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# SEABROOK ON TARGET FOR GOLDEN SLIPPER TILT



 $New\ Zeal and\ bred\ two-year-old\ Seabrook\ has\ the\ Gr.\ 1\ Golden\ Slipper\ in\ her\ sights\ for\ trainer\ Mick\ Price$ 

eabrook (NZ) (Hinchinbrook) may have missed out on the chance to win the Blue Diamond Stakes but connections now have their sights on a bigger prize in Sydney.

The Mick Price-trained filly confirmed her credentials fir the \$3.5 million Golden Slipper on March 24 with her win in Saturday's Group Two Sweet Embrace Stakes at Randwick. The filly was a luckless third in the Blue Diamond fillies Prelude at Caulfield at her previous start and was left without enough prize money to make the field for the Group One Blue Diamond on February 24, won by Written By (Written Tycoon).

Price has won a couple of Blue Diamond Stakes, Victoria's premier juvenile race, but is chasing his first Golden Slipper

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in Sydney and was impressed with Seabrook's Randwick performance under top Sydney jockey Hugh Bowman.

"I thought she was outstanding," Price said.

"Hughie got off and said, if it had have been beaten, it would have been a bad ride."

"She flew the gates and was going to put herself there and he asked her to come back and then finish off. I did say to him she needs to be ridden with a sense of finish, and to give her a strong chance at the finish.

"It was a big ask of her this week because she galloped the reverse way (at Caulfield) on Saturday, galloped reverse way on Tuesday and was on a float to Sydney on Wednesday night.

"It gives her three weeks into the Slipper now with D Oliver on. She's a filly that has no stress, so she should train on."

Damien Oliver rode Seabrook in her first two starts but had commitments for the trainer in Melbourne on Saturday, winning the Group One Australian Guineas on Grunt (NZ) (O'Reilly) and the Listed Bob Hoysted Handicap on Secret Agenda (Not A Single Doubt).

"I was really disappointed Seabrook didn't make the Diamond because I reckon she would have given it a real shake," Oliver said.

"She should have won the Prelude and should have been in it

"I've got a lot of time for her. I think she's a real chance in the Slipper."

- AAP

#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### Payne's Angel takes Cup

Trainer Patrick Payne upset the applecart on Sunday when he produced **Angelology (NZ)** (Coats Choice) to take out the A\$80,000 Wangaratta Cup (2000m).

The field for the race had fallen away to just six runners after the last-minute scratching of local hope Doogan's Rise (Naturalism) on vet's advice.

While Flemington Cup week winner Oncidium Ruler (Strategic) started a clear favourite, he wasn't able to match it with Payne's jumper Angelology late - the latter banking a flat win for Payne's sisters Cathy McEvoy and Maree Prebble who make up two-thirds of the ownership. The victory took Angelology's career record to 22 wins from 61 starts with just under \$640,000 in total stakes earnings.





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# CHARLES ROAD READY FOR TWO-MILE TEST

hile a number of candidates for the Gr.1 Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup (3200m) had their final hit-out at Ellerslie on Saturday, one of the leading contenders was safely tucked up back at his Matamata home base.

The Lance O'Sullivan and
Andrew Scott trained **Charles Road**(Myboycharlie) leapt to the forefront
of Cup calculations with his win in the
Gr.3 City of Auckland Cup (2400m)
on Karaka Million night in January. A
handy run for fourth in the Nathan's
Memorial (2400m) at Ellerslie last
month kept him up to the mark with
co-trainer Andrew Scott of the belief
he is primed and ready for a big effort
this coming weekend.

"He has done well since his last run and worked nicely at home on Saturday," said Scott.

"He didn't get all favours on an off track last time as the race wasn't really run to suit when they dawdled along and just sprinted home. He showed a good turn of foot and was finishing off well, so we were really pleased with how he went.

"He's a tall, athletic type of stayer who doesn't need a lot of racing hence we didn't think he needed to have another run before the Cup.

> Charles Road wins on Karaka Million night to confirm his Gr. 1 Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup bid

"He will have his last serious gallop on Tuesday morning and then it will just be a count-down to Saturday."

Scott believes maturity achieved through experience has played a key role in the gelding's progress after a disappointing start to his campaign in the spring.

"He's just got better and better this campaign which we have put down to him maturing as he has gotten some more racing under his belt," he said.

