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# PROGRESSIVE SAVVY OAK IDEAL DERBY PROSPECT



The Trent Busuttin & Natalie Young trained Savvy Oak will tackle the Gr.1 VRC Derby on Saturday

ranbourne trainers Trent Busuttin and Natalie Young know what it takes to win a Gr.1 VRC Derby (2500m).

The Kiwi conditioners prepared Sangster (NZ), a son of Savabeel, to win the blue-ribband event in 2011, while Sully (NZ) (Reliable Man) also turned in a strong performance when second from a wide barrier last year.

On Saturday, the duo will have two representatives headed by progressive stayer **Savvy Oak (NZ)** (Savabeel) in addition to outsider Louie The Legend (Masterprint).

Although only a maiden winner, Savvy Oak found the line

well when fourth behind Stars Of Carrum (Fiorente) in last Saturday's Gr.2 AAMI Vase (2040m) and his trainers believe his \$20 quote is over the odds.

"Savvy Oak has come through his last run in the Vase well," Young said.

"He's paying \$20, but I think he should be priced at 11 or 12-1. I think he's a great chance. His work has been super.

"He is a horse that can really back-up. He is jumping around and his work this morning (Thursday) was top-class. I can't fault him."

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## SWEYNESSE Stunning first foals

## 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.













#### Ray Knight



# PROGRESSIVE SAVVY OAK IDEAL DERBY PROSPECT

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Like Sangster, Savvy Oak is a son of New Zealand's champion sire Savabeel.

A \$95,000 purchase from the Windsor Park Stud draft at New Zealand Bloodstock's 2017 Premier Yearling Sale, Savvy Oak is out of the Group Three winning High Chaparral mare Fairy Oak (NZ).

"He's furnished through the preparation and on breeding he wants a trip, as his dam was a stakes winner over 1800m."

Young said Savvy Oak would wear ear muffs pre-race to keep him settled after becoming a little bit warm before the Vase.

Meanwhile, Young believed Louie The Legend is not without a chance despite being well held in 10th last start.

"He probably did a bit too much work in the Geelong Classic and didn't quite finish it off," she said.

"This time he will be ridden conservatively. He has got a little bit of an awkward draw (11) and he may end up a couple of pairs further back than what we would like.

"Dwayne Dunn is happy to get back on him, which is a good sign."

Young believes Thinkin' Big (High Chaparral) is the horse to beat but is pleased to be represented in the 2500m feature once again.

"It's a good Derby field, but it is just great to have two in it and giving the owners an experience of having a Derby runner.

"They're all over the moon. Both horses warrant being there and I think they will both go a really good race."

- NZ Racing Desk







# LONG LEAF FRESHENED FOR COOLMORE MISSION

ong Leaf's (Fastnet Rock) family features a host of classy sprinters and connections of the talented colt believe a decision to save him for the stallion-making Gr.1 Coolmore Stud Stakes (1200m) can be rewarded at Flemington.

"We've come to the conclusion we think he's a really good fresh sprinter," co-trainer Ben Hayes said.

Long Leaf is by Coolmore stallion Fastnet Rock who was a star sprinting three-year-old whose record includes three straight-track wins at Flemington highlighted by the Group One Lightning Stakes.

The colt's dam Frustrating (Stravinsky) is a daughter of grand producing mare Parfore (NZ) (Gold Brose) whose progeny include Group One-winning sprinters Terravista (Captain Rio) and Tiger Tees (NZ) (Dubawi).

Another of the late Parfore's sons Ball Of Muscle (Dubawi) is still excelling on the racetrack with three Group-race wins over sprint distances this spring.

Three-year-old Long Leaf burst on the scene last season with a debut win in Adelaide and victories in the Merson Cooper Stakes and Blue Diamond Preview.

But he has not won in seven starts since.

