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WEANLING PREPARATION IS IN FULL SWING

Our 14 weanlings bound for
the NZB Karaka Weanling Sale
are ready to go.

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Emma Dench
with one of our
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weanlings

QUEEN RULES AT BENDIGO

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Savabeel three-year-old Queen Leonora has added her name to the family roll of honour in fine style.



BELOW / Queen Leonora
Photo Credit: Racing Photos Vic

She continued her steady improvement yesterday with her maiden success over 1600m at Bendigo.

The Danny O'Brien-trained filly had placed in two of her three starts before triumphing in the hands of James Winks.

Queen Leonora was bred by Waikato Stud and farm principal Mark Chittick has remained in the ownership.

She is out of the O'Reilly mare Lego, who is a sister to the stakes winner Wolfwhistle and a three-quarter sister to the Gr.1 WATC Derby winner Guyno.

Queen Leonora is a grand-daughter of the stud's dual Gr.1 Kelt Capital Stakes and New Zealand Oaks winner Legs.

It is also the family of the multiple Group One winner Xtravagant and the black type winners Arletty and Firetaine.



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ROCK 'N' POP DOUBLES UP

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Two promising three-year-old sons of Rock 'n' Pop credited their Waikato Stud-based sire with a trans-Tasman double on Wednesday.



BELOW / Rock 'n' Pop
Photo Credit: Trish Dunell

The Macallan furthered his record in fine style at Avondale while Boomtown Rat struck at Gosford.

Prepared at Cambridge by Tony Pike, the former has now won two of his four starts.

The Macallan is out of the Centaine mare Wee Tipple and is a half-brother to the Group performers Who Dares Wins and Mae West.

Boomtown Rat also posted his second success from a handful of starts for Randwick conditioner Edward O'Rourke.

He is a half-brother to the Gr.1 Telegraph Handicap winner Irish

Fling, their dam the O'Reilly mare Irish Belle.

The Gr.1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas winner Rock 'n' Pop is a son of Fastnet Rock and the former top racemare Popsy.

He has now produced winners in four countries, including the Group performers Gold Spice, Paris Rock and The Lord Mayor.



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CLASS GETS HANGER HOME

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Trainer Roger James believes his promising three-year-old Hanger is finally starting to understand what the racing game is all about after he made it back-to-back victories when he took out the Fasttrack Insurance 1400 at Pukekohe.

The O'Reilly gelding has proven a frustration to his many supporters after taking seven starts to clear maiden ranks, but James was confident some hard work behind the scenes would pay dividends once the penny dropped with the horse.

"At home he's a horse that can run any sort of sectionals," he said.

"The key is that he's relaxing now as we've done a lot of work with him.

"He can now use that sprint he has when we need it rather when he wants to."

James had been concerned about the Heavy10 track on offer and was relieved to see Hanger handle the conditions well enough to register the victory.

"I wouldn't think he was completely at home on it," he said.

"I don't think he is well suited by these sort of tracks, but he just has an abundance of ability.

"He's not a big strong horse but he has the makings of a good horse going 1400m-1600m in future seasons."

Hanger is raced by Waikato Stud in partnership with Cambridge Stud principals Brendan and Jo Lindsay.

He is a son of O'Reilly and the Savabeel mare Do Ra Mi, whose three wins featured the Gr.2 Kewney Stakes.

She is a half-sister to the farm graduate Marju Snip, whose career highlight was victory in the Gr.1 Australasian Oaks.

NZ Racing Desk



BELOW / Hanger

Photo Credit: Race Images PN



DANCER'S KIN CONTINUES OCEAN PARK'S HOT TROT

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Ocean Park's impressive son Dancer's Kin looks ready to make his mark in better company following his maiden success at Morphetville.

The two-year-old has showed satisfying progress with his breakthrough victory over 1050m coming off the back of four placings.

Dancer's Kin is prepared by leading Adelaide conditioner Phillip Stokes, who has enjoyed previous success with the gelding's family.

He also prepared half-sister Samara Dancer to win the Gr.2 Blue Diamond Prelude and half-brother Eclair Big Bang (Savabeel) for Gr.3 Caulfield Guineas Prelude honours.

The siblings are out of the English-bred Singspiel mare Ennerdale, also the dam of Gr.2 Sandown Guineas placegetter Black Sail, a brother to Éclair Big Bang.

Dancer's Kin was purchased by Stokes for A\$90,000 at last year's Magic Millions Gold Coast Sale.



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BELOW / Ocean Park
Photo Credit: Trish Dunell



WAIKATO STUD BUYS GIFTED MARE

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Waikato Stud have purchased the retired black type winner and multiple stakes placegetter Starvoia.

Prepared at Balcairn by John and Karen Parsons, she was successful in six of her 16 starts and was placed on a further six occasions.

Starvoia was unbeaten in her first two starts as a three-year-old and then chased subsequent Gr.1 New Zealand 1000 Guineas winner La Diosa home when second in the Listed NZ Bloodstock Canterbury Belle Stakes.

