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## WERTHER'S TAKARAZUKA KINEN BID A 'DREAM' FOR OWNER CHEN



*Werther in action during trackwork at Hanshin*

Owner Johnson Chen watched **Werther (NZ)** (Tavistock) experience Hanshin Racecourse for the first time on Thursday morning and revealed that he is fulfilling a lifelong dream in bringing his 2015/16 Hong Kong Horse of the Year to Japan to contest Sunday's Gr.1 Takarazuka Kinen (2200m).

The John Moore-trained Werther is only the second foreign horse to tackle the Takarazuka Kinen, one of two Japanese "all-star" races on the calendar along with

December's Gr.1 Arima Kinen (2500m) at Nakayama. The first raider, Australian galloper Seto Stayer (Bellotto), finished ninth in 1997.

"Japan has always been very close to me and I am very attached personally," said Chen, a Tokyo resident in his youth. "I spent six years here and went to high school in Japan, so to be able to compete in Osaka in one of the best races in the country is a dream come true for me. Werther is like family for

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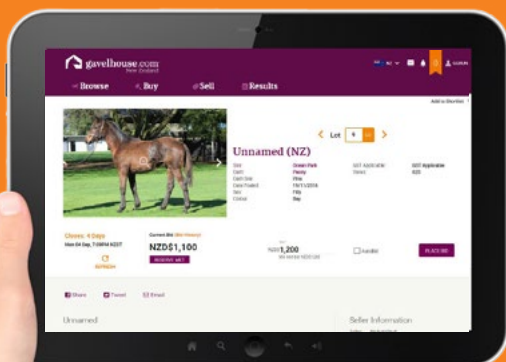
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# WERTHER'S TAKARAZUKA KINEN **BID A 'DREAM' FOR OWNER CHEN**

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me, it has been such a joy to own him and to bring him here is very special."

Werther's road to the Takarazuka Kinen has not been the smoothest, but connections remain confident of a big performance in Sunday's 325 million yen (about HK\$23 million) feature.

The Tavistock gelding was barred from racing for three months, having bled after producing the second-fastest Sha Tin 2000m time on record when runner-up in February's Gr.1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup. Werther then had a less than ideal warm-up when sixth under top-weight in the Gr.3 Lion Rock Trophy (1600m) first-up on 3 June.

And while the three-time G1 winner has taken the trip in his stride, it has been eventful enough after a 6.1-magnitude earthquake struck Osaka on Monday. At that time, the six-year-old was completing his quarantine period at Miki Horse Land Park, 50 kilometres west of Osaka.

"To be honest, it probably had more impact on us than it did on him!" said the Moore stable's trackwork rider Romain Clavreul. "We definitely felt it quite strongly. It is obviously something that doesn't happen in Hong Kong, but I don't think it fazed him at all."

Werther took to the Hanshin turf just after dawn Thursday morning, looking eager and full of zest as he stepped onto

the rain-slicked surface. Cantering up to the top of the straight, Clavreul wheeled him around to complete a lap and a half of the course, galloping the last 1200m.

"The boss asked me to gallop 1200 metres in about one minute 24 seconds," Clavreul said. "It's a fairly tight course so I took him to the top of the straight and I then let him start to build up from the 1600 metres. He did it very well, he handled the track and the uphill part in the straight."

Clavreul, who has been with Moore since early March and has ridden Werther throughout his current preparation, says that the forecast of rain is a bonus.

"He loved the softer surface this morning, that layer of cushion on top really helped him and took him to another level," the Frenchman said. "It looks like it might be wet on Sunday and I think that will really suit him."

Werther commenced his career in New Zealand under the tutelage of then Opaki based trainer Andrew Campbell. He won three of his 10 New Zealand starts including the Gr. 2 Championship Stakes (2100m) before rounding out his three-year-old campaign with a runner-up finish in the Gr.1 Queensland Derby (2200m),

Sold to Chen after his Australian campaign, Werther has won a further six races in Hong Kong, including 4 at Group One level.



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# ART DECO GETS HER SHOT AT CLASSIC

**A**llan Sharrock only needs to think back 12 months to gain all the confidence he needs going into Saturday's Listed Woburn Farm Tauranga Classic (1400m).

The New Plymouth trainer had contemplated lining up his emerging winter star **Art Deco (NZ)** (Road To Rock) in the weight-for-age fillies and mares features against the top-billing pair of Underthemoonlight (NZ) (El Hermano) and New York Minute (NZ) (Iffraaj) after two third placings at her lead-up runs, one of them beating home New York Minute.

However, he took the easier option of tackling the Rating 85 sprint and was left wondering if he had made the right choice after the Road To Rock mare cruised to a 3 3/4-length win, clocking 38.16 seconds for her final 600m split, a sectional that ranked favourably alongside Underthemoonlight's last 600m of 39.51 in winning the Tauranga Classic.

"I did think about it and I talked to [co-owner] Bill Gleeson about it but she would have been out of her grade, racing those mares on level weights and we felt it wasn't the right thing to do," Sharrock said.

"She won in her grade and ran a quicker last sectional, albeit she was at 1200m and they went 1400m. We'll see how she measures up this year. She's a bloody good mare and we're positive she can run well."

