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SAVABEEL SNARES ANOTHER AUSTRALIAN STAKES WINNER



Waikato Stud super sire Savabeel

Improving three-year-old filly **Samovare** (Savabeel) provided Waikato Stud sire Savabeel with another feather in his cap when she stormed clear to score in Saturday's Gr. 3 W.A. Champion Fillies Stakes (1600m) at Ascot in Perth.

The powerful filly took full advantage of a heady ride by jockey Brad Parnham as she dashed to the lead at the top of the Ascot straight before comfortably holding out the challenge of race favourite Ellicazoom (ridden by Parnham's brother Steven and trained by father Neville) by a length at the winning post.

The victory was a tactical triumph for Parnham and trainer Daniel Morton who had cooked up the winning formula before the race.

"I thought the only way to beat my dad's horse was to put my one into the race early," explained Parnham.

"We had to give his horse something to chase which was a bit of a risk but it paid off in the end.

"I've got this filly down as an Oaks horse as she is a real big, nice type who will grow into an even better horse next prep."

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Morton was full of praise for the ride after Parnham had followed their pre-race tactics perfectly.

“We discussed a fair few things before the race but in the end I just said to Brad to come out normal and then weigh up your options,” noted Morton.

“We had an inkling there would be some good speed to follow which worked out well.

“I told him not to die wondering as she will run a good mile out, make them chase you.

“She’s a classic filly. I wasn’t joking when I said I haven’t put a saddle on a nicer filly.”

Samovare became Savabeel’s 32nd Group winner and

54th individual stakes winner as his most successful New Zealand son, Kawi (NZ), looks to provide further Australian Group One success for his illustrious father when he tackles the Gr. 1 Railway Stakes (1600m) at Ascot this Saturday.

– NZ Racing Desk

Race	WATC Champion Fillies Stakes, Gr 3 (1600m)
Winner	Samovare 2013
Owners	Mr P V Walsh, Mr B G Bradley
Trainer	Daniel Morton (Ascot)
Breeding	by Savabeel (AUS) out of Sambar (AUS) by More Than Ready (USA)
Breeder	Amelia Park Racing & Breeding Pty Ltd, WA



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WHEN THE PLAN CAME TOGETHER



Saturday's Gr. 1 gavelhouse.com 1000 Guineas winner La Diosa

It was a confident plan with that confidence shared by the punters and, on a day when a couple of well favoured runners were rolled, glory belonged to **La Diosa (NZ)** (So You Think).

The South Island-trained filly gave her dual Cox Plate winning sire So You Think (NZ) (High Chaparral) his first Group One winner when she fulfilled expectations in Saturday's gavelhouse.com 1000 Guineas at Riccarton.

Those expectations were formed many months earlier according to Gordon Calder, one of those who

share in the ownership of the filly. They were set down at a roundtable discussion designed to establish just who would be entrusted with the filly's preparation with this very target in mind.

"She was always a gorgeous filly and the dream was always the 1000 Guineas," said Calder.

Matt and Mandy Brown and their Ngapuke property, with its private training track and "superb attention to detail" came highly recommended at the discussion with the group agreeing that in this case a South Island base

would be an advantage.

"It's great when a plan comes off, because we all know it isn't always the case in racing!" Calder joked on Sunday.

The man behind the plan was the filly's breeder, Whangarei-based Terry Archer, and it was a plan where the seed was planted many years earlier.

"I'd raced mainly colts and geldings," he explained. "I had a group one winner with Z'Oro who won the 1994 Thorndon Mile, but I realised there was no residual value at the end of their careers."

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"I thought, someone must be making some money out of this - let's try and buy well-bred fillies."

First up came Showella (NZ) (Lord Ballina), where the appeal for Archer was the fact the daughter of Lord Ballina and Show Queen was a granddaughter of the mighty Show Gate (NZ) (Gate Keeper).

Showella went on to record six wins including Group One successes in the ARC New Zealand Stakes and the South Australian Derby. A foal share arrangement with Coolmore Stud saw Showella's first foal by Danehill purchased by Sheikh Mohammed Bin Khalifa Al Maktoum, racing as Safwa she went on to earn black type and notch up five wins.

"He must've liked what he saw because he came back and bought a colt out of Showella a few years later," Archer said.

The La Diosa story really began with Archer's \$55,000 purchase at the 2000 New Zealand Bloodstock Premier sale of a daughter of Star Way and stakes winning Grosvenor mare, The Grin (NZ).