Long Leaf will have a fresh edge on his side when he lines up in the Gr.1 Coolmore Stud Stakes at Flemington Co-trainers David and Ben Hayes and Tom Dabernig decided not to press on to last month's Caulfield Guineas (1600m) with Long Leaf after his closing third in the 1400m Prelude, preferring to wait for Saturday's A\$1 million Coolmore for three-year-olds over the straight 1200m.

"I think it was a good decision not to run him in the Caulfield Guineas. I don't think we would have beaten Chris Waller's horse The Autumn Sun, and he's freshened up excellent," Ben Hayes said.

"He's actually looking a lot stronger over the bum and he's put on good condition."

Hayes was thrilled with how Long Leaf performed in a straight-track jumpout at Flemington last Friday which was won by Written By (Written Tycoon) and also featured other Coolmore contenders Zousain (Zoustar), Lean Mean Machine (Zoustar), and Paquirri (I Am Invincible).

"I think he was going as good as all of them," Hayes said.

"So I really like him. He's a good each-way chance.

"It's a very competitive race but I think he's definitely going to really sprint well fresh.

"It's a big race to win. It's worth a lot more than the prize money if you're a colt."

Long Leaf was purchased by BBA Ireland out of Curraghmore's 2017 New Zealand Bloodstock Premier yearling draft for \$750,000. -AAP



#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**



I Am A Star (NZ) (I Am Invincible)

### Star mare shooting for second Group One

Trainer Shane Nichols would love to see I Am A Star (NZ) (I Am Invincible) score a second win in the Gr.1 Empire Rose Stakes (1600m) at Flemington on Saturday.

I Am A Star became the first three-yearold filly to win the race when it was known as the Myer Classic in 2016 before Shoals (Fastnet Rock) won the race last year.

I Am A Star carried 49kg to victory but has 57kg in the 2018 edition of the weight-forage feature.

Nichols said the five-year-old could leap to another level if she notched another Group One win to accompany her five Group Two victories.

"We went there and won it with 49kg, the first filly to do it," Nichols said. "It was outstanding but how good would it be if we could go back and win it again as a mature mare with 57(kg)?"

I Am A Star will tackle the Empire Rose Stakes in terrific form with wins at her last three starts in the Gr.2 Let's Elope Stakes (1400m), Gr.2 Stock Stakes (1600m) and Gr.3 Ladies' Day Vase (1600m).

The Empire Rose Stakes barrier draw has worked in I Am A Star's favour with gate 3, which will give jockey Ben Melham every chance to give her a perfect run in Saturday's A\$500,000 event.

Nichols said I Am A Star has improved significantly on her last run with her coat set to catch the eye in the mounting yard on Saturday.

"She's in outstanding nick and I wouldn't swap her for any other runner in the race," Nichols said.

#### Final Oaks hit-out for Verry Elleegant

Standout three-year-old filly **Verry Elleegant (NZ)** (Zed) will head to
Flemington on Saturday to contest the Gr.2



Verry Elleegant (NZ) (Zed)

Wakeful Stakes (2000m) in preparation for next week's Gr.1 VRC Oaks (2500m).

The New Zealand-bred and part-owned filly has impressed in her two starts in Australia and trainer Darren Weir believes the Gr.3 Ethereal Stakes (2000m) winner will benefit from the run on Saturday.

"We were toying with the idea of backing her up at Moonee Valley last weekend," Weir said. "But we think just giving her an extra week will suit.

"From our point-of-view we think she needs to run because it will be hard for her to over-race like she did in her previous start and then to be able to run out a strong 2500m.

"We would be galloping her over 2000m on Saturday morning in preparation for the Oaks anyway, so she can run and then go back to Warrnambool and have a quiet week."



Shillelagh (NZ) (Savabeel)

### Waller keen on Shillelagh's Saturday chances

Trainer Chris Waller believes he holds a strong hand in Saturday's Gr.1 Empire Rose Stakes (1600m) with stablemates Invincibella (I Am Invincible) and **Shillelagh** (NZ) (Savabeel).

"I expect both horses to be very hard to beat," Waller said.

"She (Shillelagh) won on this day last year in the Kennedy Mile against the boys and she returns to her own sex here, under the weight for age conditions.

