

WEEKEND @ WAIKATO



BRISBANE CUP FOR FAST 'N' FAMOUS MARE

It's onwards and upwards to the **Gr.2 Brisbane Cup** for Nearco Stud's gutsy **Fast 'N' Famous** mare **Quintessential** following her **Gr.3 Chairman's Handicap** triumph at Eagle Farm last Saturday.

The John Sargent-trained galloper was a star of **Queensland's Winter Carnival** last year, claiming the **Gr.1 Queensland Oaks** a week before running a gallant second to **Savabeel's** son **Brambles** in the **Derby**.

"She's bounced through the race surprisingly well," said Nearco Stud's Racing Manager, Adrian Clark.

"From here we'll look to the Gr.2 Brisbane Cup. She's hit top form again and seems to like Eagle Farm, but the key to getting her there is the weight she is likely to receive."

"At this point she is nominated for the Premiers Cup on the 25th of May, but depending on the weight she receives, she may start a week later in the weight-for-age Eagle Farm Cup instead."

Purchased by Clark for \$70,000 at the 2010 NZB Select Yearling Sale, **Quintessential's** has returned A\$547,809 in earnings via a career spanning five wins, and including black-type distinction in the **Gr.1 Queensland Oaks**, the **Gr.3 WRC Desert Gold Stakes** and the **Gr.3 BRC Chairman's Hcp**.

Bred by Trelawney Stud, **Quintessential** is **Fast N Famous'** second stakes winner this term behind **Our Famous Eve**.



Quintessential represents the only racehorse bred on the Fast 'N' Famous (s)/ Sword Dance (ds) cross.

HIGH PRAISE FOR I DO

Allan Sharrock couldn't have paid the **No Excuse Needed** mare **I Do** a higher compliment on Saturday when he rated her favourably with multiple Group One winner **Shez Sensational** in the wake of her trouncing of rivals in the **Listed Rotorua Stakes**.



"When I had the good brown mare (Shez Sensational) there wasn't much between them in ability," Sharrock said.

Sharrock races **I Do** with Mark Chittick, who had not one but three reasons to take satisfaction from the feature event. Waikato Stud also bred the **No Excuse Needed** runner-up **No Excuse Maggie**, who came from last, as well as the fourth placegetter **Huffer** (Pins), which the stud race with the Huffer Syndicate.

With further improvement tipped and a possible **Gr.1 NZ Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes** tilt ahead, Sharrock is very much looking forward to campaigning **I Do** as a 6YO next season.

"I Do has been a real daddy long-legs, but the improvement in her over the last 12 months has been immense. She's spelling now, but if she improves even half as much as what she has over the last 12 months, we will have a serious racehorse on our hands," he said.

I Do is the 15th individual stakes winner for **No Excuse Needed** and is the 11th individual WS-bred stakes winner this season.



There have been 34 runners bred on the No Excuse Needed (s)/ O'Reilly (ds) cross. Of these, 67.6% (23) are winners and a remarkable 14.7% (5) are stakes winners. The 5 stakes winners comprise Daffodil (Gr.1 x 3), No Excuse Maggie, I Do, Masquerade and Takeanotherchance.

FACT

Average number of Stakes Winners produced by NZ's Top 50 Stallions this season: 2

2013 WS STUD FEES

| WS SIRE | 2012-13 STAKES WINNERS | 2013 SERVICE FEE |
|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| O'REILLY | 13 | \$60,000 +GST, LFG |
| SAVABEEL | 9 | \$55,000 +GST, LFG |
| PINS | 8 | \$37,500 +GST, LFG |
| OCEAN PARK | N/A | \$30,000 +GST, LFG |
| ROCK 'N' POP | N/A | \$12,000 +GST, LFG |
| FAST'N'FAMOUS | 2 | \$6000 +GST, LFG |
| NO EXCUSE NEEDED | 3 | \$6000 +GST, LFG |
| RIOS | N/A | \$4000 +GST, LFG |

KEYARNA BLUE LABELLED A SPRING HORSE



O'Reilly's 66th stakes winner, the 3YO filly **Keyarna Blue**, has been labelled 'a *spring horse for sure*' by trainer Pat Hyland following her success in the **Listed Laelia Stakes** at Morphettville last weekend.

"She's very promising. She's only had the four starts, but she's already won two, including a Listed race and been placed in another," said Hyland.

"She certainly a spring horse. We'll race her at Caulfield Saturday week to get some money behind her, so that we can get her into some of those good Spring races. Whether she starts in the good mares races or further though, I'm not sure."