"Wayne Peters and I bought Star Affair off the Dennis brothers," he said.

"She was passed in and I think Frank (Ritchie) ended up signing for her," he recalls.

When quizzed about his apparent affection for South Island female families, Archer is happy to put his hand up as a big fan.

"Absolutely, there are some beautiful families in the South Island," he said.

Star Affair added to her family's record with four wins at 1600m, among them the Gr.2 Travis Stakes before retiring to stud.

After what Archer describes as a run of colts - one Rock of Gibraltar (Group Three winner and Gr. 1 Sydney Cup placegetter Solid Billing) and three Galileos (among them South African Group One placegetter and winner of 5 races Galileo's Galaxy) - Star Affair had an O'Reilly filly which was purchased by Waikato Stud for \$600,000 at the 2010 Premier sale.

"Star Affair got to about 14 and I realised I needed a filly from her to carry on breeding from," he said.

When Star Affair produced a filly by High Chaparral (La Dama), followed by another by So You Think, Archer decided he needed to get a group

together to ensure that happened.

That syndicate - Calder Bloodstock Ltd, G L Currie, Bruce Honeybone & Deborah Martin, M L Gibson, P B C Sipos & T W Archer Trust - as listed in Saturday's racebook are retaining those two fillies - La Dama and La Diosa - and a subsequent yearling filly by O'Reilly which will head off to the breakers next March.

While La Diosa is currently leading the New Zealand Bloodstock Filly of the Year series the owners of other three year old fillies may be pleased to hear that is not her ultimate target. She will go for a spell now and probably have one race in New Zealand before heading to Australia in the autumn.

"You can't ignore the prize money on offer in Australia," he said. "Also, Australian black type means so much more when you are selling. The Australians are our biggest market so winning races over there really counts."

Archer is hopeful La Diosa's major target will be the ATC Oaks. "We have reason to believe she will go the distance, she has a half-sibling who was placed over 3200m, but you never know. She will tell us."

- NZ Racing Desk





HERBERT PREDICTS BIG THINGS FOR TROJAN WARRIOR

Despite being beaten by a veritable pencil line in last season's Gr. 1 Easter Stakes, Cambridge galloper **Trojan Warrior (NZ)** (Postponed) can probably lay claim to being the "forgotten" horse when discussions take place around the respective challengers for this year's summer riches.

He may have shed that title at Tauranga on Saturday, however, as he came from last on the home turn, under the steadier of 60 kilograms, to register an impressive victory over some quality opposition in the O'Connor Warren Insurance Brokers sponsored Open 1400 metre handicap.

Race	BOP RC O'Connor Warren Ins Broker H. 1400m.
Winner	Trojan Warrior (NZ) 2011
Owners	S C Agnew, T I Bawden, P L Harris, Mrs A L & I W Herbert, M J O'Sullivan, C M Reid & M A Ward
Trainer	Anne Herbert (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Postponed (USA) out of Trojan Lass (AUS) by Helissio (FR)
Breeder	NZ Thoroughbred Holdings Ltd; Waikato; NZ
Sales	2013 National Yearling Sale - Select Session V: Westbury Stud \$25000 P: RL Mead

Although she expected a good performance even trainer Anne Herbert was surprised at just how well her stable star performed.

"He has been a horse that has taken plenty of time but I do think this year could be when we see the best of him," she explained.

"I knew he had come on after his first-up run at Ellerslie but I wasn't quite sure if he was ready to win just yet.

"He had to carry top weight which I thought would make it tough but to his credit he handled them pretty well in the end.

"It was a lovely ride by Cameron (Lammas). He gets on really well with him so hopefully he can stick with us over the summer."

Herbert admitted she doesn't have a plan set in concrete for the gelding's current campaign, preferring to play things by ear as the summer progresses.

"We have deliberately left things fairly loose as I just want see how he comes through his races," she said.

"That said he came home on Saturday night and ate

everything in sight and was feeling pretty good about himself in the morning.

"Provided he does well over the next few days I am looking at the Group Three race at Ellerslie in a fortnight for his next run. The race is run at set weights and penalties so he should get in well under those conditions and his Easter Stakes run proved he can handle that level of opposition."

The Gr. 3 Eagle Technology Stakes is the feature event at Ellerslie on the 26th of November.

