

# Weekend @ Waikato

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## IN THIS WEEK'S W@W...

### POINTS OF INTEREST

- Bonny O'Reilly
- Black-Type Runners
- Horses to have followed

### PEOPLE SPOTLIGHT

- Peter Earley
- Charlotte, George and Harry.

### PLUS REGULAR COLUMNS

- Gareth's Pedigree Pointer
- Garry's Corner
- Mark's Mail

## SATURDAY

### KAISER FRANZ 10g

Savabeel - Call Me Lily

### Gr.3 Premier's Cup 2200m

BRC, 3:57pm (NZT)

### TOP OF THE RANGE 13g

Savabeel - Spiriting

### Gr.3 Grand Prix Stakes 2200m

BRC, 4:35pm (NZT)

### BILLY THE KID 13g

Savabeel - Monaliesha

### Gr.3 Fred Best Classic 1400m

BRC, 6:32pm (NZT)

## SUNDAY

### PREDITOR 12g

Savabeel - Bird

### Sgp-2 Steward's Cup 1400m

Singapore, 9:00pm (NZT)



SAVABEEL

### PREDITOR

Trainer Shane Baertschiger is readying the smart Savabeel gelding for the Singapore Derby.



SAVABEEL

### TOP OF THE RANGE

Trainer Mike Moroney aims for stakes success in Saturday's Gr.3 Grand Prix Stakes with the two-from-four winner.



BONNY O'REILLY HAS NOW WON SIX OF EIGHT STARTS

## BONNY READY FOR BRISBANE

Bonny O'Reilly signalled her readiness for stakes company with a dominant win at Rosehill last weekend. The WS-bred and sold mare will now head to the Queensland winter carnival in search of her first black-type credit.

The Bjorn Baker-trained mare has won her last four starts and she will next take aim at a sprint at Eagle Farm in a fortnight. If she can win that and get her rating up, the four-year-old should gain a start in the Gr.1 Tatt's Tiara.

With Baker at home on parenting duties, stable representative Maddie Berkeley said Bonny O'Reilly remained untapped. "She still has more to give and she will go to Brisbane. There's a Listed race in two weeks for her. She needs to get her rating up to be able to get into the Group races."

Bonny O'Reilly was purchased out of WS's Premier Sale draft to Karaka in 2014 for \$100,000. She is an O'Reilly daughter of the Pins mare Pretty, who is a half-sister to the top-flight winners Glamour Puss and Vision And Power.



BONNY O'REILLY'S 2016 HALF-SISTER BY OCEAN PARK



HORSES TO HAVE FOLLOWED...



SAVABEEL

SHAUQUIN

3YO gelding won at career start two for Danny O'Brien at Bendigo on Sunday.



PINS

POLYMER LUCK

After a string of seconds, struck a deserved win for Francis Lui at Happy Valley on Wed.



O'REILLY

MISS ADEQUATE

3YO filly registered maiden win at start three for Danny O'Brien at Bendigo on Sunday.



WS galloper Bullrush (right) enjoying a stroll at the beach this morning

FREE MATING ANALYSIS TOOLS

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# SIXTY SECONDS

WITH BROADCASTER/ RACE  
CALLER,  
PETER EARLEY



- BEST HORSES INVOLVED WITH?** Still looking (Mark, Garry)
- GREATEST THRILL IN RACING?** Watching some of the greats... and my trotter Speeding Spur
- HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN RACING?** Grew up in Avondale by racecourse/ one or two stable girls were nice
- WHAT WOULD YOU DO, IF YOU WEREN'T DOING WHAT YOU DO NOW?** Oceanographer/ marine life and ecosystems
- WHAT ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT?** Conservation of ocean and marine life
- WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR GREATEST PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS?** Helping develop people in the Racing Industry
- WHAT IS ONE THING YOU CAN'T RESIST?** English Cadbury Peppermint Chocolate Fry Bar ...yummy!
- WHAT IS ONE OF YOUR PERSONAL LIFE PHILOSOPHIES?** You must go through the hardships and knock backs to achieve your goals
- NAME THREE PEOPLE YOU WOULD ENJOY INVITING TO DINNER?** Jack Cousteau, Peter Snell and Ozzy Osbourne
- WHO WERE YOUR CHILDHOOD HEROES?** Peter Snell
- WHAT DO YOU DO TO RELAX?** Gardening/ reading/ playing golf (badly)
- WHAT IS THE BEST BOOK YOU HAVE READ?** Unbroken by Laura Hillenbrand who wrote Seabiscuit
- WHERE IS THE BEST PLACE YOU HAVE TRAVELED TO?** Driving through Sicily was an experience... Venice and Greek Islands beautiful
- FAVOURITE THING ABOUT WAIKATO STUD?** Garry as he doesn't mind rocking the racing industry boat... keep rocking
- WHAT IS YOUR FAVOURITE MOVIE?** Jaws
- WHO WOULD PLAY YOU IN A MOVIE** Richard Gere
- WHAT WOULD PEOPLE BE SURPRISED TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?** Like reading Shakespeare/ was pronounced dead after a car crash in my twenties but I'm still here...( don't know if that is good or bad)





# STALLION OF THE WEEK...

## Sacred Falls

DUAL DONCASTER  
CHAMPION

4 G1 WINS

7 BLACK-TYPE  
WINS

25 G1 WINNERS  
BEATEN





## Planning Matings Based On Positive Affinities

We are now well into that time of year when we all work out our mating plans for the upcoming season. If you are one of the many people who likes to try and follow proven pedigree affinities then it is necessary to stay up to date with the latest results being achieved on the racetrack, and to use those results to guide our mating plans.



