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TRIPLE STRIKE FOR CAMBRIDGE STUD COUPLE AT ELLERSLIE



Speedy two-year-old Bavella returns to the winners enclosure at Ellerslie after a debut victory (Trish Dunell)

Cambridge Stud proprietors Brendan and Jo Lindsay dominated proceedings at Ellerslie on Saturday with three individual winners before signing off their red-letter day with a Group Three victory for a member of their broodmare band at Trentham.

The day began with striking two-year-old **Bavella** franking her smart bloodlines with a bold win on debut. The Snitzel filly had looked sharp in her two trials prior to raceday and so it proved as she streaked clear in the run home for rider Leith

Innes after sitting outside the early speed in the 880m contest.

Out of the Lindsay's Group Three winning Zabeel mare Zonza (NZ), Bavella had been expected to produce a forward showing based on her lead-in work for trainer Lance Noble.

"She's been pretty professional all the way through and shown us plenty of ability," Noble said.

"We took her to Te Awamutu (trials) last week to get her used to going right-handed and I think that benefitted her today.

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“The barrier draw was a big part of this as well as Ellerslie can be a bit of a tricky track.

“There is a nice race at Pukekohe next month which might be a stepping stone from this but she will tell us, as two-year-olds can be a day-to-day proposition when they are growing.”

Noble and Innes struck quickly again with Save The Date (NZ) (Savabeel) two races later before Prince Jabeel (Savabeel) rounded out the day by scoring in the last event of the day.

The win by Prince Jabeel represented the second winner in as many days for the Lindsay’s proven black-type broodmare J’Adane, whose three-year-old Savabeel son Fratello (NZ) broke his maiden status at Pukekohe on Friday.

Brendan Lindsay was on track to witness each success and was delighted with how the day had unfolded.

“It was a big day alright,” he said.

“We thought we had some very good chances leading in but in this game, you never take anything for granted.

“I did have some confidence in the two-year-old filly but after her stablemate beat her at the Te Awamutu trials I did start to have a few doubts creep in.

“In the end Leith said she did everything right and she had a fair bit left in the tank at the finish which is very exciting.

“It was also nice to see Save The Date get another win as she has been

served by Tavistock so this will be her last campaign if all goes to plan.

“Prince Jabeel has been a little frustrating along the way but he’s starting to put things together now he has matured, so we do hope there is more in store for him as well.”

Lindsay was quick to admit he also got quite a buzz from the win of Dark Princess (NZ) (Cape Blanco) in the Gr.3 Gee & Hickton Thompson Handicap (1600m) at Trentham. The progressive five-year-old was bred by Sir Patrick and Lady Justine Hogan from Montjeu mare Game Duchess who is a member of the Cambridge Stud broodmare band.

“I watched the race on television at Ellerslie and I was probably cheering as much as her owners,” Lindsay said.

“Game Duchess is a lovely mare who we have a Power filly from and is about to produce a Burgundy foal.

“She is booked to go to Almanzor this season so that win was a real boost for her.”

While events on the track certainly made it a day to remember for Lindsay there was also another special occasion at Ellerslie with the opening of the new stabling complex, a project that he has been heavily involved in.

The new facility received glowing reports from users and spectators alike and had Lindsay feeling justifiably proud.

“The Club’s former CEO, Cameron George, asked me to get involved about six years ago,” Lindsay said.

“Along with Tim Gillespie, Russell



Jo & Brendan Lindsay (Trish Dunell)

Warwick and others we went and had a look at a number of the better operations in Australia before working with the architects to try and get things developed with the best features from what we saw over there.

“One of the big things was to enhance the focus on the old totalisator that forms a big part of the character of the whole complex. It is such a significant part of racing’s history here in New Zealand as it was the first of its kind in the world.

“The Club is to be commended for the final product as it is a world class facility and to hear so many people speaking so highly of their experience yesterday, I think it means it will stand the test of time and provide the Industry with something to really be proud of.” – NZ Racing Desk





VASSILATOR TO HEAD TO CARBINE STAKES

Trainer Colin Little has set his sights on winning a three-year-old race at Flemington during the Melbourne Cup carnival with **Vassilator (NZ)** (Zacinto).

It's not the main three-year-old prize, the Gr.1 Victoria Derby (2500m), but a shorter race run on the same day.

The Gr.3 Carbine Club Stakes (1600m) on Saturday became Little's focus after Vassilator's second to The Autumn Sun (Redoute's Choice) in the Caulfield Guineas.

Little sent Vassilator to the paddock for a short rest after that run resisting the temptation of the Derby.

"He had a week in the paddock and did really well so he's off to the Carbine," Little said.

"He's not ready to run in Derby," Little said.

Trainer Colin Little has Vassilator aimed for a Derby Day target at Flemington this weekend (Bruno Cannatelli)

"He's got the potential to win a Group One but needs more time.

"Hopefully next autumn that could be the case."

Vassilator has raced three times at Flemington, winning twice over 1400m

in April and May.

His only other performance was over the straight 1200m-course when seventh in the Gr.2 Danehill Stakes (1200m), in September.