Bred by Jackson Bloodstock Ltd and raced by Mr R M Anderson, Mrs D A Anderson, **Keyarna Blue** represents the 13th individual stakes winner this season for **O'Reilly**



Keyarna Blue is the only runner bred on the O'Reilly (s)/ Semipalatinsk (ds) cross.

NZ SIRE AWARD STANDINGS

DEWAR (NZ+AUS)

| | Stallion | Earnings |
|---|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | O'REILLY | \$6,495,348 |
| 2 | Thorn Park | \$5,022,351 |
| 3 | High Chaparral | \$4,462,665 |
| 4 | Zabeel | \$3,935,296 |
| 5 | Pins | \$3,890,906 |

CENTAINE (Global)

| | Stallion | Earnings |
|---|----------------|-------------|
| 1 | O'REILLY | \$9,809,456 |
| 2 | Pins | \$8,638,326 |
| 3 | Thorn Park | \$7,496,084 |
| 4 | High Chaparral | \$5,665,097 |
| 5 | Savabeel | \$5,257,921 |

GROSVENOR (NZ)

| | Stallion | Earnings |
|---|--------------|-------------|
| 1 | O'REILLY | \$2,077,537 |
| 2 | Savabeel | \$1,616,017 |
| 3 | Darci Brahma | \$1,485,705 |
| 4 | Pins | \$1,344,265 |
| 5 | Ekraar | \$1,101,700 |

Source: www.nztm.co.nz www.arion.co.nz

WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS THIS WEEKEND

| FRIDAY | | | |
|--|---|-------|---------|
| FLORIA 07f Savabeel x Aria by Centaine | Listed Scone Cup (1600m) | Scone | 6:02pm |
| SATURDAY | | | |
| WAR AFFAIR 10g O'Reilly x Kristique by Kris S | Sgp-2 Aushorse Golden Horseshoe (1200m) | Sing | 12:25am |
| QUEEN PIN 10f Pins x Pegasus Queen by Fusaichi Pegasus | Listed Woodlands Stakes (1100m) | Scone | 3:30pm |
| MADE MY POINT 05g Pins x Baas by Anabaa | Listed Rangitikei Gold Cup (1600m) | Rang. | 3:41pm |
| JACK'S POINT 06g Pins x Activate by Kinjite | Listed Rangitikei Gold Cup (1600m) | Rang. | 3:41pm |

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| THE KNIGHT 07g No Excuse Needed x Melanie by Al Akbar | Listed Rangitikei Gold Cup (1600m) | Rang. | 3:41pm |
| SAID COM 08g O'Reilly x Centa Belt by Centaine | Listed Luskin Stake Stakes (1300m) | Scone | 4:40pm |
| ALTONIO 06 Savabeel x Shafty Lady by Last Tycoon | Listed Andrew Ramsden Stakes (3200m) | VRC | 4:57pm |
| BONO VOX 08g O'Reilly x Stage Doll by Serheed | Listed Andrew Ramsden Stakes (3200m) | VRC | 4:57pm |
| SHANDREAM 07f Pins x Pyjamas by Centaine | Listed Straight Six Hcp (1200m) | VRC | 5:32pm |
| PIMMS TIME 08f Pins x Brampton Legs by Zabeel | Gr.1 Doomben Cup (2000m) | BRC | 5:40pm |
| JUSTANEXCUSE 06g No Excuse Needed x Aggressive by Val Dansant | Gr.3 BRC Sprint Hcp (1350m) | BRC | 6:20pm |
| SUNDAY | | | |
| PRECIOUS ÉCLAIR 08g O'Reilly x And A Curl by Snippets | Listed Macau Sprint Trophy (1200m) | Macau | 11:25pm |
| SPEEDY CAT 08g Scaredee Cat x Lane Cove by Magic of Sydney | Gr.1 Krisflyer International Sprint (1200m) | Sing. | 11:50pm |

MARK'S MAIL



Great to see **No Excuse Needed** quinella the **Listed Rotorua Stakes** with **I Do** and **No Excuse Maggie** last Saturday. Both of these horses are bred on the **No Excuse Needed (s)/ O'Reilly (ds)** cross; which if I remember rightly I raved about last week.

Good luck to the **Pimms Time** crew Guy Lowry, Grant Cullen, Charlie Whyte and Eric Johnston this weekend. She's made the field for the **Gr.1 Doomben Cup** and will be at great odds. She's won her last two and is one from one at the distance...

Tip of the Week: PIMMS TIME – Saturday- BRC – Gr.1 Doomben Cup (2000m) - 5:40pm

Good luck and good punting everyone!



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