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CAULFIELD CUP SPECIAL

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NICOLETTA A FIRST-UP STAR

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Savabeel mare Nicoletta looks in for a lucrative campaign following a determined first-up win at Hawera on Saturday afternoon.

In her season-opener, the Group One-performed mare took the major honours in the Gr.3 Taranaki Breeders' Stakes.

Ridden positively by Jonathan Riddell, the mare was in or near the lead throughout and fought gallantly in the straight.

"We thought this race was perfect for her as she has been ready to go first up for a while now," said co-trainer Andrew Forsman.

"The only worry was the 1400m as she is better suited to the mile or beyond

but being on the fresh side meant she could get away with what sounded like a very brave effort.

"We did think the race set up well as the weight-for-age conditions suited a quality mare like her who could sit handy and kick hard, which is what she did

"She will only get better as she steps up in distance so there is a lot to look forward to.

"The obvious plan is to pick up as much black-type as we can so I would expect to see her in some of the better

races coming up.

"I think something like the Zabeel Classic (Gr.1 2000m) at the Ellerslie Christmas carnival is a race she could be very competitive in so we will be working out how best to get her there."



BELOW / Nicoletta
Photo Credit: Race Images Photos



SAVABEEL'S SONS STAR AT BREEZE-UPS

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Champion sire Savabeel was a speed influence during New Zealand Bloodstock's Ready to Run Sale breeze-ups.

A pair of Waikato Stud-bred and owned colts took time honours during the two-day action this week.

Both youngsters have been immaculately prepared by Jamie Beatson and Chanel Archer's Ohukia Lodge with Lot 127 stopping the clock at 10.07 while Lot 180 posted 10.09.

The former is out of the unraced O'Reilly mare Maxmara, who is a sister to the Listed winner Salsa and dam of the South African black type winner Diamond King.

It is also the family of the Gr.1 Goodwood Handicap and Gr.3 Tesio Stakes Centisle.

Lot 180 is also a son of an O'Reilly mare in Pander, who is a half-sister to the multiple Group Two winner Precedence.

The pedigree also features the dual Group One winner and successful sire Tavistock.

Two sons of Savabeel's associate sire Ocean Park, also out of daughters of O'Reilly, in the Riversley consignment were others to produce slick times.

They were both timed to come home

in 10.86 without being pushed out.

Lot 66 is the first foal of Is This Love, a three-quarter sister to the Hong Kong stakes winner Kildare.

The Gr.1 Hong Kong Mile winner Glorious Days also features in this pedigree.

Lot 272 is out of Listed Widden Stakes winner Delta Girl's half-sister Starry.

One of the feature names in this pedigree is the Gr.3 Gloaming Stakes winner and Gr.1 Australian Guineas runner-up Strike The Stars.



BELOW / Savabeel
Photo Credit: Sarah Kapua

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ROCK 'N' AFFAIR BACK IN STYLE

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Rock 'n' Pop's promising daughter Rock 'n' Affair has wasted no time in doubling her winning tally.

She broke her maiden last season and at Hawera on Saturday she struck again.

The four-year-old was making her first appearance, and fourth overall, for six months.

Bred and raced by the Forbes family, she is prepared by Kevin Gray who also trained the mother.

Stravinskys Affair was successful on four occasions and is out of the stakes performer My Happiness.

The family also features the Gr.3 winner Hurdy Gurdy Man and the black type winners Straight Clip and Perfect Paradise.



BELOW / Rock 'n' Affair
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Photos

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BEBOP ROCKS IN SINGAPORE

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An international pedigree was to the fore when the New Zealand-bred Bebop opened his winning account in Singapore.

Trained by Hideyuki Takaoka, the four-year-old successfully stepped up to 1700m for the first time on Sunday evening.

Bebop was a \$45,000 Karaka Ready To Run purchase from Woburn Farm's draft and is by Waikato Stud's Group One winner Rock 'n' Pop out Pteridophyte.

The dam is a daughter of O'Reilly and she is in turn out of the Shirley Heights mare Fern.

Pteridophyte is a half-sister to the dam of the North American Group One winner Forte Dei Marmi.

She is also a half-sister to the dam of Nashmiah and Ighraa.

They are respectively English and French black type winners.



BELOW / Bebop
Photo Credit: Woburn Farm

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COOL MARE STRIKES AGAIN FOR FAMILY

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Promising mare Savacool continues to add to her family's roll of honour and provide significant pedigree updates for her siblings.

The Waikato Stud graduate won for the fourth time in her 11-start career when was successful on the Kensington track at Randwick on Wednesday.