With Underthemoonlight and New York Minute returning for Saturday's Tauranga Classic and both presenting at the top of their game, Art Deco is facing just as stern a task as she would have last year.

Last-start Listed Rotorua Stakes winner Tomelilla (NZ) (Tavistock) and stablemate Deals In Heels (NZ) (Iffraaj), who went within a whisker of beating Underthemoonlight at Te Rapa a fortnight ago, add to the depth of a strong edition of the race but Sharrock has unerring faith in his mare, who once won a race by 16 lengths.

"I couldn't have her better. The blinkers go on and we're just hoping she can find chinks in the armour of the others," Sharrock said.

"She probably should have won second-up but Wiremu [Pinn, stable apprentice] was sitting there like he was on Black Caviar rather than really going for her, but then her run was a

typical second-up run too."

A winner of six of her 19 starts, Art Deco will have Johnathan Parkes aboard on Saturday.

TAB bookmakers opened her on the fifth line of betting at \$6.50 behind Underthemoonlight at \$2.90, New York Minute at \$3.30, Deals In Heels at \$4.80 and Tomelilla at \$5.20.

Safely through Saturday's race, Sharrock said Art Deco would head to the Listed Powerworx Opunake Cup (1400m) at New Plymouth on July 21 and if her form warranted it she could earn a late entry for the Gr.3 eStar Winter Cup (1600m) at Riccarton in August. - NZ Racing Desk



*Art Deco will look to add to her Tauranga record in Saturday's Listed Woburn Farm Tauranga Classic*





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# MELBOURNE SPRING BECKONS BOTTI

Punters had very little to worry about when the \$1.30 favourite **Botti** romped to victory at Pukekohe over 1200m on Wednesday on debut.

The son of Jakkalberry is a three-quarter brother to Lion Tamer, and the Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman-trained two-year-old will now be set on a path to emulate his Gr.1 VRC Derby (2500m) winning sibling.

"It's always hard to know how things are going to pan out in a four-horse field, but it did work out exactly the way we wanted it to," Andrew Forsman said.

"It gave the horse a bit of confidence and when he asked him for an effort he let down nicely.

"He's a lovely horse and the more he does, the better he is going to get. I am really excited about what's ahead.

With classic potential, the Cambridge stable will now plot a course to ready the youngster for the looming Melbourne spring carnival.

"It's not easy coming off a short run," Forsman said.

"It's June, he's just won his first race and there is not a lot of money in the bank. He'll probably have a couple of weeks off now, have a bit of a freshen-up and he might have to have a look at something like the Wanganui Guineas to try and get a bit of money in the bank. If he can measure up in that sort of race, you can think about perhaps

heading to Melbourne."

Winning rider Matthew Cameron was also excited by the future of the gelding.

"It's hard to take these races as a form-line as he only beat three rivals and the track is bottomless, but the feel he gave me and the turn of foot he's got is brilliant," Cameron said.

Botti's sire Jakkalberry stood at Novara Park for four seasons until his sudden death from a bout of colic earlier this year. The first-crop of the Group One-winning son of Storming Home have made a favourable impression and include Group Three placegetter Thomas Aquinas.

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The well related Botti makes a stylish debut at Pukekohe



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*Countofmontecristo (NZ) (Echoes Of Heaven)*

### Count brings Echoes of home to Curatolo

Ryan Curatolo is not only thrilled he will throw his leg over a leading chance in the \$51 million Charity Bowl (1600m) this Sunday, but it's also a ride which will take him back to his roots.

The French jockey has been booked to ride **Countofmontecristo (NZ)** (Echoes of Heaven) in the second Leg of the Singapore Four-Year-Old Challenge.

"I've never ridden Countofmontecristo but I know how good he is," Curatolo said.

"It's also a very nice name that reminds me of home as the story is about this man Edmond Dantès who in the 1810s was wrongfully locked up on the Chateau d'Iff which is near Marseille where I am from.

"But nostalgia aside, I'm really excited to be riding this horse. The owner wanted me to ride him and Eye Guy earlier as I won on Yabadabadoo for him before, but I was injured at the time.

"Alysha Collett rode him very well in the Lion's City Cup (1200m) when they finished third. William Pike then rode him in the first Leg of the 4YO series (Stewards' Cup over 1400m), and he also ran well.

"At the handicaps, I think he has a great chance as he is the highest-rated horse in the race. Michael has changed a few things with him, like they will put blinkers on, and hopefully that will improve him."

### Gray has kiwi-bred in fine fettle for Charity Bowl

Trainer Stephen Gray is confident that **Sky Rocket (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) has peaked at the right time for the second Leg of the Singapore Four-Year-Old Challenge, the \$51 million Charity Bowl (1600m) on Sunday.

Sky Rocket is being thrown in at the deep end on the back of his pulsating win in a Class 3 race over 1400m last Friday.

"Sky Rocket is backing up after nine days. He was nice and relaxed in that race, which he hasn't been in past runs," Gray said.

"Only good horses keep improving like



*Sky Rocket (NZ) (Darci Brahma)*

this. Some look like they will, but they don't in the end.

"He won \$540,000 the other day, but this is a one million dollar race. I told the owner he won well at his last start and his form is good, and he deserves to have a shot."

