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## LOCAL CAUSES BOIL OVER IN LIVAMOL CLASSIC



*Johnathan Parkes has Wait A Sec flying on the rail as he holds out a late charge from Gingernuts to win the Gr. 1 Livamol Classic*

In a thrilling finish to the rescheduled Gr. 1 Livamol Classic local galloper **Wait A Sec (NZ)** (Postponed) upset the appiecart with a stunning victory on his home patch.

The seven-year-old has proved a revelation of late with an extended campaign netting six wins from his last 8 races including the Egmont Cup just eight days earlier. Despite the impeccable form-line he was not freely considered to be a leading contender to claim the jewel of the Hawkes Bay Spring Carnival.

Prepared in partnership by Grant Cullen and Guy Lowry, the Postponed gelding started at odds of better than \$26 as all eyes focussed on hot favourite Gingernuts (NZ). The Iffraaj four-year-old had been expected to win the original contest before it was called off a fortnight earlier when the meeting was abandoned due to adverse track conditions.

Supported on-course by an army of owners and fans in their distinctive orange caps, Gingernuts was given a

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comfortable trip beyond midfield throughout the race by rider Opie Bosson and loomed into contention on the point of the home turn. At this stage rider Johnathan Parkes had elected to go for a rails-hugging run on Wait A Sec who had made good ground from well back to be in behind a wall of horses as the field straightened for the run home.

Fortune favoured the brave as Parkes drove his mount through a needle-eye gap 150 metres from the post and shot to the front where he held out a blazing late charge from Gingernuts who closed quickly but came up a head short of victory. Outsider Endean Rose (NZ) (Savabeel) fought bravely to snatch a priceless elite level placing with Saint Emilion (NZ) (Mastercraftsman) close-up in fourth.

"We tossed up about backing him up after his Egmont Cup win last week but he pulled up so well from Hawera it was hard not to," explained Grant Cullen after the placings had been confirmed.

"This is huge for Hawkes Bay to win this race with a local, it's a real thrill.

"It hasn't sunk in yet but I'm sure it will by tomorrow or maybe the next day."

Cullen admitted there was a simple key to the improved performance of Wait A Sec who has now won eleven races from 41 career starts.

"He's just happy," he stated.

"We've changed his training regime around and we work

him at home and around the farm. He's just a very happy horse and is very fit."

Cullen admitted the horse's main goal had been the Gr. 3 Christchurch Casino New Zealand Cup in November, a target that was now likely to be revised.

"We will have to talk about where he goes as the Cup might not be so necessary now," he advised.

"To be honest we hadn't made any other plans as the New Zealand Cup was our goal but we will see how he pulls up and sit down and work something out."

Race favourite Gingernuts lost nothing in defeat with rider Opie Bosson offering no excuses for the performance that saw him in front just two strides past the post. Connections will now decide on whether the four-year-old crosses the Tasman to contest the Gr. 1 Emirates Stakes on the last day of the Melbourne Cup Carnival at Flemington on 11 November.

- NZ Racing Desk

<b>Race</b>	<b>Hawkes Bay Livamol Classic Gr.1 2040m.</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Wait a Sec (NZ) 2010</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>I M &amp; P D Henderson</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Grant Cullen &amp; Guy Lowry (Hastings)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Postponed (USA) out of Security by Grosvenor</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>I M Henderson; G D Innes &amp; K R Whitehouse; Central; NZ</b>



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# MOORE QUINELLA IN SHA TIN TROPHY AS BEAUTY GENERATION HOLDS BOOMING DELIGHT

**B**eauty Generation (NZ) (Road To Rock) continued his rise towards the top grades in Hong Kong with his second feature race win in three weeks, leading home a John Moore quinella and giving jockey Derek Leung his most notable career victory in the Gr. 2 Oriental Watch Sha Tin Trophy (1600m) at Sha Tin.

Placed in the Hong Kong Classic Mile and BMW Hong Kong Derby last season, Beauty Generation was sent out at generous odds again in an open race on the back of his shock win in the Gr. 3 Celebration Cup Handicap (1400m) on 1 October.

The Road To Rock gelding enjoyed a perfect trail behind Winner's Way (Starcraft), who set a strong tempo early before rider Matthew Chadwick slackened the speed on the bend. When the field sprinted upon straightening, it was a race dominated from the front with few horses able to make ground.

At the line, Beauty Generation held off stablemate Booming Delight (Fastnet Rock) by a head. The lightly-weighted horses had the feature at their mercy, with Jolly Banner (Lonhro) and Winner's Way completing the first four, a half-length behind the victor. The final time was 1m 33.56s.