Savacool is trained by Chris Waller who bought her for \$220,000 at Karaka during the 2016 Premier sale.

She is out of the Anabaa mare Chilled Out who is a half-sister to the dam of the Gr.2 Cal Isuzu Stakes winner Coldplay.

A brother to Savacool sold for \$425,000 at Karaka earlier this year and another full sibling will be offered by Waikato Stud in 2019.

Chilled Out recently foaled a sister to Savacool and the mare will be covered by Savabeel in the near future.



BELOW / Savacool
Photo Credit: Bradley Photos

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Watch Tivaci's
first foals in motion

Image: Tivaci filly, from Rosehip

A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE - MASTER O'REILLY'S CAULFIELD CUP WIN

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Story by Jeremy Rogers

The 2007 Caulfield Cup will be forever etched in our memories with the short-priced favourite Maldivian being led back to the mounting yard by the Clerk of the Course with blood streaming from his neck after rearing in the barriers.

This vision overshadows the performance of Master O'Reilly who displayed his great staying ability, going on to beat his stablemate Douro Valley by 2 ¼ lengths.

The Master O'Reilly story begins back in 2001 when David Jones (not the Department Store – will come to that later) sent his Bakharoff mare north to the promising young stallion O'Reilly. O'Reilly's first crop had just turned three and included the dual Group 1 winner Final Destination.

A reasonably late foal, Master O'Reilly was born on the 2nd of

December in 2002 and spent his early days growing up on Paritai Stud at Rakaia, about half an hour south of Christchurch. Entered for the NZB South Island Sale, he was catalogued as Lot 54 and sold to the bid of Victorian trainer Brian Johnson who was acting on behalf of Liam Sutcliffe Holdings for the equal top price of \$75,000.

Brought to Australia, Bill Sutcliffe of Liam Sutcliffe Holdings gave the two-year-old colt to little-known trainer Judy Mawer at Cranbourne. After a couple of trials as an early three-year-old, he wasn't seen at the races until June when finishing 3rd over 1200m on a very heavy track at

Moe and it took him until his sixth start before he broke his Maiden – coincidentally in a Class 1 race over 1700m at Sale.

Showing his staying potential, he won his next start over 2000m by six lengths before making it three wins in a row when winning over the 2400m at Mornington, two days before Delta Blues' won the 2006 Melbourne Cup.

By this time, he was well and truly on the radar of Flemington trainer Danny O'Brien who was keen to purchase the rising five-year-old for stable clients. Bill Sutcliffe wasn't keen to sell him but thought if Danny had such an opinion of the horse, he would give him to Danny to train. To compensate Judy Mawer who had done a fantastic job with him, Bill gifted her a 10% share.

Having his first start for his new trainer, he was very competitive when resuming over 1400m in February, finishing 3rd at Sale before a 4th placing at Sandown. After a couple more placed runs over 2100m and 2400m at Sandown, he was taken north for a Class 6 over 2600m on Easter Monday at Randwick. Ridden by Damien Oliver, it was a dominant staying performance and he won by a length. Returning to Melbourne with regular rider Vlad Duric back in the saddle, he easily accounted for his opposition

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BELOW / Master O'Reilly winning the 2007 Caulfield Cup



A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE - MASTER O'REILLY'S CAULFIELD CUP WIN (CONT'D)

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over 2500m at Moonee Valley. He was turned out for a spell and when he returned his Spring campaign was centred around the Caulfield Cup. He resumed over 1600m at Caulfield in August and came from near last to be narrowly beaten by Group 1 winner Rubiscent before winning with ease over 2000m at Flemington. Stepping up to Stakes level for the first time, he ran a creditable 3rd in the Listed JRA Cup at Moonee Valley. At this stage, he needed to win the Group 2 Winning Edge Presentations Stakes (Herbert Power Stakes) to avoid the ballot for the Caulfield Cup a week later.

Starting an 'odds on' favourite, he was given a lovely ride by Vlad Duric and went on to win by 1 ¼ lengths from Zavite – he had won his way into the Caulfield Cup! Everything went to plan during the week and

fared very well at the barrier draw when coming up with barrier 5 with the favourite Maldivian drawn just inside him.

Master O'Reilly headed into the barriers without any hassles but once he was in, the chaos started – Eskimo Queen went off in the stall next to him, thrashing around and eventually 'sitting down' in the barriers. During the commotion (where Master O'Reilly was kicked a number of times), Maldivian became unsettled, reared up and somehow gashed his neck. All three horses were taken out the barriers and had to undergo a veterinary inspection – luckily Master O'Reilly was passed fit to run while the other two were late scratchings.

