Weekend Waikato

Gr.1 Girl Power on Show Saturday







Dual Group One winner **Lucia Valentina** (Savabeel) spearheads a WS-sired Gr.1 trio on Saturday when she makes her first-up assault in the **Gr.1 Coolmore Classic** (1500m) at Rosehill Gardens.

The New Zealand-owned mare, who has banked more than \$1.6 million for her connections, boasts one of the best fresh records in our middle-distance ranks.

The daughter of Savabeel won the 2014 Gr.2 Tramway Stakes (1400m) first-up as well as her debut in New Zealand, while also placing at her first Australian run in the Gr.2 Surround Stakes.

"She's a very good fresh horse, especially given her versatility over the longer trips. She galloped on Monday morning and worked really well, which is off the back of a nice trial win last week," her trainer Kris Lees said

Lucia's supporting WS-sired Gr.1 acts comprise of **Decorah** (Pins) and **Savaria** (Savabeel), who with recent wins and proven black-type class could well take home the chocolates in Ellerslie's **Gr.1 Auckland Cup** and **New Zealand Stakes**.

WS SIRED

BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS THIS WEEKEND

| SATURDAY | | | | | | | |
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| * | BRAY 13c O'Reilly x Ziya by Lion Carven | Gr.2 Pago Pago Stakes 1200m | ATC | 3.00pm | | | |
| * | BASSETT 12g Savabeel x Fledgling by Captain Rio | Listed Goodwood Racecourse Trophy 1100m | VRC | 3.55pm | | | |
| # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # | IN STYLE 09f Fast 'n' Famous x Ribadesella by Centaine | Gr.2 Westbury Classic 1400m | ARC | 4.05pm | | | |
| ## ## | PROCUREMENT 10f O'Reilly x Procure by Centaine | Gr.2 Westbury Classic 1400m | ARC | 4.05pm | | | |
| ## ## | BIG DREAMER 11f No Excuse Needed x War Bride by Jahafil | Gr.2 Westbury Classic 1400m | ARC | 4.05pm | | | |
| # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # # | SAVARIA 11f Savabeel x Amathea by O'Reilly | Gr.1 New Zealand Stakes 2000m | ARC | 4.42pm | | | |
| * | PASADENA GIRL 12f Savabeel x Nina From Pasadena by Redoute's Choice | Gr.2 AV Kewney Stakes 1400m | VRC | 5.10pm | | | |
| ≱ ₩** | DECORAH 09f Pins x Nordic Daner by Generous | Gr.1 Auckland Cup 3200m | ARC | 5.22pm | | | |
| * | TORGERSEN 12c Pins x Oh So Glam by O'Reilly | Gr.2 Phar Lap Stakes 1500m | ATC | 5.30pm | | | |
| * | LUCIA VALENTINA 10f Savabeel x Staryn Glenn by Montjeu | Gr.1 Coolmore Classic 1500m | ATC | 6.10pm | | | |
| * | SURE YOU CAN 10f O'Reilly x Not Sure Masterclass | Gr.3 Schweppervescence Trophy 1600m | VRC | 7.10pm | | | |
| MONDAY | | | | | | | |
| * | CELTIC PRINCE 09g O'Reilly x Centa Belt by Centaine | Gr.2 Adelaide Cup 3200m | SAJC | 6.45pm | | | |
| * | ENDURO 09g Savabeel x Imco Main by Danehill | Listed Matrice Stakes 1200m | SAJC | 7.20pm | | | |
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Torgersen as a yearling

Celtic Prince as a yearling

WS Inglis Sydney Easter

-YEARLING SALE DRAFT -

| Selling 5–7 April | | | | | | |
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| Lot 9 | Savabeel | Pins on Ice (NZ) | B. | Filly | | |
| Lot 40 | Savabeel | Ripple Rock | B. | Filly | | |
| Lot 74 | Savabeel | Sitting Pretty (NZ) | Br. | Filly | | |
| Lot 89 | Savabeel | Splits (NZ) | Br. | Colt | | |
| Lot 112 | Savabeel | Tootsie (NZ) | B. | Colt | | |
| Lot 140 | Savabeel | Vogue (NZ) | Br. | Colt | | |
| Lot 269 | O'Reilly | Do Ra Mi (NZ) | B. | Colt | | |
| Lot 270 | Ocean Park | Donna Cattiva (NZ) | B. | Colt | | |
| Lot 343 | O'Reilly | Honolulu (NZ) | Br. | Colt | | |
| Lot 380 | Savabeel | Lego (NZ) | B. | Filly | | |
| Lot 394 | Ocean Park | Make A Wish (NZ) | B. | Filly | | |
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BLAST FROM THE PAST