"He can still do a few things wrong but he has settled better in his races. I guess you never know if they are going to get the distance of the Cup until they have tried it but on what he has shown us lately I don't think it will be a problem.

"What we do need is a good draw and a good run in the race as that is the key to it all. There look to be at least half a dozen good chances in the race so whoever gets the best trip will be the hardest to beat."

Charles Road is currently rated as equal second favourite with Magic Chai (Magic Albert) at \$6.50 on the TAB Fixed odds market for the race. Ladies First (NZ) (Dylan Thomas), who took out Saturday's final lead-up race to the Cup, heads the market at a \$4.50 quote.

– NZ Racing Desk





### YEARN DELIVERS ON TRAINER'S WISHES

atamata trainer Karen Fursdon got exactly what she asked for at Ellerslie on Saturday.

Fursdon was interviewed prior to the start of race four about the chances of stable star **Yearn (NZ)** (Savabeel) in the Go Racing Syndications rating 85 1400m contest. She was upbeat about her prospects but did add the caveat she was hoping that the four-year-old could break a run of bad luck that she had endured in her most recent starts.

Apprentice Sam Weatherley delivered on Fursdon's wishes with a stylish effort that saw Yearn positioned beautifully

Race	ARC Go Racing Syndications H. 1400m.
Winner	Yearn (NZ) 2013
Owners	M & Mrs C R Lupton
Trainer	Karen Fursdon (Matamata)
Breeding	by Savabeel (AUS) out of Princess Uno (AUS) by Danehill (USA)
Breeder	Emblem Ltd; Waikato; NZ

against the rail throughout after jumping well from an inside barrier. Angled into the clear by Weatherley at the 300m mark, the Savabeel mare produced a powerful finishing burst between runners to snatch victory from Ruud Not Too (NZ) (Bernardini) in the shadows of the winning post.

While outwardly the performance seemed to happen relatively smoothly, Weatherley reported not all had been what it seemed.

"She gave me a very very tough ride today," he said.

"She was on the toe through the birdcage and wanted to race very keenly in the running. I was in trouble there for a while, but she has got an incredible turn of foot.

"She was very tough. I always had the feeling she was going to win but it took a little longer than I thought."

Fursdon admitted she had her doubts as to whether the mare had made it to the line first.

"I thought she had won but you never know sometimes so we had to wait for the photo finish," she said.



"This is the first time we have backed her up so quickly, but it was a really good strong run to the line."

Fursdon advised the ultimate goal for the mare was the Gr.1 Fiber Fresh NZ Thoroughbred Breeders Stakes (1600m) at Te Aroha on 7 April, with a run at Tauranga on 24 March as the most likely lead-up to her Te Aroha task.

- NZ Racing Desk

Yearn (blue and green stripes) collars Ruud Not Too (inner) at the Ellerslie winning post





# MONGOLIAN MARSHAL ENHANCES FUTURE DERBY PROSPECTS

hile the powerful Murray
Baker and Andrew
Forsman training
partnership had cause for mass
celebration after producing Vin De
Dance (NZ) (Roc De Cambes) to win
the Gr.1 Vodafone New Zealand
Derby (2400m) on Saturday, they
may also have unleashed another
Derby prospect in waiting on the
day's undercard at Ellerslie.

Earlier in the day visiting Australian apprentice Ben Allen guided promising three-yearold **Mongolian Marshal (NZ)** (High Chaparral) to a comfortable victory over 1600m, in the process signalling the High Chaparral gelding is angling for a potential Derby tilt across the Tasman later in the season.

Forsman indicated the stable was considering its Australian options with the horse after watching him demolish a handy field with relative ease.

"We hope to get him to Sydney or perhaps Adelaide," he said.

"We'll just have to see as he has only raced over 1600m today but everything about him suggests he will get over more ground.

"It was set up for him today as they went very hard in the mid-stages which softened up those who did the work early on.

"It may have flattered him a little, but I think it was a handy enough field."

Allen echoed Forsman's sentiments as he commented on the performance.



Saturday's victory could set up a shot at Derby glory in Australia for Mongolian Marshal

"He got a beautiful track into the race behind his stablemate," he said.

"When I popped him out I was a little wary of getting to the front too early, but he put them away quite nicely.

"He was a little green so he has got a lot of improvement in him."

