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enroute to Group 1 Australian  
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O'Reilly colt  
Grunt



## O'REILLY COLT SHOWS HIS CLASS

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Group One honours now beckon a three-year-old son of the late, great Waikato Stud stallion O'Reilly. Living up to his name, Grunt produced a powerful performance at Flemington last weekend to claim the Group Three CS Hayes Stakes.

The lightly-raced colt is now unbeaten in his last three appearances following a debut third last season. "He's a long-striding horse and the 1400 metres today wasn't ideal, it was a bit short, but it was a run to get him into the Australian Guineas," Caulfield trainer Mick Price said.

"He's a beautiful O'Reilly colt and the Guineas is a valuable race for a colt – Zabeel won it – and this bloke just loves Flemington. It's a great result."

A \$220,000 Karaka purchase in 2016, Grunt was given a gun ride behind the pace by Damien Oliver and finished determinedly in the closing 100 metres. "He's a lovely colt and he dug deep," he said. "When I got serious on him he rose to the challenge and got the job done well."

Waikato Stud graduate Embellish also performed creditably in finishing sixth in his Australian debut. The Stephen Autridge and Jamie Richards-trained brother to the Group One winner Diademe raced near the speed on the fence and the son of Savabeel kicked on strongly for rider Opie Bosson.

The Group One New Zealand 2000 Guineas winner was a \$775,000 purchase out of the farm's 2016 Premier Sale draft by Te Akau principal David Ellis. His dam Bling is an O'Reilly mare from the family of the multiple Group One-winning sprinter Sacred Star.



BELOW LEFT / Grunt winning the Group 3 CS Hayes Stakes



BELOW RIGHT / Grunt



## LATTA TRIUMPHS WITH OCEAN PARK FILLY

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Fictitious is from a family Lisa Latta knows well and that inside knowledge has brought an early reward.

The daughter of Ocean Park is out of the Defensive Play mare Fiaba, who won six races from the Awapuni trainer's stable and was stakes placed in the Listed Winter Classic.

The Waikato Stud-bred and raced Fictitious opened her winning account at her third start last Friday when successful over 1600m at Wanganui.

She held the front from an inside gate and when rider Masa Tanaka asked

her for a serious effort in the straight she lengthened her stride with a performance to suggest she can make her mark in stronger company.

A half-sister to the Australian black type winner Pin Rouge (Pins), Fictitious hails from one of Waikato Stud's strongest families. Dual Group One winners Glamour Puss and Vision And Power are the headline acts in the pedigree.



BELOW / Fictitious





## PINS' SON A DESERVED WINNER

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Genuine four-year-old Trudeau added to his tidy record in fine fashion at Avondale on Wednesday afternoon.

The Waikato Stud graduate won for the third time in his 15-start career and five further placings serve to emphasise his overall consistency.

Trained by Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman, he was given an economical run behind the pace by Matthew Cameron and they were too strong in the run home.

"He's been going good, races honest and he tries hard," Forsman said.

"It was a good ride from Matt, the

horse got left in front a fair way out at his last start and he's better chasing something."

Trudeau is a son of Pins and the unraced Fast 'n' Famous mare Paris Carver and was an \$80,000 Karaka purchase in 2015 for Baker.

Trudeau is from the family of the Group 1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas winner Embellish (Savabeel).



BELOW / Trudeau



## SIXTY SECONDS WITH ALBERT BOSMA

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This week we caught up with Go Racing boss Albert Bosma.

**Q** What is your favourite TV show?

**A** I love the music doco's on Prime. Watching people that are so passionate about their art is compelling viewing. Also takes me back to my youth!!

**Q** What makes you laugh?

**A** I change the words in songs to rude one's and then sing them. It's a gift which my family enjoys, particularly my teenage daughters.

**Q** Most memorable career highlights to date?

**A** My very first horse Silky Red Boxer winning at his very first start. It changed the course of my life. Ruud Awakening winning the Karaka Million and becoming our first Group 1 winner and Hasahalo winning this season's One Thousand Guineas by 4 lengths.

**Q** Favourite horse purchased from Waikato Stud?

**A** Hasahalo is an easy pick, but Mark Two could be very special. Two notable mentions are the half-brothers Savour The Moment and Seize The Moment, who started our relationship with the stud. Both warriors and black-type winners who have given us a lot of fun.

**Q** Not many people know that I...

**A** Was hijacked by Pirates in the South China Seas. The monsoon season had just started, so it was pretty hair-raising, but makes a great pub story in hindsight.

**Q** What do you do to relax?

**A** Turn off the phone, open a bottle of Frenhman's Hill Syrah, light our outside fire and have an evening with friends and family on the deck.

