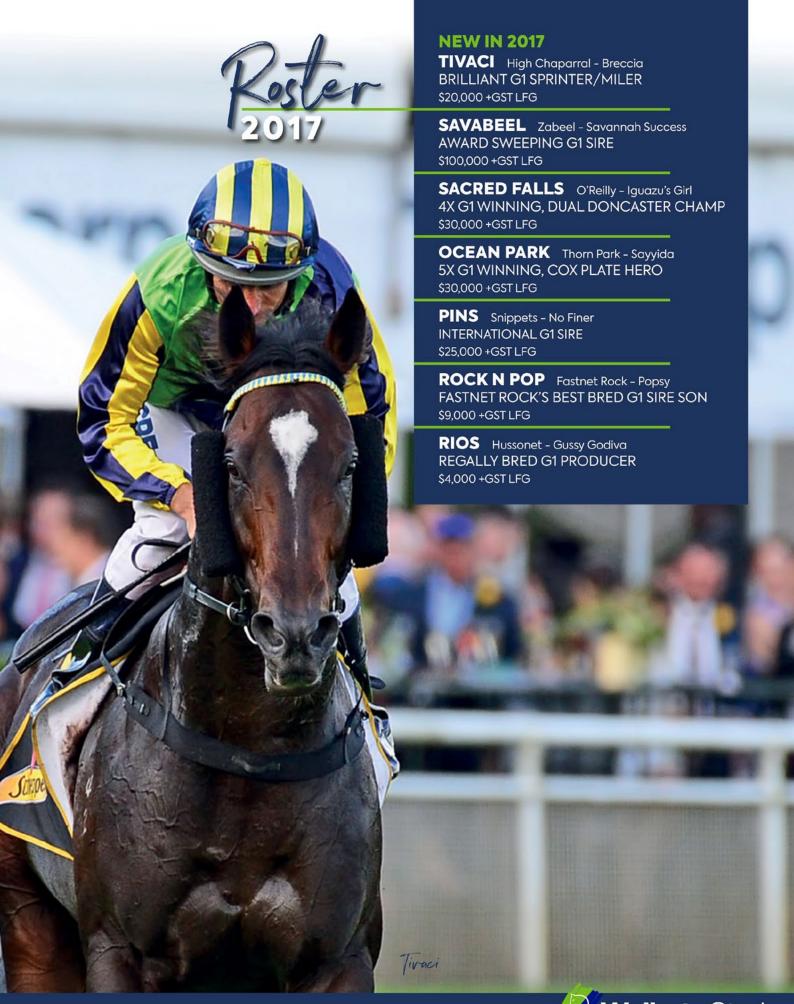
"She travelled well behind them and kept fighting," Marzuki said. "She's a small horse with a big heart."

Apprenticed to Stephen Marsh, Marzuki came to New Zealand to further his career after one win in his homeland. He opened his account here in October when successful aboard stable runner Thee Auld Floozie (NZ) (Mastercraftsman), also at Rotorua.

Crafty Jess has made an excellent start to her career with two wins and seven placings from her nine starts.

Two late-starting apprentice jockeys fight out the finish of the Rotorua three-year-old sprint on the two favourites, 30-year-old Hairi Marzuki, from Singapore, on Crafty Jess (#6) edging out 25-year-old Malaysian Darren Danis on Shellez Ace.





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HELLO M'LADY A CLASS ABOVE RIVALS

lack type performer **Hello M'Lady (NZ)** (Shocking) was in a class of her own at Rotorua, where she posted another soft win.

The daughter of Premier raceday winner The General's Lady (Aus) (General Nediym) bolted in on the course last month and yesterday she again gave her rivals a lesson with a runaway win in the Maketu Gentlemen's Club 1215.

"It's pretty easy when they pull their way into the race; she won very easily," rider Cameron Lammas said.

"She's starting to do things right now. She's got stakes form already and she's stronger now so I've got on her at the right time."

Trained by part-owner Vicki Prendergast, Hello M'Lady performed creditably in strong three-year-old company earlier in the season. She was third in the Listed Wanganui

Guineas and runner-up in the Group Three Bonecrusher Stakes.

Given a good post-Christmas break, the three-year-old is now unbeaten this preparation and will continue to work her way through the grades before eyeing further black type.

"She doesn't like the summer," Prendergast said. "She loves the winter and the cooler weather.

"We just want to build up her rating points so we can get in a bigger race later on."

Hello M'Lady settled at the back of the field before Lammas let her stride around runners across the top and they were in front at the top of the straight.

"Cameron did exactly what he was asked to do," Prendergast said. "We didn't want Liquid Inspiration to get away on us so we planned to come around them and Cameron rode her beautifully."

With little persuasion, Hello M'Lady sailed clear in the run home to score by two and three-quarter lengths and inflict a first defeat on Liquid Inspiration (NZ) (Iffraaj).

Race	Taumarunui RC Maketu Club H. 1215m
Winner	Hello M′Lady (NZ) 2013
Owners	M & V Prendergast
Trainer	Vicki Prendergast (Matamata)
Breeding	by Shocking (Aus) out of The General's Lady (Aus) by General Nediym (Aus)
Breeder	L Williams



Cameron Lammas gets the first of his two winners at Rotorua as Hello M'Lady cruises home by 2¾ lengths in the special conditions sprint.