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YEARN PROVIDES PERFECT ANNIVERSARY PRESENT FOR FURSDON

A win by talented mare **Yearn (NZ)** (Savabeel) over 1400m at Ellerslie on Saturday provided the perfect gift for trainer Karen Fursdon who was celebrating her 34th wedding anniversary on the day.

"Kevin and I got married 34 years ago on Cox Plate day, the day that Red Anchor won," Fursdon said.

"I guess you couldn't ask for a better gift than a win, especially as it paid for a night in Auckland to celebrate."

Somewhat of an Ellerslie specialist, with the win the mare's third from six starts at the venue, Yearn displayed all of her grit and toughness as she staved off a host of challenges in the home straight after racing in a forward position throughout.

"We probably went against her normal pattern by riding her so handy but nothing had been running on all day," Fursdon said.

"She goes best when she can find her feet early but we rolled the dice and it paid off.

"She had been desperately unlucky at her last start as the saddle slipped twice so you can excuse that run.

"I thought she was in the right shape to go well but you never know until they do it so it was lovely to get the win."

Fursdon believes there is a big race victory in the mare's future so will sit down with owner Mark Lupton to work out a

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Yearn stretches impressively to claim victory at Ellerslie (Trish Dunell)





YEARN PROVIDES PERFECT ANNIVERSARY PRESENT FOR FURSDON

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programme over the coming months.

“As long as she comes through the race well we can start to look at her options now,” she said.

“She is a valuable mare, being by Savabeel from a nice family, so the priority will be to enhance that value with some black type.

“I think she is capable of getting a mile if there is a true pace and she can relax so there are some nice options around.

“She does go well at Ellerslie so that is where we will be

looking but I will have a good talk with Mark before anything is decided.” – NZ Racing Desk

Race	ARC South Auckland Racing Club Cup 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

THE NEW WORLD-CLASS CONGHUA TRAINING FACILITY FOR THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB



Edward Sadler talks to Andrew Harding, Executive Director, Racing, about the Hong Kong Jockey Club's new state-of-the-art racecourse and training centre.



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TURN ME LOOSE <i>Iffraaj - Indomitable by Danehill</i>	\$15,000*
RIP VAN WINKLE <i>Galileo - Looking Back by Stravinsky</i>	\$12,500*
SHAMEXPRESS <i>O'Reilly - Volkrose by Volksraad</i>	\$12,500*

MONGOLIAN KHAN <i>Holy Roman Emperor - Centafit by Centaine</i>	\$10,000*
RAGEESE <i>Street Cry - Rabsha by Dehere</i>	\$5,000*
VANBRUGH <i>Encosta de Lago - Soho Secret by Lucky Owners</i>	\$5,000*
FALKIRK <i>Tale Of The Cat - Madam Valeta by Palace Music</i>	\$4,000*

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HIGH SPIRITS ON TARGET FOR NEW ZEALAND CUP BID

Trainer John Bary found the answer he was looking for when promising stayer **High Spirits (NZ)** (Darci Brahma) scored a decisive win at Trentham on Saturday.

The lightly framed mare had been good without setting the world on fire in her three runs at the recent Hawke's Bay spring carnival as Bary plotted a path towards a start in

Race	WRC BCD Travel Tour to Japan H. 2400m.
Winner	High Spirits (NZ) 2012
Owners	R S Grocott, R J Curtis, N W Norwood, C S Griffith, R Koorey, J H McLaughlin, B W & A Keighley, 916 Syndicate, M G Donnelly, J G Bary & H M Gudsell
Trainer	John Bary (Hastings)
Breeding	by Darci Brahma out of Spiriting by Montjeu (IRE)
Breeder	Mrs H G; Miss K B & W G Bax
Sales	2014 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale V: Blandford Lodge \$80000 P: HM Gudsell

the Gr.3 Christchurch Casino New Zealand Cup (3200m) at Riccarton next month.

Bary asked rider Cameron Lammas to take a measured approach at the business end of Saturday's 2400m contest with the visiting Matamata jockey fulfilling the request to perfection as he guided the Darci Brahma mare through a maze of runners in the home straight to grab the victory.

"We spoke about not going at the 600m like we have done in her last couple of runs," Bary said.

"He had her a bit further forward and got a good drag along.

"It was a patient ride and she does have a turn of foot."

The win confirmed Bary's plan for High Spirits, with a likely weight penalty enough to confirm her place in the New Zealand Cup that will be run at Riccarton on November 17.

"We will probably get a couple of kilos for it but at the end of the day we get the points, we get a start, so bring on Riccarton," he said.

Bred at Blandford Lodge by the Bax family, High Spirits was an \$80,000 purchase by Bary from their 2014 Premier Yearling Sale draft at Karaka. The victory was her fourth from 27 career starts.

TAB Bookmakers reacted to the win by tightening the mare in to an \$8 second favourite in their Fixed Odds market for the New Zealand Cup with Gorbachev (NZ) (Gorky Park) and Bee Tee Junior (NZ) (Nom Du Jeu), who filled the placings behind High Spirits, also featuring among the fancied candidates for the two mile contest.

