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SMART EFFORT BY SACRED FALLS COLT

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Waikato Stud stallion Sacred Falls sired his first trial winner on Monday when a two-year-old colt, out of Unbridled's Song mare J'Lo, won his 600 metre heat at Ashburton.

The Lance Robinson-trained runner was purchased out of Waikato Stud's draft at this year's New Zealand Bloodstock Book 1 Sale for \$60,000.

The well-related colt is a half-brother to Gr.3 Desert Gold Stakes (1600m) winner and Gr.2 Sir Tristram Fillies' Classic (2000m) runner-up Glamorous Girl.

His four-time Group One winning sire Sacred Falls stands at Waikato Stud for a fee of \$30,000+gst.



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Trial winning Sacred
Falls - J'Lo colt



PEACEFUL ALL CLASS IN WANGANUI FEATURE

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The powerful Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman stable were back doing what they do best at Wanganui on Saturday when they produced progressive Savabeel filly Peaceful to win the Listed The O'Leary's Fillies Stakes (1200m).

Fresh off a record breaking 2017-2018 season where they took out a total of twenty Group or Listed events amongst their New Zealand tally of 142 victories, the Cambridge combination posted their first black-type win for the new season with the three-year-old Savabeel filly.

Successful at Listed level in her last start as a two-year-old, Peaceful went into the race off the back of a satisfactory trial at Te Rapa last month. Handled perfectly by in-form rider Matt Cameron, the filly enjoyed a cosy run in behind the speed before angling off the fence in the run home to issue her challenge.

Challenged hotly over the concluding stages by the Allan Sharrock trained pair of London Express and Tutta La Classe, Peaceful found plenty to repel her rivals and add a second victory to her six-start career record.

Co-trainer Murray Baker watched the race from Melbourne where he had dual New Zealand Horse of the Year, Bonneval, kicking off her spring campaign in the Gr.2 Dato Tan Chin Nam Stakes (1600m).

"That was a good win, she's a pretty promising filly," he said.

"We weren't too sure about her chances today as she is behind in her prep like a lot of our stable at the moment.

"The wet tracks have played havoc trying to get them ready, so she is only going to improve from the run."

Baker confirmed the stable had bigger plans in store for Peaceful who races in the colours of part-owner Lib Petagna.

"She beat a pretty good one in Cyber Attack when she won the stakes race at Te Rapa last season, so we had a good think where we might go with her if she came up well this time in," he said.

"After that win I think we might be taking her to Melbourne for some spring targets.

"She's by Savabeel and they just walk on water so we think she can measure up over here." - NZ Racing Desk



BELOW / Peaceful



STAKES WINNING KIWI LANDS IN SYDNEY

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Stakes winning Savabeel filly Santa Catarina has arrived in Sydney ahead of a tilt at Saturday's Gr.2 Tea Rose Stakes (1400m) at Randwick.

The Stephen Marsh-trained daughter of Savabeel was a last-start runner-up at Taupo when resuming over 1100m and boasts a Listed victory over that distance at Te Rapa in May.

"She flew out yesterday afternoon and arrived in the early evening at Randwick at John Sargent's," Marsh said.

"She's travelled very well and ate well last night, and she seems pretty bright in herself."

"If she can get the right draw and take a good position she will get her chance. She will improve again with the run, but this will tell us exactly where we are with her."

Marsh said the three-year-old filly was likely to have a brief spring campaign in Sydney, a tactic used successfully with Sofia Rosa, who later returned in the autumn to win the Gr.1 Australian Oaks (2400m).

"If she runs well, she will carry on to the Flight Stakes (Gr.1, 1600m) in two weeks' time and win, lose or draw in that she will come home," Marsh said.

"If she doesn't run up to expectations, we will head back and get our spring campaign back on track in New Zealand."