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*Beauty Generation grips on to provide rider Derek Leung with his biggest career victory*





# MOORE QUINELLA IN SHA TIN TROPHY AS BEAUTY GENERATION HOLDS BOOMING DELIGHT

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“On a handicap basis, you looked upon those horses being right there, Beauty Generation and Booming Delight,” said Moore, who won his seventh Sha Tin Trophy. “The winner is a model of consistency, he had a perfect draw today. We were hoping to lead but when Winner’s Way pressed on, Derek went for Plan B – drop back and sit outside the leader. He’s hit the line well and just prevailed.”

For Leung, Sunday’s Group Two represents the 29-year-old’s biggest success after three Group 3 wins.

“It’s great to score my first Group Two victory, and it is very special to do it for Mr. Moore,” Leung said. “He gave me my

first Group win on Inspiration in the Premier Bowl on this day eight years ago, so it means a lot to me – I am really on top of the world! I think Beauty Generation is still improving so I hope he can be competitive in all of these mile races.”

Moore said that Leung would keep the ride on Beauty Generation through to December’s LONGINES Hong Kong International Races.

“How can you take Derek off after he’s won two Group races on him?” Moore said. “The owner has agreed so he will stick with Beauty Generation. We were originally thinking of the Sa Sa Ladies’ Purse with the horse, but now we will keep him for the Jockey Club Mile and then he can go to the internationals.”

The Gr. 2 BOCHK Wealth Management Jockey Club Mile (1600m) will be run on 19 November, with the Gr. 1 LONGINES Hong Kong Mile one of four headline acts at the LONGINES Hong Kong International Races on 10 December.

Beauty Generation was a \$60,000 purchase from the Highden Park draft at the Select session of the 2014 NZB National Yearling Sale.

He commenced his career in Australia under the name Montaigne where he had seven starts that produced two wins along with a runner-up finish in the Gr. 1 Rosehill Guineas behind Tazzino (NZ) (Tavistock) before finishing fourth to Preferment (NZ) (Zabeel) in the Gr. 1 The BMW.

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Cumani seals raceday double with Derby Contender

Ballarat-based trainer Matt Cumani achieved a first in his fledgling career on Sunday, training a raceday double on the Seymour Cup card.

The win of Derby hopeful **Greycliffe (NZ)** (Tavistock) came after the earlier triumph of the OTI-syndicated Tristano (Annenkov) - both ridden by Jordan Childs.

“I spend a lot of time dreaming of them [doubles], they never quite come off, but it was great to get it done today,” Cumani said.

“Greycliffe is coming along really nicely. I was a bit disappointed not to win with him last time, I was hoping to keep his record intact, but nice to come here and do it convincingly.”

Cumani said it was up in the air if they progress to the Victoria Derby at Flemington with the Tavistock colt after his four-length win, but a late-season Derby could definitely be on the cards if they don’t.

“It is a bit of a jump up,” Cumani said.

“My old man’s an owner in this, so I’ll have to talk to him - he’s always a bit conservative, but probably [go into the VRC Derby] - that’s where we’ve been aiming him at.

“He’s a lovely horse, he’s got real grit. He’s not a big horse, but he’s got a huge stride and he uses it very effectively. We bought him with the Derby in mind, so we’ll aim for that - so we’ll see if this is his one, or one later in the year [season].”

- Racing.com

<b>Race</b>	<b>HKJC Oriental Watch Sha Tin Trophy H. Gr.2 1600m.</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Montaigne - Beauty Generation (H.K.) (NZ) 2012</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>John Moore (Sha Tin)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Road to Rock (AUS) out of Stylish Bel (AUS) by Bel Esprit (AUS)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>Nearco Stud Limited; Waikato; NZ</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>2014 National Yearling Sale - Select Sale V: Highden Park \$60000 P: Hermes Syndications</b>





# GILT-EDGED GOAL AHEAD AFTER COMPLEX WINS RAFFLES



*Gilt Complex causes a boil-over as he wins the Raffles Cup at Kranji*

The \$700,000 Raffles Cup (1800m) unveiled a stunning but deserving winner in the underrated **Gilt Complex (NZ)** (Gold Centre) on Sunday.

Admittedly, form students had tagged this year's renewal of the second Leg of the Singapore Triple

Crown series as one of the widest open Raffles Cups in years, especially with first-Leg winner Infantry (NZ) (Tavistock) coming out through injury.

From the field of 12 runners, one could throw a blanket over half of them, so close they were within each other. Gilt Complex probably got just

a cursory look, or as a placegetter in a top-four finish at best. Even trainer Cliff Brown – who was wearing emerald (Gilt Complex's colours) pants and tie to match, just a coincidence no doubt – had from the outset consigned the Gold Centre six-year-old to the "just warming up for the Gold Cup" box,

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# GILT-EDGED GOAL AHEAD AFTER COMPLEX WINS RAFFLES

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favouring stablemates Debt Collector (NZ) (Thorn Park) and Elite Excalibur (Fastnet Rock) more.