Sky Rocket will be teamed up for the first time with Daniel Moor.



*Miss Wilson (Stratum)*

### Group One hope for Bary

Hawke's Bay trainer John Bary has experienced Group One glory in Australia with Jimmy Choux and he is hoping to repeat the dose with his half-sister **Miss Wilson (Stratum)** in the Gr.1 Tattersall's Club Tiara (1350m) at Doomben on Saturday.

"It's exciting to be back over here having a go and having another crack at the Aussies," Bary said.

"She has travelled really well which is the important thing. She obviously had a lovely trial and worked really well yesterday, so we are in the mix. We are happy with our gate (10) so we will see what happens. With the emergencies out she will come into gate eight."

Kiwi jockey Vinnie Colgan will cross the Tasman to take the ride on the last-start Gr.1 NZ Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes (1600m) winner.

"She's a last-start Group One winner, so that has enhanced her value no-end," Bary said. "It's just genuinely exciting to be here

against the Aussies and test ourselves and see how good we are."

### Baker wary of Tauranga rival

Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman are likely to have a three-pronged attack on the Listed Woburn Farm Tauranga Classic (1400m) on Saturday, with **Tomelilla (NZ)** (Tomelilla), **New York Minute (NZ)** (Iffraaj) and **Deals In Heels (NZ)** (Iffraaj) all set to greet the starter.

"They're all in good form," Murray Baker said.

"They will run well and there is not much between them, but I think Underthemoonlight will be very hard to beat. I thought it was an outstanding performance at Te Rapa last start under the big weight."



*Aide Memoire (NZ) (Remind)*

### Randwick surface to suit Aide Memoire

**Aide Memoire (NZ)** (Remind) will be aiming to pick up the first win of her Australian career when she competes in the Elite Haulage Handicap (1200m) at Randwick on Saturday.

The Remind six-year-old mare won seven of her 21 New Zealand career starts for trainer Fraser Auret, including the Gr.1 Captain Cook Stakes (1600m).

She has finished unplaced in each of her five Australian starts for trainer Kris Lees, but he is confident she will break that dry spell with a suitable track on Saturday.

"The owners sent her over here hoping to get that wet autumn that we've consistently had but unfortunately for this mare it didn't pan out that way this year," Lees said.

"She's going to get her preferred surface on Saturday and I think you'll see a big improvement, although 1200m is well short of her best. I've added blinkers to her gear to keep her focused over the shorter trip.

"I said to the owners that I couldn't take the punt and wait for the Civic Stakes next week because it could dry out by then.

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"She's got a great wet track record and everyone who rides her says she will feel a lot more comfortable on that type of ground."



Sam Weatherley

### Strong book for Weatherley on Day One

Champion New Zealand apprentice Sam Weatherley has a good chance to make an instant impact in Sydney on Saturday when commencing a three-month stint with Chris Waller.

The 19-year-old, who has ridden 66 winners in New Zealand this season, can claim 2kg in the city and rides at 53kgs.

He has secured four strong rides, one for Waller, one for Kris Lees and two for Danny Williams.

The Avenger (Smart Missile) (\$4.40 fav) looms as his best ride in the Hi Quality Turf 3YO Benchmark 80 Handicap (1400m).

He'll also ride the in-form She Knows (Denman) (\$5) in the Turf Drain Australia Benchmark 81 Handicap (1000m), My Blue Jeans (Barbados) (\$7.50) and Star Reflection (Time Thief) (\$10).

"I didn't really expect to be on a few good chances on Saturday," Weatherley said.

"I knew I was on The Avenger for Chris and I was thrilled about that but to pick up another three horses that all appear to have chances is great.

"It's all caught me by surprise a bit."

[Audio link](#)

### Prom Queen on song for Doomben

Multiple stakes-winning filly **Prom Queen (NZ)** (Super Easy) is raring to go for Saturday's Singapore Airlines QTIS three-year-old Plate (1350m) at Doomben according to co-trainer Kenny Rae.

It will be the third and final start in her Queensland campaign before she heads back to New Zealand for a spell ahead of spring racing where a Melbourne campaign could beckon.

Rae, who trains in partnership with wife Lisa and their daughter Krystal Williams,



Prom Queen (NZ) (Super Easy)

was very happy with her two previous runs in the sunshine state, and noted the high regard jockey Craig Williams has for the diminutive filly after his runner-up ride on her. [Full story here](#)



Roger That (NZ) (Shinko King)

### Roger out to usurp John

**Roger That (NZ)** (Shinko King) will this weekend shoot for a win that remained beyond the reach of stable flagbearer John Gray (NZ) (Jahafil), despite years of trying.

Remarkably, Tauranga trainer Anthony Fuller produced John Gray to run at the Kiwifruit Cup meeting on eight separate occasions, five times tackling the staying feature - his best result a 3 1/2-length second placing to Intransigent (NZ) (Refuse To Bend) in 2013.

"He wasn't really a stayer but we used to have a go at the race because it was on his doorstep. He was usually carrying topweight and it was just too tough for him," Fuller said of John Gray, a winner of 14 races and stakes-placed up to Group Three level.

