### **Waikato**Stud

# Weekend Waikato



# POINTS OF INTEREST

-Top Gr.1 mare in-foal -A short film by Harry Chittick

# BLACKBOOKER OF WEEK

Waller-trained gelding, No Return, starts season with a bang

#### SIXTY SECONDS

With successful Hunterville breeder/ owner, Christopher Grace QSM

# GROUP ONE SPOTLIGHT

- -Legless Veuve
- -War Affair

# BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS

#### **SATURDAY**



**COLDPLAY** 12f

Savabeel - Forty Two Below (O'Reilly)

**Gr.3 Taranaki Breeders Stakes**, 1400m Hawera, 3:58pm



**HONEY RIDER** 13f

Pins - Southern Heights (Align)

**Gr.3 Taranaki Breeders Stakes**, 1400m Hawera, 3:58pm



MABEEL 10g

Savabeel x Ma (Cape Cross)

**Listed Weekend Hussler Stakes**, 1400m Caulfield, 4:05pm



LAKE COMO 12f

Pins - Pedante (Danehill)

**Gr.3 Cape Grim Beef Stakes**, 1200m Caulfield, 4:40pm



**LEGLESS VEUVE** 13f

Pins - Hyades (O'Reilly)

**Gr.1 One Thousand Guineas**, 1600m Caulfield, 5:50pm



**SPIRIT BIRD** 12f

Savabeel - Press Leak (Rock of Gibraltar)

**Gr.3 Angst Stakes**, 1600m Randwick, 6:50pm

#### **SUNDAY**



WAR AFFAIR 10g

O'Reilly - Kristique (Kris S)

Sgp-1 Kranji Stakes, 1600m

Singapore, 9:55pm



## **LEGLESS VEUVE**

Aquanita trainer Stuart Webb has just one start left for the talented **Pins** filly **Legless Veuve** this prep, Saturday's **Gr.1 Thousand Guineas (1600m)** at Caulfield.

The smart filly shot into reckoning with a bold last start win in the **Gr.2 Thousand Guineas Prelude**.

**Legless Veuve** will be reunited with jockey Mark Zahra on Saturday and will jump from barrier six.

Her sire **Pins** is the sire of **10** stakes winning 3YO filies. Of these ten heroines, successful black-type milers include **Katie Lee, Porotene Gem, Legs, Whistling Dixie** and **No Pushover**.

# WAR AFFAIR

Former Singapore Horse of the Year, War Affair, makes his **Gr.1** resume in the **Kranji Mile** this Sunday.

After being off the scene for just over a year, the 6YO **O'Reilly** gelding returned to racing last month, showing trainer Bruce Marsh, he had lost none of his zeal at second start back, winning over 1400m on the 25th of September.

War Affair won the Sqp-1 Kranji Mile in 2014.

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#### HALL OF FAME

Stakes Gr.1 NZ 2000 Guineas claim with sublime Riccarton win.



#### **MACKINTOSH**

Bold 3rd in last weekend's Gr.1 Epsom Handicap at Randwick.



#### **SHILLELAGH**

Sister to Brisbane Cup winner
Tullamore, earns crack at black-type
with Caulfield win.



#### **SAVAJU**

Red's 3YO filly breaks maiden ranks with comfortable 1.3 length win at Bendigo.



#### **RESIDENTIAL**

Stakes winning dam Metropolitan adds another winner to broodmare resume.



#### **AEROVELOCITY**

Targeting the Sgp-2 Premier Bowl on Oct 23.



# **BLACKBOOKER**

### **NO RETURN**

AGE/SEX: 5YO gelding

BREEDING: Pins x Rich Return (Centaine)

BREEDERS: KT & Mrs TM Brophy, K D Landrigan & Waikato Stud

TRAINER: Chris Waller

OWNERS: Albert Bosma, Ian Dobson, John Pritchard, Henry

Norcross, Barry Winsloe, Joy Hickling, Jacqui Quinn,

Gerry Vaney

**REASON:** 

No Return made a perfect start to his season in Australia this week. The son of Pins was a first-up winner over 1500 metres at Canterbury in the hands of Hugh Bowman.

He has been lightly-raced for a 5YO and now has three wins and eight placings from 17 starts.

No Return is raced by Albert Bosma's Go Racing, who secured the horse from WS's 2013 Select Sale draft for \$120.000.

