

# WEEKEND @ WAIKATO



## Ambitious Dragon ready to rumble for World's richest mile race

**Hong Kong's** top rated galloper **Ambitious Dragon (NZ)** has his work cut out for him in the world's richest international Gr.1 mile race, the HK\$20million (US\$2,578,000) **Longines Hong Kong Mile (1600m)** at Sha Tin this Sunday.

Johnson Lam Pui Hung & Anderson Lam Hin Yue's 6YO **Pins** gelding not only has to account for 11 other quality opponents – including last start foe **Glorious Days**, but he has to do so from the second widest alley of barrier 11.

Encouragingly, the **Hong Kong Jockey Club** report that trainer Tony Millard is unfazed by his horse's wide barrier.

*"Number 11 doesn't matter – he's won from a wide gate here before,"* said Millard to the HKJC.

## WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS

SATURDAY			
<b>VINCENT MANGANO</b> 05g No Excuse Needed x Rationable by Housebuster	Gr.3 Concorde Hcp (1200m)	ARC	4:26pm
<b>MOSSE</b> 08g O'Reilly x Golden Sparkle by Gold Brose	Gr.3 Concorde Hcp (1200m)	ARC	4:26pm
<b>LADY KIPLING</b> 07f Savabeel x Akela by Al Akbar	Gr.1 Captain Cook Stakes (1600m)	WRC	5:26pm
<b>THUMBTRACKS</b> 06g Pins x Anza Belle by Centaine	Listed Festival Stakes (1500m)	ATC	6:30pm
<b>TIFFANY YELLOW</b> 07f O'Reilly x Golden Sparkle by Gold Brose	Listed Jungle Dawn Classic (1400m)	WATC	9:35pm
<b>LOPOV</b> 07g Savabeel x Prickle by Pins	Gr.1 Kingston Town Classic (1800m)	WATC	10:15pm
SUNDAY			
<b>AMBITIOUS DRAGON</b> 06g Pins x Golden Gamble by Oregon	Gr.1 Longines Hong Kong Mile (1600m)	HK	8:50pm

## SALES FOCUS: Karaka 2013 Yearlings

Waikato Stud has 73 yearlings catalogued for New Zealand Bloodstock's upcoming National Yearling Sale Series.



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## WHAT'S NEW : WS Foal Photo Gallery

*Waikato Stud's Foal Photo Gallery has been updated.*

[\*Check out the latest of Trish Dunell's superb imagery by clicking here or on image below.\*](#)



## FLYING THE FLAG: Jock Harris



Waikato Stud's **Jock Harris** (19) has won the **2012 Sunline Trust Irish National Stud Scholarship**.

Jock will travel to Ireland in February to begin the 5-month world renowned Diploma course.

Since leaving school two years ago, Jock has completed two yearling preparations for Waikato Stud, a yearling prep for Widden Stud in Australia, and has recently returned from Highclere Stud in England, where he presented yearlings at the Tattersalls Book One and Two yearling sale.

The scholarship is generously sponsored by the K.I.A. Taylor Charitable Trust and the Taylor family of Trelawney Stud.

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## POSITIVE NEWS: Flying Monty



Two weeks ago, we did a '*Mating of the Week*' piece on Peter Moody's plucky mare **FLYING MONTY**.

Despite nasty August dog sitter foaling, the **Montjeu** half-sister to Gr.1 New Zealand Derby winner **Hades** had recovered completely, enabling her to be served by **Savabeel**.

We are delighted to report that she returned a 16 day positive scan to **Savabeel** yesterday.

## MARK'S MAIL



One foal to go and can't wait.

Good luck to **Ambitious Dragon's** connections this Sunday.

His dam **Golden Gamble** scanned 28 days positive to **Pins** yesterday, so hopefully this is sign of more good things to come.

**Tip of the Week:** Include both **Mosse** and **Vincent Mangano** in your trifecta calculations for the Concorde Hcp on Saturday.

**Tip of the Week: MOSSE and VINCENT MANGANO** – Saturday- Gr.3 Concorde Hcp (1200m) - ARC



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