Santa Catarina is raced by prominent New Zealand owner Lib Petagna under his JML Bloodstock banner. The Wellington owner has also enjoyed success with the Marsh-trained Sofia Rosa, while the Cambridge conditioner was the initial trainer of Savabeel mare Lucia Valentina, who later went on to win three Group One races for Newcastle trainer Kris Lees.

– NZ Racing Desk



BELOW / Santa Catarina



OCEAN KNIGHT ON TARGET FOR DANEHILL STAKES

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The Lindsay Park team is relying on promising Ocean Knight to deliver the stable a second-straight Danehill Stakes at Flemington.

Star filly Catchy won the Group Two Danehill a year ago and senior trainer David Hayes has high hopes for Ocean Knight who is being aimed at next month's Group One Caulfield Guineas (1600m).

Like Catchy last year, Ocean Knight will have Regan Bayliss aboard on Saturday and Hayes believes the colt will handle racing on the straight 1200m-course having impressed the trainer in a jump-out early last month.

"We're hoping he's a Guineas contender and I think he'll really

sprint well up the straight because he trialled very well up the straight," Hayes said.

"We have always thought he was a Group-class horse and if he wins the Danehill or runs well I'm sure he's going to be measuring up in a Guineas."

Ocean Knight settled last in the Listed McKenzie Stakes (1200m) at Moonee Valley first-up before hitting the line for fifth.

"It was a day they didn't run on and

he did," Hayes said.

"I thought his was one of the better runs on the day without winning."

The Hawkes Racing-trained McKenzie Stakes winning O'Reilly colt Brutal is not among Ocean Knight's Danehill rivals and instead headlines Saturday's 1400m-Listed race for three-year-olds in which Lindsay Park has three runners. - **NZ Racing News**



BELOW / Ocean Knight



THE INQUIRY WITH CHRIS WALLER

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Legendary trainer and Kiwi icon Chris Waller may have made the move to Australia but we were pleasantly surprised to find out that he prefers New Zealand bred gallopers over their Aussie counterparts. The trainer of wonder mare Winx took some time out of his busy schedule to catch up and talk business in this weeks edition of The Inquiry.

<u>Melbourne Cup</u> Caulfield Cup	Sweet <u>Savoury</u>
<u>Kiwi bred</u> Aussie bred	Talk <u>Listen</u>
<u>WFA</u> Handicap	Jandels <u>Trainers</u>
Phar Lap Sunline <u>WINX</u>	Sports Car <u>SUV</u>
1200m <u>2400m</u>	<u>Early morning</u> late night
Private sale <u>Public auction</u>	Lake <u>Beach</u>
<u>Stallion</u> Mare	Theatre <u>Movie</u>
Randwick <u>Rosehill</u>	Beer <u>Wine</u>
<u>Dine in</u> Dine out	
Travel <u>Home</u>	
Surprise me <u>Tell me</u>	
<u>Early night</u> Sleep in	





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The *anatomy* of a
FIVE-TIME GROUP ONE WINNING
PROVEN YOUNG SIRE

Ocean Park

SERVICE FEE: \$30,000+gst LFG

Exceptionally handsome

He has passed his good looks on to his progeny and with a multitude of Stakes performers already emerging, it's safe to say he has transmitted his superior ability to them too

A beautiful physique

Buyers think his yearlings do too. At this year's Karaka Yearling Sale, his Book One yearlings averaged \$106,000 and across all Australasian sales, his yearlings sold for up to \$280,000 and nine sold for \$150,000 or more

Athletic anatomy

Like his champion sire Thorn Park and his Broodmare of the Year dam Soyaida who is by Zabeel, he is the perfect athlete

Proven sire capabilities

He is the leading New Zealand based Australian Second Season Sire and has sired seven Stakes performers in his first crop including Australian Stakes winner Ocean Jewel

Freakish stride length

His unbelievably long stride length contributed greatly to his five Group One victories between 1400m and 2040m



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STAFF PROFILE JASMINE ROBERTSON

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She started her career in a yearling yard and foaling unit and has led yearlings at sales all over the world. Meet Waikato Stud's Marketing Manager Jasmine Robertson.

