

Weekend @ Waikato



PINS

SHOOTING FOR
LONGINES
HONG KONG
INTERNATIONAL
RACES
GR.1 DOUBLE

LONGINES
HKIR
2014
TURF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS



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Two-time Champion Hong Kong sire **Pins** will look to sons **Ambitious Dragon** and **Aeroveloc** to assert his case at the **Longines Hong Kong International Races** (HKIR) this Sunday.

Billed as the Turf World Championships, the sire has **Ambitious Dragon** seeking repeat glory in the **HK\$23,000,000 Gr.1 The Longines Hong Kong Mile (1600m)** and exciting up-and-comer **Aerove-**
locity taking aim at the **HK \$18,500,000 Gr.1 The Longines Hong Kong Sprint (1200m)**.

For **Ambitious Dragon's** owners Johnson Lam Pui Hung & Anderson Lam Hin Yue, the build up to the renowned Gr.1 mile feature could understandably have evoked a certain sense of déjà vu this week.



On the eve of his **2012 Gr.1 Longines Hong Kong Mile** triumph, concern ran high that a last minute injury would deny superstar galloper a start.

Fortunately it proved only to be a scare and within hours of being cleared to start by Vets, he was swooping past a field of international rivals to become the toast of Hong Kong.

Fast forward, two years and things are once again not quite following script.

On Tuesday morning the 8-time Gr.1 winner was treated for a possible foot infection. Encouragingly, however, owing to the immediate improvement made, trainer Tony Millard has remained upbeat this week of the eight-year-old making Sunday's race.

Ambitious Dragon will notably have the services of the internationally renowned Gr.1 jockey Ryan Moore aboard and will jump from barrier 9 - effectively two gates inside what was his succesful 2012 alley.

The Paul O'Sullivan-trained **Aerovelocity** on the hand, has drawn barrier 7 in the sprint feature , with champion jockey Zac Purton continuing his association with the talented **HK-2 Premier Bowl Hcp [1200m]** winner.



"I'm happy with that gate," O'Sullivan said.

"He should be able to get a nice run from there. I'd rather have drawn seven than one – Buffering will go forward and he's a good one to follow."

Waikato Stud will offer a full brother to
Ambitious Dragon at the 2015 NZB Premier
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PINS



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O'REILLY



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LUCIA VALENTINA

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O'REILLY



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G1 winner & trainer Lou Luciani still making mark

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WS SIRED BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS

SATURDAY				
	LION RED 08g Fast n' Famous x Lucerne	Gr.3 Waikato Gold Cup [2400m]	Waik.	3:53pm
	SURPASS 08g Savabeel x Surprise	Gr.3 Waikato Gold Cup [2400m]	Waik.	3:53pm
	DECORAH 09f Pins x Nordic Dancer	Gr.3 Waikato Gold Cup [2400m]	Waik.	3:53pm
	O'MARILYN 11f O'Reilly x Monroe Magic	Gr.3 Eulogy Stakes [1600m]	Mana	4:12pm
	BOHEMIAN LILY 11f O'Reilly x Bohemian Blues	Gr.3 Eulogy Stakes [1600m]	Mana	4:12pm
	MIA's CHOICE 11f O'Reilly x Ethics	Gr.3 Eulogy Stakes [1600m]	Mana	4:12pm
	NO TRICKS 11f Savabeel x Mezairé	Gr.3 Eulogy Stakes [1600m]	Mana	4:12pm
	ATTENTION SEEKER 11f Fast n Famous x On Air	Gr.3 Eulogy Stakes [1600m]	Mana	4:12pm
	SPIN DOCTOR 07f Pins x Love The Limelight	Listed Shaw Wire Ropes Sprint Hcp [1400m]	Waik.	4:28pm
	SIERRA BEEL 08f Savabeel x Rosie	Listed Shaw Wire Ropes Sprint Hcp [1400m]	Waik.	4:28pm
	LA STELLINA 08f O'Reilly x Stella Doro	Listed Shaw Wire Ropes Sprint Hcp [1400m]	Waik.	4:28pm
	TOMORROWLAND 10g Fast n Famous x Needled	Listed Shaw Wire Ropes Sprint Hcp [1400m]	Waik.	4:28pm
	PROCUREMENT 10f O'Reilly x Procure	Listed Shaw Wire Ropes Sprint Hcp [1400m]	Waik.	4:28pm
	SHANDREAM 07f Pins x Pyjamas	Gr.2 Cal Isuzu Stakes [1600m]	Waik.	5:03pm
	PUSSY O'REILLY 08f O'Reilly x Octapussy	Gr.2 Cal Isuzu Stakes [1600m]	Waik.	5:03pm
	KELLY O'REILLY 09f O'Reilly x Grace	Gr.2 Cal Isuzu Stakes [1600m]	Waik.	5:03pm
	SORIANO 09f Savabeel x Call Me Lily	Gr.2 Cal Isuzu Stakes [1600m]	Waik.	5:03pm
	SPORTS ILLUSTRATED 10f Fast n' Famous x Pin Up	Gr.2 Cal Isuzu Stakes [1600m]	Waik.	5:03pm
SUNDAY				
	MONGOLIAN STORM 11c Savabeel x Danish Wedding	Listed Champion Stakes Prelude [2100m]	ARC	5:09pm
	AEROVELOCITY 08g Pins x Exodus	Gr.1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint [1200m]	HKJC	7:40pm
	AMBITIOUS DRAGON 06g Pins x Golden Gamble by Oregon	Gr.1 Longines Hong Kong Mile [1600m]	HKJC	8:50pm
	SPEEDY CAT 08g Scaredie Cat x Lane Cove	Sgp-3 Colonial Chief Stakes [1700m]	Sing.	10:35pm