"Her runs have been very good, she wasn't suited by the style of race last start in the Toorak but still hit the line well and has come through that race in good form.

"Prior to that she ran a very creditable race in a strong edition of the Epsom Handicap back in Sydney.

"James McDonald is aboard and barrier 10 should suit her normal racing style."



Who Shot Thebarman (NZ) (Yamanin Vital)

#### Kiwis for the Cup

Evergreen New Zealand-bred and owned stayer **Who Shot Thebarman (NZ)** (Yamanin Vital) will be contesting the Gr.1 Melbourne Cup (3200m) for a fourth time next Tuesday, while a number of his compatriots will be relying on results from Saturday to make the 24-horse field.

The Lance O'Sullivan and Andrew Scott-trained **Sir Charles Road** (Myboycharlie) all but secured his spot in next Tuesday's race after placing in the Gr.3 Bendigo Cup (2400m) on Wednesday, leapfrogging the Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman-trained **Zacada (NZ)** (Zabeel) into 23rd spot in the order of entry.

While Zacada currently remains within the starting line-up for the race, the Gr.1 Sydney Cup (3200m) runner-up's spot could be taken by the winner of the Gr.3 Lexus Stakes (2500m) or Thinkin' Big (High Chaparral), who will contest the Gr.1 VRC Derby (2500m).

A number of Kiwi horses in the Lexus Stakes that could take his place include Rising Red (NZ) (Redwood), Yogi (NZ) (Raise The Flag) or Patrick Erin (NZ) (Gallant Guru).

Meanwhile, there has been a set-back for Melbourne Cup hopeful Red Verdon (Lemon Drop Kid).

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#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

The Ed Dunlop-trained entire, who is currently 20th in order of entry for the Cup, has been found with bruising to a foot and missed being worked on Thursday as a result.

"He's got a bit of a pulse in a foot," Dunlop said. "We have had the farrier in, he has a little bruise in his foot. The farrier has taken the shoe off and we are hot and cold pulsing it. It's only a 24-hour problem, it's just come at the wrong time with the Melbourne Cup coming up so quickly.

"He has missed a day's work, but that will probably be the only problem."

### Raffles Racing runner set for Gr.1 Coolmore

The Chris Waller trained **Lean Mean Machine** (Zoustar) will have blinkers added for his attempt at Saturday's Gr.1 Coolmore Stud Stakes (1200m) at Flemington.

The Zoustar colt, who is part owned by Raffles Thoroughbred Racing, will have the services of Hugh Bowman for the race with Waller indicating the gear change came about after a recent jump-out.

"In his jump out I thought he might have floated a little over the concluding stages so for that reason the blinkers went on on Tuesday morning in his track gallop and it seemed to do the job," Waller said.

"Therefore, he will wear them on Saturday, he is a lovely horse, he has a beautiful action and I think the tough 1200m will certainly suit him, as will running on the good track.

"Whilst he might not have figured in the finish on Golden Rose day, he is certainly better than that run and I expect him to prove himself on Saturday and be hard to beat."



Ladies First (NZ) (Dylan Thomas)

#### **Further start for Ladies First**

**Ladies First (NZ)** (Dylan Thomas) will have one further throw of the dice in Melbourne before returning home to be set to defend her Gr.1 Auckland Cup (3200m) crown.

The six-year-old daughter of Dylan Thomas finished eighth in the Gr.2 Moonee Valley Gold Cup (2500m) at Moonee Valley on Saturday, just under six lengths from the winner, Ventura Storm, when ridden by Michael Walker.

"Mickey intimated the track circumference didn't suit her and also a bit of rain would have helped her," trainer Allan Sharrock said.

Sharrock plans to back Ladies First up in the Gr.3 Hotham Handicap (2500m) at Flemington this weekend. Full story here



Lanciato (NZ) (Per Incanto)

#### Flemington to suit Lanciato

Sydney trainer Mark Newnham has every reason to approach the Melbourne Cup carnival with confidence, having handpicked three horses he believes are going to be suited by the spacious Flemington track.

