

WEEKEND @ WAIKATO

Welcome home
SACRED FALLS



The next chapter begins...

-Dennis Ryan [16.4.15] *The Informant*, pp 21.

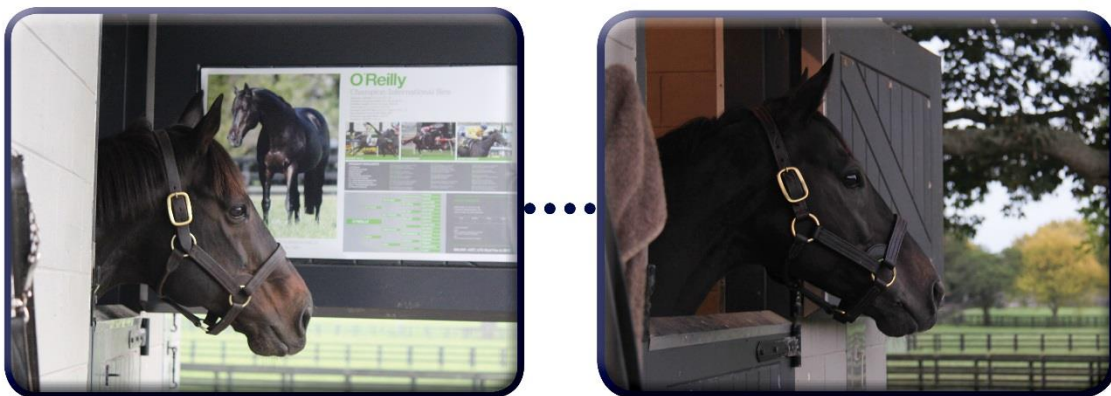
History repeated itself this week when champion miler **Sacred Falls** returned to his birthplace, Waikato Stud, completing a cycle that has already brought fame and fortune to the country's leading thoroughbred nursery.

His arrival at dawn on Wednesday replicated a process undertaken nearly 20 years ago by his sire **O'Reilly**, who retired as the winner of two Group One races in his all too brief career.

Sacred Falls graced the racetracks of Australia and New Zealand for significantly longer, winning nine races from two to five years and a total of four Group Ones.

He was unbeaten in New Zealand at two and three, when his six-win sequence included a stunning victory in the Gr. 2 Hawke's Bay Guineas and completed in the Gr. 1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas. He took that form to Australia, winning the Gr. 1 Doncaster Mile in the autumn of the same season and then defending his crown in the Randwick feature as a four-year-old.

Over the same 1600 metres he added a fourth Group One victory in the George Main Stakes last September, taking his stake-earnings to approximately A\$4.7 million.



Sacred Falls will be stepping into big shoes when he begins duties at Waikato Stud in September. His sire **O'Reilly** became a multiple champion stallion at home and abroad and even after his death last New Year's Eve, his influence will continue for years to come.

Now the mantle has been handed to his best son, something that hit home with Mark Chittick when the float containing **Sacred Falls** pulled up at the Waikato Stud stallion yard on Wednesday morning.

"There was a whole mix of emotions as I led him off the float," says Chittick. "It was a very proud moment realising that he had come home after doing such a great job on the track.

"Then leading him into O'Reilly's box, that was pretty cool – and it was also a very emotional moment. Standing back to see his head over the same box door that his old man had looked out from for all those years, reflecting on the great experiences he had given us over the past couple of years when we were going through so much in other respects."

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RECENT WS SIRED Winners

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WS SIRED BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS

SATURDAY

	DRAGON DANCER 12c O'Reilly x Dame Mapperley	Listed Champagne Stakes 1600m	ARC.	1:54pm
	SAN MIGUEL 12g Pins x Kellys Ocean Jewel	Listed Champagne Stakes 1600m	ARC.	1:54pm
	SIERRA BEEL 08f Savabeel x Rosie	Listed City of Napier Sprint H. 1200m	H Bay	2:43pm
	ADVENTADOR 09f Pins x Beyond	Listed City of Napier Sprint H. 1200m	H Bay	2:43pm
	ETERNITY 08g Fast n Famous x Alpine Beauty	Listed City of Napier Sprint H. 1200m	H Bay	2:43pm
	NO TRICKS 11f Savabeel x Mezaire	Listed Warstep Stakes 2000m	CJC	2:52pm
	CANDYBELLE 11f Savabeel x Sable	Gr.2 Championship Stakes 2100m	ARC	3:03pm
	MERION 11g O'Reilly x Sapphire Belle	Gr.3 Frank Packer Plate 2000m	ATC	3:10pm
	SWIFT LADY 11f O'Reilly x Sweet Lady	Gr.3 James HB Carr Stakes 1400m	ATC	3:45pm
	KALEIDOSCOPE 08f Pins x Arletty	Gr.1 Easter Hcp 1600m	ARC	4:18pm
	PUSSY O'REILLY 08f O'Reilly x Octapussy	Gr.1 Easter Hcp 1600m	ARC	4:18pm
	CHINTZ 09f Savabeel x Charmed	Gr.1 Easter Hcp 1600m	ARC	4:18pm
	SPELLBINDER 10f O'Reilly x Scenic Sprint	Gr.1 Easter Hcp 1600m	ARC	4:18pm
	KAWI 10g Savabeel x Magic Time	Gr.1 Easter Hcp 1600m	ARC	4:18pm
	PASADENA GIRL 12f Savabeel x Nina From Pasadena	Gr.1 Champagne Stakes 1600m	ATC	4:25pm
	MY PONY 06g O'Reilly x Golden Sparkle	Listed Chairman's Challenge Cup 1200m	Macau	5:45pm
	ARCHILLES SWORD 11g Fast n Famous x Pantomime	Listed Lisboa Prelude 1100m	Macau	6:15pm
	PIN YOUR HOPES 09g Pins x Zarvana	Listed Anniversary Vase 1400m	MRC	7:20pm



Waikato Stud

2015
STALLION
ROSTER

Sacred Falls

O'REILLY x IGUAZU'S GIRL by REDDUTE'S CHOICE

NZ \$30,000*

4x G1 WINNING DUAL DONCASTER CHAMPION

We've always wanted to stand O'Reilly's best son and this season we will be doing so with the brilliant 4x G1 winner Sacred Falls, who created history in Australia as the first colt in over 50 years to win back-to-back Doncasters.

With additional G1 success in the George Main Stakes this season, he confirmed his place as Australia's leading miler and as the highest rated horse on the official handicaps at that time.



DUAL DONCASTER MILE CHAMPION

Savabeel



NZ \$100,000*

ZABEEL x SAVANNAH SUCCESS

ZABEEL'S G1 LEGACY CONTINUES

With his incredible stakes producing ability, the exciting G1 sire Savabeel provides breeders with all the important hallmarks of his great sire Zabeel.

LUCIA VALENTINA - SAVARIA - SANGSTER

Ocean Park



NZ \$30,000*

THORN PARK x SAYYIDA

5X G1 WINNING COX PLATE LEGEND

In a star-studded Cox Plate cast of 12 G1 champions, only one would dominate - Ocean Park.

FIRST WEANLINGS SELL AT KARAKA IN MAY

Pins



NZ \$25,000*

SNIPPETS x NO FINER

CHAMPION INTERNATIONAL SIRE

His ability to produce elite racehorses across the globe underlines why he has been Champion HK Sire & NZ's leading International sire for stake earnings not once, but twice.

AEROVELOCITY - EL SEGUNDO - AMBITIOUS DRAGON

Rock 'n' Pop



NZ \$9,000*

FASTNET ROCK x POPSY

G1 WINNING SON OF FASTNET ROCK

There are just five G1 winning sons of Fastnet Rock at stud in Australasia. We are delighted to provide breeders with one of these in New Zealand.

FIRST WEANLINGS SELL AT KARAKA IN MAY

No Excuse Needed



NZ \$6,000*

MACHIAVELLIAN x NAWAIET

PROVEN G1 SIRE

Fantastic value for NZ breeders. He consistently produces winners and has the ability to leave an elite G1 winner. What's more, he is also a reliable option to get a great type.

DAFFODIL - I DO - ANTONIO LOMBARDO

Rios



NZ \$4,000*

HUSSONET x GUSSY GODIVA

BLUEBLOODED G1 PRODUCER

We have a lot of faith in Rios. With the quality of stock he has produced and a G1 winner to his credit already, all we can say is watch this space!