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Trojan Warrior (outside) storms home to win impressively at Tauranga



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SINGAPORE APPRENTICE REPAYS TRAINER'S FAITH AT TAURANGA

Trainer Stephen Marsh believes his apprentice Hairi Marzuki has all the attributes to reach the top in his chosen profession after the Singapore born and bred rider produced a copybook effort to guide former top juvenile **Rocanto (NZ)** (Per Incanto) to a brave fresh-up victory at Tauranga on Saturday.

Marsh speaks in glowing terms about Marzuki who found his way to Cambridge courtesy of Marsh's Singapore based father, Bruce.

"Dad said to me one day that he had found a young fella who could really ride but just needed a break to go his way," he explained.

"He wasn't getting the rides in

Singapore so Dad asked whether we would be keen to give him a shot down here. He got everything organised and Hairi arrived about four months ago.

"He has fitted in at the stable exceptionally well. He is keen and eager and I definitely think he is

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Hairi Marzuki gets the best out of Rocanto (inner) in a driving finish





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reaping the benefit of having riders like Danielle (Johnson) as part of our stable to learn off.

"He does all the right things and he has come a long way already with his riding."

That progress was evident in the way the apprentice handled Rocanto on Saturday, providing the four-year-old with a saloon passage in the trail behind pacemaker Rich Billie Marsh (NZ) (Viking Ruler) before issuing a powerful challenge early in the run home of the rating 85 1200 metre contest.

Marzuki didn't panic when race favourite Go Nicholas (NZ) (Danroad) loomed on his outer as he made good use of his four kilogram claim to drive the Per Incanto entire home by a bare nose before surviving a protest initiated by the runner-up after the

race.

"That was a top ride as he had him in the perfect spot and really kept his head at the finish," said Marsh.

"He stayed nicely balanced and we got a good victory.

"It's a big call by the owners of these horses to put a four kilogram claimer on so I'm delighted to get a result like this."

The victory continued a successful run for Marsh who collected his second career New Zealand Group One win with Ugo Foscolo (NZ) (Zacinto) in the Sothys 2000 Guineas last weekend.

"The stable has been on a roll of late and that win at Riccarton has put a bigger spring in our step," he said.

"The horse has come through the race in good shape although he was a pretty tired boy for a few days afterwards. We gave him a couple of

extra days down there but he is now home and enjoying a break in the paddock.

"At this stage we are looking at an autumn campaign in Australia with the Australian Guineas as a real possibility for him."

– NZ Racing Desk

Race	BOP RC Dominator Garage Doors H. 1200m.
Winner	Rocanto (NZ) 2012
Owners	KIR (HK) Ltd
Trainer	Stephen Marsh (Cambridge)
Breeding	by Per Incanto (USA) out of Romantic Liaisons by Danasinga (AUS)
Breeder	Justice Goddard; Central; NZ
Sales	2013 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale V: Little Avondale Stud \$8500 P: JA Lawrie





BATMAN THE HERO FOR RIDLEY AT RICCARTON

A plucky front-running victory from **Batman (NZ)** (Falkirk) brought a deserved piece of joy to Neill Ridley's stable on Saturday after the Riccarton local had endured a tragic loss just seven days earlier.

Ridley had the misfortune to lose veteran galloper King Montrose (NZ) (King's Chapel) to a raceday incident on the first day of the New Zealand Cup Carnival but had his spirits lifted when his seven-year-old Falkirk gelding led all the way to capture the Mohua Premier Open (1400m).

Superbly rated by northern rider Mark Du Plessis, Batman repelled a serious of home straight challenges to score by half a length from Maybe Miami (NZ) (Iffraaj) with Wednesday's Gr. 2 Coupland's Bakeries Mile third placegetter Nashville (NZ) (Darci Brahma) filling a similar position on the weekend.

Ridley was philosophical about his contrasting fortunes when interviewed after the victory.

"It was a sad day last week but that's racing and we will just put it behind us," he said.

"This guy is a pretty good galloper. He's not sound but he's pretty honest.

"I think the wee bit further made the difference today."

Batman had run a gallant third on Wednesday in the Gr. 3 Lindauer Steward's Stakes (1200m) with Du Plessis confident he had a fit horse under the saddle for Saturday's contest.

"He led easily over 1200m the other day and I got a very soft lead today," he said.

"There's not a lot of quickening with him as he gets to a



Batman and Mark Du Plessis hold on strongly to take out victory at Riccarton

point and then stays at that speed but he did enough today.