His runners include stable stalwart **Lanciato (NZ)** (Per Incanto) who will be having his first start in the Gr.2 TAB Sprint (1200m) since his midfield finish in the Gr.1 Epsom Handicap (1600m) on October 6.

"I've had it in the back of my mind for some time he will be a good straight track horse," Newnham said.

"All the old-timers say you need a 1400m horse to win the straight 1200.

"Lanciato's best form is at 1400 and his racing style is to get back and pounce which should suit the straight."

#### **Patrick Erin aiming for Lexus**

New Zealand-bred and owned galloper **Patrick Erin (NZ)** (Gallant Guru) was scratched from the Gr.3 Bendigo Cup (2400m) on Wednesday after he was found to have an elevated temperature.

"Whilst this temperature remained within normal parameters, it was decided to err on the side of caution and scratch him," trainer Chris Waller said.

"His temperature has returned to a very



Patrick Erin (NZ) (Gallant Guru)

normal level, it is not to say that he hasn't had something going on in his system and whilst it never got up too high I am still guarded about him so we will await blood results this afternoon (Thursday).

"If they are not perfect then we will apply to the stewards to have another blood taken tomorrow (Friday) to ensure that he is as close to perfect for Saturday's race as possible.

"If not we will withdraw him from the race and probably have to look at the Queen Elizabeth on the last day of the carnival."

The seven-year-old gelding is currently 37th in order of entry for the Gr.1 Melbourne Cup (3200m) and a win in the ballot exempting Gr.3 Lexus Stakes (2500m) at Flemington on Saturday would see him force his way into the final field for the Cup.

Patrick Erin has drawn barrier 8 in a field of 13 for Saturday's contest.



Nymph Monte (NZ) (Tavistock)

Nymph Monte on-song heading into Cup Nymph Monte (NZ) (Tavistock) made light work of his opposition in the Egmont Cup (2100m) at Hawera last-start and his trainer and part-owner, Grant Nicholson, is hoping he can continue that form into the Listed Ricoh Feilding Gold Cup (2100m) at Awapuni on Saturday.

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#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

The seven-year-old gelding had put in two pleasing runs at Hastings over the spring carnival before his run in the Taranaki feature earlier this month, where he recorded a one and a quarter length victory over Group One-winner Ladies First (NZ) (Dylan Thomas).

"He was building to that run after Hastings and just needed a bit of luck on his side. It was a very good effort and a good ride as well by Shafiq Rusof," Nicholson said. Full story here



Consensus (NZ) (Postponed)

#### **Group One mare resumes at Tauranga**

Group One winning mare **Consensus (NZ)** (Postponed) will have the first run of her seven-year-old season in the Chesters Plumbing & Bathroom (1300m) at Tauranga on Saturday.

The Stephen McKee-trained mare last raced in May when she ended a three start Australian campaign with an eighth placing in the Gr.2 Hollindale Stakes (1800m) on the Gold Coast, having also finished fourth in the Gr.1 Ranvet Stakes (2000m) and sixth in the Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth Stakes (2000m) in Sydney.

"She came straight home and spelled at Kylie Bax's place in Cambridge for about six weeks," McKee said. Full story here

#### Andoyas to back-up

The Lance O'Sullivan and Andrew Scotttrained **Andoyas** (Lando) will take his place in a Rating 82 Benchmark 1550m at Awapuni on Saturday, just a week after a barrier incident at Ellerslie.

The former Hong Kong galloper blundered when leaving the barriers last Saturday, making heavy contact with the gates and was subsequently pulled up when rider Opie Bosson was injured.

"He came through with no problem at all," Lance O'Sullivan said.

"It was pretty unfortunate that it happened to Opie. It's just one of those things, it can happen, and he has certainly taken no ill-effect from the incident whatsoever.

"I was contemplating running him over 2000m straight away but there were no races for him over that distance."