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MONARCH CHIMES WASTING NO TIME



Monarch Chimes leads Ngario over the last in the open hurdles at Rotorua.

new kid on the jumping block has given a number of his more experienced and better-performed rivals plenty to think about.

In just his second appearance over fences, **Monarch Chimes (NZ)** (Shinko King) made his mark in open company at Rotorua yesterday with an excellent display to claim top honours in the Harcourts Taumarunui Hurdle.

Ridden by Shaun Phelan, the five-year-old comfortably accounted for the reigning Grand National Hurdles champion Ngario (NZ) (Captain Rio) and Raisafuasho (NZ) (Johar), a four-time winner over hurdles.

"It was a big step up for him and he was up against a few guns so it was lovely to see how well he finished off," said Emma-Lee Browne, who trains the gelding with her husband David.

"We were in two minds whether to go back to the flat, but he just loves his jumping so much."

Monarch Chimes' performance, which came off the back of his novice hurdle win at Te Aroha, has firmed plans to target the Great Northern Hurdles at Ellerslie on September 9.

"Obviously we'll talk to Shaun as he's done all the work on him but that's certainly in the picture," Browne said.

Monarch Chimes travelled easily behind the pace before cruising up to challenge 400 metres from home and then drawing clear to beat Ngario, who will improve with his first jumps outing of the season under his belt, by three and a quarter lengths.

"He's progressed a lot and I couldn't be happier with him," Phelan said.

"While he's rolling along like he is you have to keep going. I reckon he can be a Northern horse."

Race	Taumarunui RC Harcourts Taumarunui Hurdle 3000m
Winner	Monarch Chimes (NZ) 2011
Owners	C Fawcett and D B & Mrs P S Fullerton
Trainer	Emma-Lee & David Browne (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Shinko King (Ire) out of Chiming In (GB) by Niniski (USA)
Breeder	D B & Mrs P S Fullerton



TREBLE GIVES MARK A DECISIVE BREAK

turning point may have been reached in the Singapore trainers premiership after Mark Walker opened up a commanding break with a winning treble on Friday night.

The New Zealander, who claimed the title two years ago, leapt to his 61st win after favourites **Prince Darci** (NZ) (Darci Brahma), **Justice Light** (NZ) (Darci Brahma) and second favourite **Lim's Regard (NZ)** (Red

Giant) wrapped up a prolific night for him.

His closest rival and reigning champion Alwin Tan drew a blank and remains on 39 winners.

Walker, who had his mother visiting him at Kranji, was on hand for the first two winners but skipped the photo session when Lim's Regard closed out the night in the \$560,000 Class 4 over 1400 metres.

Ridden by Glen Boss, his partner

at his last start Restricted Maiden win, Lim's Regard stamped his authority when he finished hard on the outside to defeat Humdinger (NZ) (Road To Rock) by a neck with Taichi Belt (NZ) (Alamosa) third by the same margin.

Gus Clutterbuck spoke for the stable after their third victor.

"This is a very nice horse. He is improving all the time and he's so relaxed," the assistant trainer said.

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Lim's Regard (blue colours) gets the better of Humdinger at Kranji's Friday night meeting.





TREBLE GIVES MARK A DECISIVE BREAK

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"He's sprinting bred but, from the way he runs, I think he can get over more ground.

"The stable is doing very well. On their last runs, you had to give all three winners a chance.

"May the good run continue."

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Singapore TC Kranji S. 1200m
Justice Light (NZ) 2013
Lucky Stable
Mark Walker (Kranji)
by Darci Brahma out of Amaryllis by Red Ransom (USA)
Pencarrow Thoroughbreds Ltd
2015 National Yearling Sale, Premier Session; V: Pencarrow Stud, P: Te Akau Racing; \$120,000

Race	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1800m
Winner	Prince Darci (NZ) 2013
Owners	Fortuna NZ Racing Stable
Trainer	Mark Walker (Kranji)
Breeding	by Darci Brahma out of Obsession by Bachelor Duke (USA)
Breeder	The Oaks Stud
Sales	2015 National Yearling Sale, Premier Session; V: The Oaks Stud, P: Te Akau Racing; \$60,000

Race	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m
Winner	Lim's Regard (NZ) 2013
Owners	Lim's Stable
Trainer	Mark Walker (Kranji)
Breeding	by Red Giant (USA) out of Celtic Class (Aus) by Spectrum (Ire)
Breeder	T W Archer Trust
Sales	2015 Ready To Run Sale; V: Totara Park Stud, P: Lim Siah Mong; \$72,000

NEWS IN BRIEF

Bjorn set for a quick start

Sydney-based expat Kiwi trainer Bjorn Baker has earned the nickname "Mr Consistency" after training 121 winners in the 2015/16 season and backing it up with 121 winners in the current season.

"I've had more stakes winners and significantly more metropolitan winners," he said. "It's been a great season."

Baker is confident of a quick start to the new season with the likes of Bonny O'Reilly (NZ) (O'Reilly), Imposing Lass (NZ) (Makfi) and Champagne Cuddles (Not A Single Doubt) set to trial at Rosehill on Tuesday.

"I have been a slow starter in the past but this season I have a healthy team and some good horses ready to go," Baker said.

One Baker-trained runner which punters will have to bide their time for is Music Magnate (NZ) (Written Tycoon), the Group One winner having a fetlock chip removed and unlikely to be back before the new year. – racenet.com.au

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