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Splitsecond filly (Lot 616)

WS GRADUATE ESPUMOSO HONG KONG BOUND

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One-time Karaka Million (1200m) favourite Espumoso will miss the Ellerslie feature later this month after being sold to Hong Kong interests this week.



BELOW LEFT / Espumoso pictured as a yearling



BELOW RIGHT / Star 2-year-old Espumoso maintaining his winning form

The WS-bred and sold son of Pins entered quarantine on Wednesday morning ahead of his future racing career in Hong Kong where he will join the stable of respected horseman Tony Cruz.

Prepared by leading New Zealand trainers Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman, Espumoso won two of his three juvenile starts and was runner-up last-start in the Gr.2 Wakefield Challenge Stakes (1200m) at Trentham last month. Part-owner David Seldon said he was over the moon with his run, but thought the sale had cost Espumoso his first stakes victory.

"We were ecstatic," Seldon said. "He had actually been sold to Hong Kong before that run in the Group Two and Murray and Andrew had pulled up on him because we thought he was sold and then the money never came through, so he went into that race

probably a little underdone and I think that probably cost him the win."

An equine nutritionist, Seldon owned the Pins gelding with his father Robert and close friend John van den Nieuwber. He purchased him at Karaka last year for \$50,000, but nearly missed the sale after being at Brendan and Jo Lindsay's Karaka property at the time Espumoso went through the ring for Vendor's Waikato Stud.

"I missed the horse and I got back to the sale ring and found he had been passed in," Seldon said. "So I went and saw Gareth Downey and Mark Chittick from Waikato Stud and I was lucky enough to get a deal done. I would have got him in the ring if I had been there, but I was just lucky."

Seldon, who provides nutritional advice to Waikato Stud, spotted Espumoso at one of the Matamata



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LEFT / Espumoso pictured as a yearling

farm's yearling parades. "I had seen all the horses, but I saw him there and saw him again at the sales and I liked him. I liked his attitude and the way he walked and I thought he would fit my budget. "He was originally destined to come to Australia after we bought him, but he ended up staying with Murray."

It was a move that worked out for his owners, reaping the rewards of a substantial six-figure sale less than a year after his purchase.

However, they will now miss the chance of watching their star juvenile race in the Karaka Million on January 27. "It's a little bit bitter sweet as we were all booked to come over to watch the race, my Dad and all of us, we had all made arrangements. But we are still coming and will go to the sales. I tried to buy the half-brother at Magic Millions, but I didn't have enough ammunition. We will see what we can find at Karaka, and try to do it again."

Any purchase would join Seldon's growing international racing team, which he operates in partnership with family and friends. "Dad and I and our friends have got between 20 and 25 horses in training at various times, from Singapore to New Zealand to Melbourne and Sydney, so it's not just a hobby for us, it's another thing that we do."

UNBEATEN PARIS ROCK WINS AGAIN

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Promising Rock 'N' Pop filly Paris Rock followed up her winning debut on Boxing Day with another impressive win at Ballarat on Sunday.

The Henry Dwyer-trained three-year-old was ridden by Damien Thornton to an easy 3.75-length victory, indicating she has a bright future ahead.

"That was a very good win," said Thornton. "I committed murder in front, they left me alone and we had an easy time. I just let her go a little bit quicker from the 500 so they didn't get to me and she was always going to win."

"She gave me a nice feel and I think she's a filly with plenty of promise. There's still improvement, she's going to get better. I don't know a lot about the breed but they've got a nice one here."

Paris Rock was bred by Curraghmore and David Butler, she is from the first crop of Waikato Stud-based sire Rock 'N' Pop out of the multiple race winning and stakes placed Daggers Drawn mare Que Sera.



BELOW / Paris Rock winning the Shojun Concrete 3YO Fillies Maiden Plate



BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT

RONDINELLA

GROUP 3 DESERT GOLD STAKES



Rondinella – by Ocean Park,
from Valpolicella

Classy Ocean Park filly Rondinella was an impressive winner at Tauranga at just her second race day outing on January 2nd and is the current \$3.80 favourite to win the Group 3 Desert Gold Stakes tomorrow at Trentham.

