

Weekend @ Waikato

4 August 2017

—OUR FIRST FOAL HAS ARRIVED—



MEET OUR SACRED FALLS FILLY OUT OF A SISTER TO AUSTRALIAN G2 WINNER MACKINTOSH



IN THIS WEEK'S W@W...

POINTS OF INTEREST

- Bobo So Cute
- Black-Type Runners
- Horses of Interest
- Foal Gallery

PLUS REGULAR COLUMNS BY

- Garry Chittick
- Mark Chittick

SATURDAY

TAURUS 08g

No Excuse Needed – Stars In Her Eyes

Listed Winter Cup (1600m)

CJC 3:30pm (NZT)

ACCIDENTAL OFFSIDE 12g

No Excuse Needed – Irish Babe

Listed Winter Cup (1600m)

CJC 3:30pm (NZT)

SUNDAY

BLUE SWEDE 10g

O'Reilly – Hooked Ona Feeling

Sgp-2 Chairman's Trophy (1800m)

Singapore, 8:40pm (NZT)

WAR AFFAIR 10g

O'Reilly – Kristique

Sgp-2 Chairman's Trophy (1800m)

Singapore, 8:40pm (NZT)

SONG TO THE MOON 10g

Savabeel – White Mouse

Sgp-2 Chairman's Trophy (1800m)

Singapore, 8:40pm (NZT)



BOBO SO CUTE

The Chan Sui Wah-owned Savabeel gelding, Bobo So Cute, picked up the most significant win of his career in Sunday's M\$800,000 Listed Macau Gold Cup (1800m).

Ridden by Ryan Curatolo for trainer MC Tam, Bobo So Cute overcame a slow start to score an impressive half-length victory in the Macau Gold Cup, which is the third leg of Macau's Triple Crown.

It was his 10th win and lifted his stake earnings past M\$3 million (NZ\$513,000).

The New Zealand Bloodstock Ready to Run Sale graduate has now won three stakes races, having previously claimed the Macau Spring Trophy (1500m) and Lisboa Challenge (1400m).

Bobo So Cute was bred by Mrs CL McLachlan and is out of a Shinko King half-sister to the dam of G1 winner Booming.

Bobo So Cute represents the only foal to date born on this Savabeel/Shinko King cross.



WAR AFFAIR



BOBO SO CUTE

2013 NZB Select Yearling Sale



BOBO SO CUTE

2013 NZB Ready To Run Sale of 2YO's



ROCK N POP

REFRESH

Those who did not buy a share in the Rock 'n' Pop gelding Refresh would have been kicking themselves when he scored on debut on Sunday.

Trainer David Kok tried to sell shares in Refresh to some of his owners after he bought him from the draft of Anistay Lodge for NZ\$31,000 at the Ready-To-Run sale in New Zealand last year, but his offer fell on deaf ears.

In the end, Kok decided to keep all the shares for himself, hoping his judgement would not prove too costly.

On Sunday, he recouped a big chunk back after Refresh, repelled all challengers under apprentice jockey Wong Chin Chuen to land the \$75,000 War Affair 2013 Stakes, a Restricted Maiden race.

Refresh's win margin was 2 ¼ lengths, with a winning time was 1min 10.82secs for the 1200m on the Long Course.

Bred by Erana Shattock, Refresh is by Rock n Pop and is out of the Stravinsky mare Wahaha, who is a winning half-sister to the dam of multiple G1 winner Wall Street.



SAVABEEL

ADDICTIVE NATURE

Bjorn Baker's exciting debut winner returns to the racetrack at Randwick on Saturday.



O'REILLY

BLUE SUEDE

Shane Baertshiger's last start winner is one of two O'Reillys taking aim at the Sgp-2 Chairman's Trophy on Sunday.



PINS

NO PUSHOVER

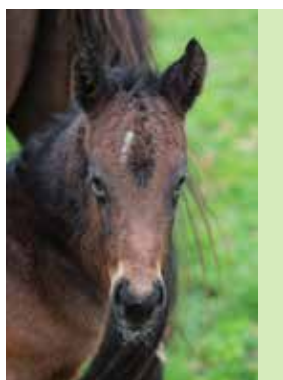
2015 NZB Southern Filly of the Year is now two-from-two in Australia for new trainer Luke Pepper.