No Return is out of the Centaine mare Rich Return, who is a half-sister to the Gr.2 Wellington Cup winner Megapins.



### **SUAVITO**

**IN-FOAL TO SAVABEEL** 

Great news at the stud on Wednesday, with the multiple **Gr.1** winning mare **Suavito** scanning **16 days** in-foal to **Savabeel.** 

Making the perfect start to her breeding career, **Suavito** arrived on Sunday the 18th of September and presented as being perfectly ready for cover the very next day.

The Nigel Blackiston-trained mare retired to the farm with 8 wins, which included the 5 black-type wins in the Gr.1 MRC CF Orr Stakes (1400m), the Gr.1 Futurity Stakes (1400m), the Gr.2 VRC Matriarch Stakes (2000m), the Gr.2 Blamey Stakes (1600m) and the Gr.3 MVRC Eliza Park International Stakes (1600m).





# TIP OF THE WEEK

#### **MABEEL**

Saturday 4:05pm, Race 4 at Caulfield in the Listed Weekend Hussler Stakes (1400m)

- -Great Fresh up record.
- -Nice draw.
- -Definite chance in this.



# **KIWIBRED**

#### **FEATURING SACRED FALLS**

The Kiwi Bred crew were at the farm on Monday. We can't wait to see their piece on Sacred Falls air on TAB Trackside 1, channel 62 on November 1st.





## SIXTY SECONDS

### WITH SUCCESSFUL HUNTERVILLE BREEDER/OWNER, CHRISTOPHER GRACE QSM



**OCCUPATION TITLE** Farmer and Livestock Procurer

FAVOURITE FOOD? The Salt and Pepper seafood risotto, in Levin. Also new season asparagus

**DO YOU HAVE ANY NICKNAMES?** When I was 4 the gardener called me his cobber, so Cob has stuck.

BEST HORSE(S) INVOLVED WITH? One of my first horses was my best horse Hakawai, who I purchased when I was

aged 21 as the top priced filly at the 1962 Trentham Sales for 2300 guineas. Other good horses that I have bred include Merrett, Graphic and Tullamore.

**BOOK ON THE BEDSIDE TABLE?** Don't ever read in bed!!

WHAT ELSE MIGHT YOU HAVE DONE CAREER I am still involved in 5 careers, farmer, stock agent, company director, trucking

**VISE?** operator and house husband.

WHAT DO YOU DO TO RELAX? Duck shooting or drinking gin and thinking about good horses.

**FAVOURITE TV SHOW?** Trackside when my horses are racing well. Network News when they aren't.

WHO WOULD YOU LOVE TO MEET? God – but not quite yet!

FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION? Kuratau, Lake Taupo

FAVOURITE THING ABOUT WAIKATO STUD? The people, the horses, the trees and their setting.

**HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN RACING?** As a great grandson of GG Stead, I purchased Tenderfoot at 16 years old. My

interest was also sparked by my Grandparents and parents who all raced horses. Tenderfoot was a pigeon-toed mare. I paid 350 pounds for her and had to sell her

offspring when I brought Hakawai.

One of Tenderfoot's progeny sold for 50 guineas and one for 150 guineas. The 50 guineas mare was called Chantal and her first 6 yearlings through the yearling sales

made over \$100K each.

The same year as I bought Hakawai, Tenderfoot died foaling, so I lost the whole

package

**FAVOURITE MOVIE?** "Bad Moms" – I went by accident on the way to see the Ritchie McCaw movie!

CHILDHOOD HEROES? My Grandfather – Sir Thomas Duncan.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS? Having a large group of people who have been a part of my life for a long, long time,

including my staff.

NAME 3 PEOPLE YOU'D INVITE TO DINNER? Kim Kardashian (with diamonds), Marilyn Monroe, Elizabeth Taylor and David Ellis to

do the cooking!

BEST PIECE OF GOOD ADVICE? "Appreciate your own counsel"

WHO WOULD PLAY YOU IN A MOVE? The Hunterville picture theatre closed in 1951, so we don't go to the pictures any-

more.

WHAT'S SOMETHING NOT MANY PEOPLE WOULD I don't like lemon in my gin.

KNOW ABOUT YOU?



Christopher's black-type producing mare Trocair with Shillelagh at foot.

Trocair is currently due to foal to Ocean Park.



Trocair's Gr.2 Brisbane Cup winner and Gr.1 Caulfield Cup placegetter, Tullamore



Trocair's black-type bound daughter Shillelagh.