60 Seconds with...

NZ THOROUGHBRED MARKETING's CEO

ANDREW BIRCH



Favourite comfort food:	Pasta
Do you have any nicknames and how did you come to get it:	Birchy – some bright spark added a y
Best Horse(s) involved with:	I'll have to say Worth Every Cent who we leased and raced off Waikato Stud.
Book on the bedside table:	Books are a thing of the past. I listen to Shane Anderson's Racing Ahead show on my iPad.
If you weren't involved with the thoroughbred industry, you'd be a	Pilot
What do you do to relax:	Go to a café for breakfast
Favourite TV show:	The Mentalist
Who would you love to meet:	Khalid Abdullah
Favourite holiday destination:	Thailand – my mother worked for Thai Airways for 30 years so I know it pretty well
Favourite thing about Waikato Stud:	The horses (Ocean Park is a personal favourite) and Garry's sense of humour
How did you get involved with racing:	Extended family were involved and I had a phone account by the time I was 7
Favourite Movie:	Go West (Marx Brothers)
Career Highlights:	Having lunch with Sheikh Mohammed at the Burj Al Arab was pretty good
Best piece of good advice:	If you want to be a winner, stick with the winners
If someone was going to play you in a movie:	Al Pacino
Name 3 people you'd love to invite to a dinner party:	Aidan O'Brien, Chris Waller and The Mentalist (so the latter could tell me what they were really thinking)
Not many people would know that I...	Was a gun under 18s AFL player

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RECENT WS SIRED Winners

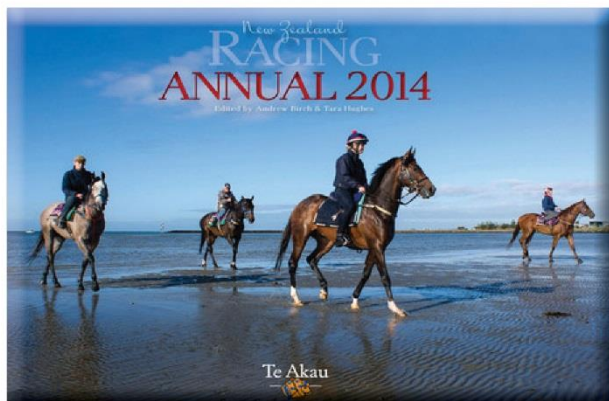
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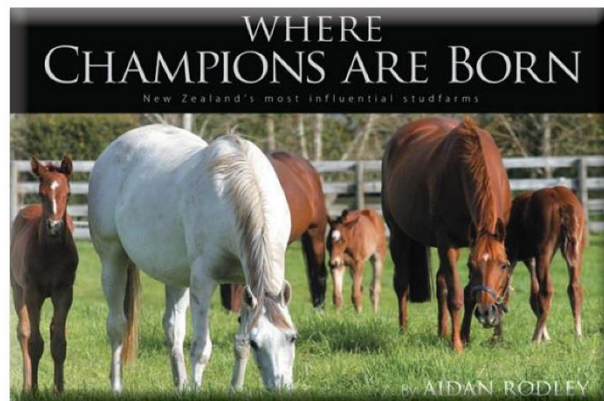
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WHERE CHAMPIONS ARE BORN

Where Champions Are Born is a monumental publication, chronicling a snapshot of the present studfarm landscape in New Zealand.