SACRED FALLS - PINATA FILLY

Born 30.7.17

This filly is out of a sister to the Australian Gr.2 winner Mackintosh



SAVABEEL- KAZEMI FILLY

Born 31.7.17

This is the first foal out of a 3x winning half-sister to the stud's Gr.1 star and prolific winner, I Do

SAVABEEL DOMINATES SIRE AWARDS AGAIN

Savabeel has done it again - only this time with even more dominance.

Waikato Stud's star Zabeel stallion has made a clean sweep of New Zealand's three stallion categories for the 2016-17 season. For the second straight year the stallion has won the Grosvenor Award for New Zealand stakes earnings, the Dewar Stallion Trophy for Australasian earnings and the Centaine Award for global earnings.

Savabeel now emulates former barn mate O'Reilly as a two-time winner of all three titles, after O'Reilly's domination in the 2012-13 and 2013-14 seasons.

Asked to describe Savabeel's season, Waikato Stud's Mark Chittick said: "Sensational, obviously. The two big things for us were the number of stakes winners - 19, which was massive - and across multiple countries, and the other thing with those stakes winners was the range of ages and distances.



"He got stakes winners from two right through to eight, in the case of New Zealand Cup winner Pump Up The Volume."

Savabeel will be acknowledged for his success at the New Zealand Thoroughbred Horse of the Year Awards at Auckland's Langham Hotel on September 10, continuing a phenomenal Waikato Stud dominance of the stallion awards.

Zabeel's Dewar Trophy win in 2011-12 was the only time a Waikato Stud stallion has failed to secure any one of the stallion titles in the past five seasons, meaning the Matamata farm has collected 14 of the past 15 trophies.

Up to July 30, Savabeel's progeny had earned \$11,549,111 globally, nearly \$3 million clear of nearest Centaine Award rival Darci Brahma.

In the Dewar Trophy, Savabeel's progeny banked \$7,594,461 in Australasia, putting the stallion more than \$3.1 million ahead of nearest rival Iffraaj, while the Grosvenor Award standings for New Zealand earnings had Savabeel more than \$1 million clear of Iffraaj.

"That's the big thing this year - his dominance in each of those categories," Chittick said.

"To be winning those awards by more than \$1 million speaks volumes of the success his stock has had. It shows the quality of races that they are winning and reflects his growing presence in Australia and Hong Kong, which is where the good prizemoney is.

"A couple of years ago, Australian buyers began to recognise the talent of the stallion and he sold accordingly. A lot of those horses are going to be flagbearers over the next couple of years."

Among those is recent impressive two-year-old debut winner Addictive Nature, a \$775,000 Karaka yearling-sales graduate out of the draft of Wairarapa's Little Avondale Stud.

Savabeel was also represented by the likes of Kawi, a three-time Group One winner this term, Gr.1 Levin Classic winner Hall Of Fame and Group Two winners Coldplay, Gold Fever and Nurse Kitchen.

"Someone asked me the other day, 'why the increase in stakes winners this season?' It's just a combination of quantity and quality," Chittick said.

"He's got bigger numbers out there on the racetrack but they are still doing the job. We're dealing with a stallion consistently producing 10 per cent stakes winners to runners and with more horses racing, it makes sense that his stakes winners would increase."

Chittick said Savabeel was raring to go for the new season and was in such good health that he'd had to resort to working him on a treadmill to get him fit for the start of the breeding season in September.