The Roger James trained 3-year-old filly will take on Stakes winner and Group 1 One Thousand Guineas runner-up Dijon Bleu in the 1600m test.

KAWI

GROUP 1 TELEGRAPH



Kawi / By Savabeel
from Magic Time

Legendary Savabeel gelding Kawi is chasing his eighth Group 1 and will contest the Group 1 Telegraph at Trentham tomorrow. The Allan Sharrock trained 7-year-old won the Group 1 Captain Cook Stakes at his last start and is no stranger to winning at the top level on the Trentham track.

LOVE AFFAIR

GROUP 1 THORNDON MILE



Love Affair / By Savabeel
from Romancing

Bred and raced by Waikato Stud, lightly tried Savabeel mare Love Affair is a winner of four of her six race starts. A brave runner-up performance in the Group 2 Waikato RC Cal Isuzu Stakes has punters confident that the talented mare can win in tomorrow's Group 1 Thordon Mile and she currently leads the market as the \$3.00 favourite.

SPLURGE

GROUP 1 THORNDON MILE



Splurge / By Savabeel
from Splashing Out

The eight-time winning son of Savabeel smashed his rivals in the Group 2 Manawatu Challenge Stakes at his last outing and will be extremely competitive in tomorrow's Group 1 Thordon Mile. Te Akau principal David Ellis purchased the beautifully bred son of Savabeel for \$500,000 from Waikato Stud's 2014 Karaka Premier Yearling draft.

WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS

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SATURDAY

SPLURGE

Savabeel – Splashing Out
Group 1 Thorndon Mile, 1600m
Trentham, 2:35pm

SAVVY DREAMS

Savabeel – Elusive Dreams
Group 1 Thorndon Mile, 1600m
Trentham, 2:35pm

LOVE AFFAIR

Savabeel – Romancing
Group 1 Thorndon Mile, 1600m
Trentham, 2:35pm

PACKING PINS

Pins – Splashing Out
Group 1 Telegraph, 1200m
Trentham, 3:47pm

KAWI

Savabeel – Magic Time
Group 1 Telegraph, 1200m
Trentham, 3:47pm

FERRANDO

Fast 'n' Famous – Rio Nugget
Group 1 Telegraph, 1200m
Trentham, 3:47pm

ZA ZA GABOR

O'Reilly – Zaza Top
Group 3 Desert Gold Stakes, 1600m
Trentham, 4:22pm

RONDINELLA

Ocean Park – Valpolicella
Group 3 Desert Gold Stakes, 1600m
Trentham, 4:22pm

SANDRINE

Savabeel – Klarissa
Group 3 Desert Gold Stakes, 1600m
Trentham, 4:22pm

PINUP COUP

Pins – Pyjamas
Group 3 Desert Gold Stakes, 1600m
Trentham, 4:22pm

CLARIFY

Savabeel – Claretta
Group 3 Wellington Cup, 3200m
Trentham, 4:57pm

SUNDAY

GRAND CHANCELLOR

Savabeel – Mont Fay
Group 1 Hong Kong Classic Mile,
1600m
Hong Kong, 10:10pm (NZT)

2018 KARAKA YEARLING DRAFT

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The excitement of the impending week is upon us as we take the final steps in a three-year plan to present our group of impeccably well-prepared yearlings to prospective buyers.

It's hard to believe that it was three years ago that we sat down and planned the matings for these youngsters and to see each individual develop into an outstanding and promising athlete is so rewarding for us.

Feeling a real sense of pride is inevitable as each and every one of these home-breds carries the WS brand and stems from family lines that we here at WS are so very proud of.

The past 12 months have brought us plenty of thrills as we have watched WS-bred horses make themselves and their connections proud as they perform at the top level throughout Australasia.

The spring racing carnival was of course highlighted by the major achievement of WS-bred graduates of our 2016 Karaka draft Embellish and Hasahalo who won the New Zealand Two Thousand and One

Thousand Guineas respectively and provided their great sire Savabeel with his 14th and 15th individual Group 1 winners.

We will commence parading at Karaka from 9:00am on Tuesday morning and we welcome you to inspect our yearlings and enjoy the top-class hospitality in our entertainment area O'Reillys.

