Weekend Waikato 7 April 2017



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STAKES RUNNERS

SATURDAY

ROSA CAROLINA 13f Savabeel - Ombre Rose Listed South Pacific Classic 1400m Randwick, 2:10pm (NZT)

TRAVANCORE 13c Savabeel - Stella Livia **Listed South Pacific Classic** 1400m Randwick, 2:10pm (NZT)

APIATA 13c O'Reilly - Iguazu's Girl **Listed South Pacific Classic** 1400m Randwick, 2:10pm (NZT)

GRAND SOLEIL 13f Savabeel - Gretchen **Listed NZB Airfreight S.** 1600m Riccarton, 3:37pm (NZT)

RESIDENTIAL 13f
Pins - Metropolitan
Listed NZB Airfreight S. 1600m
Riccarton, 3:37pm (NZT)

NO EMOTION 06g Savabeel - Lightning Spur **Listed Easter Cup** 1600m Riccarton, 4:13pm (NZT)

BIG DREAMER 11f No Excuse Needed - War Bride Gr.1 NZ Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes 1600m Te Rapa, 4:25pm (NZT)

NURSE KITCHEN 13f Savabeel - Flying Monty Gr.1 Australian Oaks 2400m Randwick, 4:35pm (NZT)

GRAND CHANCELLOR13f Savabeel - Mont Fay **Listed Port Adelaide Guineas** 1800m Morphettville, 7:40pm (NZT)



GROUP ONE SPOTLIGHT



NURSE KITCHEN

SAVABEEL FILLY NURSE KITCHEN RECIEVES HER OPPORTUNITY TO TURN THE TABLES ON MONTOYA SECRET IN TOMORROW'S GR.1 AUSTRALIAN OAKS AT RANDWICK.

Nurse Kitchen is coming off a narrow last-start second to Montoya's Secret (High Chaparral) in the traditional Oaks lead-up, the Vinery Stud Stakes at Rosehill on March 25.

Following the Vinery, Nurse Kitchen was floated back to her trainer David Brideoake's property on the Mornington Peninsula and the filly finalised her Oaks campaign with a pleasing gallop on Tuesday.

"She's been back home for the last two weeks," Brideoake said.

"She's had a bit of a quiet time at the farm and recovered well from the trip and we wound her up again this morning.

"She's as good as gold."

Nurse Kitchen has drawn the extreme outside barrier 13.

FOAL GALLERY











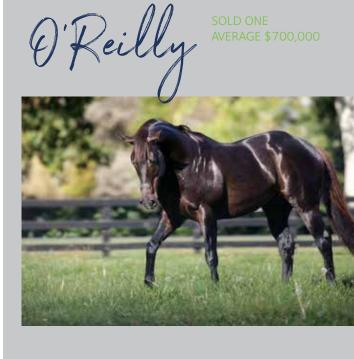




Savabeel

SOLD TWO AVERAGE \$470,000







LOT 22 SAVABEEL - A REAL PRINCESS COLT Vendor: Lime Country

Buyer: Shadwell Stud \$620,000



LOT 201 SAVABEEL - LAGONISSI FILLY

Vendor:Trelawney Stud

Buyer: Meridian Int / Astute Bloodstoc \$320,000



LOT 57 O'REILLY -BETTER ALTERNATIVE FILLY

Vendor: Coolmore Stud Buyer: BBA Ireland \$700,000

Great to see O'Reilly's last ever Easter Yearling sell so well for \$700,000.

O'Reilly was also very popular as a damsire. His 6 yearlings sold for up to \$1.6 million and averaged \$643,000.

WATCH SOUAD

PINS

RESIDENTIAL

John and Karen Parson's-trained filly seeks out her fourth consecutive stakes win tomorrow.



LOVE AFFAIR

Murray Baker & Andrew Forsmantrained filly looking for back-to-back Te Rapa success.



BAYMAX

Michael Wallace-trained 5YO gelding looking for another Te Rapa win.



KILLARNEY

Roger James-trained gelding seeks third Te Rapa-based win tomorrow.



SEIZE THE MOMENT

Stephen Marsh-trained 7YO gelding looks for career win number eight.



APIATA

The David Brideoake-trained brother to our 4x Gr.1 winning sire Sacred Falls heads out in search of his own black-type in tomorrow's Listed South Pacific Classic over 1400m.

BLAST FROM THE PAST

DAFFODIL

No Excuse Needed - Spring

Winner of the 2009 Gr.1 Australian Oaks over 2400m





CORNER

Mary and I had the opportunity to head across to Sydney this week for the Inglis Easter Australian Yearling Sale.

Rising 25.5% on last year, the average at the sale was \$355,875 - which is a lot of money.

With 350 horses on offer and being the last major yearling sale of the year, it was like a buying frenzy. Those who had waited to purchase a yearling, could wait no longer.

Don't get me wrong, this is great for the industry and it has been terrific to be here to witness it.

Savabeel averaged \$470,000 for his two, and it was nice to see O'Reilly's last Easter yearling, sell so well for \$700,000.

While these are great results, it is very clear that there is a strong demand for speed and those early maturing horses.

Interestingly someone made the comment that 2/3rds of Australia's races are 1400m or less.

This is no doubt true, but we shouldn't forget that a disproportionate amount of the Australia's stakes money is made up of races that are a mile and beyond.

You don't have to look too far to see just how profitable our typically more middle distance to staying orientated New Zealand-bred horses can be. Jon Snow (NZ) won the \$2million Australian Derby (2400m) last weekend, Gingernuts (NZ) the \$600,000 Gr.1 Rosehill Guineas (2000m) two weeks ago, and we have the top four chances in the \$1 million Gr.1 Australian Oaks tomorrow.

Let's not forget Savabeel's own Lucia Valentina (NZ), who won the world's richest 2000m turf race, the \$4 million Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth, last year.

Just some food for thought on what has been a terrific sale.

G.

A bit wet! A considerable amount of rain around but at least it is warm, and the grass is growing immensely, which will set us up perfectly for winter.

Well done to the Te Aroha Jockey Club for making the early decision to transfer their Gr.1 New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes meeting to Te Rapa this weekend. Hopefully, with a good day's weather today, it will set it up for a great day's racing with fantastic fields.

For those of you who do get along and are members of the NZTBA, there is the opportunity to win a service to our international Gr.1 sire Pins.

Congrats to Inglis and all vendors on the wonderful sale, and a wonderful 150 years for that matter.

Congrats also to John Bromley for the great sale he had with his stand-out Savabeel colt ex A Real Princess, who was offered by Lime Country's Jo and Greg Griffin.

New Zealand's buying bench over there has been particularly strong, what with Bruce Perry, Wexford Stables, Te Akau amongst others featuring. It truly is an international thoroughbred world now and this really shows that New Zealand has a huge part in it.

We will be keeping a close eye at 4:35pm with Nurse Kitchen in the AJC Oaks. Good luck to Peter and Sarah Moody and David Brideoake. It was a huge run last start and will be my tip of the week!

Mark





