

# Weekend @ Waikato

21 OCTOBER 2016



## C'MON LUCIA!

Can Lucia Valentina repeat her sire Savabeel's success in Saturday's Gr.1 Cox Plate?

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- Black-type brigade
- WS Racing Team

### COX PLATE BLASTS FROM PAST

- 2012 Ocean Park
- 2007 El Segundo
- 2004 Savabeel

### SIXTY SECONDS

- With Hall of Fame trainer, David Hayes

### MOONEE VALLEY STAKES RUNNERS

- Lucia Valentina
- Nurse Kitchen
- Rosa Carolina

# BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS

## SATURDAY

-  **ROSA CAROLINA** 13f  
Savabeel - Ombre Rose (O'Reilly)  
**Listed William Crockett Stakes**, 1200m  
Moonee Valley, 3:15pm
-  **HALL OF FAME** 13c  
Savabeel - Around The Clock (Galileo)  
**Listed Canterbury Stakes**, 1600m  
Canterbury, 3:33pm
-  **HEAVENS KEEP** 10g  
Savabeel - Eden (Zeditave)  
**Gr.3 Thompson Hcp** 1600m  
Trentham, 3:44pm
-  **BIG DREAMER** 11f  
No Excuse Needed - War Bride (Jahafil)  
**Gr.3 Thompson Hcp** 1600m  
Trentham, 3:44pm
-  **HONEY RIDER** 13f  
Pins - Southern Heights (Align)  
**Listed Soliloquy Stakes**, 1400m  
Ellerslie, 3:58pm
-  **GLASS SLIPPER** 13f  
Pins - Fairy Tale (Tale of the Cat)  
**Listed Soliloquy Stakes**, 1400m  
Ellerslie, 3:58pm
-  **BABE** 13f  
O'Reilly - La Belle Femme (French Deputy)  
**Listed Soliloquy Stakes**, 1400m  
Ellerslie, 3:58pm
-  **SPINDLE** 13f  
Pins - Under And Over (Danasinga)  
**Listed Soliloquy Stakes**, 1400m  
Ellerslie, 3:58pm
-  **SOUTHERN SAV** 09g  
Savabeel - Ride the Waves (Thunder Gulch)  
**Listed Spring Classic Hcp**, 2000m  
Canterbury, 4:08pm
-  **ZHANIM** 10f  
Savabeel - Tafelberg (Kaaopstad)  
**Listed Spring Classic Hcp**, 2000m  
Canterbury, 4:08pm
-  **NURSE KITCHEN** 13f  
Savabeel - Flying Monty (Montjeu)  
**Gr.2 Moonee Valley Fillies Classic**,  
1600m  
Moonee Valley, 5:00pm
-  **LUCIA VALENTINA** 10f  
Savabeel - Saryn Glenn (Montjeu)  
**WS Cox Plate**, 2040m  
Moonee Valley, 7:00pm



## WS-RACING TEAM

**COLDPLAY** 08g  
Savabeel - Forty Two Below (O'Reilly)  
Saturday, Ellerslie, 3:53pm

**SPINDLE** 13f  
Pins - Under And Over (Danasinga)  
**Listed Soliloquy Stakes**, 1400m  
Saturday, Ellerslie, 3:58pm

**BABE** 13f (pictured top)  
O'Reilly - La Belle Femme (French Deputy)  
**Gr.2 Sarten Memorial** 1400m  
Monday, Te Rapa, 4:15pm



## BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS

### SUNDAY

-  **AEROVELOCITY** 08g  
Pins - Exodus (Kaaopstad)  
**HK-2 Premier Bowl**, 1200m  
Sha Tin, 9:10pm
-  **FLAME HERO** 09g  
Savabeel - Rhysess (Pins)  
**HK-2 Sha Tin Trophy**, 1600m  
Sha Tin, 10:15pm
-  **PACKING PINS** 10g  
Pins - Splashing Out (O'Reilly)  
**HK-2 Sha Tin Trophy**, 1600m  
Sha Tin, 10:15pm

### MONDAY

-  **HONEY RIDER** 13f  
Pins - Southern Heights (Align)  
**Gr.2 Sarten Memorial** 1400m  
Te Rapa, 4:15pm
-  **GLASS SLIPPER** 13f  
Pins - Fairy Tale (Tale of the Cat)  
**Gr.2 Sarten Memorial** 1400m  
Te Rapa, 4:15pm
-  **BABE** 13f  
O'Reilly - La Belle Femme (French Deputy)  
**Gr.2 Sarten Memorial** 1400m  
Te Rapa, 4:15pm

## 2016 WS BROCHURE

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WaikatoStud



# COX PLATE BLASTS FROM THE PAST

## LUCIA VALENTINA

Kris Lees is happy for **Savabeel's Queen Elizabeth Stakes** winner **Lucia Valentina** to fly under the radar as he prepares the multiple **Group One** winner for Saturday's **Cox Plate**.

