



## Shamexpress

### Back for Repeat Gr.1 Lightning Stakes Tilt

The Danny O'Brien-trained Gr.1 winning **O'Reilly** entire **Shamexpress** shapes as a '*bigger, stronger*' horse in his second tilt at the **Gr.1 Lightning Stakes** at Flemington this Saturday.

**Shamexpress** took on the superstar racemare **Black Caviar** in the event last year, but with her racing retirement and his natural development, Saturday's race looks an ideal target.

**Shamexpress** has proven Gr.1 form at the Flemington, having won its Gr.1 Newmarket over 1200m and is rated a \$6.50 chance with the NZ TAB..

Top jockey Damien Oliver will ride the talented 4YO from barrier 8 and has been assigned 58.5kgs for the mount.

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# 60 Seconds with...

## MICHAEL COLEMAN

This week we put 60 Seconds of curious questions to the 32 time Gr.1 winning jockey, Michael Coleman...

<b>Favourite comfort food:</b>	Potato chips
<b>Best Horse Seen</b>	Sunline
<b>Favourite TV show:</b>	Two & A Half Men (when Charlie Sheen was in it)
<b>Book on the bedside table:</b>	Tears In The Wind. The Lance O'Sullivan story
<b>If you weren't a jockey, you'd be:</b>	Rocket Scientist
<b>What do you do to relax:</b>	Play golf
<b>Who would you love to meet or have met:</b>	Tiger Woods
<b>Favourite holiday destination:</b>	Hawaii
<b>Favourite restaurant:</b>	Redoubts Bar
<b>Favourite thing about Waikato Stud:</b>	Their Group 1 horses & Mark's red wine
<b>Career Influencers:</b>	Jim Gibbs & Greg Childs
<b>Favourite Film</b>	Star Wars
<b>Career Highlights</b>	Xcellent's NZ Derby & 2 Melbourne Cup rides (both ran 3rd)
<b>Best piece of good advice:</b>	Watch how the good jockeys ride, not the bad ones
<b>Not many people would know that...</b>	I have 2 hole in 1's

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# BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS

FRIDAY			
<b>BISHOPS CASTLE</b> 09g O'Reilly x Hooked Ona Feeling by Zabeel	Listed Thomas Lyons Stakes (1400m)	TRC	8:32pm
<b>EPINGLE</b> 07f Pins x Etoile du Nord by Zabeel	Gr.3 Hobart Cup (2400m)	TRC	9:05pm
<b>SURPASS</b> 08g Savabeel x Surprise by Bakharoff	Gr.3 Hobart Cup (2400m)	TRC	9:05pm
SATURDAY			
<b>INEVITABILITY</b> 11c O'Reilly x Bird by Danasinga	Listed Talindert Stakes (1100m)	VRC	2:35pm
<b>TIMY TYLER</b> 10g No Excuse Needed x Skite by Pins	Listed Southland Guineas (1600m)	South.	3:25pm
<b>ZHANIM</b> 10f Savabeel x Tafelberg by Kaapstad	Listed Southland Guineas (1600m)	South.	3:25pm
<b>SORIANO</b> 09f Savabeel x Call Me Lily by Just A Dancer	Gr.3 Taranaki Cup (1800m)	Tara.	4:31pm
<b>LIKEAPINS</b> 07f Pins x Lisa Kay by Famous Star	Gr.3 Taranaki Cup (1800m)	Tara.	4:31pm
<b>POROTENE LOLLIPOP</b> 09f Pins x Lolly Scramble by Generous	Gr.3 Taranaki Cup (1800m)	Tara.	4:31pm
<b>ETOILE FILANTE</b> 09f Pins x Etoile du Nord by Zabeel	Gr.2 Avondale Gold Cup (2400m)	ARC	4:51pm
<b>LION RED</b> 08g Fast 'n' Famous x Lucerne by O'Reilly	Gr.2 Avondale Gold Cup (2400m)	ARC	4:51pm
<b>ANNIE HIGGINS</b> 07f O'Reilly x Diva Belle by Carnegie	Gr.2 Avondale Gold Cup (2400m)	ARC	4:51pm
<b>CRITICAL ANGEL</b> 10f O'Reilly x Critic by Centaine	Gr.3 Vanity Stakes (1400m)	VRC	5:00pm
<b>SPIRIT OF HEAVEN</b> 10f Savabeel x I'm In Heaven by Volksraad	Gr.3 Vanity Stakes (1400m)	VRC	5:00pm
<b>PRETTY PINS</b> 08f Pins x Luna Tudor by Military Plume	Gr.2 Breeders Classic (1200m)	ATC	6:00pm
<b>SHAMEXPRESS</b> 09c O'Reilly x Volkrose by Volksraad	Gr.1 Lightning Stakes (1000m)	VRC	6:20pm
<b>CLASSIQUE IVORY</b> 08g Savabeel x Senorita Ivory by Senor Pete	Listed Detonator Stakes (1800m)	WATC	10:02pm

# Article of the Week...



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## Pedigree Page

by Kristen Manning

### A SUCCESSFUL SAVABEEL - O'REILLY CROSS

When two successful stallions stand at the same stud it is only a matter of time until it is discovered whether the daughters of each cross well with the other.