Allen sported the colours of the gelding's part-owner, the Inner Mongolia Rider Horse Industry (NZ) Ltd., who went agonisingly close to their second New Zealand Derby triumph when Mongolianconqueror (NZ) (Ocean Park) was beaten by a nose in the day's feature. The group, headed by Mr Lang Lin, tasted Derby success in 2015 with the Baker & Forsman

trained Mongolian Khan (Holy Roman Emperor).

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	ARC Buffalo & Co S. 1600m.
Winner	Mongolian Marshal (NZ) 2014
Owners	Hope Bloodstock Ltd & Inner Mongolia Rider Horse Industry (NZ) Ltd
Trainer	Murray Baker & Andrew Forsman (Cambridge)
Breeding	by High Chaparral (IRE) out of Ardeche by Dehere (USA)
Breeder	Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan; Waikato; NZ
Sales	2016 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session V: Cambridge Stud \$220000 P: Rider Horse NZ





## DON CARLO DOUBLES UP AT WINGATUI

xciting South Island sprinter **Don Carlo (NZ)** (Per Incanto) made it two from two in his summer campaign with a gritty victory at Wingatui on Saturday.

The Per Incanto four-year-old returned from a three month break with a victory over 1000m at Riccarton in February, with trainer Michael Daly warning then that the best hadn't yet been seen from his charge.

Daly was of the mind that his stable star had made the necessary improvement to be a major factor in Saturday's Prince Of Brooklyn (1200m) open sprint and so it proved as Don Carlo out-toughed his rivals to score a narrow but convincing victory.

"He has really come on since Riccarton and I thought if he got the right run he would be awfully hard to beat on Saturday," said Daly.

"Once he jumped so well and put himself in the race I was feeling pretty confident.

"He only does enough to win which I guess is what you want as it doesn't take it out of them so much.

"They don't give out any extra prizes for winning by ten lengths, so I'll take the win anyway it comes."

Rider Kylie Williams used the gelding's barrier speed to put him in the perfect position early in the contest as Jazzman (NZ) (One Cool Cat) set a torrid speed in front. Asked to quicken by Williams as they swung for home Don Carlo quickly went up outside Jazzman to hold a narrow advantage.

In a furious finish to the event outsider Koxinga (NZ) (Gallant Guru) burst through the pack to try and chase down Don Carlo but to no avail as he responded to the urgings of Williams to pull out to a neck advantage at the line.

"I did get a little worried when they started charging at him, but Kylie said he was always going to win," said Daly.

"When he saw that other horse closing on him he kicked again and was holding them all at the line.

"He's only had the 13 starts now so he still has a lot to learn about the racing game. I think you will see a much better horse next year.

"He can have one more start in this prep and then we will put him away. He will go out at the top of his game and we can then look forward to getting him back for the spring later in the year."

- NZ Racing Desk

Race	Otago RC Prince of Brooklyn H. 1200m.
Winner	Don Carlo (NZ) 2013
Owners	R C F Moore
Trainer	Michael Daly (Washdyke)
Breeding	by Per Incanto (USA) out of Turf Fire by O'Reilly
Breeder	C G Doak & Miss R E Ealden; Waikato; NZ



Don Carlo holds out all the challenges at Wingatui





### HYDE PARK STROLLS TO EASY WIN

rainer Stephen Gray was delighted **Hyde Park (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) has not taken long to set the record straight even if the second-up win on Sunday was not an exactly remunerative outing.

The Kiwi handler actually held higher hopes for the St George Stable-owned Darci Brahma four-year-old at his racing debut almost a year ago last April, but his seventh place in the Restricted Maiden race over 1200m had left him puzzled.

After a long break via Malaysia, Hyde Park returned to his Kranji yard with benefits that looked tangible enough, at least physically to Gray, but remained to be proven result-wise in a real race situation.

That part was taken care in no

uncertain terms in Sunday's \$20,000 Open Maiden race over 1000m when he overcame an awkward alley to race away to a dominant four-length.

"We thought he'd run good at his first start and had hopes for him as a three-year-old, but he didn't go good at all," said Gray.

"He pulled up sore and was lame. We couldn't find anything wrong, we just backed him off.

"He was lame again and he's done all sorts of tests, but we just couldn't work it out. We sent him up to Malaysia to Sandy Lines' stables for a few months.

"He's come back a different horse, he's grown into a stronger horse, certainly better than before.