"We're restricting his book to 150 mares and we're pretty staunch on that. His book has been full for a couple of months. We've got a great syndicate of breeders right behind him." - NZ Racing Desk





CORNER

GARRY'S

So much one could write about, where to start. Well, Mary and I took a few days off to attend Stuart Ramsey's sale. Now this bloke could give us all a lesson in marketing. The purported reason for the sale was son John's change in direction. We should all look for one of these heart rendering reasons to have one of these Dispersal Sales. Stuart shed a tear as he welcomed all, and there were many, to this sad occasion which was going to leave the famed Turangga Stud with little more than a collection of Charbray bulls awaiting to be shipped to his newest hobby some 500,000 acres in North West Queensland. You can imagine how we felt for our mate as the cash register went click, click all the way up to 4,200,000. Ahhh it's a great game, how else can you breed money like that. By 9 pm after the reds he generously paid for, no more hankies were needed, although a couple of his mates were very emotional. I too thought about not being able to share one of his famous steaks at the next Easter Sale, you can imagine my surprise when on Monday I was taken on the obligatory farm tour to see the Charbrays in the road side paddocks, followed by next year's Easter draft tucked discreetly away. Genius!!!

It was my first visit to the Hunter Valley for 15 years. It was great to catch up with our fellow breeders, we all have one thing in common, how to outsmart each other. This competition is always good natured as we all know Cock Rooster one day, Feather Duster the next. It's hard to avoid when most of our future depends on chance. A quick trip around the valley confirms that capital available from all over the world is attracted to one of the great racing nations of the world. Great stakes drive this enthusiasm, good on them. A point of interest and difference is the ownership structure, family ownership of stallion standing studs is down to a couple of note, they know who they are and they are remarkably successful in the face of the capital available to their opposition. The Hunter has had very little rain, where irrigated looks great, where not, like a desert. We would happily share our oversupply of moisture.



Garry Chittick, Stu Ramsey & Max Whitby

It's 4 hours from Sydney, but the Highway is wonderful.

The announcement that Race Field legislation is great to hear, it must be election time, for a junior Minister outside cabinet to make such progress with, it seems cross party support just confirms that the line that was fed to us as to how delicate the process was, was over complicating what is a no brainer. Why would you vote against the ability to be paid for product we are supplying, we will watch who does.

I have a great friend in West Australia, who called, probably one of their bigger owners, a former Board member of RWWA their equivalent of our Racing Board, to my inquiry as to how his racing team was performing it was apparent he was having a similar success to me, but more importantly he said their Saturday stakes are 60k, then he expressed his frustration at the lack of discipline at RWWA who had allowed their costs the blow out to 90, shock horror 90m, this is for a business model that has often been compared to ours being of similar size. Well we obviously outperform them, yep have a look at the Annual Report, it's not hard, no we generate in excess of 200m in running costs, heading towards 70m in personnel cost or 80 per cent of RWWAs total costs, but there were another 5 positions advertised recently, I would have applied but apart from my age, my qualifications acquired from years of experience would have disqualified me, knowledge of our requirements or having actually been in business would only be a nuisance. You can see why we are not racing for 60k.

Mind you they have just announced a minimum stake of 6k in the United Kingdom, oh for an oil well

Cheers G

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Back into foaling. It has started in outstanding fashion with a lovely Sacred Falls filly and an equally as good Savabeel filly out of a half-sister to I Do already.

Highlight of the week for me has been some consistent sunshine without rain.

The printed brochure was mailed out this week. It is once again an outstanding publication by Angelique and by those who have helped her. This is a production we are extremely proud of, so please take the time to peruse it at your leisure.

Started back pre-training on a few older horses this week. Notably, Love Affair after a wee setback which has now been rectified. She is 3 from 4 on the racetrack and all going to plan, will be looking toward some exciting races late spring and over the summer.

Rock 'n' Pop continued his early success with another 2YO winner in Refresh in Singapore last Sunday. Very impressive with a strong on pace display and a good margin up his sleeve at the line.

On the farm this week, we finally got the treadmill in operation for the stallions - they tell me the fitter the better!

Staff underwent a St. Johns First Aid Course mid-week - always very handy to be prepared for any adverse situations.

We also had a visit from the Kiwi Bred team, who were here to cover Tivaci and Savabeel's outstanding season.

Have a good weekend - make sure you read the brochure from cover to cover!

Mark.