[Full story here](#)

### Giveaway excelling for Tyler

Seven career wins and more than \$120,000 in stakes is not a bad record for a mare who was essentially given away two years ago.

That is the tally **Flying Sardine (NZ)** (Flying Spur) has accumulated since



Flying Sardine (NZ) (Flying Spur)

beginning her career with Riverton trainer Kelvin Tyler.

The Gr.3 South Island Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes (1600m) place-getter has won her last two starts and will be looking for more success on Saturday when she competes in the Greenwood Amberley Cup (1600m) at Riccarton. [Full story here](#)



Michelle Bradley

### Bradley to join Gibbs in training partnership

Ruakaka trainer Chris Gibbs will have a new training partner come the new racing season when he is joined by Logan Racing Stables' long-time office manager Michelle Bradley.

Employed at the stable for more than ten years, Bradley said she is humbled by the opportunity to join Gibbs in a training partnership.

"Chris and Donna have been talking about it for a little bit now, obviously with Donna going up to Singapore," she said. "It's a privilege to have been asked. [Full story here](#)

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Longchamp (NZ) (Tavistock)

### Longchamp out to redeem himself at Hawera

**Longchamp (NZ)** (Tavistock) will attempt to put an uninspiring first-up effort behind him when he returns to the central districts today to further a campaign focussed on a black type hat-trick.

The six-year-old left his connections deflated following his distant fifth at Trentham behind New York Minute (NZ) (Iffraaj) when resuming from a nine-month break.

"It was an awful run, I thought he would be hard to beat after he'd trialed so well," trainer Andrew Campbell said. [Full story here](#)



Darci Mac (NZ) (Darci Brahma)

### Darci Mac continues Cup build-up

**Darci Mac (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) will continue his build-up to next month's Listed Powerworx Opunake Cup (1400m) when he tackles the open sprint at Hawera today.

The Allan Sharrock-trained Darci Brahma gelding is shooting for back-to-back wins in the race, to be run this year as the Fairview Hawera Insert Windows 1300m, after winning the race when it was run at Otaki last year.

"He's gone super first-up behind New York Minute, who is a freak in bad ground, and he's trained on well," Sharrock said.

"He's a shade below those really good ones, but he's not a bad horse himself and

we'll look at the Opunake Cup for him next month on his home track."

Sharrock will produce five runners at Hawera, with Look West (NZ) Cape Blanco), Jackson Road (NZ) (Jimmy Choux), You'll Do Me (NZ) (High Chaparral) and Grinner (NZ) (Iffraaj) slated for the undercard.

### Popular win at Pakenham

The Waikato Stud colours were to the fore at Pakenham on Tuesday when **She's Popular (NZ)** (Savabeel) notched her second win from eight starts when successful over 1400m.

The daughter of Savabeel is trained by David and Ben Hayes and Tom Dabernig and is out of the winning O'Reilly mare It Girl (NZ) (O'Reilly), a sister to four-time Group One winner Sacred Falls.

"The blinkers first time certainly helped," Lindsay Park representative Gino Mata said.

"Even before her first start, we had a high opinion of her. We raced her at her second start during the carnival. She's a hot-headed filly that is settling down now."

Winning rider Fred Kersley was keen to stick with the talented three-year-old.

"It was a nice win by her today," Kersley said. "She was in the box seat and always cruising and I had a whole lot of horse underneath me and it was just a matter of waiting for the right run to present."

"Once I presented her she really went through her gears nicely and hit the line with a fair bit left in the tank."

### Plenty of upside to Seas No Limit

Ocean Park three-year-old **Seas No Limit (NZ)** has plenty ahead of him according to jockey Linda Meech after their victory in the E-Cycle Solutions Jumps 28th June Maiden Plate (1600m) at Pakenham Park on Tuesday.

The Matthew Ellerton and Simon Zahra-trained gelding was moderately away out of the gates to sit off the pace for the majority of the race.

Meech drew him out four-wide at the turn of the straight where he began to lengthen and stormed home with 200m to go to nab Eira (NZ) (Makfi) at the line to win by three-quarters of a length.

"He didn't really love it (the synthetic track)," Meech said. "At the 600m he was really resenting it. I managed to get him to the outside of the runners, and even though he was lost he won quite impressively."

"He's only had the one bad run, so with the blinkers on he might string another couple together hopefully."

Ocean Park has sired 37 individual winners to date and seven stakes performers, with his eldest just three.



Matt Cameron

### Perfect day for Cameron

Jockey Matthew Cameron enjoyed a day out at Pukekohe on Wednesday.

The 31-year-old rode four winners from just the four rides, scoring aboard Captain Orange (NZ) (Captain Rio), Very Amazing (NZ) (Bullbars), Switch In Time (NZ) (Remind) and impressive debutant Botti (NZ) (Jakkalberry).

Cameron has now ridden 90 winners for the season and has moved into third in the jockeys' premiership.

He is closing in on 100 winners for the sixth time in his career. Only Lance O'Sullivan (13), Chris Johnson (7, closing in on 8) and Michael Walker (6) have ridden 100 winners in New Zealand in a season on more than five occasions.



James McDonald at Royal Ascot

### McDonald storms home for first Ascot win

James McDonald has capped his international comeback with victory aboard Expert Eye (Acclamation) in the Gr.3 Jersey Stakes (1400m) at Royal Ascot.