But horses don't read the late mail, and certainly not Gilt Complex who showed no inferiority complex against his so-called better-credentialed adversaries when he took the race by the scruff of the neck shortly after straightening up.

Stitched to leader Forever Young (Run Away And Hide) from the get-go, Gilt Complex turned giant-killer the moment jockey A'Isisuhairi Kasim let off the handbrake 400m from home.

Trainer Michael Clements' redoubtable duo of Countofmontecristo (NZ) (Echoes Of Heaven) and Chopin's Fantaisie (NZ) (Pins) were in the mix, but looking decidedly one-paced. Elite Excalibur (Fastnet Rock) and Lim's Cruiser (Casino Prince) had a bit more punch to their challenge, but they were not cutting much ice either with Gilt Complex delving into his superior stamina to go and outstay and outsmart his rivals fair and square, even if on paper it remained a result that came totally out of left field.

Brown was naturally elated with a second consecutive Raffles Cup triumph after Debt Collector last year,

even if he did seem a bit surprised by the name that will be engraved next to his on the roll of honour for 2017.

"I thought his barrier trial on Tuesday was very good. He appreciated the track today," said the Australian trainer.

"Unfortunately, I think the other two, Debt Collector and Elite Excalibur, felt the track.

"I always thought he (Gilt Complex) was more of a Gold Cup horse, and he is definitely a Gold Cup horse now."

While Brown has already set his sights on the third and final Leg of the Singapore Triple Crown series (of which the Raffles Cup is the second Leg), the Dester Singapore Gold Cup (2200m) on November 12, Gilt Complex's overjoyed rider was only too happy to live the present moment.

Landing his first Group One win – six days after his 32nd birthday – unsurprisingly now ranked as the New Zealand-trained jockey's highest achievement.

The significance of the moment was taking a while to sink in, but A'Isisuhairi or 'Harry' as he is better known, was still able to share an interesting anecdote as he stepped off the weigh-in scales.

"Just yesterday, I was so happy

my friend Cory Parish won his first Group 1 race, the Caulfield Cup (with Boom Time). We rode in New Zealand together, and I immediately texted him: Good on you, Cory!" said the Kelantan-born rider who had his wife by his side at the lead-in.

"Little did I know that I would also be winning my first Group 1 race the next day. It's amazing!"

Gilt Complex was a \$10,000 purchase at the Festival session of the 2013 NZB National Yearling Sale from the Newmarket Lodge draft. He is raced by Graham Mackie, the partner of well-known equine photographer Trish Dunell who received the Media award at the recent 2016/17 New Zealand Horse Of The Year Awards evening.

<b>Race</b>	<b>Singapore TC Raffles Cup L 1800m.</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Gilt Complex (NZ) 2011</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>Graham Mackie</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Cliff Brown (Kranji)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Gold Centre (AUS) out of San Ysabeel by Zabeel</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>J R O'Brien; Central; NZ</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>2013 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale; V: Newmarket Lodge, P: Anna Scott Rcg; \$10,000</b>





# JON SNOW TO PRESS ON TO MELBOURNE CUP



*Kiwi galloper Jon Snow will head to the Emirates Melbourne Cup after a satisfactory effort in Saturday's Gr. 1 Caulfield Cup*

**T**rainer Murray Baker was philosophical about the result of Saturday's Gr. 1 Caulfield Cup after his stable pair of **Jon Snow (NZ)** (Iffraaj) and **Bonneval (NZ)** (Makfi) finished well back in the prestige event.

The well fancied Bonneval, who had been subject to numerous inspections in the days prior to the race after being deemed lame by

Racing Victoria veterinarians following last week's Caulfield Stakes, never got into the race after settling in the rear from a wide barrier. Stablemate Jon Snow sat handier to the pace but only battled in the run home after copping a buffeting shortly after turning into the home straight.

Although disappointed Baker was quick to point out the pattern of the days racing had gone against the pair,

particularly Bonneval, who struggled to make up ground from well back in running.

"I thought it was a bit disappointing but they weren't making ground from the back," he said when interviewed after the race.

"She (Bonneval) never got in the race and once she got back that was it. It was that inside lane where they had won all day, you had to be there."

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# JON SNOW TO PRESS ON TO MELBOURNE CUP

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Racing Victoria stewards reported that a post-race veterinary examination had revealed the mare to be lame in the off foreleg and a veterinary clearance would be required prior to her racing again although Baker wasn't concerned by the report.

"She seems as good as gold but we will probably rest her now," he said.

"She never really got going and never came into it."

Baker was satisfied with the run of Jon Snow who is likely to press on to a start in the Gr. 1 Emirates Melbourne Cup on 7 November.

"Jon Snow went a good race as he got knocked down at the 200 metres," he noted.

"We will probably push forward with him. He just had a little bit of trouble getting around the corner

and I think he will be better suited to Flemington."