Again given a top ride by Vlad Duric (who had to get down to 50.5kg), he travelled strongly throughout the

race. As they came into the straight, stablemate Duoro Valley made a dash for home but Master O'Reilly's superior staying ability came into play, going on for an impressive 2 ¼ length victory – top class New Zealand mare Princess Coup was a further 1 ¼ lengths back in third. Unfortunately he probably never got the recognition he deserved as many felt that Maldivian would have won if he didn't hurt himself before the start.

I still remember there was a great photo of his crossing the line with a David Jones (the Department Store) sign on the Stewards Tower and I always thought this was quite appropriate with his breeder having the same name!

This was to be his last victory. Pressing on to the Melbourne Cup, he wasn't seen at his best, finishing 8th, and was over eight lengths from the winner Efficient. Although he never won again, he was still a great horse for his connections. He finished 2nd in the Group 1 Turnbull Stakes at Flemington, 3rd in the Group 2 Sandown Classic and 4th in two Melbourne Cups (all up he contested the great race four times).

When retiring from the track, he had won eight races and was \$15,000 short of \$3 million in earnings. He lived out his days peacefully at Pearcedale (near Cranbourne in Victoria) before passing away a couple of years ago.



LEFT / Master O'Reilly winning the 2007 Caulfield Cup

WS SIRED STAKES RUNNERS WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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After a great weekend of racing last week, we barely get our breath back and it's on again. Saturday sees the running of the first of the 'majors' - the \$5 million Caulfield Cup. There is also Stakes races in Sydney, Ashburton and Rotorua while on Sunday, Singapore stages the S\$1 million Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Kranji.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 20

KYRIE ELEISON

O'Reilly – Kilfenora

Listed Rotorua Challenge Plate, 1950m
Rotorua, 3:15 pm (NZT)

MISS MAXIPARK

Ocean Park – Miss Maximuss

Gr.3 Barneswood Farm Stakes, 1400m
Ashburton, 3:34 pm (NZT)

SOCIAL ELEMENT

Savabeel – Pare

Listed City Tattersalls Club Cup, 2400m
Randwick, 4:15 pm (NZT)

PACKING PINS

Pins – Splashing Out

Gr.3 Swaynesse Stakes, 1215m
Rotorua, 4:25 pm (NZT)

LOVE AFFAIR

Savabeel – Romancing

Gr.3 Swaynesse Stakes, 1215m
Rotorua, 4:25 pm (NZT)

SAMOVARE

Savabeel – Sambar

Gr.3 Coongy Handicap, 2000m
Caulfield, 5:50 pm (NZT)

SUNDAY OCTOBER 21

PREDITOR

Savabeel – bird

Sgp-1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup, 1800m
Singapore, 10:30 pm (NZT)

MONDAY OCTOBER 22

ARROGANT

Ocean Park – Charmeuse

Gr.2 James & Annie Sarten Memorial Stakes, 1400m
Te Rapa, 4:42 pm (NZT)

SWORD OF OSMAN

Savabeel – Bunyah

Gr.2 James & Annie Sarten Memorial Stakes, 1400m
Te Rapa, 4:42 pm (NZT)

MADISON COUNTY

Pins – Red Delicious

Gr.2 James & Annie Sarten Memorial Stakes, 1400m
Te Rapa, 4:42 pm (NZT)



BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT WITH JEREMY ROGERS

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LOVE AFFAIR

GROUP 3 SWEYNESSE STAKES



Love Affair / By Savabeel, from Romancing

The WS bred and owned mare will be fitter from her first-up run when she takes on a strong line up in the Group 3 Sweeney Stakes at Rotorua. The daughter of Savabeel hit the line strongly at Hastings and looks to be among the stronger chances here. Among her opposition is fellow WS bred and former top Hong Kong galloper Packing Pins, a son of Pins and Splashing Out.

SAMOVARE

GROUP 3 COONGY CUP



Samovare / By Savabeel, from Sambar

The five-year-old daughter of Savabeel looks to be improving with racing this preparation and steps up to 2000m. She has had two starts over the course/distance for two 2nds, including in this race last year. Champion jockey Damien Oliver must be pleased with her heading into this race, committing to ride her at 54kgs on such a big day's racing.