Meanwhile, stablemate Divine Duke (NZ) (Bachelor Duke) remains on target for the Gr.3 Christchurch Casino New Zealand Cup (3200m) on November 17.

"He ran really well at Matamata last start. He will run on Melbourne Cup Day at Ellerslie in the Rating 82 2200m, and if he performs well we will go down to Christchurch and have a crack."



Major Tom (NZ) (Red Giant)

#### Tom assigned major weight in Cup

Gr.3 New Zealand Cup (3200m) aspirant **Major Tom (NZ)** (Red Giant) will have one more run in the C S Stevens Memorial Banks Peninsula Cup (2200m) at Motukarara on Sunday before he contests the two-mile Riccarton feature later this month.

The Ken Rae and Krystal Williams-Tuhorotrained runner has been in strong form of late, winning his last start over 2100m at Ashburton and placing in his two previous starts this spring.

The five-year-old gelding will carry 62.5kg and will jump from the outside barrier in the 10-horse field and his connections are taking a cautious approach into Sunday's race. Full story here

#### Comfortable maiden victory for Eridani

Last-start runner-up **Eridani (NZ)** (Makfi) went one better at Waipa on Wednesday to secure her maiden victory in the Waipa Home of Champions (1150m).

That last-start effort resulted in the three-year-old filly jumping away as a \$2.70 favourite and she won accordingly



Eridani (NZ) (Makfi)

under jockey Danielle Johnson, beating Dublin Rose (NZ) (O'Reilly) by one and three-quarter lengths with a further two and a quarter lengths back to Gocara (NZ) (Redwood).

"Track conditions were the only worry," trainer Stephen Marsh said. "She went to a Dead6 at Hawke's Bay and sort of floundered around on that. But race one today on a nice day, we thought we're going to get the best of it, so we'll have a crack.

"She is stronger this preparation. Her last start was very good at Taupo and she didn't need to improve much to be hard to beat here

"She's certainly a filly on the way up and one you can follow."



Pentathlon (NZ) (Pentire)

#### **Cautious approach with Pentathlon**

The racing future of tough stayer **Pentathlon (NZ)** (Pentire) is in doubt after the seven-year-old pulled up a bit scratchy following his sixth-placing in the Egmont Cup (2100m) earlier this month.

The son of Pentire has banked \$400,000 in prizemoney and proved competitive in some of Australasia's feature staying races including placings in the Gr.2 Wellington Cup (3200m), Gr.2 Moonee Valley Gold Cup

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### **SHOCKING**

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#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

(2500m), Gr.3 Lexus Stakes (2500m) and Gr.3 New Zealand Cup (3200m).

Trainer John Wheeler will take a cautious approach before confirming whether the gelding races on. Full story here

#### Vance keen to be home for Christmas

Maija Vance hopes to be leaving the Otara Spinal Unit before Christmas.

The Cambridge jockey has been there since late September after spending 10 days in Middlemore Hospital, where she was treated for the extensive injuries she suffered after her mount Zedsational (NZ) (Zed) crashed at the second-last fence at Rotorua on September 16.

Two of the vertebrae in her spine were fractured with another three out of line and she underwent a four-hour operation to have rods and a metal plate inserted. Full story here



Julius (NZ) (Swiss Ace)

#### Julius retired

Ace sprinter **Julius (NZ)** (Swiss Ace) has been retired

A scan has revealed the Swiss Ace gelding has a hole in his near fore tendon, leaving Cambridge trainer John Bell no choice but to call time on the seven-year-old's career.

"He's not lame but every now and again you'd see him bob a bit and it just showed something was niggling him," Bell said. Full story here

#### Te Akau three-year-old to spell

Te Akau principal David Ellis has confirmed talented three-year-old **Our Flying Ace (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) has been sent for a spell and will not contest the Gr.1 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai New Zealand 2000 Guineas (1600m) on November 10.

The lightly tried son of Darci Brahma won his first two starts for trainer Jamie Richards, before finishing runner-up to quality filly Xpression (NZ) (Showcasing) in the Gr.3 Barneswood Farm Stakes (1400m) at Ashburton.

