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SPRING RACING

The Australian Spring carnival is heating up and Waikato Stud sires have representatives in four of the five Group 1 races.

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PINS FILLY CLAIMS MAJOR HONOURS

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Emily Margaret produced a gallant display to become the latest in a long line of black type winners for Pins.

She made much of the running at Riccarton on Saturday and kicked on gallantly to win the Listed Canterbury Belle Stakes.

The three-year-old answered every call from Jasmine Fawcett to hand the 25-year-old her first stakes success.

Emily Margaret is by the former fine race mare Seven Schillings, a daughter of O'Reilly.

She won the Gr. 3 Taranaki 2YO Classic and finished runner-up in the Gr.1 Diamond Stakes. It is also the family

of the multiple Group One winner Avedon.

Emily Margaret was a \$55,000 Karaka purchase for part-owner Roger Findlay from Trelawney Stud.

BELOW / Emily Margaret





ROCK 'N' POP DELIVERS A DOUBLE

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Progressive fouryear-old The Lord Mayor capped off a trans-Tasman double for his sire with victory in the closing event at Rosehill on Saturday. The son of Waikato Stud's exciting Rock 'n' Pop went back to back when victorious for master trainer Chris Waller.

The stallion also delivered at Riccarton where his promising son Bully Boy won for the second time in his brief career

The Lord Mayor has been a quality addition to his Sydney stable having also won his previous start at Randwick.

The gelding was a two-time winner for Wexford Stables and finished fourth in the Gr.1 New Zealand Derby before his relocation.

He was purchased for \$52,500 by Hughes Bloodstock at the 2016 Ready to Run Sale. The Lord Mayor is out of the Lord Ballina mare Soph, the winner of 10 races and a Group performer.

She is a sister to the versatile Titch, who won the Gr.1 Auckland Cup and finished runner-up in the Gr.3 New Zealand Cup.

BELOW / The Lord Mayor
Photo Credit: Bradley Photos





OCEAN PARK HITS A MEMORABLE MILESTONE

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Former New Zealand Horse of the Year Ocean Park has brought up his halfcentury. The Waikato Stud stallion produced his 50th individual winner on Tuesday when Ocean Essence struck at Mildura.

Ocean Park has made his presence felt across Australasia and Asia with winners in New Zealand, Australia, Singapore, Hong Kong and Malaysia.

His latest success story, the Darren Weir-trained Ocean Essence finished runner-up on debut going one better in fine style on Tuesday.

Ocean Essence was purchased by Waikato Stud's Business Development manager Jeremy Rogers who at the time was Weir's racing manager.

The colt was secured for \$47,500 for Roll The Dice Racing at Karaka in 2017 and is out of the O'Reilly mare Our Essence.

She was a two-time winner and is a daughter of the Gr.3 Queen Of The Turf Stakes winner The Perfume Garden.







DELUXE PERFORMANCE FROM PROMISING STAYER

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The step up to middle distanced racing is bringing out the best in the Waikato Stud graduate She's Deluxe.

The patiently handled four-yearold shed her maiden tag over 2200 metres at Pakenham this week at just her third appearance.

Victory was no surprise as the daughter of Savabeel had finished runner-up at her previous start.

She is trained at Caulfield by leading conditioner Mick Price, who shares in the ownership with the Matamata farm

She's Deluxe is out of the O'Reilly mare Splendid who is a sister to the Gr.2 Hong Kong Derby Trial winner Unique Jewellery. She is also a half-sister to the Gr.1 Australasian Oaks winner Marju Snip and to the Gr.2 Kewney Stakes winner Do Ra Mi.

Splendid is a grand-daughter of the multiple Group One winner Candide, whose son Nadeem won the Gr.1 Blue Diamond before a successful stud career.



BELOW / She's Deluxe winning in Waikato Stud's famous colours **Photo Credit: Race Images Vic**





BULLY BOY FLEXES HIS MUSCLES AGAIN

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Promising four-year-old Bully Boy furthered his record in style at Riccarton on Saturday afternoon.

The progressive son of Rock 'n' Pop put his Rating 65 rivals to the sword, winning by a length and a quarter.