# NZB READY TO RUN SALE OF 2YO'S

Breeze Ups 17-18 October

Sale 16-17 November

**15** 

13

3

Sangster

Gr.1 VRC Derby
Gr.1 Auckland Cup
Gr.1 Waikato Int'l Stakes
\$19K RTR Sale graduate



(Click here to view) OCEAN PARK

(Click here to view) SAVABEEL

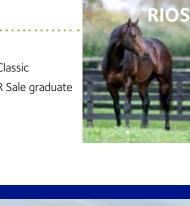
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Gaultier
Gr.1 Levin Classic
\$17.5K RTR Sale graduate





Pugilists will tell you a Corner is a difficult position to box your way out of, well being a coward I figured this week I would give the corner a rest. It is easy to snipe away and land the odd blow, and I think I have achieved this, therefore, whilst those sparring lick and add plaster to their wounds, I will commend the Hawke's Bay Jockey Club for a good day out in the spirit in which all there last Saturday should have enjoyed.

The Butcher can be satisfied he and his Board put on a great show. I may not be spot on, but I was told 2200 presold corporate tickets, 800 presold gate tickets supported by members and gate sales, well done. It is always a good horse that wins the Guineas or Livermol and Saturday's winners were no different.

A Friday night pipe-opener at Okawa reminds us that 160 years at the same address has not been wasted when you soak up the racing history of their success. The guests reinforce the belief that racing not only has a past but a future. There were many solutions to our challenges by the night's end. Regretfully not minuted, but by late evening the solutions were very emphatically expressed. It all seemed so easy - perhaps it is not as difficult as we make it.

Who knows (although we all did at 11.30 p.m.)

.Garry

















### WITH GARETH DOWNEY

#### **ANOTHER SPECIAL CONNECTION**

The wonderful and very influential broodmare gem, Special, played another starring role in the production of a winner on the weekend. In winning the Epsom Handicap at Randwick, Hauraki became the 13th individual Gr.1 winner bred on a pedigree pattern of bringing together Zabeel and Sadler's Wells. Thanks to the excellent tools provided by Arion Pedigrees, we can query the database to compare those results against the opportunity this pattern has had – and it tells us there have been 919 runners to date that have carried Zabeel and Sadler's Wells on opposite sides of a pedigree. This means the pattern is producing a Gr.1 winner for every 70.7 runners, which is a very good strike rate over such a large sample set derived from widespread sources of these two great stallions.

The theoretical support for this pattern comes from the fact that **Zabeel** is out of a **Nureyev** mare, who is himself a

% brother to Sadler's Wells – so this is the familiar pattern of reinforcing powerful female ancestors in the production of high class stakes winners. Apart from Hauraki, the other Gr.1 winners to so far carry this combination of Zabeel and Sadler's Wells have been Dundeel, Pierro, Lucia Valentina, Werther, Tarzino, Tavago, Gust Of Wind, Laverock, Fenway, Zabeelionaire, Sacred Elixir and Gondokoro.

If you have a mare carrying **Sadler's Wells** in her pedigree and would like to tap into this proven pedigree pattern, then sending her to either champion sire **Savabeel** or 5-time Gr.1 winner **Ocean Park** provide you with this opportunity.

Please contact me via Gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or 021 433 073 if you would like to discuss your mating plans for this season.







### **RAIN, RAIN, GO AWAY!**

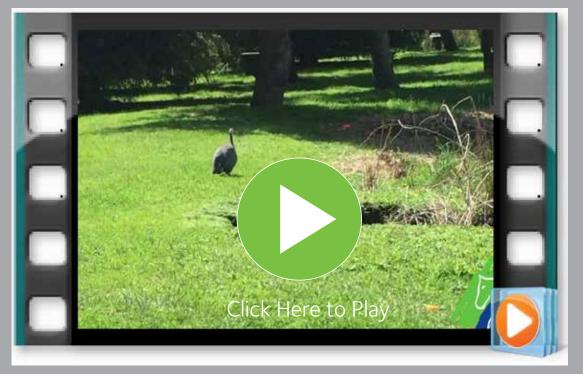
Short and sweet this week.

Rain, rain, go away!

Suavito is in-foal. Love it when it happens this way!

Harry has been out and about with his camera during the hols. Check out this video he put together of some of his travels around the stud. Watch out Peter Jackson!

Mark.



THE MAIL WITH MARK