The former Godolphin jockey, who recently returned from a lengthy betting ban, powered through the field to win by five lengths.

"It's amazing, 18 months ago I would have never have thought I would be here and it has come very soon," McDonald said.

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"I have got to thank so many people who have managed to keep me on a great high and get me back to where I am today, from Charlie (Hills) who got me over here and Teddy (Grimthorpe) who manages Juddmonte, it is a real pleasure to win in these colours that are famous for so many reasons."

McDonald was able to share the victory with his partner and recently retired jockey Katelyn Mallyon, who was trackside to cheer him on.

"This is so special for James, he has come close to winning here before, but for this to happen now it is just wonderful," Mallyon said.

"The past 18 months have been tough but for this to happen just a month after his return to riding puts all the bad times aside."

It was also a day to remember for Expert Eye's trainer Sir Michael Stoute, who earlier broke the record for most Royal Ascot winners with his 76th success.

"It was a real honour to ride for his stable, he is a master trainer and words can't really describe him," McDonald said.



Reliable Man

### 30th winner for Reliable Man

**Reliable Magic (NZ)** became his Westbury Stud-based sire Reliable Man's 30th individual winner when victorious in the Racing.com SV Maiden Plate (2200m) at Pakenham on Tuesday.

The Richard Laming-trained runner jumped out well from the gates to take an early lead before handing up to a keen Baccarat (All Too Hard), who established a lead of several lengths down the back straight.

A perfectly judged ride by Jessica Payne had Reliable Magic retake the lead from a tiring Baccarat at the 600m mark, before the pair distanced their rivals, winning by two lengths.

"Down the back he got a little bit keen when Damian (Thornton) backed the tempo off a little bit, but he got rolling again soon enough," Payne said. I gave him a click up

near the 800m and I still had plenty of horse. "He relaxed so well throughout the race, so that's always key. The addition of winkers probably helped a little bit too."



Wiremu Pinn

### Pinn ready to shake off troubled background and forge successful career

With nine wins under his belt in less than a month, including victory on his very first race-day mount, New Zealand racing may be witnessing the emergence of a future riding star amongst its apprentice jockey ranks.

Go back a few years and the future for South Auckland youngster Wiremu Pinn certainly didn't look as rosy as the one that lies in front of the nineteen-year-old now. Pinn, by his own admission, isn't the scholarly type, and had found his way in and out of plenty of trouble during his formative years growing up in the Auckland suburb of Manurewa. [Full story here](#)



Jake Bayliss & Volpe Veloce

### Bayliss facing tough choice on immediate future

In-form rider Jake Bayliss has a tough decision to make when he returns from a well-earned holiday next month.

Bayliss will head to Mexico with his brother Regan and friend Beau Mertens for some R&R at the conclusion of the Queensland Winter Racing Carnival, which

wraps up at the Sunshine Coast on June 30. During his time away, he will mull over his riding options for the immediate future which include returning to New Zealand for an extended stint or staying on in Queensland to ride for leading trainer Robert Heathcote. [Full story here](#)



Ardrossan (Redoute's Choice)

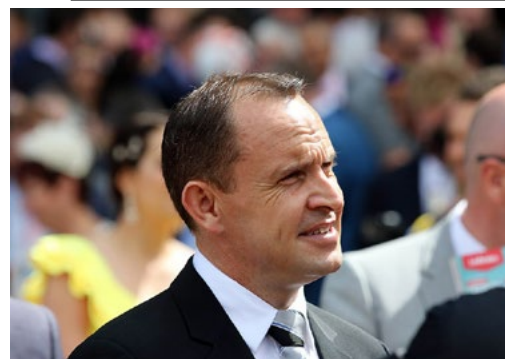
### Ardrossan closing in on return

Exciting colt **Ardrossan** (Redoute's Choice) is on target for a return to black type action.

The Redoute's Choice colt, who was unbeaten in New Zealand, is expected to resume in the Gr.3 Bletchingly Stakes (1200m) at Caulfield on July 28.

Ardrossan began his career with Cambridge trainer Stephen Marsh and won both of his starts, including success in the Listed Waikato Equine Veterinary Centre Stakes (1100m), before he transferred to Mick Price's Caulfield stable.

He was unplaced in the Gr.2 Rubiton Stakes (1100m) in his only Australian appearance before a spell.



Chris Waller

### Waller sets landmark training record

An unfashionable gelding with no stakes grade experience has given Chris Waller one of the most satisfying wins of his training career.

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Mutarakem (Dubawi) racked up a record 170th Sydney metropolitan win of the season for the ex-patriate New Zealand trainer and, fittingly, Hugh Bowman was in the saddle to share the achievement.

Mutarakem's triumph does not compare with the achievements of his champion stablemate Winx (Street Cry), but Waller insisted the win was just as cherished after eclipsing his previous season best set in 2015-16.

"Whether it's a midweek at Canterbury or a big Group One race we still get the same kick out of it this far into the season," Waller said.

"Every day is important to me. I bounce out of bed whether it's Championships morning or whether it be Monday morning after a tough weekend.

"There's always something to look forward to when you've got a big stable, whether it's an up-and-coming horse through the winter or Winx.