The trainer is convinced the winner of Sydney's richest race is going just as well heading into Saturday's **\$3 million** feature at Moonee Valley. **Lucia Valentina** is at **\$21** for the **Cox Plate** (2040m) in which defending champion **Winx** is at \$1.85 and in-form **Hartnell** is the only other horse under double figures at **\$3.20**.

Lees is aware of the task ahead against two in-form horses and a host of other toplineers but also believes **Lucia Valentina** is somewhat forgotten in Cox Plate discussions.

"A little bit. Which is fine," Lees said.

"I think in other years she'd be a lot tighter in the market. But I think it's just a reflection on how these other two are going. And it's going to be a wonderful race."

"We feel we've got her here in a similar vein. It's probably a stronger race than the Queen Elizabeth, but she's getting here in really good order and I'm looking forward to Saturday."

**Lucia Valentina** got her first look around Moonee Valley last Thursday when she worked in company with Happy Trails.

Lees is content with barrier nine in the field of 10 as **Lucia Valentina** is a get-back runner armed with a powerful finishing sprint.

-AAP



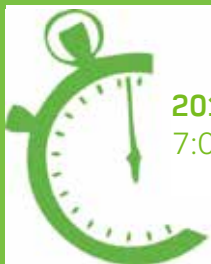
2012 OCEAN PARK



2007 EL SEGUNDO (Pins)



2004 SAVABEEL



**2016 Cox Plate**  
7:00pm NZ time

- **Lucia Valentina** is the only runner in the field whose sire also won the race.
- Success would see **Blandford Lodge**-bred mare's earnings top \$6million
- She was purchased by **Bruce Perry** for owner **Lib Petagna** for \$60,000 at the 2012 NZB Premier Yearling Sale



SAVABEEL

**VICTORY MAGIC**

Game Gr.1 stakes performer retired.



SAVABEEL

**KAWI**

Michael Walker confirmed as jockey for Gr.1 Perth raid.



SAVABEEL

**SHILLELAGH**

Unscathed by tough Caulfield outing.



PINS

**PACKING PINS**

Seeking black-type reward in Sunday's HK-2 Sha Tin Trophy.



O'REILLY

**BABE**

Takes on Gr.2 Sarten Memorial field on Monday



SAVABEEL

**GUSTAVO**

Stakes winner heads to Bjorn Baker stable



PINS

**AEROVELOCITY**

Hong Kong trainer Paul O'Sullivan is happy with Pins' sprinting machine Aerovelocity heading into Sunday's HK-2 Premier Bowl (1200m) on Sunday.

"I'm very happy with him. He'll go in there and give it his best shot on Sunday but we're just looking for a nice run to build on."

# BLACKBOOKER

## FOMO

**AGE/SEX:** 3YO colt

**BREEDING:** Pins - Misty (Howbaddouwantit)

**BREEDER:** Fairdale Stud Ltd & B Vickers

**TRAINER:** Trent Busuttin & Natalie Young

**OWNERS:** TL Busuttin, KD Greenlees, T D Stewart, JM Timpany, M C Fenwick, L W Stewart, R Chang, J C Persico, P A S Smith, P Lally & A Raper & Tru Blu Bloodstock (Mgr: S Pethybridge)

**REASON:** Dismissed maiden ranks at start two last Friday at Donald racecourse.



He's a nice son of Pins with more to come"