**Q** Best piece of advice?

**A** Be happy. Do what you love well, and make it your life. Regardless of how obscure you think your passion is, if you work at it, doors will open.

**Q** Favourite part of what you do?

**A** Winning races. Seeing that euphoria in people which they get nowhere else and knowing we have made that happen for them. We are fortunate to have created a lot of friendships with our owners and sharing the wins with them is special.

**Q** What is your favourite thing about Waikato Stud?

**A** The people. They are the reason the stud is so successful. They are friends as well as people we enjoy doing business with.



RIGHT/ Albert with Halloween - the dam of Group 1 winner Hasahalo





## BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT

### OCEAN DEEP

GROUP 2 ARMANASCO STAKES



**Ocean Deep** / By Ocean Park, from Haberdashery

Unbeaten 3-year-old filly Ocean Deep gets her first shot at black-type tomorrow when she lines up in the Group 2 TAB Armanasco Stakes at Caulfield. The David Hayes and Tom Dabernig trained daughter of Ocean Park is resuming following a two start campaign in November of last year where she won both starts in an impressive fashion.

Ocean Deep was purchased by Peter Moody for \$65,000 from Waikato Stud's 2016 Karaka Premier yearling draft.

### RELLSON

GROUP 2 AUTUMN CLASSIC



**Rellson** / By O'Reilly, from Honolulu

Beaten by less than two lengths at Group level in the Carbine Club Stakes during his last campaign, well related gelding Rellson will take on a field of fellow 3-year-olds in tomorrow's Group 2 Autumn Classic at Caulfield over 1800m. The lightly tried blueblood will jump from barrier 3 and will have Ben Melham on board.

### MASQUE

GROUP 3 SLIPPER STAKES



**Masque** / By Savabeel, from Disguised

Team Rogerson trained Savabeel colt Masque won in superb fashion on debut and was third in the Listed Wellesley Stakes at his last raceday outing. The beautifully bred entire is a full brother to Group 1 winner Costume and was purchased for \$200,000 from Waikato Stud's 2017 Karaka Premier draft by Graeme and Debbie Rogerson who returned to secure the full brother at last month's Karaka sale.

### NICOLETTA

LISTED KAIMAI STAKES



**Nicoletta** / By Savabeel, from Celtic Crown

Group winning Savabeel mare Nicoletta was third at her last start in the Group 1 Herbie Dyke Stakes at Te Rapa and tomorrow the Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman trained galloper will contest the Listed Kaimai Stakes over 2000m. The smart mare is owned by astute racehorse owner Lib Petagna and regular jockey Michael Coleman will wear the famous JML Bloodstock silks.

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## SATURDAY

### SWORD OF OSMAN

Savabeel – Bunyah

**Group 3** Slipper Stakes, 1200m

Matamata, 2:01pm (NZT)

### MASQUE

Savabeel – Disguised

**Group 3** Slipper Stakes, 1200m

Matamata, 2:01pm (NZT)

### BROADWAY BRAWLER

Pins – Heartache

**Group 3** Slipper Stakes, 1200m

Matamata, 2:01pm (NZT)

### RELLSON

O'Reilly – Honolulu

**Group 2** Autumn Classic, 1800m

Caulfield, 3:05pm (NZT)

### THE REAL BEEL

Savabeel – Ahna

**Group 2** Matamata Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Matamata, 3:15pm (NZT)

### OCEAN DEEP

Ocean Park – Haberdashery

**Group 2** Armanasco Stakes, 1400m

Caulfield, 4:15pm (NZT)

### HEAVENS KEEP

Savabeel – Eden

**Listed** Kaimai Stakes, 2000m

Matamata, 4:23pm (NZT)

### CLARIFY

Savabeel – Claretta

**Listed** Kaimai Stakes, 2000m

Matamata, 4:23pm (NZT)

### NICOLETTA

Savabeel – Celtic Crown

**Listed** Kaimai Stakes, 2000m

Matamata, 4:23pm (NZT)

### SAMOVARE

Savabeel – Sambar

**Group 3** Mannerism Stakes, 1400m

Caulfield, 4:50pm (NZT)

### SHILLELAGH

Savabeel – Trocair

**Group 1** Futurity Stakes, 1400

Caulfield, 5:25pm (NZT)

## INGLIS MELBOURNE PREMIER YEARLING SALE / 4 - 7 MARCH

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**LOT 44**

Pins - Romancing Colt

[Pedigree info](#)

Maluka Thoroughbreds will offer seven of Waikato Stud's yearlings in their consignment at the upcoming Inglis Melbourne Premier yearling sale.