"Thanks to all my staff for what they do to get these horses ready week in, week out."

### Ryder Stakes target for Ruakaka 2YOs

Ruakaka trainer Kenny Rae believes his stable has a great chance of winning the Listed Ryder Stakes (1200m) next month.

Rae, who trains in partnership with wife Lisa and their daughter Krystal Williams, said he has five promising two-year-olds in his barn, but highlights Keeper gelding Keep The Cash (NZ) as the stables main hope.

"I have got five two-year-olds at home that are going to race at Ruakaka coming up and then look at going to the Ryder Stakes," he said.

"Out of the five, we are looking at getting one there. Keep the Cash would be the pick of them at the moment. He has had one start for a third.

"He's racing next week at Ruakaka, but the 900m will probably be a bit short for him. By the time he gets to the 1200m at the end of July we should be spot on!"

### Stayer joins Waller camp

Progressive stayer **Makdanife (NZ)** (Makfi) has joined the Sydney stable of champion ex-pat Kiwi trainer Chris Waller.

Patiently handled by Pukekohe trainer Nigel Tiley, Makdanife won three of his 17 starts in New Zealand, and was placed on a further three occasions.

"The owner has been really patient with him and he is a lightly raced rising six-year-old," Tiley said.

"There are better opportunities for the horse to earn some prizemoney in Sydney,"

Tiley trained a double at Pukekohe on Wednesday, with impressive winners Switch In Time (NZ) (Remind) and Lupelani (NZ) (Nom Du Jeu).



Megablast (NZ) (Shinko King)

### Megablast back on track

The Nigel Tiley-trained **Megablast (NZ)** (Shinko King) is set to continue his campaign in Queensland after a setback which forced his withdrawal from the Gr.2 Brisbane Cup (2400m).

"He knocked a sesamoid, which is why I had to scratch him out of the Brisbane Cup and I think the track at Doomben on Saturday is going to be pretty firm, so he won't run in the Tattersalls Cup either," Tiley said.

"The weather forecast is for sunshine all week and I think I'd rather just get him ready for the Caloundra Cup. [Full story here](#)

### Pitman sprinters return to training

Group One-winning sprinter **Enzo's Lad** (Testa Rossa) is returning to training ahead of a planned title defence of the Gr.1 Telegraph (1200m) at Trentham next January.

Back in work with him are Son Of Maher (Al Maher) and Mr Typhon (Redoute's Choice), who also have Group One targets for the new season.

"He's very well," co-trainer Matthew Pitman said of Enzo's Lad.

"He and Mr Typhon spelled at Greg O'Connor's place and both have done very well. Enzo's Lad will probably target the Stewards Handicap initially on his way to the Railway and Telegraph.

"Mr Typhon will go to the Pegasus and Stewards, and probably follow much the same path that Enzo's Lad did last year with the Telegraph in mind. We think he's a genuine open-class sprinter and he should be suited to a Telegraph."

Son Of Maher will be set for a defence of his Gr.2 Coupland's Bakeries Mile (1600m) crown at Riccarton in November before

targeting summer sprint and 1600m features.



Haussmann (NZ) (Pour Moi)

### Haussmann joins Waller barn

Stakes-winning three-year-old gelding **Haussmann (NZ)** (Pour Moi) has joined Chris Waller's Sunshine Coast stable from Tony Pike's Cambridge barn in the search for better track conditions.

"Haussman has gone to Chris Waller's to actually try and get a couple of better track surfaces over there, so we'll see how he goes," Pike said.

The Pour Moi gelding has won two of his 11 starts in New Zealand for Pike, including the Listed Great Northern Foe Stakes (1400m) at Ellerslie last year as a two-year-old and was also runner-up in the Listed Waikato Equine Veterinary Canter Stakes (1100m).



Prince Of Passion (NZ) (Castledale)

### Australia beckons Prince Of Passion

Group One performer **Prince Of Passion (NZ)** (Castledale) is likely to do his future racing across the Tasman.

The Thorndon Mile (1600m) runner-up will shortly return to the Cambridge stable of Jon Miller before joining an as yet unconfirmed Australian trainer.

"He's due back in another week, but I won't be taking him over," he said. "I'll be concentrating on a number of younger horses.

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## NEWS IN BRIEF

"Tim Harrison has got a share in Prince Of Passion and has got the mare so he wants some black type and the very best of luck to him."

The winner of five races, Prince Of Passion is out of the Desert Prince mare Hidden Passion, also the dam of the Typical (NZ) (Tavistock) who has won two of his last three starts from Tony Pike's stable.



*Lewis Carroll (NZ) (Darci Brahma)*

### Lewis Carroll retired

Quality galloper **Lewis Carroll (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) has finally succumbed to lingering knee issues and the decision has been

made to retire the five-year-old son of Darci Brahma.

"It's common knowledge his entire career that he failed the vet for Hong Kong," breeder, part-owner and trainer Ngaire Fraser said.

"My daughter Wendy has done an amazing job looking after him, but after Whangarei we x-rayed him and pulled the pin. His knees have got too bad to go on so we retired him." [Full story here](#)

### Annual Waikato NZTBA Quiz Night

The annual Waikato New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association quiz night is being held on Tuesday June 26, 2018, at the Five Stags Bar & Restaurant in Leamington, Cambridge.