Because of the prevalence of Zabeel in our broodmare population, I have decided to take a look this week at the updated statistics for any time he is carried in a pedigree, and how we can use that in our search for incorporating positive affinities into our mating plans.

The starting point for any such project needs to be to accurately establish a baseline measurement, and in this case that baseline is that anytime Zabeel is carried anywhere in a pedigree, the overall results are running at 5.0% SW/Rnrs. Therefore, if we are going to base our mating plans on proven positive affinities, then we need to be identifying patterns that have achieved results of at least this to date.

So, if we are considering all stallions who don't carry Zabeel themselves, this presents five options on our roster – so let's look at the results to date to see which of these provide positive affinity opportunities. When I refer to 2 stallions being combined, this means anywhere on opposite sides of a pedigree.

### SACRED FALLS

- Combining O'Reilly with Zabeel is running at 8.7% SW/Rnrs. Impressively, this also includes a Gr.1 winner for every 33 runners; being Silent Achiever, Costume, Provocative, Savaria, O'Marilyn, Irish Fling and Diademe
- Combining Redoute's Choice with Zabeel is running at 6.3% SW/Rnrs. The best of these performers have included Lankan Rupee, Samantha Miss, Pasadena Girl, Shootoff, Messene etc

### PINS

- Combining Pins with Zabeel is running at 9.9% SW/Rnrs. The best of these has so far included Brambles, Sports Illustrated, Pimms Time, Epingle, Rhythm To Spare etc

### TIVACI

- Combining High Chaparral with Zabeel is running at 11.3% SW/Rnrs and a very impressive strike rate of a Gr.1 winner for every 21 runners. The best of these has so far included It's A Dundee, Charmont, Fenway, Alpine Eagle, Show The World etc
- Combining Fastnet Rock with Zabeel is running at 6.0% SW/Rnrs and an impressive strike rate of a Gr.1 winner for every 50 runners. The best of these have so far included Atlantic Jewel, Rangipo, Planet Rock, Derryn, Curved Ball etc

### ROCK 'N' POP

- Combining Fastnet Rock with Zabeel is running at 6.0% SW/Rnrs and an impressive strike rate of a Gr.1 winner for every 50 runners. The best of these have so far included Atlantic Jewel, Rangipo, Planet Rock, Derryn, Curved Ball etc
- When Zabeel mares have been mated with stallions out of a Sir Tristram mare, this creates a sex-balanced duplication of Sir Tristram, and the results are running at 8.5% SW/Rnrs. The stakes winners to date have been Shootoff, Kroner, Dancing Jess and Vikja King

### RIOS

- Has only had 2 runners out of mares carrying Zabeel so too early to form a clear conclusion but one of these is Go By Rio who has so far won 5 races

### SUMMARY

If you have a mare carrying Zabeel, and if you are keen to pursue mating plans based on proven positive affinities, the above results confirm what excellent options are represented on our roster. The choice between these can then come down to selecting which suits your mare best physically and commercially, as well as which stallion simply appeals to you most and is at the right stage of their career for your personal risk/return profile.

If you have a mare carrying Zabeel, or would simply like to discuss your pursuit of proven pedigree patterns, please do get in touch via either [gareth@waikatostud.co.nz](mailto:gareth@waikatostud.co.nz) or 021 433 073





# CORNER

GARRY'S

I have had time to reflect. Ten days in Hawaii is good for the tan, but very little else.

Those bodies I referred to last week, will regretfully for them, progress to the shape of the many that don't attract our interest. You know why?..well the cost of a reasonable meal is out of their reach. Hence the McDonald's and other fast-food outlets cheaply prime them for future life.

I am not a mean man, but it was difficult to escape an evening meal for under US\$250 per couple. I soon determined that I should have gone on my own. Mary's capacity to find a bargain will be verified or not when the credit card comes through in NZ dollars...I know the answer!

This may be the issue with racing's problems: costs in US dollars; returns in kiwi pesos.

I had an observation sent to me on my arrival home that will interest the two of you who read this...