Q What does a normal day for you involve?

A No two days are ever the same! At the moment, I'm working on promoting the stallions, taking loads of foal photos/videos and planning for Karaka.

Q Tell us a bit about your background and how you got to where you are now?

A After finishing school, I knew I wanted to work with horses so off I went to Massey to study a Bachelor of Equine Science. My part-time job at Wellfield Lodge got me hooked on thoroughbreds and I did three seasons of foaling, headed the yearling prep and led at all the major Australian sales. After graduating, I headed off on my European OE and when I returned, managed to land a job at Inglis in Sydney working in the

digital department doing Marketing and Coms. I'm a country girl at heart and felt the pull to move home and get involved in the stud industry again and haven't looked back!

Q What do you most enjoy about working at Waikato Stud?

A Where do I start! The people – we have an amazing team who are incredibly experienced and willing to help where they can. The product – it's a dream come true for me to be able to market the amazing WS product and you seriously can't beat coming to this amazing property every day.

Q What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

A Relaxing, reading, watching the races/movies with my partner and hanging with our dog Bella.

Q What are you most grateful for?

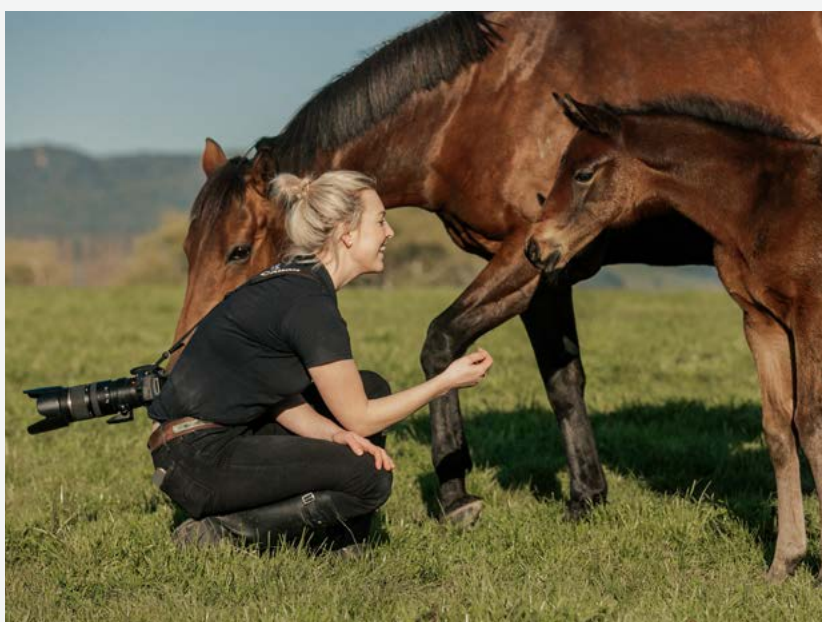
A I am so grateful to my parents for making sure I got the best education possible. They were very selfless and probably missed out on doing things for themselves from time to time, but our education always came first.

Q What is the craziest thing you have ever done?

A I entered Miss Manawatu when I was 19 and won! I went on to compete in the Miss Universe New Zealand final which was petrifying but a great experience.

Q What is your best piece of advice?

A Don't settle for mediocrity, never let good enough be good enough.