Open to all current, new, and prospective members in teams of four to six, there are three bar vouchers up for grabs. If you're short of numbers for a team the NZTBA Waikato team will match you up. Entry is free and teams must assemble and register at 6:30pm.

Always a fun and competitive night, register your team and take the bragging rights!

**VIDEO:** James McDonald wins the Gr.3 Jersey Stakes on day two of Royal Ascot on the Sir Michael Stoute-trained Expert Eye



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### AUSTRALIA

**Alamosa : All Points West (NZ) (Tradewind by Al Akbar) 2013;**  
20/06/2018, 1st Echuca RC Blaze Essential Services Maiden P. 1000m

**Azamour : Send My Love (NZ) (Lady Cavalier by Towkay) 2014;**  
16/06/2018, 1st WATC Edda Unewisse H. 1600m  
Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$50000

**Bachelor Duke : Night Voyage (NZ) (Silver Skies by Stravinsky) 2012;**  
20/06/2018, 1st WATC Salinger H. 1300m

**Dalghar : Only Choice (NZ) (Honor Babe by Honor Grades) 2013;**  
16/06/2018, 1st GCTC AWS Window Systems H. 1400m  
Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$130000

**Darci Brahma : Pride of Darci (NZ) (Queen of Lions by King of Kings) 2014;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Gosford RC Rapid Scaffolding H. 1200m  
Sold by Milan Park at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

**Denman : Unique Magic (NZ) (Magic Star by Danzero) 2014;**  
15/06/2018, 1st Toowoomba TC Mittys H. 1640m

**Echoes of Heaven : Gregorian Chant (NZ) (Norse Affair by Viking Ruler) 2015;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Bendigo JC Thanks Kenny Keating Maiden P. 1400m

Echoes of Heaven : Wainui Gold (NZ) (She's All Gold by Prized) 2013;  
18/06/2018, 1st Lismore TC Workers Club H. 1400m

**Fast 'n' Famous : So Shy (NZ) (Exquisitely by Snippets) 2014;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Coff's Harbour RC Sportsman's Lunch Maiden H. 1215m

**Fastnet Rock : Mister McIlroy (NZ) (Lady Firebird by Stravinsky) 2013;**  
15/06/2018, 1st Goulburn DRC Goulburn Mazda H. 1400m  
Sold by Cambridge Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$280000

**High Chaparral : Winsomemore (NZ) (Winsome by Housebuster) 2010;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Mackay TC Husqvarna H. 1560m  
Sold by Sedgmere Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$130000

**High Chaparral : But It's True (NZ) (Pennacchio by Align) 2012;**  
20/06/2018, 1st Echuca RC Murphy's Turf & Landscaping H. 2100m  
Sold by Curraghmore Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

**Iffraaj : Le Dude (NZ) (True Star by Ishiguru) 2012;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Mackay TC Toxfree H. 1560m  
Sold by N. G. Fraser at Winter Mixed Bloodstock Sale for \$10000

**Iffraaj : Flaaj (NZ) (Flinders by Royal Academy) 2012;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Sale TC Lords Cleaning Services H. 2200m

**Jimmy Choux : Manolo Blahniq (NZ) (Floramour by More Than Ready) 2013;**  
16/06/2018, 1st ATC Sydney's West App H. 1300m  
Sold by Curraghmore Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$115000

**Nadeem : Shuswaggi (NZ) (Shuswap by Pins) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Wauchope JC Construction & Cladding Aus Maiden P. 1106m

Sold by Little Avondale Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$6000

**Nadeem : Victory Eight (NZ) (Queen's Colours by Rainbow Quest) 2013;**  
17/06/2018, 1st SCTC Parklands Tavern H. 1200m  
Sold by Esker Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$80000  
Sold by Te Runga Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$30000

**Nadeem : Princeton Spirit (NZ) (Ivy Hall by Towkay) 2013;**  
16/06/2018, 1st MVRC Silver Thomas Hanley H. 1200m  
Sold by Little Avondale Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$10000

**No Excuse Needed : Biding Time (NZ) (Stateswoman by Shinko King) 2010;**  
16/06/2018, 1st Narrandera RC Process Printers H. 1400m  
Sold by Stellar Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$28000

**Ocean Park : Seas No Limit (NZ) (Boundless by Van Nistelrooy) 2014;**  
19/06/2018, 1st Pakenham RC E-Cycle Maiden P. 1600m

**One Cool Cat : Polar Blitz (NZ) (Nella Dane by Danehill) 2009;**  
16/06/2018, 1st Cunnamulla DDRRC B&L Schmidt Memorial Open H. 1000m

**Perfectly Ready : Incubus (NZ) (Pistola by Senior Pete) 2010;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Port Augusta RC Datgaw Services H. 1100m  
Sold by Anistay Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$5500

**Pins : El Shaday (NZ) (Celebrate by Savabeel) 2013;**  
16/06/2018, 1st GCTC Mitek Australia H. 1400m  
Sold by Wellfield Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$130000  
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$75000

**Reliable Man : Reliable Magic (NZ) (Mahamaya by Bahhare) 2014;**  
19/06/2018, 1st Pakenham RC Racing.com Maiden P. 2200m  
Sold by Westbury Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$40000