GAULTIER - HAPPY PLACE - GO BY RIO



60 Seconds with...

Sacred Falls' successful 2013 Doncaster jockey

Tommy Berry



Favourite comfort food:	Garlic bread
Do you have any nicknames and how did you come to get them:	There's two actually... Golden Balls - I had a bit of a run a year or so ago where everything seemed to be going my way. Socks - Nathan used to call me this for a while because everytime we played golf, he reckoned I couldn't hit the ball above my socks.
Best Horses involved with:	Able Friend and Designs On Rome in Hong Kong and Vancouver in Australia.
Book on the bedside table:	Car mags
If you weren't a jockey, you'd be:	An actor - I enjoy being on TV and are comfortable with it. I did a bit of acting as a kid. It would be a bit of fun.
What do you do to relax:	Spend time with the family. Like most people, you don't get too many days off in this game, but when I do have a free day, I like to spend it with Sharnee and Kaiden.
Favourite TV show:	Home and Away
Who would you love to meet:	Aidan O'Brien
Favourite holiday destination:	Hawaii
Favourite thing about Waikato Stud:	Sacred Falls and their support for racing.
How did you get involved with racing:	Dad was a jockey. He was training when I was born and Mum was an apprentice at that time. I grew up around horses.
Favourite Movie:	Law Abiding Citizen starring Gerard Butler
Who were your childhood heroes:	My Dad and good family friend Rodney Quinn, who I have some great memories of riding Lonhro.
Career Highlight:	Hard to split between two Golden Slippers and the Hong Kong Derby on Designs On Rome
Best piece of good advice:	When one door closes, another two open.
If someone was going to play you in a movie, you'd like it to be:	Tom Cruise - he's a good actor.
Name 3 people you'd love to invite to a dinner party:	Bart Cummings, Ryan Moore and my brother Nathan.
Not many people would know that:	I'm a good cook, particularly with steak and chicken schnitzel.



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Pedigree Pointers with GARETH DOWNEY



PINS - 65 STAKES WINNERS & COUNTING

Last Friday, the consistent **Pins** mare **Decorah** scored her 6th career victory, and her first so far at stakes level, when taking out the **Gr. 3 Manawatu Breeders' Stakes**. **Decorah** is an excellent example of the **Pins** progeny. She has been precocious enough to notch her first win as a 2yo. She has been durable and consistent enough to win at least 1 race in every season since then and to now score her first stakes victory as a 5yo. She has been versatile enough to win races from 1200m to 2000m, and on tracks rated from Good to Heavy. It is no wonder the progeny of **Pins** appeal so much to trainers, and provide so much enjoyment to owners.



This win of **Decorah** meant she became the **65th** stakes winner for **Pins** and maintains his lifetime record as a sire at **7.8% SW/Rnrs**. Given this is an exceptional strike rate, and given he will stand again at **\$25,000 + GST** this season, he certainly represents excellent value for money. It is therefore no wonder I have been receiving so many enquiries from people asking what broodmare sires **Pins** crosses best with, as owners seek to use **Pins** to help their mare produce a stakes winner. Again, **Pins** has shown his versatility by the fact that his **65** stakes winners have come from mares by **38** individual broodmare sires. So, to answer the question as to what broodmare sires **Pins** has crossed successfully with, here is the list of those **38** broodmare sires in alphabetical order:

Carnegie, Centaine, Centro, Christmas Tree, Danasinga, Danehill, Danzatore, Dauphin Fabuleux, Defensive Play, Exploding Prospect, Famous Star, Fiesta Star, Galileo, Generous, Grosvenor, Imposing, Kaapstad, Kinjite, Kreisler, Lord Ballina, Mi Preferido, Military Plume, Oak Ridge, Oregon, O'Reilly, Pompeii Court, Quest For Fame, Random Chance, Rory's Jester, Skywalker, Sound Reason, Spectacular Love, Spectacularphantom, The Jogger, Traditionally, Zabeel, Zamazaan and Zephyr Bay.

If you would like to discuss the proven compatibility between **Pins** and your mare, or if you would like to discuss your pursuit of successful pedigree patterns in general, please feel free to contact me via gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or on **021 433 073**





THE MAIL WITH MARK CHITTICK

A very meaningful time at the stud when we welcomed **Sacred Falls** back to the farm at 6:30am on Wednesday.

I was very proud to think that here was a horse who we'd bred and raised, who'd carved out a huge career on the track that included A\$4.7million in stakes and two Doncasters, and that I was about to unload and lead him into his father's box.

Sacred Falls gave us a great time through a difficult time.

He's been a very special horse to us and we're rapt with the level in interest in him from breeders already.



TIP!

HORSE: PASADENA GIRL
RACE: ATC - Race 4 - Gr.1 Chapagne Stakes - 4:25pm
BET TYPE: Win
COMMENT: High class filly. Hugh Bowman aboard.



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