*Dinner in Hawaii*

	GROSS MARGIN	STAFF REMUNERATION	% STAFF REMUNERATION
TABCORP	\$2189m	\$188m	9%
TATTS	\$1557m	\$182m	12%
NZRB	\$378m	\$67m	18%

Imagine if we were lucky enough to reward our personnel 9%. Another \$33m for the risk takers. How do you think Tabcorp shareholders would react to a further \$188m in costs at 18%?

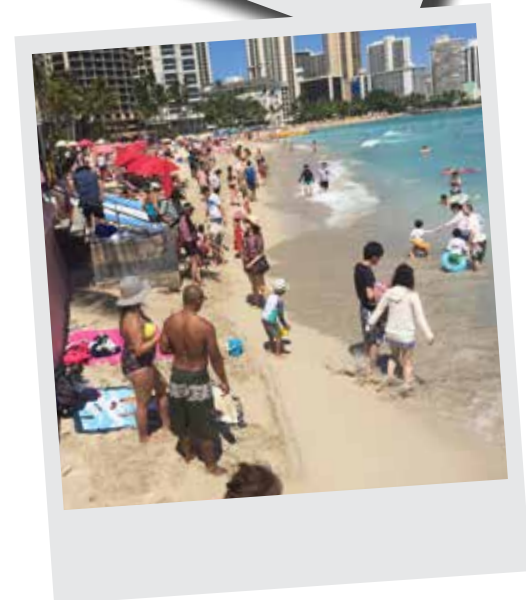
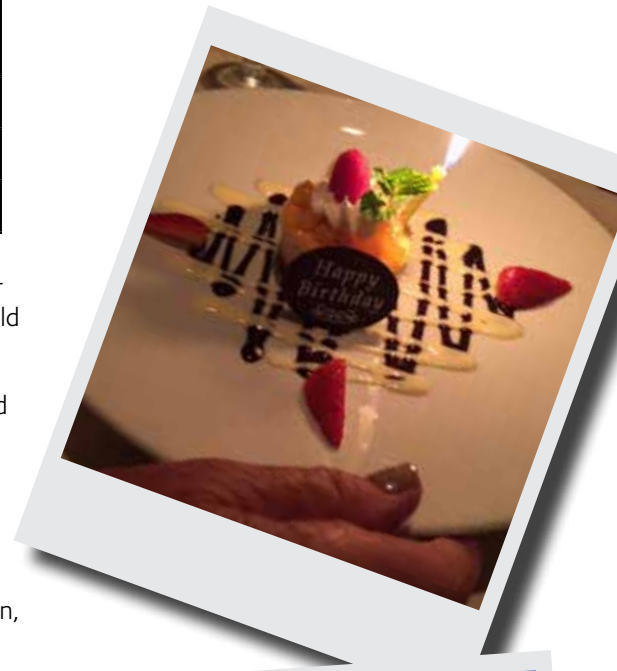
But the further irony, as was referred to in a previous corner, is a Board Member took the time out to inform me this increase in costs directly correlated with our increase in turnover.

Well, let's analyse.

\$300m of this figure is the Gaming result. Well before we cut ourselves loose from the various trusts that provided us with a cash return, the balance sheet reflected only the value of the grants. I doubt the margin on the \$300m is any better than the previous arrangement. The growth appears to be sports betting. Great, our margin on sports betting is marginal, and my guess is racing's turnover will be struggling after a difficult year, but I will wager, if the TAB takes the bet, they will find a reason to increase the rewards, even if only marginally. Why wouldn't you? We depend on our Board; history confirms they are a pushover.

I had a call in Hawaii from a very concerned John Wheeler, who had received information that Race Fields Legislation will not make the cut this year. What a disappointment! The only thing we have asked of our previous Minister was to give us the same opportunity that Australian racing has, and at no cost. NSW Racing has just announced their intention to increase their fees, a price maker not taker.

Well, the delay may only be a year, but the attitude of our legislators seems to be that we are of nuisance value only. I think Winston may have a significant impact on this year's result. He may be just who we need. He has delivered before. However, I wouldn't worry, 80,000 new customers?





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Short and sweet one this week.

Tivaci continues to settle in great and the feedback we are receiving from those who see him is terrific. By all means, if you are interested in coming out to the stud and seeing him, give us a call.

Hope you liked the image on the cover of Louis, Freddo and Iris. We had photographer Nicole Troost come out to the farm recently to get some pics of the WS team for the brochure and while here, she got some amazing shots.

Amongst these were some of Charlotte, George and Harry. Above and below are some of the more 'entertaining' ones.

Have a great weekend.

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## TIP OF THE WEEK

### EASY GO EASY WIN

Saturday  
 \$4.40 win NZ TAB  
 Seven News Plate 2YO  
 SWP 1400m  
 Randwick  
 1:10pm

"I think this is one of the most talented juveniles we've seen in Sydney since the end of the autumn carnival. Being a Savabeel, he'll relish stepping up to 1400m and with a clear crack at them we'll see a serious horse. Have something on him in the JJ Atkins too, you can get around \$15.

-Clinton Payne, Racenet