**Rip Van Winkle : Chatelard (NZ) (Lutry by Johannesburg) 2013;**  
16/06/2018, 1st ATC Winter Racing H. 1800m  
Sold by Mapperley Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$90000

**Sakhee's Secret : Secret Harmony - Hoovesgotcha (Aust.) (NZ) (Peace Lilly by Bachelor Duke) 2013;**  
17/06/2018, 1st SCTC Bellvista Tavern Maiden H. 1800m

**Savabeel : Gold Mag (NZ) (Chapinta by High Chaparral) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Bendigo JC Bet365 Maiden P. 1100m

**Savabeel : Superverloce (NZ) (Queen of Lions by King of Kings) 2012;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Sale TC Workforcexs Gippsland H. 1400m

**Savabeel : Letsava Win (NZ) (Classical by Stravinsky) 2012;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Port Augusta RC Milhinch Jewellers H. 1600m  
Sold by Mana Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$100000



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**Savabeel : Excessabeel (NZ) (Royal Excess by Exceed and Excel) 2013;**  
14/06/2018, 1st Sale TC Ladbrokes Back Yourself H. 2200m

**Savabeel : She's Popular (NZ) (It Girl by O'Reilly) 2014;**  
19/06/2018, 1st Pakenham RC Cardinia Club Trivia 22/6 H. 1400m

**Showcasing : Ivy's Dream (NZ) (Ivy Hall by Towkay) 2014;**  
16/06/2018, 1st GCTC Purchase Tickets Maiden H. 1300m  
Sold by Little Avondale Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$7000  
Sold by Kilgravin Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$27500

**Tavistock : Rising Stock (NZ) (Wahaha by Stravinsky) 2011;**  
16/06/2018, 1st Kilcoy RC Keith Beavis Memorial H. 1200m  
Sold by Anistay Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$22000

**Tavistock : Zaide (NZ) (Light Mozart by Mozart) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Bendigo JC Bendigo Ice Maiden P. 2400m  
Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$40000

**Zabeel : Sugarland Express (NZ) (Eloa by Volksraad) 2012;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Wauchope JC NBN Maiden H. 1506m  
Sold by Little Avondale Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$270000

### HONG KONG

**Danerich : Presidentparamount (NZ) (Magical Slice by Ne Coupez Pas) 2010;**  
16/06/2018, 1st HKJC Lei Yue Mun Riding School H. 1600m

**Stravinsky : Sky Treasure (NZ) (Inzabeel by Zabeel) 2013;**  
16/06/2018, 1st HKJC Ho Sheung Heung Road H. 1200m  
Sold by Lime Country Thoroughbreds Ltd at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$31000  
Sold by Lakeview Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$70000

### MACAU

**Red Giant : Pearl Lucky (NZ) (Crystal Hill by Danehill) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Macau Tamworth H. 1500m  
Sold by Westbury Stud at Ready to Run Sale for \$24000

**Snitzel : Luen on Dance Kid (NZ) (Dance My Dance by Sadler's Wells) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Macau Canberra H. 1200m  
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$180000

### MALAYSIA

**Buffalo Man : Balboa (NZ) (Kings Princess by King of Kings) 2012;**  
16/06/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1700m  
Sold by Totara Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$9000

**Coats Choice : Nova Ranger (NZ) (Best Price Coup by Pentire) 2012;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1200m

**Iffraaj : Mr Nevermind (NZ) (Speedalot by Prized) 2012;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Penang TC Cosmo B S. 1200m  
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$13000

**My Halo : Halo Inspire (NZ) (Java Princess by Valiant Prospect) 2009;**  
16/06/2018, 1st Penang TC Cosmo D S. 1600m

**Patapan : The Axe - OK Kid (Mal.) (NZ) (Katie Dane by Oregon) 2012;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 4 H. 1300m

**Tiger Prawn : Eastwood (NZ) (Ribarnica by Grand Lodge) 2013;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1400m  
Sold by Millfield Stud at Ready to Run Sale for \$15000  
Sold by Millfield Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$8000

### SINGAPORE

**Alamosa : Alamak (NZ) (Castellina by Zabeel) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1600m  
Sold by Anzac Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$55000  
Sold by Wellfield Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$36000

**Burgundy : Burkaan (NZ) (Meranti by Woodman) 2015;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1000m

**Darci Brahma : Sky Rocket (NZ) (Ruppertsberg by Montjeu) 2013;**  
15/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 3 H. 1400m  
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$25000

**Edenwold : Million Round (NZ) (Sparks Will Fly by Almutawakel) 2011;**  
15/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m  
Sold by Berkley Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$4000

**Redwood : Soonbaby (NZ) (Wahaha by Stravinsky) 2013;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1100m  
Sold by Cypress Point Stables at Ready to Run Sale for \$20000  
Sold by Anistay Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

**Rock 'n' Pop : Refresh (NZ) (Wahaha by Stravinsky) 2014;**  
17/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m  
Sold by Anistay Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$31000

**Sakhee's Secret : Savage Storm (NZ) (Mysterious Sound by Danzig) 2010;**  
15/06/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m  
Sold by Delahunty Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$21000  
Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$25000



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