Meanwhile ex-pat kiwi jockey Cory Parish was still at a loss for words several hours after recording his upset victory on outsider Boom Time (Flying Spur) in the race.

"I still have to pinch myself that this has happened, it's just unbelievable," he said.

"Once I got to the 100 metre mark he was kicking strongly and that's when I knew I had it in the bag. I just couldn't believe it and I just can't thank everyone enough for the support they have given me."

Parish was quick to single out trainers David and Ben Hayes and Tom Dabernig along with the team at Lindsay Park who had taken him on in recent years after he made the move from New Zealand back in 2012.

"I've been with the team for a couple of years now and they have been very good to me," he explained.

"I ride work for them five days a week and they have given me the rides that they can. They had the faith in me today and I've been able to deliver for them which makes it even better again."

Parish also had a special shout out for his immediate family back in New Zealand who he felt would have been riding the race with him.

"My parents are back at home and they will be ecstatic," he said.

"So, will my nana who I think lives to watch my races all the time. If I ride a winner she always sends me a message so this will be a big buzz for her as well."

– NZ Racing Desk

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# MAIN STAGE HEADS TO GRAND FINAL

**T**rainer Natalie Young is happy to ride on Richmond star Dustin Martin's coat-tails as **Main Stage (NZ)** (Reliable Man) heads for his "grand final" in the \$1.5 million Group One Victoria Derby.

The three-year-old gelding has been displaced as Derby favourite by Cliff's Edge (Canford Cliffs) after the Darren Weir-trained colt's win in Saturday's Group Three Caulfield Classic.

His co-trainer believes Main Stage remains on target for the Derby on November 4, despite finishing third.

"I'm not actually that disappointed with the run," Young said.

"He still hit the line nicely, made up a bit of ground. It seemed to be a little bit of leaders' bias too so it was not really going to be the course for him.

"But we got that 2000 metres and that distance into his legs and that's the main thing for the grand final on the fourth."

Young, who trains with her partner Trent Busuttin, said

jumping from barrier one did not suit Main Stage, who did not settle well.

"We'll just get him back, freshen him for the next week and then carry on for Flemington," she said.

Main Stage's large group of owners includes the Dusty Boys syndicate of Martin, fellow Tigers Josh Caddy, Reece Conca, Dion Prestia, Anthony Miles and assistant coach Andrew McQualter.

Young has welcomed the additional attention on the horse after Richmond won the grand final and Martin became the first AFL player to take home the Brownlow Medal, a premiership medallion and the Norm Smith Medal in the same season.

"It's been really great," she said.

"We're riding on Dusty's coat-tails but we've still got to deliver."

Martin is holidaying in the US with close mate and fellow Brownlow Medallist and Collingwood premiership player

Dane Swan.

It appears unlikely he will return in time for the Derby, but Young would love to see the star at Flemington for Main Stage's grand final.

"Hopefully we can get Dusty Martin on course," she said.

"He might just have to break his Vegas trip short and come racing with the Busuttin team."

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*Reliable Man gelding Main Stage is set to take his place in the Gr. 1 Victoria Derby*





# MISS WILSON SNARES STAKES VICTORY IN STYLE

Local runner **Miss Wilson** (Stratum) justified some inspired support when she dominated her rivals in the Gr. 3 Red Badge Spring Sprint (1400m) at Hastings.

Sent out a warm favourite off the back of a promising performance behind Gingernuts (NZ) (Iffraaj) in the Gr. 1 Windsor Park Plate last month, the five-year-old Stratum mare gave jockey Samantha Collett an armchair ride throughout the contest.

Positioned nicely in the trail, Collett had a lapful of horse approaching the home corner as pacemaker Shadow Fox (NZ) (Keeninsky) tried to slip away from his rivals. Collett had the mare off the fence and up alongside her rival in the twinkling of an eye and from there she quickly burst away to an unassailable lead.

Allowed to coast to the line Miss Wilson scored by over three lengths in a smart 1.22.62 for the 1400 metre journey.

Collett, who piloted speed merchant Prom Queen (NZ) (Super Easy) to a similarly effortless victory at Ashburton on Saturday, was typically understated about her role in the victory.

"Riding horses like her makes my job very easy," she commented.

"She jumped and put herself in the race although they didn't go as quick as I thought they might.

"I just had to bide my time and wait to get off the fence but she is a very classy mare and I knew what she was capable of.

"She is still progressing and has come in a lot stronger this time so she deserves a shot at something bigger after this."

Owner Richard Wood confirmed that he and trainer John Bary are thinking along similar lines in respect of the mare's future.

"I think John has her headed toward the Captain Cook in Wellington, track dependent although we may go to Tauranga first," he noted.

"She's a great looker from a great family so she will make a great broodmare, so that's the plan."

Wood admitted the team had been waiting for

the better tracks to arrive to showcase the true ability of the mare.