Bully Boy now has a pair of wins and three placings from five starts for Hunterville trainer Adrian Bull.

He purchased the horse out of Waikato Stud's 2016 Karaka draft for \$24,000.

Bully Boy is a son of the No Excuse Needed mare Fru Ju, a half-sister to South African Group 1 winner Taupo Retreat. Meanwhile, Cardrona posted an overdue victory when she broke her maiden in fine style earlier in the day.

Trained by Shane Kennedy and Anna Furlong, she jumped well to dispute the pace under rider Kate Cowan.

The four-year-old was wayward in the straight and drifted out but she was still far too strong.

It was a deserved success for Cardrona as she had placed in five of her previous nine appearances.

Bred and raced by Waikato Stud with a large syndicate, she is by O'Reilly out of Pinderella.

The dam hails from the farm's potent family of the Group One winner Glamour Puss.

BELOW / Bully Boy







THE INQUIRY WITH ANDREW (BUTCH) CASTLES

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This week we caught up with the man responsible for bringing us the wonderful Hawke's Bay Racing Carnival, Andrew (Butch) Castles, the Chief Executive Officer of the Hawke's Bay Racing Club.





Tarzino Trophy Windsor Park Plate Livamol Classic* - All 3 are special days at Hawke's Bay Racing but the Daffodil day fund raising association gives Tarzino Trophy the edge.





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The *anatomy* of a

FOUR-TIME GROUP ONE WINNING DUAL DONCASTER CHAMPION

Sacred Falls

His two-year-olds hit race tracks in the 2018-19 season SERVICE FEE: \$30,000+qst LFG

Group One good looks

His good looking yearlings landed him the title of Leading First Season Sire at this year's Karaka Yearling Sale and across all Australasian Sales, his yearlings averaged \$111,086 and sold for up to \$300,000, with six lots fetching \$200,000 or more

Strong and compact

A precocious individual, he was unbeaten at two and his first crop don't look like they're going to take too long either

Athletic hindquarters

For the extreme acceleration required to become the first colt in 50 years to win back-to-back Doncaster Miles

Flawless foretimb conformation

A distinct trait he has passed on to his ultra-correct and well-balanced progeny

Superior sire lines

By champion sire O'Reilly, he is out of a winning Redoute's Choice mare

Powerful shoulders

This superior feature allowed him to cover more ground than his opponents to win nine races between 1000m and 1600m, including four Group Ones



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WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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It is a great weekend of sport in Australia this week – arguably the best of the year with five Group 1 races spread over three days in both Melbourne and Sydney while the AFL and NRL Grand Finals are played on Saturday and Sunday respectively. Waikato stallions are represented in four of the Group 1 races.

FRIDAY 28 SEPTEMBER

SAMOVARE

Savabeel - Sambar **Gr.2** WH Stocks Stakes, 1600m Moonee Valley, 9:00 pm (NZT)

SATURDAY 29 SEPTEMBER

SANTA CATARINA

Savabeel - Discreet Evening **Gr.1** Flight Stakes, 1600m Randwick, 5:25 pm (NZT)

MR CLARIFY

Savabeel - Clareta Listed RM Ansett Classic, 2400m Mornington, 5:45 pm (NZT)

SHILLELAGH

Savabeel - Trocair **Gr.1** Epsom Handicap, 1600m Randwick, 6:05 pm (NZT)

THE LORD MAYOR

Rock 'n' Pop - Soph **Gr.1** Metropolitan, 2400m Randwick, 6:45 pm (NZT)

SUNDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

PEACEFUL

Savabeel - Paloma **Gr.2** Two Thousand Guineas Prelude, 1400m Caulfield, 7:00 pm (NZT)

GRUNT

O'Reilly - Ruqqaya **Gr.1** Underwood Stakes, 1800m Caulfield, 7:30 pm (NZT)



BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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THE LORD MAYOR

GROUP 1 METROPOLITAN



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

The Lord Mayor backs up after winning at Rosehill last week and the four-year-old son of in form stallion Rock 'n' Pop gets into the race with 50kgs (8.5kgs less than last week). Obviously this is a much stronger assignment but he continues to improve and should give some cheek with no weight on his back. Good luck to former WS employee Michael Hughes who is a part owner, purchasing him at the 2016 NZB Ready To Run Sale.