Major commercial studs will retain some of the best, whether that be on pedigree, performance or type and daughters of their leading stallions and they at some stage will visit their others. This does not always mean the pedigrees will meld but in the case of Waikato Stud's **Savabeel** (Zabeel) and **O'Reilly** (Last Tycoon) figures suggest that there is a nick emerging.

**Savabeel**, who on Saturday was represented by his fourth Group One winner in the shape of **Herbie Dyke Stakes** (Gr 1, 2000m) winner **Costume**, a daughter of an **O'Reilly** mare, boasts a high winners-to-runners strike rate of over **63%**.

The success rate of **Savabeel** out of **O'Reilly** mares is higher, **12** winners from **18** runners (**66.66%**), but it is the stakes level success of these runners that impresses. Whilst **Savabeel's** stakes winners to runners ratio is an excellent **9%** it is an amazing **27.7%** for his cross with **O'Reilly** mares, five of those **12** winners being stakes winners.

So what do **Savabeel** and **O'Reilly** have in common?

**Savabeel's** sire **Zabeel** (Sir Tristram) is bred on a **Round Table** (Princequillo)/**Northern Dancer** (Nearctic) cross whilst **O'Reilly** is bred on the opposite.



**Savabeel** is actually line-bred to **Northern Dancer** (4 X 6) via **Nureyev** and **Nijinsky II** – both of whom have crossed extremely well with **O'Reilly's** grandsire **Try My Best**.

That stallion and **Nureyev** have combined in the pedigrees of over 60 stakes winners, 13 Group One winners including star filly **Soviet Song** by **Marju**, whilst **Nijinsky II** and **Try My Best** together have produced 75 stakes winners, ten Group One winners. **Nijinsky II** and **Try My Best**, who are bred on the same **Northern Dancer/Menow** (Pharamond II) cross, hail from the same female line, both being descendants of the influential matriarch **Torpenhow** (Torpoint).

Retained to race by Waikato Stud's Garry Chittick after being passed in at the sales, **Costume** became **Savabeel's** 31st stakes winner and **O'Reilly's** 30th as a broodmare sire. She is one of four winners for the unplaced **Disguised**, also dam of the Listed winner **Masquerade** (No Excuse Needed).

**Disguised** is a daughter of the French bred **Liffey** (Irish River) who produced nine winners including the Italian Listed winner **Liffey Lace** (Sagace). Another two of that mare's daughters have been represented by stakes winners – the locally bred **La Marmalade** (Marscay) dam of the Listed winners **Tres Sheik** (Desert Style); Singapore and **Kisses** (Iffraaj); New Zealand.

The New Zealand bred **Lidahya** (Dahar) meanwhile produced the Brisbane Listed winner **Anne Carina** (Danske).

**Liffey** was one of seven winners for the Canadian stakes winner **Kate's Intent** (Intentionally), dam of the first successful shuttle stallion **Godswalk** (Dancer's Image).

The sire of 36 stakes winners internationally, **Godswalk** – who stood at Lindsay Park, fared best in Australasia where 20 of his stakes winners raced. Sadly **Godswalk** died whilst still in his prime having sired only five Australian crops.

The winner of eight races including the King's Stand Stakes (Gr 1, 5f), **Godswalk** was a brother to the stakes placed **Kabylia** whose daughter **Kabesky** (Northfields) ended up in Brazil where her granddaughter **Ever Love** (Nedawi) was named Champion 2Y0 & 3Y0 Filly with her four Group One victories.

This is a family that has been represented by stakes winners all around the world – Brazil: **Nitro** (Nedawi), South Africa: **Great Love** (Roi Normand), the United States: **Greida** (Far North), **First Amendment** (Press Card), **Gilty Moment** (Gilded Time), **Certam De May** (Smile), **Bee El Tee** (Known Fact), **Forest Park** (Forest Wildcat), **Delicate**

**Dynamite** (Old Trieste), **Boston Bull** (Boston Harbor), **Sky Mystic** (Sky Mesa) and **Majestic Dy** (Dynaformer), Macau: **Super Alloy** (Kheleyf), Argentina: **Handsome Halo** (Southern Halo), Ireland: **Lidanna** (Nicholas), England: **Yaa Wayl** (Whipper), France: **Wizz Kid** (Whipper) and **Mustaheel** (Lawman), Peru: Horse Of The Year **Al Qasr** (Aptitude) and Australia: **Titled Toff** (Belted Earl).