-SACRED FALLS' 2013 DONCASTER MILE-



MAKING THE NEWS

-WS SIRED NEWSMAKERS-

With his progeny's bold showings in the **Gr.1 NZ Derby** and **Gr.1 Randwick Guineas** last weekend, **SAVABEEL** has taken over the reins as the leader on New Zealand's **Centaine Award** for global earnings...

| The Centaine Award | | | | |
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| STALLIONS | EARNINGS | | | |
| SAVABEEL | \$7,140,749 | | | |
| PENTIRE | \$6,802,829 | | | |
| O'REILLY | \$5,309,497 | | | |
| DARCI BRAHMA | \$4,573,032 | | | |
| PINS | \$4,507,107 | | | |
| IFFRAAJ | \$4,145,057 | | | |
| TAVISTOCK | \$4,018,945 | | | |
| ELUSIVE CITY | \$3,110,324 | | | |
| ZABEEL | \$2,727,033 | | | |
| KEEPER | \$2,574,382 | | | |
| Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the highest stakes earnings worldwide | | | | |

SAVABEEL



O'REILLY











OUT AND ABOUT -AT THE STUD THIS WEEK-

Steve & Leanne with







WS Breaker David educating Home Alone (14f by O'Reilly ex Dee I Why)

Former Gr.1 racemare I Do, who is currently infoal to Savabeel

PEDIGREE POINTERS

-WITH GARETH DOWNEY-

CLASSIC COMBINATION

In winning the **2016 BMW NZ Derby**, **Rangipo** became the 3**rd** winner of a **Gr.1** 3yo Classic feature bred using a combination of **Fastnet Rock** and **Zabeel**. He joined the other two previous Classic winners **Atlantic Jewel** (winner of the Thousand Guineas among her four Gr.1 victories) and **Planet Rock** (winner of the NZ One Thousand Guineas among her three Group wins). These **three** individual **Gr.1** winners come from just **76** runners to be bred on a combination of **Fastnet Rock** and **Zabeel**.

Rock 'N' Pop is our exciting **Gr.1** winning son of **Fastnet Rock**, and so he represents an excellent opportunity to utilise this proven successful pattern, by sending mares by or carrying **Zabeel** to him. For those of you who may wonder if that is a good idea given **Rock 'N' Pop** himself is out of a **Sir Tristram** mare – the results to date confirm this actually looks like a very positive factor. In fact, for stallions such as **Rock 'N' Pop** who are out of **Sir Tristram** mares, their results to date when mated with **Zabeel** broodmares are running at **8.5% SW/Rnrs** – which is substantially better than their overall results with all other broodmare sires combined.

So, if you have a mare by or carrying **Zabeel**, the racetrack results of **Atlantic Jewel**, **Planet Rock** and **Rangipo** would strongly encourage you to consider breeding to **Rock 'N' Pop**. If you would like to discuss this or any other mating options for the 2016 breeding season, please feel free to contact me via gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or 021 433 073

TIP OF THE WEEK -FROM MICHAEL HUGHES-

SOUND PROPOSITION

M2 R4 @ 2:12pm #4 He has absolutely been flying in his work. At \$5 for the win, he's hard to go past.

THE MAIL -WITH MARK CHITTICK-

After mentioning how well she was going last week, I'm rapt to report that **Charlotte** was subsequently awarded **Junior Rider of the Year** at the **NZ Horse of the Year** last weekend. This is actually the second time that Cheeks has won this title in the last three years, which is a pretty special achievement.

Great to read in Go Racing's newsletter this week, that **What's the Story's** next run will be in the **AJC Derby**. His run in the **NZ Derby** was just massive.

Good luck to the connections of **Lucia Valentina** this weekend. I'm looking forward to seeing her fresh up.

Our sincere love and thoughts are with the **Inglis** and **Crowe** families at this time.