"It's been a long wait for a firm track but we got one today," he said.

"We got the result off the back of a great ride. The hard track and the good draw was all she wanted."

Miss Wilson, who carries the same colours as Wood's multiple Group One winner and successful sire Jimmy Choux (NZ) (Thorn Park), has now won six of her twenty career starts. It was her second victory at stakes level having taken out the Gr. 3 Cuddle



*Resplendent in the colours carried by her older half-brother Jimmy Choux, Miss Wilson strolls home at Hastings*

Stakes at Trentham earlier in the year.  
- NZ Racing Desk

<b>Race</b>	<b>Hawkes Bay GR Kelt Memorial H. Gr.3 1400m.</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Miss Wilson (AUS) 2012</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>Chouxmaani Investments Ltd</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>John Bary (Hastings)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Stratum (AUS) out of Cierzo by Centaine</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>Chouxmaani Investments Ltd</b>





# LUVALUVA ON TARGET **FOR VRC OAKS**

**J**ohn Sargent has had a long-range plan to get **Luvaluva (NZ)** (Mastercraftsman) to the VRC Oaks and sees no reason to change the formula.

While many of her potential Oaks rivals ran in Saturday's Group Three Ethereal Stakes at Caulfield over 2000 metres, Sargent was happy to keep Luvaluva to a 1600m-benchmark 75 race at Randwick.

She ran second to the talented Kaonic (NZ) (Savabeel) who is also headed to the Melbourne Cup carnival.

Her trainer was pleased with the way Luvaluva worked home and bookmakers were also impressed, cutting her Oaks

Like Thunder Lady, Luvaluva is by Coolmore stallion Mastercraftsman who shuttled to New Zealand's Windsor Park Stud.

"She is out of a Galileo mare and the further she goes the more she will like it," Sargent said.

Thousand Guineas winner Aloisia (NZ) (Azamour) is the early \$3.40 Oaks favourite ahead of Ethereal Stakes winner Pinot (Pierro) who has firmed to \$4.

The Wakeful Stakes is at Flemington on November 4, five days before the Oaks (2500m).

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price from \$26 to \$9.

"That was the run I was looking for," Sargent said.

"She will go to the Wakeful Stakes and then the Oaks.

"Same old, same old. I've used that path before and I'm not going to change it.

Sargent won the 2013 VRC Oaks with Kirramosa (NZ) (Alamosa) and trained Thunder Lady (NZ) (Mastercraftsman) to run second to Set Square (Reset) a year later after both won the Wakeful.

Kirramosa ran second in the corresponding Randwick race before the Wakeful while Thunder Lady ran third in an 1850m-maiden at Newcastle.



*Trainer John Sargent is hoping to get his hands on another major three-year-old fillies trophy with up and comer Luvaluva*





# PIKE KEEN ON HIS **TE RAPA PROSPECTS**



*Bostonian will head the charge for Cambridge trainer Tony Pike in today's James & Annie Sarten Memorial Stakes*

An unsettled weather forecast is the main concern for Cambridge trainer Tony Pike as he eyes up his prospects for a Group Two victory at Te Rapa today.

Pike will saddle leading contenders **Bostonian (NZ)** (Jimmy Choux) and **Sacred Rebel** (Sepoy) in the James & Annie Sarten Memorial Stakes (1400m) and believes they can both feature prominently should they receive an even share of luck in the race.

"They've both come through their last runs at Hastings well and I think they can both be competitive if they can get a trouble-free run in what is a pretty smart field," he commented.

"I guess the complicating factor could be the weather as the forecast isn't great with rain predicted which could throw a spanner in the works.

"Bostonian is probably more equipped to cope with any easing as Sacred Rebel does need it dry to show his best."

Pike was delighted with the performance of Bostonian who suffered his first career defeat when narrowly beaten in the Gr. 2 Hawkes' Bay Guineas before throwing a scare into the camp when slipping badly shortly after the finish to the race.

"Bostonian went a top race at Hastings as he was wide throughout and never stopped trying in the run home," he said.

"He pulled up well and took no harm from the mishap after the finish line. His work since then has been very good and with a handy barrier he is in position to get the right run in the race and I would think he will be hard to beat."

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Pike believes Sacred Rebel will need luck from an outside barrier but isn't prepared to write off his chances just yet.

"He's been plagued with bad barrier draws and wet tracks so we haven't seen the best from him yet," he noted.

"He's drawn wide again but if he can slot in and get a reasonable trip he could definitely surprise a few. He just needs the ground in his favour so I'm hoping any rain we do get doesn't have that much effect on the track."

The 1400 metre feature will provide the final lead-up race to the Al Basti Equiworld 2000 New Zealand Guineas at Riccarton on 11 November for both Pike runners, where they

could be joined by two other stablemates for the Group One three-year-old classic.