-Busuttin Racing



# SIXTY SECONDS

## WITH HALL OF FAME TRAINER, DAVID HAYES



<b>OCCUPATION ?</b>	Trainer
<b>FAVOURITE FOOD?</b>	Chinese/Japanese
<b>DO YOU HAVE ANY NICKNAMES?</b>	HOF (Hall of Fame) & Star
<b>BEST HORSE(S) INVOLVED WITH?</b>	Better Loosen Up, Jeune, Miss Finland, Zabeel
<b>BOOK ON THE BEDSIDE TABLE?</b>	New Zealand Premier Yearling Sale Catalogue
<b>WHAT ELSE MIGHT YOU HAVE DONE CAREER WISE?</b>	AFL Football Coach
<b>WHAT DO YOU DO TO RELAX?</b>	Snow Skiing & Lunching
<b>FAVOURITE TV SHOW?</b>	Narcos (about Pablo Escobar)
<b>WHO WOULD YOU LOVE TO MEET?</b>	Mark Wahlberg
<b>FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION?</b>	Aspen (USA)
<b>FAVOURITE THING ABOUT WAIKATO STUD?</b>	Savabeel
<b>HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN RACING?</b>	Was born into it
<b>FAVOURITE MOVIE?</b>	Dumb and Dumber
<b>CHILDHOOD HEROES?</b>	John Newcombe, Dennis Lillee and C.S. Hayes
<b>CAREER HIGHLIGHTS?</b>	The big 4 (Caulfield Cup, Melbourne Cup, Cox Plate, Golden Slipper)
<b>NAME 3 PEOPLE YOU'D INVITE TO DINNER?</b>	3 powerbrokers - Peter Vela, Donald Trump & Garry Chittick.
<b>BEST PIECE OF GOOD ADVICE?</b>	The future belongs to those that plan for it
<b>WHO WOULD PLAY YOU IN A MOVE?</b>	George Clooney on a bad hair day
<b>WHAT'S SOMETHING NOT MANY PEOPLE WOULD KNOW ABOUT YOU?</b>	I am more superstitious than religious

### MARK'S TIP OF THE WEEK

Davo has been stood down this week, because his recent form was no good. The spell will do him wonders - last time we pulled him off the bench, he nailed it with Sound Proposition.

#### NURSE KITCHEN 13c

Savabeel - Flying Monty (Montjeu)

Saturday, Moonee Valley, Race 6, 5:00pm

No luck at all last start. Smart winner the start before when on debut. Definite each way chance.



#### NURSE KITCHEN 13c

Savabeel - Flying Monty (Montjeu)

# NZB READY TO RUN SALE OF 2YO'S

Sale 16-17 November

\*Breeze Ups now online



**Sangster**

Gr.1 VRC Derby  
Gr.1 Auckland Cup  
Gr.1 Waikato Int'l Stakes

\$19K RTR Sale graduate



**SAVABEEL**

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**OCEAN PARK**

**15**

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**SAVABEEL**

**13**

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**ROCK N POP**

**12**

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**O'REILLY**

**1**

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**PINS**

**9**

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**RIOS**

**3**

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**WAIKATO STUD DRAFT**

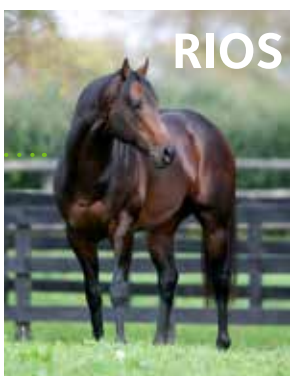
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**Gaultier**

Gr.1 Levin Classic

\$17.5K RTR Sale graduate



**RIOS**



# A SHORT FILM - PART II

BY HARRY CHITTICK



Sunshine, the great elixir of life. Well for some, any benefit I may have benefited from was diluted by Air New Zealand's breakdown of their ticketing programme resulting in a 4hour stand in 31degrees at Nandi Airport. Funny thing life, what will I remember most about Fiji is the last 4 hours.

But the sunshine is great... tracks will improve, form will change, mares will bloom with a dramatic improvement in conception rates.

As long as I have been in this game Labour weekend has always been the turning point. This is no old wives tale; our local haylage contractor tells us the lift in protein levels is dramatic with a bit of sun on our backs. The effect on all forms of agriculture is obvious.

It must have been very difficult for those training horses; we pre-train our fillies at home our track tested the patience of Dale and Katie. However, they presented our Ready to Run horses at the jump outs in pristine condition, well done.