Mark & Pippa



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So You Think - Zelitist Filly

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LOT 21
Savabeel - Ambrosia Filly

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LOT 74
Rock 'N' Pop - Blessed Colt

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LOT 83
Savabeel - Bright Colt

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LOT 95
Sacred Falls - Celebrate Colt

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LOT 106
Pins - Cheryl Moana Marie Filly

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LOT 108
Savabeel - Chilled Out Colt

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LOT 109
Ocean Park - Chorus Colt

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LOT 121
Sacred Falls - Contented Colt

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LOT 137
Savabeel - Daisy Chain Colt

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LOT 151
Sacred Falls - Dee I Why Filly

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LOT 161
Ocean Park - Diana Dors Colt

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LOT 163
Savabeel - Disguised Colt

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LOT 167
Sacred Falls - Do Ra Mi Colt

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LOT 190
Savabeel - Eudora Colt

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LOT 196
Ocean Park - Fabaz Filly

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Sacred Falls - Fancy Dress Filly

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LOT 203
Savabeel - Far Fetched Filly

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LOT 231
Savabeel - Glad Filly

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LOT 233
Sacred Falls - Glam Slam Colt

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LOT 237
Savabeel - Gracie Rose Colt

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LOT 244
Ocean Park - Heartfelt Filly

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LOT 251
Savabeel - High Fashion Colt

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LOT 258
Sacred Falls - Honolulu Filly

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LOT 260
Ocean Park - Hyades Filly

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LOT 263
Savabeel - I Do Colt

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LOT 264
Ocean Park - Iffy Colt

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LOT 265
Savabeel - Iguazu's Girl Colt

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LOT 283
Ocean Park - Is This Love Colt

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LOT 285
Savabeel - Jacilo Filly

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LOT 287
Sacred Falls - J'Lo Colt

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LOT 289
Sacred Falls - Joy Colt

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Pins - Just Be Cos Colt

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LOT 296
Savabeel - Kansas Filly

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LOT 299
Savabeel - Kashmir Colt

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LOT 317
Savabeel - Lady Chaparral Colt

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LOT 320
Sacred Falls - Lady Lincoln Filly

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LOT 331
Pins - Lasting Luck Filly

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LOT 335
Savabeel - Lego Colt

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LOT 336
Savabeel - Legs Colt

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LOT 352
Ocean Park - Lucida Colt

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LOT 358
Savabeel - Make A Wish Filly

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LOT 361
Sacred Falls - Marahau Filly

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LOT 373
Sacred Falls - Metropolitan Filly

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LOT 383
Pins - Miracle Miss Colt

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LOT 391
Rock 'N' Pop - Miss Lioness Filly

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LOT 393
Savabeel - Miss Motown Filly

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LOT 396
Sacred Falls - Miss Purrfection Filly

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Savabeel - More To Love Colt

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LOT 420
Sacred Falls - Music Colt

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LOT 426
Sacred Falls - Nadel Dame Filly

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LOT 446
Savabeel - On Broadway Colt

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LOT 449
Rock 'N' Pop - On Parade Filly

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LOT 477
Sacred Falls - Pin High Colt

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LOT 478
Sacred Falls - Pinot Gris Filly

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LOT 480
Savabeel - Pins On Ice Colt

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LOT 483
Ocean Park - Pinzaara Filly

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LOT 487
Savabeel - Posy Filly

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LOT 492
Ocean Park - Pretty Filly

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LOT 493
Savabeel - Prickle Colt

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LOT 512
Ocean Park - Really
Reputable Filly

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LOT 514
Ocean Park - Rehab Filly

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LOT 528
Sacred Falls - Rosehip Colt

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LOT 530
Pins - Rose Red Filly

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Savabeel - Rush Filly

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LOT 554
Pins - Savodara Filly

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LOT 564
Savabeel - Sequin Colt

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LOT 572
Sacred Falls - Sheezababe Colt

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LOT 579
Savabeel - Shopaholic Colt

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LOT 581
Savabeel - Showileo Filly

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LOT 591
Pins - Singasong Filly

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LOT 595
Savabeel - Sitting Pretty Filly