"Ever Loyal won like a horse going places at Te Aroha during the week and he is also in contention for the Guineas at Riccarton along with Aim Smart," said Pike.

"Ever Loyal will have a run at Riccarton in the Zacinto Stakes on Saturday while Aim Smart will go to Ellerslie on the same day.

"If they perform up to expectations then we could have four in the Guineas at this stage."

- NZ Racing Desk

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Even Stevens at Kranji

The two "Steves" of Kranji shared the limelight in equal measures on Sunday when the Steven Burridge-trained **Lim's Pershing (Pins) (NZ)** (and the Stephen Gray-trained **Little Master (NZ)** (Burgundy) dead-heated in the \$35,000 Stepitup 2015 Stakes.

While Lim's Pershing was sent out as the \$17 second favourite in the Open Maiden Division 2 race over 1200m on the back of his improved effort at his last start, only a few brave ones had thrown their hard-earned on Little Master, \$282, who was at his debut and had not really sent pulses racing at his barrier trials.

They pair may have been poles apart in the market, at the winning post, they could not be split by the judge.

The two trainers and their respective connections, the Lim's Stable and Mr Hong Ying Kwee of Super Easy (NZ) (Darcy Brahma) fame, warmly congratulated each other at the winner's circle, but obviously in slightly contrasting moods given the disparity in odds and expectations.

"He's been pretty unlucky but he did a good job today," said Burridge of Lim's Pershing.

"He is a big gawky thing and still has a fair bit to go."

Gray was a touch more ebullient at the usual post-race media debrief, even if he had not really been all prepped up to head down to the winner's enclosure from his box upstairs.

"He's had a few barrier trials, but he had been a bit of a handful. I told the owners let's give him a run and see how he goes, we never know, and I have to say he surprised us," said the Kiwi handler.

"Those Burgundy's (Little Master's sire) are going good in New Zealand."





# HEAVENS KEEP TOO SLICK AT HASTINGS

**A** bold front-running performance has seen Awapuni galloper **Heavens Keep (NZ)** (Savabeel) score a handsome victory at Hastings.

Successful in a similar race on the last day of the Hawkes Bay carnival 12 months earlier, the seven-year-old Savabeel gelding lived up to the pre-race confidence of trainer and part-owner Lucy Tanner as he bolted home by just over a length in the rating 85 1600 metre contest.

"I was very pleased with the run and delighted with the ride," said Tanner after the event.

"I was a little worried after declaring we would try to take a sit on him before the race. But Tim (Johnson) did nothing wrong, he rode the horse well and I had hoped he could finish in the top three so we could make some plans for him.

"I'd dearly love to get him up over a bit of ground so we will just have to see after today. He enjoys his racing and now he has got to the tracks that he likes you will see the real horse."

Apprentice rider Johnson left nothing to chance as he bounced Heavens Keep to a clear lead from barrier rise and kept the pressure on throughout. The combination snuck a

handy break approaching the home corner and had plenty in hand as they defied the late challenges of Camino Rocoso (NZ) (Shocking) and Travimyfriend (NZ) (Tavistock), who both made good ground late in the piece.

"He's been going good races but has just been waiting for a good track," noted Johnson.

"He's the sort of horse that you have to let do his own thing. If you try and fight him he doesn't like it and today he just wasn't going to back down."

The win was the seventh in a 40-race career to date for Heavens Keep who has now earned just over \$131,000 in prizemoney.

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<b>Race</b>	<b>Hawkes Bay Tazrino Mile H. 1600m.</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Heavens Keep (NZ) 2010</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>L C Hickman &amp; Mrs L E Tanner</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Lucy Tanner (Awapuni)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Savabeel (AUS) out of Eden (AUS) by Zeditave (AUS)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>D G B Fell; Central; NZ</b>



Apprentice Timothy Johnson has Heavens Keep well in charge at Hastings





# MURRAYFIELD KICKS HOME ANOTHER GOAL

**T**alented galloper **Murrayfield (NZ)** (Pins) ended a long winless run with a nice come-from-behind victory in the \$60,000 Flax 2012 Stakes, a Class 4 race over 1600m on Sunday.

The Pins five-year-old has not scored since July 2016 when he accounted for Benchmark 67 rivals with relative ease.

Trainer Stephen Gray rightly pitted him against better horses thereafter. He lost no admirers at first, but his form started to taper off thereafter.

Dropped back in Class 4 company of late, Murrayfield had been showing a return to his old form, finally striking it lucky again, aided in great part by a gem of a ride from first-time partner Michael Rodd.

The Australian jockey said he went in with a simple battle plan. Follow Fuego (Meisho Samson) wherever he went – and the ultimate reward was a half-a-length advantage at the wire.

“The race panned out exactly as I wanted. There was a decent tempo and my horse was feeling really good where he was,” said Rodd.