"He's come a long way this preparation and has gone for a spell," Ellis said.

Richards has three horses still in contention for the Guineas including Sword Of Osman (NZ) (Savabeel) (\$7), Publicist (Redoute's Choice) (\$21) and In A Twinkling (Fastnet Rock) (\$31).

Te Akau Racing have won the 2000 Guineas on six occasions in the last 15 years with Embellish (NZ) (Savabeel), Xtravagant (NZ) (Pentire), Rock 'n' Pop (Fastnet Rock), Tell a Tale (Tale of the Cat), Darci Brahma (NZ) (Danehill) and King's Chapel (King of Kings) all successful.



Opie Bosson

#### Ellerslie return likely for Bosson

Jockey Opie Bosson is likely to make a return to race day riding next week at Ellerslie after injuring his foot in a barrier incident when riding Andoyas (Lando) at Ellerslie on Saturday.

The former Hong Kong galloper knuckled over when jumping away, crushing Bosson's foot in the barriers.

He was forced to stand down for the remainder of the day, which included giving up his mount on Queen of the Air (I Am Invincible) in the Gr.3 Soliloquy Stakes (1400m)

Bosson had x-rays taken on Monday morning, which came back clear, and he is confident he can make a return to the track next week.

"I just went and got it x-rayed this morning, there are no fractures, it is just bruised and swollen," Bosson said.

"It's just up to me (when I make a return), but I'll be ready for Ellerslie next week.

#### **Humidor out for spring**

Three-time Group One winner **Humidor** (NZ) (Teofilo) will take no further part in the Melbourne spring carnival after pulling up



Humidor (NZ) (Teofilo)

with an injury after running third behind Winx (Street Cry) in the Gr.1 Cox Plate (2040m) at Moonee Valley on Saturday.

The New Zealand-bred and part-owned galloper was found to have swelling in one of his legs on Sunday and his trainer Darren Weir revealed that a scan conducted on Monday found damage to a suspensory ligament.

"Unfortunately, he has got a bit of swelling in a front leg. His spring is over, which is unfortunate for everyone involved because the horse was going great," Weir said.

"He'll come back and he'll be fine for the future."

The six-year-old had a strong spring campaign, winning the Gr.1 Memsie Stakes (1400m) in September before going on to be placed at Group One-level three times.



Showcasing

#### French Stakes winner for Showcasing

Former Haunui Farm shuttle stallion **Showcasing** was represented by Gr.3 Prix Miesque (1400m) winner Devant in France on Wednesday.

The two-year-old filly was last seen winning at Caron and was runner-up in the Gr.3 Prix Six Perfections (1400m) in July, but this was her first stakes success at her fourth start and she became the 31st stakes winner for her sire Showcasing.

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#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

Showcasing stood at Haunui Farm for six seasons but from the beginning of this year will be permanently domiciled in the northern hemisphere due to popular demand.

Showcasing is the sire of 6.1 percent stakes-winners to runners in the southern hemisphere and is the sire of leading Gr.1 gavelhouse.com New Zealand 1000 Guineas (1600m) prospect Xpression (NZ).

#### NZRB records \$154.9 million profit

The New Zealand Racing Board has announced an operating profit result of \$154.9 million for the year ending 31 July 2018, up \$6.9 million (4.7%) on last year.

Including the investment in its strategic initiatives, reported net profit was \$145.9 million, \$1.9 million (1.3%) ahead of last year, despite the delay in Racefields legislation which was budgeted to provide

more than \$4.9 million to racing.

Financial highlights released ahead of the NZRB's 2018 Annual Report, which is due out later this year, include distributions to the three racing codes reaching a record \$148.2 million, an increase of \$10.6 million on last year.

A further \$1 million was allocated from NZRB's industry enhancement funds to improve stakes, infrastructure and youth development.

"An additional \$12 million in funding provided the industry with a much needed boost in stakes money in 2017/18," NZRB chief executive John Allen said.