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LOT 616
Savabeel - Splitsecond Filly

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LOT 624
Ocean Park - Starry Colt

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LOT 656
Ocean Park - Tick Tock Colt

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LOT 657
Savabeel - Tiffany Yellow Colt

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LOT 663
Sacred Falls - Toss Up Filly

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LOT 689
Savabeel - Villifye Colt

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PEDIGREE POINTERS WITH GARETH DOWNEY

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The Proven and The Promising

Savabeel is indeed having yet another fantastic season – as he has sired more Gr.1 winners this season than any other Australasian stallion, and only Snitzel has sired more stakes winners.

This is a continuation of what Savabeel has been doing for his whole career. As we look at all the proven sires (sires of 3 or more stakes winners) represented in the Karaka Book 1 catalogue, it confirms there are only 3 stallions represented who have achieved better than 10.0% SW/Rnrs for their Southern Hemisphere breeding careers to date. Savabeel has by far the largest representation at Karaka of these three stallions, with 75 yearlings on offer.

The review of these proven sires also reminds us of just how highly Pins ranks amongst the leading stallions in Australasia. Apart from those three stallions already referred to, there are only another seven who have achieved better than 7.0% SW/Rnrs. This list includes Pins; with his 75 stakes winners having been achieved at the rate of 7.4% SW/Rnrs. He is represented by 37 entries across the 3 Books of the Karaka Sale.

If we turn our attention to the search for promising stallions, we will all approach this search in different ways – and it therefore becomes more subjective. However, if we agree that we are looking for stallions who can leave a good number of winners who win consistently and have the ability to score at stakes level, then that probably summarises what we would agree we are looking for. These stallions are laying a strong foundation

for future black type success of their progeny. So, if we look at all those stallions represented in Book 1 who have sired either 1 or 2 stakes winners (so don't yet qualify for the "proven" category referred to above), and who have sired at least 10 winners, then it indeed appears very significant that Ocean Park has the best starts/win ratio of any of these stallions – with a strike rate of a win for every 5.5 starts across all his starters to date. Ocean Park is represented by 60 entries across the 3 Books of the Sales Series.

Speaking of promising, Rock N Pop has now sired four winners, with the most recent of these being the unbeaten and very promising Paris Rock, who has now won both her starts in Victoria. She showed good improvement in her second start when easily winning by almost 4 lengths at Ballarat. Rock N Pop has 7 yearlings entered across the Karaka Sales Series.

Of the 17 First Season Sires represented in Book 1, Sacred Falls is one of just four who retired to Stud with at least 4 x Gr.1 victories to his name. Of these four sires, he has again by far the strongest presence at Karaka, with a total of 60 progeny entered across the 3 Books. We are delighted with the quality of his progeny in our draft, and we have received a lot of similar feedback about his progeny in other drafts.

In your search for yearlings by the best proven and promising stallions represented at Karaka, please do come and see us at the Waikato Stud Barn, as we would love to show you the yearlings we have on offer. Please also make a point of seeking out the progeny of Savabeel, Pins, Ocean Park, Rock N Pop and Sacred Falls in other drafts across the complex.

We look forward to seeing you at Karaka!



MARK'S MAIL

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The countdown is on and it's hard to believe we are just nine days away from selling our first yearling at Karaka.

The final preparation is underway and the team have been working tirelessly to get things set up at Karaka. Yesterday we took six truckloads of equipment up to the complex and today we have a group of ten people setting up the Waikato Stud barn.

First thing tomorrow morning we will commence the extensive exercise of transporting our 80 yearlings up to the complex and by Sunday afternoon we will have our full draft settled into their new environment and ready for the big week ahead.

Monday will be spent settling the yearlings in and we will be ready to parade at 9:00am on Tuesday morning.

We are incredibly proud and excited to present another top group of yearlings at Karaka and please don't hesitate to come and see us at the Waikato barn from Tuesday onwards.

I look forward to seeing you all there!

Cheers,
Mark



GARRY'S CORNER

Stud patriarch Garry Chittick is a household name within the Thoroughbred industry. Find out what Garry has to say in this week's Garry's Corner.



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