She was also runner-up in the Listed Dunedin Guineas, the Listed Southland Guineas and the Listed NZB Insurance Stakes after being third in the Listed Gore Guineas.

Starvoia resumed with a fresh-up win

at Riccarton last November and also won her next two starts, culminating with her final victory in the Listed Hazlett Stakes on Boxing Day.

The curtain came down on her racing career when she finished seventh with a slipped saddle at Wingatui last month.

"She was a top mare and we didn't get to see the best of her," Karen Parsons said. "She was unlucky a lot of the time."

Starvoia is a daughter of the Waikato Stud-bred Starcraft, an Australian, New Zealand, English and French Group One winner.



BELOW / Starvoia



WEANLING DRAFT INSPECTIONS / MAY 1

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We would like to invite you to attend our on-farm weanling parade at **1:00 pm on Tuesday May 1** at the Waikato Stud yearling barn.

KARAKA MAY SALE WEANLING DRAFT

LOT	SIRE	DAM	COL	SEX	PED
101	Sacred Falls	Breezy	B	C	Click here
120	Ocean Park	Cong'er	B	C	Click here
162	Ocean Park	Former Glory	B	F	Click here
179	Sacred Falls	Head Spin	B	F	Click here
184	Ocean Park	Hope So	B	C	Click here
192	Rock 'n' Pop	I Que	B	C	Click here
250	Sacred Falls	Neversaynever	B	C	Click here
256	Pins	Onesey	C	F	Click here
295	Ocean Park	Really Reputable	B	F	Click here
321	Ocean Park	Sofia Loren	B	F	Click here
345	Rock 'n' Pop	Tricilo	B	F	Click here
349	Pins	Under and Over	B	F	Click here
354	Rock 'n' Pop	Vanilla Sky	B or Gr	F	Click here
358	Ocean Park	We Love	B	C	Click here

If you would like to join us, please send your RSVP to jasmine@waikatostud.co.nz or +64 21 433 228 before 5:00 pm on Sunday April 29

AT THE FARM

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LEFT / Waikato Stud's Gareth Downey and NZB's Regan Donnison



BELOW / Weanling inspections




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TOP / Weanling
Sale inspections
today at Waikato
Stud


LEFT / Nicole
Andrew

AT THE FARM (CONT'D)

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LEFT / Jaimee
Gowler



BELOW /
Weanlings
heading to the
paddock



WAIKATO STUD OFFERS A TRULY WORLD-CLASS STALLION LINE UP

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The highly successful roster at Waikato Stud is headed by internationally-renowned Group One sires Savabeel and Pins. Adding to the Group One mix, the roster is also bolstered by Group One stars, Tivaci, Sacred Falls, Ocean Park and Rock 'n' Pop.



SAVABEEL

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SATURDAY APRIL 28

PREDITOR

Savabeel – Bird

Sgp-2 Chairman's Trophy, 1600m

Singapore, 12:40 am (NZT)

NICOLETTA

Savabeel – Celtic Crown

Group 2 Travis Stakes, 2000m

Te Rapa, 2:53 pm (NZT)

SISTABEEL

Savabeel – Ametis

Group 3 Cambridge Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Te Rapa, 4:03 pm (NZT)

HANGER

O'Reilly – Do Ra Mi

Group 3 Cambridge Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Te Rapa, 4:03 pm (NZT)

ANOTHER DOLLAR

Ocean Park – Make a Wish

Listed Gold Coast Bracelet, 1630m

Doomben, 5:02 pm (NZT)

MISSYBEEL

Savabeel – Sitting Pretty

Listed Gold Coast Bracelet, 1630m

Doomben, 5:02 pm (NZT)

MACKINTOSH

Pins – Lolly Scramble

Group 3 Hawkesbury Gold Cup, 1600m

Hawkesbury, 5:30 pm (NZT)

SCREAM PARK

Ocean Park – Cassata

Group 3 Hawkesbury Guineas, 1400m

Hawkesbury, 6:10 pm (NZT)

MADISON POINT (emerg)

Savabeel – Fabaz

Group 3 Gunsynd Classic, 1630m

Doomben, 6:22 pm (NZT)

SAVAHEAT

Savabeel – Heat Storm

Group 3 Chairman's Stakes, 2035m

Morphettville, 6:41 pm (NZT)

BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT

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SCREAM PARK

GROUP 3 HAWKESBURY GUINEAS



Scream Park / By Ocean Park, from Cassata

The two-time winning son of Ocean Park is resuming following a spell and will be a force to reckon with in tomorrow's Group 3 Hawkesbury Guineas following two trial appearances. Bred by Kevin and Julie Taylor, Scream Park was purchased by champion trainer Chris Waller at the 2016 NZB Premier yearling sale for \$185,000.

Kiwi jockey Rory Hutchings will ride Scream Park from barrier 9.