"As well as record distributions to the racing industry, commission payments of \$10.2 million were made to 34 national sporting organisations, up \$1.0 million (10.4%) on last year. In addition, our gaming activities have delivered \$12.8 million in

funding applied to the racing industry and \$3.4 million in grants to community sporting organisations, up 6.8% on last year.

"Looking forward, we are confident of achieving our long-term ambitious targets however the outcomes of the recent review of the racing industry by Mr John Messara will be a key consideration for the Board.

"We have considered the report in detail and agree with a majority of the recommendations, however the potential outsourcing of the TAB will need to be thoroughly analysed to ensure any decisions which are made are in the best, long-term interests of our customers and the industry."

The full NZRB Annual Report for 2017/18 will be released at the NZRB AGM at NZRB Head Office in Petone on Friday 7 December.





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#### **AUSTRALIA**

**Alamosa : Marx Brother (NZ) (Chico by High Chaparral) 2014;** 29/10/2018, 1st Benalla RC Twilight Races Xmas H. 1206m Sold by Te Mania Thoroughbreds at National Yearling Sale for \$90000

**Azamour : Azarose (NZ) (Lady Peony by Belong to Me) 2014;** 28/10/2018, 1st Port Macquarie RC Bob Graham Memorial P. 2012m Sold by Brighthill Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$300000

**Bachelor Duke : Arthur Porrit (NZ) (Deebee Donna by Prized) 2013;** 26/10/2018, 1st Echuca RC Murphy's Turf & Landscaping H. 1618m Sold by Seaton Park Ltd at Ready to Run Sale for \$15000

Duporth: They Call Me Rose (NZ) (Chula Vista by Encosta de Lago) 2012;

30/10/2018, 1st Clarence River JC Lucky Meteor H. 1400m

Fastnet Rock: Danzie (NZ) (Zarzuela by Zabeel) 2013; 26/10/2018, 1st ATC Nepean Distributors H. 1550m

Gallant Guru: Ruby Guru (NZ) (On the Make by O'Reilly) 2013; 28/10/2018, 1st SCTC Williams Civil H. 1800m

Iffraaj: Flaaj (NZ) (Flinders by Royal Academy) 2012; 28/10/2018, 1st Sale TC GBG Concrete & Construction H. 2200m

O'Reilly: O'Driscoll (NZ) (Fireside by Thorn Park) 2013; 28/10/2018, 1st Port Macquarie RC Stephen Cook Memorial H. 1506m Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$150000 Pins: Torgersen (NZ) (Oh So Glam by O'Reilly) 2012; 27/10/2018, 1st ATC Filante H. 1400m Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$170000

Reliable Man: Romani Girl (NZ) (Gypsy Jewels by Jade Robbery) 2015;

31/10/2018, 1st ATC Theraces H. 1550m

**Savabeel : Magical Charm (NZ) (Lucida by O'Reilly) 2014;** 31/10/2018, 1st WATC Crown Towers H. 1800m Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$170000

Savabeel: Simkin (NZ) (Splits by O'Reilly) 2014; 28/10/2018, 1st Sale TC Wynnes Coaches Maiden P. 1400m

Savabeel: Stardome (NZ) (Celeste by Pentire) 2015; 26/10/2018, 1st ATC Featherdale Maiden P. 1550m Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$135000

Swiss Ace: Kiss My Swiss (NZ) (Regal Kiss by Royal Academy) 2015; 28/10/2018, 1st Queanbeyan RC ATM 2GO Maiden P. 900m

**Tavistock: Stock Up (NZ) (Quest for Kash by Kashani) 2014;** 25/10/2018, 1st Hawkesbury RC Coca-Cola Amatil Maiden H. 1300m Sold by Seaton Park Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$15000

#### **HONG KONG**

Alamosa: Flying Quest (NZ) (Enchant by Pentire) 2012; 28/10/2018, 1st HKJC Tsing Yi H. 1650m