Where Champions Are Born features Waikato Stud and is the work of journalist, broadcaster and NZ Racing Desk contributor Aidan Rodley

The book profiles 16 of NZ's most influential studfarms and features the photography of Trish Dunell with a foreword from New Zealand cricket captain Brendon McCullum.

Where Champions Are Born retails for \$39.90.

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Pedigree Pointers with GARETH DOWNEY



CROSS OF THE TITANS

As we now head towards the **NZB Karaka Yearling Sales Series**, it's again an interesting time to review the results to date for stallions, to remind ourselves what have been the strongest patterns in the pedigrees of their stakes winners.

O'Reilly is the stallion with the largest representation in the **2015 Premier Sale**, so I have started by taking an updated review of his results to date. One of the strongest proven patterns to stand out for him is his success when combined with mares carrying **Sir Tris-**



tram in their pedigree. Of the **77** stakes winners now sired by O'Reilly, **23** of them have come from mares carrying **Sir Tristram** in their first **3** generations. These have come at a very high rate of **10.4% SW/Rnrs**, and have included such star performers as **Silent Achiever, The Jewel, Shmexpress** and **O'Marilyn**.



When we find successful pedigree patterns such as these, we can use the search functions provided by the NZB online catalogue to enable us to identify yearlings who carry these patterns. In the **2015 Sales Series**, the following yearlings are all by **O'Reilly** and out of mares carrying **Sir Tristram** in their first 3 generations:

3	Colt ex Kablues
11	Colt ex Keltic
13	Colt ex Kind Return
33	Colt ex Lightning Spur
43	Colt ex Mademoiselle
47	Filly ex Make A Wish
111	Colt ex Pernod
128	Colt ex Promenade
130	Colt ex Proustian
134	Colt ex Queen Sabeel
145	Filly ex Ritzy Lady
149	Colt ex Royal Era
152	Colt ex Ruby Lass
155	Colt ex Salkantay
182	Colt ex Starbelly
195	Filly ex Taheya
209	Colt ex Toss Up
213	Colt ex Tristachine
221	Colt ex Velvet And Satin

224	Filly ex Victoria's Reign
233	Colt ex Winsome Kash
243	Colt ex Zygadene
277	Colt ex Bazelle
280	Filly ex Be Inspired
284	Colt ex Belle Fleur
346	Filly ex Dashing Donna
373	Colt ex Ethics
374	Filly ex Etoile Du Nord
388	Colt ex Fireside
392	Colt ex Flutter
413	Colt ex Grand Echezeaux
421	Colt ex Holiday In Goa
440	Colt ex J'Lo
483	Colt ex Lemonade
657	Colt ex Saheel
719	Colt ex Stravinskys Affair
751	Filly ex The Speaker
944	Colt ex Fabulist

For those people who like to see a supporting pedigree pattern that helps explain such results, I guess the reality in this case may be as simple as **O'Reilly** and **Sir Tristram** are 2 of the 3 greatest producers of stakes winners to ever stand in New Zealand, and so combining them together in a pedigree is perhaps reason enough for the success. However, there is also a strong theoretical pedigree pattern, with highlights including sex-balanced duplications of the powerful stallions **Round Table** and **Princequillo**, along with duplications of a number of the most influential female ancestors of the breed – including **Knight's Daughter, Selene, Alcibiades, Nogara, Mumtaz Begum** and **Mumtaz Mahal**. Whether this theoretical appeal does or doesn't have anything to do with the results, the results are very good indeed and these yearlings at Karaka provide you with a chance to tap into that success.

If you would like to discuss your pursuit of successful pedigree patterns, please feel free to contact me via gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or on 021 433 073



THE MAIL WITH MARK CHITTICK

Lots going on at the farm at the moment – just the way we like it!

We're in the thick of yearling parades now, so by all means, if you are interested in attending one, please do just drop us a bell. We're once again very proud of showing this draft off.

Ange seems to have taken the 'Go Pro' camera, so this week we'll have to run with watching the noted Hong Kong Mile success of **Ambitious Dragon**, who is full brother to one of these yearlings and also with watching what plans lie ahead for **O'Reilly's** multiple Gr.1 winning daughter **Silent Achiever**.

Hope you enjoy!

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2012 GR.1 HONG KONG MILE WIN**



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THE PLANS AHEAD FOR SILENT ACHIEVER**



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