"I was confident as I knew from the first day he was fit enough and he let down nicely."

The victory was the first of a double for Du Plessis who scored on former northerner Tiara Concerto (NZ) (Perfectly Ready) later in the programme.

– NZ Racing Desk

Race	CJC Mohua H. 1400m
Winner	Batman (NZ) 2009
Owners	E & K J Corby, S G Lennox, Lorraine Reardon & S W Ridley
Trainer	Neill Ridley (Riccarton Park)
Breeding	by Falkirk out of Zuri by Kaapstad
Breeder	Mrs P A & P A Payne; Bay Of Plenty; NZ
Sales	2010 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale V: Windsor Park Stud \$26000 P: Anistay Lodge



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NZ STALLION AWARDS

THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$2,933,295
THORN PARK	\$2,576,635
DARCI BRAHMA	\$2,007,999
PINS	\$1,977,724
O'REILLY	\$1,540,901
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$1,491,805
KEEPER	\$1,226,338
TAVISTOCK	\$1,196,096
PER INCANTO	\$1,063,296
IFFRAAJ	\$1,009,139

Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the highest stakes earnings worldwide

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$2,212,483
PINS	\$1,346,174
TAVISTOCK	\$992,470
DARCI BRAHMA	\$950,197
PENTIRE	\$754,280
O'REILLY	\$720,383
SHOCKING	\$707,490
THORN PARK	\$663,104
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$635,214
ZABEEL	\$630,333

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

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$816,480
TAVISTOCK	\$445,305
DARCI BRAHMA	\$441,059
IFFRAAJ	\$394,485
ZACINTO	\$344,950
KEEPER	\$337,307
PER INCANTO	\$335,080
PINS	\$323,536
ALAMOS A	\$311,672
FASTNET ROCK	\$309,280

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
KAWI	\$250,000
NYMPH MONTE	\$97,500
PERSUASIVE	\$33,000
THE SOULTAKER	\$52,000
UGO FOSCOLO	\$312,500
BEL SORRISO	\$40,625
SARACINO	\$62,500
REILLY LINCOLN	\$90,250
ASPEN LASS	\$51,010
MONGOLIAN FALCON	\$101,000

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand



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NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG

NOVEMBER 9

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
Amos – SPARKLING TALENT (H.K.) (NZ) 2010 by Alamosa out of Tinkerbabu (AUS) by Giant's Causeway (USA)	Miss D Ho; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Battery Path H. 1000m.	2012 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session; V: Trelawney Stud Ltd, P: Johnston Houlahan BStk; \$70,000
PACKING DRAGON (NZ) 2011 by Mastercraftsman (IRE) out of Golden Gamble by Oregon (USA)	E P Lowry; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Sutherland H. 1800m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Belvedere Farm, P: Lee Wan Keung; \$190,000

NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG

NOVEMBER 12

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
HIGH SPEED METRO (NZ) 2009 by Sandtrap (USA) out of Just Aggie by Jahafil (GB)	Mrs D J & E H Symes; Central; NZ	HKJC Panasonic Robot Cleaner H. 2000m.	2010 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: D. J. & E. H. Symes, P: R & R BStk; \$8,500

NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE

NOVEMBER 11

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
COULD BE PEARLS (NZ) 2013 by Alamosa out of Miss Kitt Ann by Tale of the Cat (USA)	Anzac Breeding Partnership Joint Venture; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1400m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Wellfield Lodge, P: Cliff Brown Racing; \$80,000
LIM'S SHOT (NZ) 2012 by Showcasing (GB) out of Lucinda Jane by San Luis (AUS)	C D Loach & J G Sargent; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Maiden S. 1200m.	
HAYTHAM (NZ) 2013 by Saperavi out of A la Votre by Volksraad (GB)	A & L Browne Bloodstock Ltd; R G Belsham; K W Fenton-Ellis; Mrs J Harding; A Jones; D Radford & S K Turner; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Initiation P. 1100m.	Singapore TC Initiation P. 1100m.
LIM'S SPRINT (NZ) 2011 by Swiss Ace (AUS) out of Sharp Melody by Daggers Drawn (USA)	A J; J C & Mrs S M Dravitzki; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m.	
THE WIND (NZ) 2012 by Gorky Park out of Centaureilly by O'Reilly	H Smit; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale; V: Paxton Park, P: NZB as agent; \$5,000