HANGER

GROUP 3 CAMBRIDGE BREEDERS STAKES



Hanger / By O'Reilly, from Do Ra Mi

Raced in partnership with Brendan and Jo Lindsay, Hanger has now notched up back-to-back wins. The beautifully bred 3-year-old son of O'Reilly will step out for the second time at stakes level in tomorrow's Group 3 Cambridge Breeders Stakes at Te Rapa under the guidance of champion trainer Roger James. Hanger will partner with regular jockey Leith Innes and has drawn barrier 1.

SAVAHEAT

GROUP 3 CHAIRMAN'S STAKES



Savaheat / By Savabeel, from Heat Storm

Darren Weir trained 3-year-old colt Savaheat will head to Morphettville tomorrow to contest the Group 3 Chairman's Stakes over 2035m. The lightly tried colt is a two-time winner and will be ridden by Paul Gatt from barrier 10. Bred by Trelawney Stud, Savaheat was a \$220,000 purchase for Darren Weir and John Foote at the 2016 NZB Premier Yearling sale.

NICOLETTA

GROUP 2 TRAVIS STAKES



Nicoletta / By Savabeel, from Celtic Crown

Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman trained Savabeel mare Nicoletta was a close third in the Group 1 Te Aroha Breeders Stakes at her last outing and will take on 'the girls' again in tomorrow's Group 2 Travis Stakes over 2000m. Already a Group winner, Nicoletta is owned and raced by prominent owner Lib Petagna and was bred and sold by Goodwood Stud.

PEDIGREE POINTERS WITH GARETH DOWNEY

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Rock N Pop Rolling On

We are frequently hearing from trainers with progeny of Rock 'n' Pop that they are really happy with what they are seeing, and that they will just benefit from more time.

These comments are looking like being spot on, as we have been seeing some good momentum building with the Rock N Pop progeny in the last couple of months.

In the last week alone, there have been two winners by Rock N Pop. They both produced really nice efforts that showed quality and determination – and, in doing so, they both joined the list of multiple race winners sired by Rock N Pop so far. These winners were:

- **The Macallan** – Won over 1400m at Avondale and took his record to 2 wins from 4 starts
- **Boomtown Rat** – Won over 1600m at Gosford and took his record to 2 wins and 2 placings from 7 starts

As we all start looking at planning our matings for next season, it is useful to look at the successful patterns emerging for the sires we are considering using. In the case of Rock N Pop, the patterns that have emerged so far in the pedigrees of his 8 winners are as follow:

Mares carrying Diesis – 2 winners at the rate of 3.0 starts/win

- **Paris Rock** – 3 wins from 4 starts, and placed 4th in the Gr.3 Vanity

Refresh – Winner in Singapore

Mares carrying Lord Ballina – 2 winners at the rate of 3.3 starts/win

- **The Mayor** – 2 wins from 7 starts, and placed 4th in the Gr.1 NZ Derby
- **The Macallan** – As above

Mares by Stravinsky – 2 winners at the rate of 5.5 starts/win

- **Rock 'n' Affair** – 1 win from 3 starts
- **Refresh** – As above

Mares carrying Centaine – 2 winners at the rate of 8.0 starts/win

- **The Macallan** – As above
- **Telecom Man** – Winner in Hong Kong

Mares by O'Reilly – 2 winners at the rate of 11.3 starts/win

- **Gold Spice** – 1 win and 2 placings from 5 starts, including a 2nd placing in the Gr.3 Sunline Vase
- **Boomtown Rat** – As above

If you would like to discuss your mating plans when considering Rock N Pop or the rest of our stallion line-up at Waikato Stud, please get in touch via either gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or +64 21 433 073.



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MARK'S MAIL

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Last week was a week well spent down in the Hawkes Bay bush with my boys. I'm back in action this week and I have to say, there is never a dull moment here at Waikato Stud!

The WS racing team continue to dominate on the track and this week we were very proud to celebrate the victories of our home-breds on both sides of the Tasman. Queen Leonora and Subban were successful in Australia and Hanger won his second consecutive race here in New Zealand. A huge credit goes to our trainers and their dedicated team of staff – thank you for all of your hard work.

There has been an influx of winners for our stallions over the past few weeks and I'm particularly proud of the achievements of our young sires Ocean Park and Rock 'n' Pop in producing winner after winner.

This week we made an exciting new addition to our broodmare band with the acquisition of Stakes winner Starvoia. She is a beautifully put together mare and we couldn't be happier with the purchase.

We will be holding an open weanling parade at 1:00 pm on Tuesday, May 1 at the Waikato Stud yearling barn to showcase our 14 weanlings heading to the Karaka May Weanling sale early next month.

We are proud to present an excellent line up of weanlings this year by Ocean Park, Pins, Sacred Falls and Rock 'n' Pop so please feel free to come along.

Have a great weekend.

**Cheers,
Mark**



GARRY'S CORNER

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What a different market we live in, the recent announcements of upcoming spring service fees in Australia is light years from the expectations of our clients.



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IN THE MEDIA

This week in the media, Brian de Lore touches on yet another compelling topic relevant to the New Zealand Thoroughbred industry



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