LEFT / Jasmine Robertson

WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS

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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 15

PACIFIC

Ocean Park - Mygoodgrace

Gr.3 Northland Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Ruakaka, 4:09 pm (NZT)

SWORD OF OSMAN

Savabeel - Bunya

Gr.3 Northland Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Ruakaka, 4:09 pm (NZT)

SAGUNTO

O'Reilly - Queen Sabel

Gr.3 Northland Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Ruakaka, 4:09 pm (NZT)

MADISON COUNTRY

Pins - Red Delicious

Gr.3 Northland Breeders Stakes, 1200m

Ruakaka, 4:09 pm (NZT)

BRUTAL

O'Reilly - Alberton Princess

Listed Antler Luggage Plate, 1400m

Flemington, 4:15 pm (NZT)

SIR PLUSH

Pins - Luxurious Lady

Gr.3 Bill Ritchie Handicap, 1400m

Randwick, 4:35 pm (NZT)

SAMOVARE

Savabeel - Sambar

Gr.2 Let's Elope Stakes, 1400m

Flemington, 5:30 pm (NZT)

SANTA CATARINA

Savabeel - Discreet Evening

Gr.2 Tea Rose Stakes, 1400m

Randwick, 5:50 pm (NZT)

GRUNT

O'Reilly - Ruqqaya

Gr.1 Makybe Diva Stakes, 1600m

Flemington, 6:10 pm (NZT)

THE LORD MAYOR

Rock 'n' Pop - Soph

Gr.3 Kingston Town Stakes, 2000m

Randwick, 6:30 pm (NZT)

OCEAN KNIGHT

Ocean Park - The Iffraaj Dame

Gr.2 Danehill Stakes, 1200m

Flemington, 6:50 pm (NZT)

BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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GRUNT

GROUP 1 MAKYBE DIVA STAKES



Grunt / By O'Reilly, from Ruqqaya

The Group 1 winning son of O'Reilly will return to the scene of the Australian Guineas – 1600m at Flemington when he contests the Group 1 Makybe Diva Stakes. Bred by Trelawney Stud, the four-year-old has had two runs thus far and should be primed to run well here. Champion jockey goes back aboard here Damien Oliver and from the good barrier should get every chance. His performance will determine which direction he takes for the rest of the Spring.

OCEAN KNIGHT

GROUP 2 DANEHILL STAKES



Ocean Knight / By Ocean Park, from The Iffraaj Dame

Bred by long term Waikato Stud clients Trelawney Stud, the three-year-old son of Ocean Park resumed at Moonee Valley two weeks ago and charged home over 1200m. He remains at 1200m in the Group 2 Danehill Stakes as part of his campaign heading towards the \$2 million Caulfield Guineas in October. He is likely to settle back in the run and as they come onto the course proper, Regan Bayliss can angle him into the clear and have him finishing off strongly. Fitter here he wouldn't surprise to see him amongst the placegetters.

SAMOVARE

GROUP 2 LET'S ELOPE STAKES



Samovare / By Savabeel, from Sambar

The Group 3 winning Savabeel mare takes her place in the Group 2 Let's Elope Stakes over 1400m at Flemington. She is fitter for her first up run and although she does step up in class, she does drop four kilograms in weight. Drawn wide, in form jockey Jordan Childs will allow her to find her feet in the early stages, settling in the second half of the field. Hopefully she can get a nice track into the race and be given her chance in the straight. Given luck in running, she is sure to make her presence felt again.

BRUTAL

LISTED ANTLER LUGGAGE PLATE



Brutal / By O'Reilly, from Alberton Princess

The unbeaten son of O'Reilly continues to impress and he looks ideally suited here stepping up to 1400m in the Listed Antler Luggage Plate. After a sensational five length win on debut, he defied the bias last start at Moonee Valley and really hit the line strongly. Dwayne Dunn will look to give him the run of the race from the inside barrier and looks the one they have to beat. A good performance here could earn him a crack at the Group 1 \$2 million Caulfield Guineas in October.

BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT WITH JEREMY ROGERS (CONT'D)

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THE LORD MAYOR

GROUP 3 KINGSTON TOWN STAKES



The Lord Mayor / By Rock 'n' Pop, from Soph

This very promising four-year-old son of Rock 'n' Pop takes on stakes level for the first time in the Group 3 Kingston Town Stakes over 2000m – he will need a few scratchings as he is third emergency. Previously trained in New Zealand, he was 4th in the NZ Derby and joined the Chris Waller stable during his last prep. He won well last start over the course/distance. Bred by the late Jim Wallace from Ardsley Stud, he looks an exciting stayer going forward.