I will leave the Racing Administrators alone this week, not enough sun on my back yet to eliminate my pessimism, however, interesting to read of the proposed merging of TabCorp and Tattersalls, perhaps they can see the benefits of rationalising, hopefully with the racing industry sharing the savings. Not sure how this leaves NZ with their relationship with TabCorp. Interesting challenges. Hope somebody's up to it.

Cheers



GARRY'S CORNER

## WITH GARETH DOWNEY

One of the biggest talking points to come out of the Randwick meeting last weekend was the super performance posted by **Spieth** in taking out the **Listed Lightning Handicap**. After missing the start, it looked like the wave of money for him may have been all washed up – but, in the style of top class performers, he overcame that adversity and posted some outstanding sectionals while weaving a path through the field and exploding to the **1st** stakes victory of his career. This was the **5th** win in his **8** start career, and he was first up for a new preparation over **1100m**. Wherever trainer Bryce Heys chooses to go with him over the Melbourne Spring Carnival, it will be exciting to watch the progression of this imposing galloper.

**Spieth** is another example of the affinity that has become apparent between his sire, **Thorn Park**, and **Mill Reef**. When these two sires have been combined on opposite sides of a pedigree to date, the results are running at **10.7% SW/Rnrs**. Apart from **Spieth**, the other performers carrying this affinity have included **Suavito, Debt Collector, Centennial Park, Soubrettes, Bonnie Mac** etc.

As **Ocean Park** is by **Thorn Park** out of the **Zabeel** mare **Sayyida**, it is also very encouraging to see how well **Zabeel** and **Mill Reef** have combined together. When **Zabeel** and **Mill Reef** have been combined anywhere on opposite sides of a pedigree, the results are a very good **6.1% SW/**

**Rnrs** and a remarkable ratio of a **Gr.1** winner for every **50.3** runners. These are very good figures indeed over a sample size of **1106** runners, given all the various quality of carriers of these sire lines in that sample set – so this also suggests a very strong affinity between **Zabeel** and **Mill Reef**. The **Gr.1** winners carrying this pattern include **It's A Dundeel, Pierro, Silent Achiever, Hill Of Grace, Gust Of Wind, Kawi, Nashville, Fenway, Zabeelionaire, Art Success, Julinsky Prince, Laverock, Xtravagant, Sacred Elixir, Suntagonal, Costume, Gondokoro, Diademe, Provocative, O'Marilyn, Savaria** and **Irish Fling**.

So, if you have a mare carrying **Mill Reef**, sending her to **Ocean Park** provides you with an excellent chance to tap into these proven affinities with both **Thorn Park** and **Zabeel**. The most common sources of **Mill Reef** in our part of the world include **Blevic, Casino Prince, Darshaan, Daylami, Deploy, Doyoun, Dubawi, English Harbour, Golan, Helmet, High Chaparral, Iglesia, In The Wings, Jahafil, Last Tycoon, Marooned, Monde Bleu, Oak Ridge, O'Reilly, Pentire, Shirley Heights, So You Think, Towkay, Universal Prince, Virginia Privateer** etc

If you have a mare by, or carrying, any of these sires, please contact me via [gareth@waikatostud.co.nz](mailto:gareth@waikatostud.co.nz) or **021 433 073** if you would like to discuss booking her to **Ocean Park**.



OCEAN PARK



## MARK'S MAIL

Massive week in the foaling unit. On Wednesday Bev equaled her record of 10 foals in a night (10 hours actually).



Waikato Stud had four breeze-up at Te Rapa on Tuesday ahead of the Ready To Run Sale. Dale and Katie have been at Courtza Park for a few months now and had all four looking terrific. The highlight would have to have been Honolulu's breeze-up, with rider Lynsey Satherley getting off and saying 'He has absolutely got gears. He's the best I've ridden today'.

A number of the family members returned home this week. Charlotte from South Africa and Garry and Mary from Fiji. I can't say Garry's ab improvement program is one that I will be following.

We had nine Gold Coast Sale-bound yearlings fly out to Sledmere Stud on Monday. No doubt Royston and Trin will have them looking as spot on, just as they did for us last year.

Must say a quick thanks to Newgate's Henry Field, who passed on a nice note about the newsletter last week. It's always nice to receive this sort of thing, but equally, if you do have suggestions, just sing out.

Exciting weekend ahead with the Cox Plate – Australasia's WFA championship. Good luck to the Lucia Valentina camp!