Encosta de Lago: Good Fit (NZ) (Mrs. Squillionaire by Last Tycoon) 2010;

31/10/2018, 1st HKJC Tiu Yue Yung H. 1800m Sold by Lyndhurst Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$280000 Sold by Whakanui Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$200000

O'Reilly: Viva Council (NZ) (Holiday in Goa by Stravinsky) 2013; 31/10/2018, 1st HKJC Tin Ha Shan H. 1200m Sold by Esker Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$325000 Sold by Esker Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$140000

Ocean Park: Clement Legend (NZ) (Spiriting by Montjeu) 2014; 28/10/2018, 1st HKJC Yau Kom Tau H. 2200m Sold by Blandford Lodge at National Yearling Sale for \$180000 Per Incanto: Flying Godspell (NZ) (Godspell by Xaar) 2013; 31/10/2018, 1st HKJC Tin Ha Shan H. 1200m

Savabeel : Eclair Big Bang - Almababy (H.K.) (NZ) (Ennerdale by Singspiel) 2010;

28/10/2018, 1st HKJC Chai Wan Kok H. 1200m Sold by Phoenix Park at National Yearling Sale for \$280000

Showcasing: Showboy - Jade Fortune (H.K.) (NZ) (Shades of Silk by Thunder Gulch) 2012;

28/10/2018, 1st HKJC Kap Shui Mun H. 1650m Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$15000



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#### **MACAU**

Darci Brahma: Pearl Delight (NZ) (Aterballetto by Stravinsky) 2014; 27/10/2018, 1st Macau Oamaru H. 1200m Sold by Mana Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$30000 Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$37500

New Trumps: Krystrump (NZ) (Krystal Klear by Straussbrook) 2012; 27/10/2018, 1st Macau Cambridge H. 1500m

#### **MALAYSIA**

**Buffalo Man : Power Express (NZ) (Volique by Volksraad) 2014;** 27/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1400m

**Gallant Guru: Pulau Pinang (NZ) (Lurk by Seasoned Star) 2014;** 28/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 4 H. 1300m Sold by White Robe Lodge at South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale for \$40000

Handsome Ransom: Raja Mahkota (NZ) (Ms Tiz by St. Petersburg) 2013;

28/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 4 H. 1100m Sold by Long Acres Stud at South Island Yearling & Mixed Sale for \$3000

Mastercraftsman: Davinci (NZ) (All Night Party by Just a Dancer) 2011:

27/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Cosmo D S. 1700m Sold by Windsor Park Stud at Ready to Run Sale for \$50000

**Road to Rock: Toko (NZ) (Hanabananah by King Charlemagne) 2013;** 28/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1600m Sold by Pertab Bloodstock at Ready to Run Sale for \$10000

#### MALAYSIA (CONT.)

Shamoline Warrior : Cheron Warrior (NZ) (Shezabella by Van Nistelrooy) 2014;

28/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 5 H. 1200m

Swiss Ace: Cizen (NZ) (Broadway Queen by King Cugat) 2013; 27/10/2018, 1st Penang TC Class 4 H. 1100m Sold by Charma Heights at Ready to Run Sale for \$15000 Sold by Westbury Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$5000

#### **SINGAPORE**

Coats Choice: Black Quail (NZ) (Sefidi by Bigstone) 2013; 26/10/2018, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m Sold by Berkley Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$20000

Handsome Ransom: Really Capable (NZ) (Finissima by Fasliyev) 2012:

26/10/2018, 1st Singapore TC Kranji S. 1400m

Iffraaj: Blitz Power (NZ) (Always Happy by Aldebaran) 2014; 26/10/2018, 1st Singapore TC Kranji S. 1400m

**Jimmy Choux : Just Landed (NZ) (Lionstar by Pentire) 2015;** 26/10/2018, 1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1200m

**Pour Moi : Cloudburst (NZ) (November Rain by Stravinsky) 2014;** 26/10/2018, 1st Singapore TC Open Maiden S. 1400m Sold by Curraghmore at National Yearling Sale for \$300000