“It may not have been visually



exciting, but in the last 200m, he was not going to get beat.”

“It was a beautiful ride from Michael. He got back to the fence and he came wide in the end as he is a horse who needs room,” said Gray.

“He has been a bit disappointing, but I think that was because he had got high in the ratings and was going against better horses.”

With that fourth win from 22 starts, Murrayfield has now taken his total prizemoney past the \$210,000 level for the St George Stable of owner Paul Hickman.

*Murrayfield scores a welcome victory at Kranji*

<b>Race</b>	<b>Singapore TC Flax S. 1600m.</b>
<b>Winner</b>	<b>Murrayfield (NZ) 2012</b>
<b>Owners</b>	<b>St George Stable</b>
<b>Trainer</b>	<b>Stephen Gray (Kranji)</b>
<b>Breeding</b>	<b>by Pins (AUS) out of O'Really by Centaine (AUS)</b>
<b>Breeder</b>	<b>Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ</b>
<b>Sales</b>	<b>2014 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale V: Waikato Stud Ltd \$85000 P: S Gray</b>





# CAMBRIDGE STUD 2017

## POWER (GB)

2000 Bay 16.0 1/2 hh Oasis Dream - Frappe

**LEADING FIRST CROP TWO-YEAR-OLD SIRE IN NZ AND GB.**

Second overall Leading NZ two-year-old sire.

Sire of **FIVE individual first crop 2YO stakes winners** - NZ & GB

2017 FEE

**\$12,500**

+GST (LFG)

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1997 Bay 16.1 1/2 hh Danehill - Nuwurah

**SIRE OF 6 INDIVIDUAL GR.1 WINNERS FROM 33 STAKES WINNERS**

Keeps proving his value every week

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## TAVISTOCK (NZ)

2005 Bay 16.1/2 hh Montjeu - Upstage

**INTERNATIONAL GROUP ONE STALLION**

Sire of **Champions, Gr.1 winners** and **multiple Gr.1 Classic winners**, including **4 individual Derby winners** (NZ, Australia, HK & Singapore)

2017 FEE

**\$65,000**

+GST (LFG)



## BURGUNDY (NZ)

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Sire of **HARD MERCHANDIZE**, 2YO **SW** & 3YO **Gr.2** winner, **DIJON BLEU**, 3YO **SW**, and **Bringer of War**, - 3rd Singapore TC Aushorse Golden Horseshoe **Sgp-2**

2017 FEE

**\$7,000**

+GST (LFG)

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**CAMBRIDGE STUD**

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# NZ STALLION AWARDS

## THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
<b>SAVABEEL</b>	<b>\$2,113,232</b>
DARCI BRAHMA	\$1,411,831
IFFRAAJ	\$1,305,550
TAVISTOCK	\$1,192,746
MAKFI	\$1,136,271
PINS	\$1,131,640
ROAD TO ROCK	\$1,090,333
O'REILLY	\$1,011,131
THORN PARK	\$960,165
MASTERCRAFTSMAN	\$919,992

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

## THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
<b>SAVABEEL</b>	<b>\$1,413,171</b>
IFFRAAJ	\$1,026,008
MAKFI	\$995,830
PINS	\$872,189
SHOCKING	\$585,577
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$556,142
TAVISTOCK	\$551,006
DARCI BRAHMA	\$543,059
O'REILLY	\$419,169
RAISE THE FLAG	\$387,315

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

## THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
<b>IFFRAAJ</b>	<b>\$501,659</b>
SHINKO KING	\$315,090
ZED	\$281,348
DARCI BRAHMA	\$278,095
TAVISTOCK	\$254,221
SAVABEEL	\$244,970
NO EXCUSE NEEDED	\$228,350
YAMANIN VITAL	\$213,350
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$192,357
KEEPER	\$186,300

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
<b>GINGERNUTS</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>
CLOSE UP	\$188,500
ZEDEEDUDADEEKO	\$77,500
NASHVILLE	\$82,500
GOBSTOPPER	\$37,500
KAWI	\$40,000
YIN DRAGON	\$39,825
WISE MEN SAY	\$84,750
SLEEPING BEAUTY	\$40,625
WILDFLOWER	\$40,950

*Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand*



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## NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG

### OCTOBER 18

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
<b>WHO ELSE BUT YOU (NZ) 2011 by Commands (AUS) out of Laurinel Princess (AUS) by Desert Prince (IRE)</b>	Raffles Dancers (NZ) Pty Ltd; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Queen's Road Central H. 1200m.	

## NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG

### OCTOBER 22

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
<b>LUCKY TIME (NZ) 2012 by Castledale (Ire) out of Gulfstream by Yachtie (AUS)</b>	G R Munro; South; NZ	HKJC Piaget Excellent H. 1000m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale; V: Te Runga Stud, P: Glen Harvey B/stock; \$41,000
<b>MORETHANLUCKY (NZ) 2013 by Per Incanto out of Viking Angel by Viking Ruler (AUS)</b>	A O, D, J & R Burton, J, Mrs L A & Miss M J Hunt	HKJC H Moser & CIE Excellent H. 1600m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale; V: Westend Partnership, P: Brookby Stables: \$65,000 2015 Ready to Run Sale; V: Mana Park, P: Magus Equine; \$210,000
<b>Just Call Me Ray - YOURTHEWONFORME (H.K.) (NZ) 2011 by Sufficient out of Encantada by Black Tuxedo (JPN)</b>	B J Wallace; Auckland; NZ	HKJC Franck Muller Excellent H. 1400m.	
<b>Montaigne - BEAUTY GENERATION (H.K.) (NZ) 2012 by Road to Rock (AUS) out of Stylish Bel (AUS) by Bel Esprit (AUS)</b>	Nearco Stud Limited; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Oriental Watch Sha Tin Trophy H. Gr.2 1600m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Select Sale; V: Highden Park, P: Hermes Syndications; \$60,000
<b>Brilliant Way - SUPER FLUKE (H.K.) (NZ) 2011 by Thewayyouare (USA) out of Brilliant Kiwi by Brilliance (USA)</b>	Mrs A A Corcoran & D R Duley; Auckland; NZ	HKJC Zenith Excellent H. 1200m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale; V: Landsdowne Park Ltd, P: TJ McKee; \$12,000

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## NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE

### OCTOBER 20

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
<b>Sensitive Smile – SHE’S THE ONE (Sing.) (NZ) 2013 by Murtajill (AUS) out of Forbetterforworse (AUS) by Dubawi (Ire)</b>	Jomara Bloodstock Ltd; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1600m.	2014 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: Hallmark Stud, P: NZB as agent; \$10,000
<b>NOW YOU SEE (NZ) 2014 by O’Reilly out of Fabulist by Savabeel (AUS)</b>	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1000m.	
<b>HAYTHAM (NZ) 2013 by Saperavi out of A la Votre by Volksraad (GB)</b>	A & L Browne Bloodstock Ltd; R G Belsham; KW Fenton-Ellis; Mrs J Harding; A Jones; D Radford & S K Turner; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Benchmark 52 H. 1000m.	
<b>NOVA SWISS (NZ) 2013 by Swiss Ace (AUS) out of Asciano Miss (AUS) by Jet Spur (AUS)</b>	G J Perry; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Kranji S. 1000m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Select Sale; V: Westbury Stud, P: NZB as agent; \$10,000
<b>ELITE STAR (NZ) 2012 by Pins (AUS) out of Chico by High Chaparral (IRE)</b>	Mrs J Hines; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 3 H. 1100m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Lyndhurst Farm, P: Shailer T/breds: \$55,000 2014 Ready to Run Sale; V: Bradbury Park, P: SD Baertschiger; \$140,000

## NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE

### OCTOBER 22

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
<b>LIM’S PERSHING (NZ) 2013 by Pins (AUS) out of Santangelo by Lonhro (AUS)</b>	Pencarrow Thoroughbreds Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Stepitup S. 1200m.	2015 Ready to Run Sale; V: Mana Park, P: Lim Siah Mong; \$120,000
<b>LITTLE MASTER (NZ) 2014 by Burgundy out of Cavendish Belle by Thorn Park (AUS)</b>	D C Ellis & K W Fenton-Ellis MNZM; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Stepitup S. 1200m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Select Session; V: Woburn Farm, P: NZB as Agent; \$22,000
<b>MURRAYFIELD (NZ) 2012 by Pins (AUS) out of O’Really by Centaine (AUS)</b>	Waikato Stud Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Flax S. 1600m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Waikato Stud Ltd, P: S Gray; \$85,000
<b>FLASH ONE (NZ) 2011 by O’Reilly out of Sentura by Volksraad (GB)</b>	Nearco Stud Limited; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Always Certain S. 1200m.	2012 National Weanling; Broodmare & Mixed Sale; V: Curraghmore Stud, P: Lyndhurst Farm; \$125,000 2013 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale; V: Lyndhurst Farm, P: Michael Freedman; \$150,000
<b>GOLDEN CURL (NZ) 2008 by Pentire (GB) out of Forsaken Gold (AUS) by Tierce (AUS)</b>	Mrs A S Johnson; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Better Than Ever S. 1200m.	2010 Ready to Run Sale; V: Te Runga Stud Ltd, P: Mr S Gray; \$170,000
<b>GILT COMPLEX (NZ) 2011 by Gold Centre (AUS) out of San Ysabeel by Zabeel</b>	J R O’Brien; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Raffles Cup L 1800m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale; V: Newmarket Lodge, P: Anna Scott Rcg; \$10,000