Supporting **Costume's** strong male linebreeding patterns are some nice background female crosses. The pedigrees of both **Savabeel** and **Disguised** are influenced by the prolific **Marchetta** (Marco) family – through multiple strains of **My Babu** (Djebel) and **Turn-To** (Royal Charger) plus **Alycidon** (Donatello II) in the former and through further **My Babu** plus **Klairon** (Clarion) and **Irish River** (Riverman) in the latter.

**Savabeel** has plenty of the **Selene** (Chaucer) family of which **Sir Tristram** (Sir Ivor) is a member – strains of **Hyperion** (Gainsborough) and **Pharamond II** (Phalaris) which are complemented by **Disguised's** strain of relation **Big Game** (Bahram) and further **Hyperion**.

There is a good deal of **Lady Josephine** (Sundridge) in both **Savabeel** and **Disguised** and both boast multiple **Queen Mary** (Gladiator) strains.

**Savabeel's** dual Group One winning dam **Savannah Success** is line-bred to the high class race and broodmare **Flambette** (Durbar), ancestress of her sire.

**Success Express** (Hold Your Peace) and of Kentucky Derby (Gr 1, 10f) hero Johnstown (Jamestown). **Disguised** brings in a further strain of this family via **Black Devil**.

**Black Devil's** sire **Sir Gallahad III** (Teddy) is a son of the great **Plucky Liege** (Spearmint) to whom both of **Costume's** parents are line-bred – carrying strains of **Bull Dog** (Teddy) and **Admiral Drake** (Craig An Eran). Other prolific mares duplicated in the background of **Costume's** pedigree include **Chelandry** (Goldfinch), **Knight's Daughter** (Sir Cosmo), Uganda (Bridaine), **Banshee** (Irish Lad) and **Admiration** (Saraband).

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# Pedigree Pointers

## with Gareth Downey

What an amazing record **O'Reilly** continues to establish as a broodmare sire. When **Costume** so tenaciously fought on to capture the **Gr. 1 Herbie Dyke Stakes** at Te Rapa last weekend, she became the **4th Gr. 1** winner and **30th** stakes winner to date from an **O'Reilly** mare.

What makes the results to date exceptional is the rate at which **O'Reilly** daughters are producing these stakes winners. Looking at the leading stakes producing broodmare sires in the Southern Hemisphere, it is only the very elite who can achieve the rate of **5.5% SW/Rnrs**. The table of these such stallions currently stands as:

<b>Redoute's Choice</b>	<b>8.1%</b>
<b>O'Reilly</b>	<b>7.6%</b>
<b>Zabeel</b>	<b>6.4%</b>
<b>Last Tycoon</b>	<b>6.2%</b>
<b>Snippets</b>	<b>5.6%</b>
<b>Pins</b>	<b>5.6%</b>
<b>Centaine</b>	<b>5.5%</b>



It is very interesting to note that the list above includes both **O'Reilly** and **Pins**, as well as their respective sires **Last Tycoon** and **Snippets**...a key part of the reason we have expected these top class sires to also make their mark so strongly as broodmare sires.

There are 3 stallions who have so far produced more than 2 stakes winners from **O'Reilly** mares...with these being **Pins** (5 stakes winners at the rate of 9.1% SW/Rnrs), **No Excuse Needed** (5 stakes winners at 13.2%), and **Savabeel** (5 stakes winners at an amazing 27.8%). So, as we all now look forward and plan for the 2014 breeding season, the information above very strongly suggests you would be wise to make sure you try to have a daughter of **O'Reilly** in your breeding program. Depending what suits her best on conformation, as well as balancing out where she sits commercially...**Savabeel**, **Pins** and **No Excuse Needed** have already shown to cross very well indeed with **O'Reilly** mares. The **Savabeel** results in particular are exceptional, with this cross actually having achieved a phenomenal **44.4%** of its runners to either win or place at black type level.

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## VIEW FROM THE TOP

### with Mark Chittick



Things sound like they are under control with the EHV-1 outbreak, so this was clearly well handled by those involved

Looking at the black-type runners above, there are a number of exciting horses to follow this weekend. Can't wait.

Good luck to all with horses racing this weekend!

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NB) Just so you know, there will be no **Weekend @ Waikato** next week.