**LOT 144**

Savabeel - Frankly Filly

[Pedigree info](#)



**LOT 145**

Savabeel - Girls On Top Colt

[Pedigree info](#)



**LOT 146**

Savabeel - Heyday Colt

[Pedigree info](#)



**LOT 157**

Savabeel - Natural Rhythm Colt

[Pedigree info](#)



**LOT 272**

Ocean Park - Bird Filly

[Pedigree info](#)



**LOT 490**

Sacred Falls - Lowland Colt

[Pedigree info](#)



## PEDIGREE POINTERS WITH GARETH DOWNEY

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### Ocean Park - time for an update

The progeny of Ocean Park were in good demand at Karaka, with the total revenue generated by his progeny placing him 5th on the Sires Table by total turnover.

The total sales turnover for his progeny was \$3.77 Million, making up just over 7% of the total turnover for NZ-based stallions. His progeny averaged over \$85K and sold up to \$280K – with 11 of his yearlings selling for \$120K or more. This was a further vote of confidence from the marketplace in the progression being made by the Ocean Park progeny.

The overall profile of Ocean Park is that of a classic-oriented stallion who will also be able to produce versatility in his progeny. It therefore seems appropriate to compare him against Savabeel at the same stage of their careers if we want to get a gauge on how well Ocean Park is performing. The table below makes for illuminating reading, comparing Savabeel and Ocean Park at the exact same stage of their careers.

The key measure for a stallion in the early stage of their career is their ability to leave horses who win, and win consistently – and this is exactly what the progeny of Ocean Park are doing.

In terms of looking for proven pedigree patterns, we can continue to look at the results for guidance on what lines Ocean Park is achieving success with. All of his 23 winners to date carry at least one of the following six emerging patterns for Ocean Park.

#### Mares carrying Danzig

This pattern is running at a win for every 5.5 starts, and has already produced 12 winners including Ocean Jewel, Mongolianconqueror, Ocean's Fourteen, Tezlah, Scream Park etc

#### Mares carrying Lunchtime

This pattern is running at a win for every 4.2 starts, and has already produced 5 winners including Ocean Deep, Another Dollar, Pretty To Sea etc

#### Mares carrying Storm Cat

This pattern is running at a win for every 3.5 starts, and has already produced Ocean's Fourteen, Seaway and Dramatic Moments

#### Mares carrying Last Tycoon

This pattern is running at a win for every 3.5 starts, with the winners so far being Ocean Deep, Rondinella and Ocean Express

#### Mares carrying Nodouble

This pattern is running at a win for every 3.5 starts, and has already produced the winners Southern Land and Georgica

#### Mares carrying Pretense

This pattern is running at a win for every 4.5 starts, and has already produced the winners Flying Feet and Fictitious

So, if you have a mare carrying any of these six stallions in her pedigree and you would like to capitalise on the proven pedigree affinity with this emerging sire talent then I strongly encourage you to consider Ocean Park for your mating plan for next season.

If you would like to discuss this option, or to come out to the farm and inspect Ocean Park, please get in touch via either [gareth@waikatostud.co.nz](mailto:gareth@waikatostud.co.nz) or 021 433 073



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STALLION	RUNNERS	WINNERS	STARTS	WINS	STARTS/WIN
SAVABEEL	66	19	271	22	12.3
OCEAN PARK	59	23	195	32	6.1

Table: Savabeel and Ocean Park at the exact same stage of their careers



## MARK'S MAIL

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Matamata Breeders Stakes day is always a highlight for me but this weekend I'm afraid I will heading to the hills with the boys for a hunting trip.

All the best to everyone with runners on the big day, it's very exciting to look through the fields to find that between Savabeel and Pins there are 7 Stakes runners at Matamata alone, including Sword of Osman, Masque, Broadway Brawler, The Real Beel, Heaven's Keep, Clarify and Nicoletta.

We hope tomorrow's winning connections enjoy the hospitality in the Waikato Stud winners circle – don't forget to get your photo taken with Sacred Falls if you're lucky enough to find yourself in there!

There's no denying the weather has certainly put a dampener on what is supposed to be New Zealand's most exciting period of racing and it's just another reminder that we, unfortunately, don't have any control on what the weather offers up.

In Gareth's pedigree pointer this week, he made mention of the incredible strike rate that Ocean Park is running at and I must admit, it really puts things into perspective when you put the likes of him and Savabeel side by side.

We're incredibly proud of what he has achieved as a young sire and to see him in in fourth place on the Australian Second Season Sires table is pretty special.

Happy hunting at the track!

Cheers,  
**Mark**



## GARRY'S CORNER

The problem with having young politicians is they have no past to refer to. The problem with old politicians they have no audience. One is constantly amused by the newfound reasons to relieve the hard earned of those who have hard earned with any nebulous reason the young...



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