GRUNT

GROUP 1 UNDERWOOD STAKES



Grunt / By O'Reilly, from Ruqqaya

Grunt returned to winning form in the Group 1 Makybe Diva Stakes at Flemington last start when powering away from his opposition. The four-year-old O'Reilly entire heads back to Caulfield this week in the \$750,000 Group 1 Underwood Stakes over 1800m on Sunday as a stepping stone towards the Cox Plate. He meets a similar line up and given luck in running, he is among the leading chances.

SHILLELAGH

GROUP 1 EPSOM HANDICAP



Shillelagh / By Savabeel, from Trocair

The Group 1 winning mare is second up when she lines up in the \$1 million Epsom Handicap. Trained by Chris Waller who has eight runners in the race, she was able to hit the line strongly first up at Rosehill and Michael Walker goes aboard the seven-year-old Savabeel mare. She has drawn well and given luck in running, it would be good to see her amongst the finish.

SANTA CATARINA GROUP 1 FLIGHT STAKES



Santa Catarina / By Savabeel, from Discreet Evening

The three-year-old Savabeel filly takes on the best fillies in Australia when contesting the \$500,000 Group 1 Flight Stakes at Randwick on Saturday. She should be improved from two runs this preparation and has drawn to get a nice run throughout the race. The Lib Petagna owned filly (who also has Peaceful in a Group 2 in Melbourne on Sunday) can hopefully run an improved race here.



STAFF PROFILE SAM MCLEISH

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He has forged a successful career working with promising young racehorses and one of his memorable career moments includes strapping multiple Group One winner Atlantic Jewel. Meet Waikato Stud's pre-training manager Sam McLeish.

Q What is your role with Waikato Stud and what does a normal day for you involve?

A I am the pre-trainer manager at Courtza Park. I feed/check the horses and also watch and observe the way they work around the track to ensure their pre-training is all going to plan. We have a treadmill at Courtza Park so I often educate horses to use this and get them working on it. When I have free time, I help out at O'Reilly's with the dry mares and other areas of the farm that may need my help.

Q Tell us a bit about your background with horses and how you got to where you are now? A I grew up with horses and my father was a bloodstock agent. I started working with horses at racing stables in the south island when I was 16. Then, when I was 17, I moved to Australia to work for John O'Shea and ended up spending 11 years working for him.

Q What is your favourite part of what you do?

A Working with young stock, and helping to identify the horses which are good enough to cross the Tasman and race in Australia.

Q Favourite horse that you work with at Waikato Stud?

A Savabeel/Vogue '16 filly.

Q What's the craziest thing you have ever done?
A Bungy jumped!!

Q What has been the most memorable/favourite moment of your career?

A Strapping Atlantic jewel to win the All Aged Stakes.

Q If you could give one piece of advice to someone looking to work in the thoroughbred industry what would it be?

A Always listen to what people have to say because you will never stop learning in this industry.

Q If you weren't working with horses what would you be doing?

A I would be a builder.





LEFT / Sam McLeish



FOAL GALLERY

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ABOVE / Savabeel -Durack filly

C LEFT / Savabeel -Port Providence colt



FOAL GALLERY (CONT'D)

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ABOVE / Tivaci -Heartfelt filly

C LEFT / Savabeel -Port Providence colt



AT THE FARM

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ABOVE / Harry,
Sophie and Sarah
Green with their
Savabeel yearling
filly from Moochi Me

LEFT / Sarah Green with her Savabeel filly from Moochi Me



MARK'S MAIL

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Join Mark and Savabeel as they head off to the breeding barn. Click the video below to watch this weeks Mark's Mail.



Note: This video was filmed on Thursday September 27



GARRY'S CORNER

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I read this morning an article questioning the effective ownership of Fonterra, the dairy farmers are the end result beneficiaries of the efforts made on their behalf.





RACING THOUGHTS

Former racing journalist Mary Burgess shares her thoughts on the current issues faced by the New Zealand Thoroughbred Industry

Lack of balance and conflicting agendas in discussion around Messara report

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