"It's good for Paul Hickman who always wants to win races, and I'm glad this one has come right. It's just a shame he won for only little prizemoney.

"He's definitely worth better than that."

Boss jumped off saying he was not expecting fireworks from Hyde Park, but he knew he was on a changed horse the moment the gates flew open.

"He gave me a good feel from

the start. He was travelling easy throughout," said the Australian hoop, who was returning from a two-day suspension.

"Steve has a high opinion of this horse, but unfortunately, he came back sore at his first start. He went for a break and came back a really nice horse."

Race	Singapore TC Open Maiden S. 1000m.			
Winner	Hyde Park (NZ) 2013			
Owners	St George Stable			
Trainer	Stephen Gray (Kranji)			
Breeding	by Darci Brahma out of Femmebot by Stravinsky (USA)			
Breeder	Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan; Waikato; NZ			
Sales	2015 National Yearling Sale - Select Sale V: Cambridge Stud \$70000 P: S Gray			



Hyde Park dashes clear at Kranji





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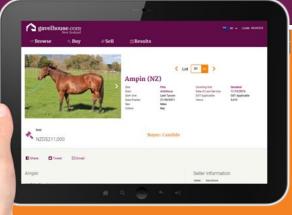
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DARCI BRAHMA	\$7,431,792	
TAVISTOCK	\$5,144,472	
ROAD TO ROCK	\$5,115,168	
O'REILLY	\$4,629,280	
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$4,372,609	
PER INCANTO	\$3,599,507	
THORN PARK	\$2,975,954	
PINS	\$2,842,042	
SHOWCASING	\$2,714,448	
Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the highest stakes earnings worldwide		

#### THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$5,910,087
DARCI BRAHMA	\$2,261,629
O'REILLY	\$2,169,713
PINS	\$1,952,294
IFFRAAJ	\$1,908,742
TAVISTOCK	\$1,779,728
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$1,632,717
MAKFI	\$1,575,165
ALAMOSA	\$1,447,528
SHOCKING	\$1,404,384

Criteria: Sire whose progeny have accumulated the highest combined stakes earnings in Australia & New Zealand

### THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$2,627,865
DARCI BRAHMA	\$1,316,917
IFFRAAJ	\$1,242,929
FASTNET ROCK	\$1,174,885
TAVISTOCK	\$1,130,580
ALAMOSA	\$1,007,833
PER INCANTO	\$902,724
ROC DE CAMBES	\$864,130
PINS	\$856,905
ZABEEL	\$785,375

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
EMBELLISH	\$466,310
DEVISE	\$157,750
GINGERNUTS	\$180,000
AVANTAGE	\$592,120
GOBSTOPPER	\$188,375
STOLEN DANCE	\$131,450
SHADOWS CAST	\$141,312
VIN DE DANCE	\$623,500
PACKING PINS	\$122,750
LIZZIE L'AMOUR	\$361,000

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand



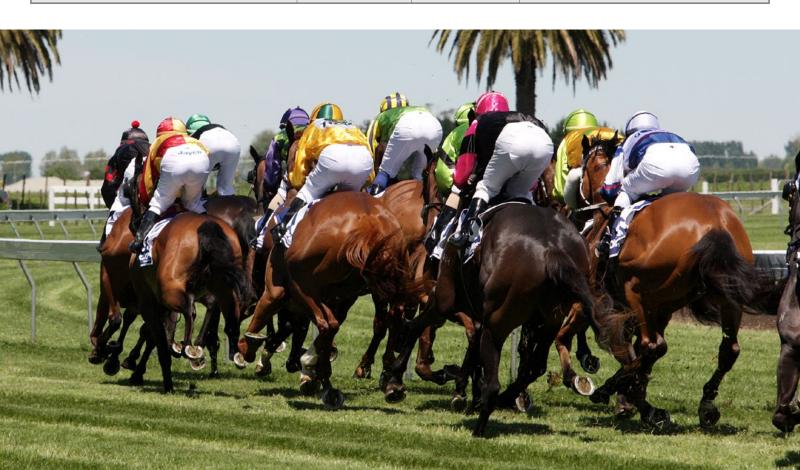


### NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG FEBRUARY 28

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
AMAZING FEELING (NZ) 2012 by Iffraaj (GB) out of China Choice (AUS) by Encosta de Lago (AUS)	G Harvey; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Shui Wo H. 1650m.	
PICK NUMBER ONE (NZ) 2014 by Darci Brahma out of Extra Explosive by Ekraar (USA)	Explosive Breeding Ltd; Central; NZ	HKJC Hung to H. 1200m.	

### NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG MARCH 3

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
Vallone – YOU HAVE MY WORD (H.K.) (NZ) 2011 by Mastercraftsman (IRE) out of Staryn Glenn by Montjeu (IRE)	Mrs H G & W G Bax; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Anser H. 1600m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Blandford Lodge, P: Bruce Perry BStk; \$100,000
Ted – PING HAI STAR (H.K.) (NZ) 2013 by Nom du Jeu out of Vicky (AUS) by Encosta de Lago (AUS)	G B & Mrs L A Morton; NZ	HKJC Flycatcher H. 1400m.	
TELECOM MAN (NZ) 2014 by Rock'n' Pop (AUS) out of Row of Diamonds by Savabeel (AUS)	Milan Park Stud Ltd & Tullycrine Ltd; Auckland; NZ	HKJC Shearwater H. 1600m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session; V: Milan Park, P: Regal Farm; \$70,000



# NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE MARCH 2

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
LORD O'REILLY (NZ) 2014 by O'Reilly out of The Speaker by Volksraad (GB)	P J B Smith & Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1400m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session; V: Waikato Stud Ltd, P: L Khoo Peng Ann; \$75,000
O'WHAT A FEELING (NZ) 2012 by O'Reilly out of Hooked Ona Feeling by Zabeel	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1800m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Waikato Stud Ltd, P: S Baertschiger; \$100,000
SECONDWAVE (NZ) 2008 by One Cool Cat (USA) out of Aquaspur (AUS) by Flying Spur (AUS)	Robhar Breeding & Racing; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1100m.	2010 National Yearling Sale - Festival Session; V: Brighthill Farm, P: Mr BG Hedley; \$2,000
SAFEER (NZ) 2014 by Savabeel (AUS) out of Ahna by O'Reilly	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1100m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session; V: Waikato Stud Ltd, P: Waterford B/stock; \$185,000 2016 Ready to Run Sale; V: Prima Park, P: DC Ellis; \$280,000
YABADABADOO (NZ) 2014 by Makfi (GB) out of Doduo (AUS) by Danehill (USA)	Watson Bloodstock Ltd; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Class 3 H. 1200m.	2016 Ready to Run Sale; V: Westbury Stud, P: JGS Singh; \$27,000
DECRETO (NZ) by Red Giant (USA) out of Wandane (USA) by Danehill (USA)	G Harvey; Auckland: NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1100m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Festival Session V: Westbury Stud, P: Mr JC Collett; \$15,000

# NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE MARCH 4

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
JOYOUS (NZ) 2011 by Iffraaj (GB) out of Casual Walk by Creese (GB)	Blakrayne Pastoral Pty Ltd; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m.	2013 Ready to Run Sale; V: Pertab Bloodstock, P: SF Lee; \$6,000
JACKS SECRET (NZ) 2012 by Sakhee's Secret (GB) out of Spin 'n Grin by Spinning World (USA)	Mrs S M & T R Roper; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1600m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Phoenix Park, P: DC Ellis; \$25,000
HYDE PARK (NZ) 2013 by Darci Brahma out of Femmebot by Stravinsky (USA)	Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Open Maiden S. 1000m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Select Sale; V: Cambridge Stud, P: S Gray; \$70,000
TYPHON (NZ) 2012 by Gold Centre (AUS) out of Crisp (AUS) by Zeditave (AUS)	J R O'Brien; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m.	
CHALAZA (NZ) 2012 by Road to Rock (AUS) out of Miss Faberge by Ustinov (Aus)	Nearco Stud Limited; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 2 H. 1400m.	2014 South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale; V: Highden Park, P: LB Racing; \$26,000
COLCHESTER (NZ) 2012 by Rios out of Danish Wedding by Danasinga (AUS)	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 3 H. 1400m.	2013 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: Waikato Stud Ltd, P: JD Hillis; \$5500
LORD OF CLOUD (NZ) 2014 by Niagara (AUS) out of Miss Jean Brodie by Masterclass (USA)	Lime Country Thoroughbreds Ltd; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1000m.	