SIR PLUSH

GROUP 3 BILL RITCHIE STAKES



Sir Plush / By Pins, from Luxurious Lady

Having had three runs back from a spell, he steps up to stakes company for the first time this preparation for Bjorn Baker in the Group 3 Bill Ritchie Handicap over 1400m. He gets into this race on the minimum and from the good barrier he is likely to get a nice run on the speed. Once balanced up in the straight, hopefully the six-year-old son can prove hard to catch over the concluding stages. It would be great to see him gain some blacktype for his breeder/owner Maurie Macleod who also raced his sire Pins.

SANTA CATARINA

GROUP 2 TEA ROSE STAKES



Santa Catarina / By Savabeel, from Discreet Evening

The stakes winning Savabeel filly makes her Australian debut in the \$200,000 Group 2 Tea Rose Stakes at Randwick. She will be fitter for her first up run at Taupo and has been brought to Australia for the Spring. The step up to 1400m should suit and from barrier two, Sam Weatherly should be able to give her a soft run throughout the race. Once in the straight, she will look to get into the clear and finish off strongly. This looks a very strong renewal of the race with some of the best three-year-old fillies in the country amongst her opposition - it will be very interesting how she measures up.

SWORD OF OSMAN

GROUP 3 NORTHLAND BREEDERS



Sword of Osman / By Savabeel, from Bunyah

The Te Akau owned colt by Savabeel resumes in the Group 3 Northland Breeders Stakes over 1200m at Ruakaka. One of the best juveniles from last season, winning the Group 1 Sistema Stakes at Ellerslie, he has been given a couple of quiet trials by Jamie Richards. With him being aimed at the 2000 Guineas in November, he is likely to improve on whatever he does here. Drawn well in barrier six, hopefully he can get a nice run during the race and be finishing off strongly. Amongst his opposition is O'Reilly colt Segunto who was placed at Listed level last start, Pins gelding Madison County and Ocean Park filly Pacific.

FOAL GALLERY

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ABOVE / Sacred Falls
- Music filly



LEFT / Tivaci -
Bewitching colt

FOAL GALLERY (CONT'D)

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ABOVE / Sacred Falls
- The Fascinator filly



LEFT / Sacred Falls -
Do Ra Mi colt

MARK'S MAIL

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There is a massive day of racing to look forward to on both sides of the Tasman tomorrow and there are a stack of Waikato Stud sired runners worth following.

Good luck to Rupert Legh and the group of owners in O'Reilly colts Grunt and Brutal who are racing at Flemington and to the team at Te Akau who have Savabeel gelding Sword of Osman running in the Group 3 Northland Breeders Stakes at Ruakaka.

All the best to the connections of horses running this weekend, in particular, the connections of Stakes hopefuls Pacific, Sagunto, Madison Country, Sir Plush, Samovare, Santa Catarina, The Lord Mayor and Ocean Knight. We'll be watching with plenty of interest!

We have just launched the Tivaci Foal Photo Competition which should be a bit of fun. We

encourage everyone with a Tivaci foal arriving this spring to throw their hat in the ring as there's an awesome prize pack up for grabs including a nomination to Tivaci and some limited edition Tivaci gear.

At the farm, foaling is well underway, scanning is in full swing and we look forward to the first lot of pregnancy tests which will take place in just a couple of days' time.

Have a great weekend everyone.

**Cheers
Mark**



GARRY'S CORNER

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Occasionally we all need reminding of the past, my good mate de Lore needs a gentle reminder, his once again topical article in the Informant suggests a dereliction of duty by those responsible for racing administration over the past 20 years.



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