– NZ Racing Desk



High Spirits secures a New Zealand Cup start with a victory at Trentham (Race Images – Peter Rubery)



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THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$2,999,539
O'REILLY	\$2,190,378
DARCI BRAHMA	\$1,743,064
THORN PARK	\$1,547,628
TAVISTOCK	\$1,261,354
ROAD TO ROCK	\$1,206,151
SWISS ACE	\$1,138,448
PER INCANTO	\$1,110,172
PINS	\$1,040,639
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$1,009,180

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

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$1,860,446
O'REILLY	\$1,383,183
TAVISTOCK	\$763,330
GALLANT GURU	\$698,265
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$668,080
IFFRAAJ	\$591,746
PINS	\$585,392
DARCI BRAHMA	\$578,093
REDWOOD	\$573,075
ZED	\$567,083

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

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
SAVABEEL	\$701,290
ZED	\$457,383
PER INCANTO	\$353,210
IFFRAAJ	\$345,141
COMMANDS	\$315,500
DARCI BRAHMA	\$313,613
TAVISTOCK	\$310,100
SHOWCASING	\$285,190
RIP VAN WINKLE	\$261,670
SWISS ACE	\$261,282

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
SAVVY COUP	\$201,250
PERRY MASON	\$66,875
MAUNA KEA	\$38,275
MELT	\$79,376
MELODY BELLE	\$312,500
OUR FLYING ACE	\$35,875
HIFLYER	\$40,000
XPRESSION	\$64,000
TE AKAU SHARK	\$62,500
JULIUS	\$48,875

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand



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NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG

OCTOBER 24

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
GIANT TURTLE (NZ) 2011 by Zabeel out of Lacada (AUS) by Giant's Causeway (USA)	Andari Ltd; Sir Patrick & Lady Hogan	HKJC Happilababy H. 2200m.	2013 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale V: Cambridge Stud \$90000 P: Wallace Thoroughbreds
TRENDIFUL (NZ) 2010 by Sandtrap (USA) out of Allaboutme by Al Akbar (AUS)	Grangewilliam Stud Ltd	HKJC Lyric Ace H. 1200m.	2012 National Yearling Sale - Festival Session V: Grangewilliam Stud \$16000 P: R R BStk
BEAUT BEAUT (NZ) 2013 by Darci Brahma out of Luscious Legs by Pins (AUS)	Little Avondale Trust	HKJC Longines Cup 1000m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Premier Sale V: Little Avondale Stud \$200000 P: The Hong Kong Jockey Club
BLITZING (NZ) 2014 by Jimmy Choux out of Fast Fame by Fast 'n' Famous (AUS)	Mrs J & R Ormsby; Bay Of Plenty; NZ	HKJC Windicator H. 1200m.	2016 Ready to Run Sale V: Seaton Park Ltd \$46000 P: Upper B/stock

NZ BRED WINNERS IN HONG KONG

OCTOBER 28

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
CLEMENT LEGEND (NZ) 2014 by Ocean Park out of Spiriting by Montjeu (IRE)	Mrs H G & W G Bax; Waikato; NZ	HKJC Yau Kom Tau H. 2200m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session V: Blandford Lodge \$180000 P: Raffles Dancers
FLYING QUEST (NZ) 2012 by Alamosa out of Enchant by Pentire (GB)	S K K Goh	HKJC Tsing Yi H. 1650m.	
JADE FORTUNE (HK) Showboy (NZ) 2012 by Showcasing (GB) out of Shades of Silk (AUS) by Thunder Gulch (USA)	Haunui Bloodstock Ltd	HKJC Kap Shui Mun H. 1650m.	2014 National Yearling Sale - Festival Sale V: Haunui Farm \$15000 P: Nigel Tiley
ALMABABY (HK) Eclair Big Bang (NZ) 2010 by Savabeel (AUS) out of Ennerdale (GB) by Singspiel (IRE)	J E Abrahams	HKJC Chai Wan Kok H. 1200m.	2012 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session V: Phoenix Park \$280000 P: CK Li



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NZ BRED WINNERS IN SINGAPORE

OCTOBER 26

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
JUST LANDED (NZ) 2015 by Jimmy Choux out of Lionstar by Pentire (GB)	Rich Hill Thoroughbreds Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S. 1200m.	
REALLY CAPABLE (NZ) 2012 by Handsome Ransom (AUS) out of Finissima (AUS) by Fasliyev (USA)	G W Carvell	Singapore TC Kranji S. 1400m.	
CLOUDBURST (NZ) 2014 by Pour Moi (IRE) out of November Rain by Stravinsky (USA)	Goodson & Perron Bloodstock Partnership; Central; NZ	Singapore TC Open Maiden S. 1400m.	2016 National Yearling Sale - Premier Session V: Curraghmore \$300000 P: DC Ellis
BLITZ POWER (NZ) 2014 by Iffraaj (GB) out of Always Happy (USA) by Aldebaran (USA)	C Elias; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Kranji S. 1400m.	
BLACK QUAIL (NZ) 2013 by Coats Choice (AUS) out of Sefidi by Bigstone (IRE)	A W Jones & Mrs E W Morris	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1400m.	2015 National Yearling Sale - Festival Session V: Berkley Stud \$20000 P: Richards Racing