MISS MAXIPARK

GROUP 3 BARNESWOOD FARM STAKES



Miss Maxipark / By Ocean Park, from Miss Maximuss

After a string of second placings (her first four starts), she was able to get the job done last start in emphatic fashion. On Saturday she lines up in the Group 3 Barneswood Farm Stakes, a key lead up race to the Guineas next month. She has drawn to get a good run throughout the race and although she does need to take the next step, hopefully, she can run well.

PREDITOR

SGP-1 QUEEN ELIZABETH II CUP



Preditor / By Savabeel, from Bird

Hopefully the WS bred son of Savabeel can put a below-par performance last start behind him when lining up in the Singapore Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Kranji on Sunday night. The step up to 1800m should suit and he won at his only attempt at the distance, albeit in weaker class. Drawn well he should be able to settle a little closer and have his chance in the straight.

STAFF PROFILE

KERRIE COX

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She started working at Waikato Stud 15 years ago and hasn't looked back. Meet Waikato Stud's Bloodstock Manager Kerrie Cox.

Q What is your role at Waikato Stud and what are some of your main responsibilities?

A I am the Bloodstock Manager and I work with the WS team to ensure the horse side of the operation is running smoothly

Q Most memorable/ favourite yearling sold from Waikato Stud's draft?

A The Pins x Bling filly named Roop All. My husband and I bought part of her as a yearling and we had 2 trips to Melbourne to watch her race- Melbourne Cup and Caulfield Cup day which was very cool.

Q What time of year do you get most excited about on the farm?

A Yearling prep time! I love watching

the young horses develop in those few months leading up to the sales- both mentally and physically. Plus, the sun is usually shining and there's always plenty of people visiting the farm

Q Who has been most influential in your career development?

A Probably Mark Chittick who has given me so many opportunities to further my career in the industry

Q What is your biggest guilty pleasure?

A Chocolate

Q What has been your biggest accomplishment to date?

A 100% my two children Liam and James. Toughest but the most

rewarding

Q What do you most enjoy doing in your spare time?

A Spending time with my family, watching racing and playing football

Q Best piece of advice?

A The harder you work the luckier you get and think before you speak (I'm still trying to master that one!!)



LEFT /
Kerrie Cox

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Image: Tivaci filly, from Corsicana

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TIVACI

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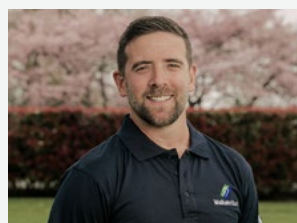
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FOAL GALLERY

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Sacred Falls filly from Lady Pentire

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Foal Gallery

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TOP (L & R) Tivaci filly from Elusive Lady



ABOVE Tivaci colt from So Sharp It Hurts

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TOP (L) Tivaci colt from Miss Lioness
BELOW (L) Ocean Park filly from Starry



TOP (R) Sacred Falls filly from Portrait Of A Lady
ABOVE Tivaci filly from Fancy Dress

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MARK'S MAIL

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I would have done a video this week but we had a big night in the foaling paddock and I'm feeling a little bit worse for wear!

We were treated to a great weekend of racing last week and I must say a big congratulations again to Lib Petagna for the win with Savabeel mare Nicoletta in the Group 3 Taranaki Breeders' Stakes at Hawera. She's got an exciting campaign ahead of her and we look forward to following her progress.

Another horse who was impressive at Hawera was Howard and Pam Forbes' bred and raced Rock 'n' Pop mare Rock 'n' Affair. She has put together two very smart wins and is my winner of the week.

The mating of the week goes to Portrait Of A Lady who was covered by Sacred Falls today. She is owned by our head vet Chris Phillips and her Sacred Falls filly at foot is such a stunner that Chris has decided to send her back to him.

The foal of the week is a Tivaci colt from Zelitist which is owned by Garry Chittick. He's a beautiful, big, strong colt and typical of the great types Tivaci is leaving.

NZB and the Waikato Racing Club put on a great couple of days for the NZB Ready To Run Breeze Up's and we couldn't be happier with how our

colts breezed up. Jamie and Chanel from Ohukia Lodge have done an excellent job with our horses and we were rapt that two of our Savabeel colts breezed in the two overall fastest times. Really looking forward to the sale next month.

I'll finish off with my tip of the week - Waikato Stud bred/raced Savabeel mare Love Affair. She's in great order and is second up after an impressive runner-up performance in the Group 3 Red Badge Spring Sprint at Hawke's Bay a couple of weeks ago. She ran into tough company (Te Akau Shark) at her last outing but should be hard to beat tomorrow at Rotorua in the Group 3 Sweeney Stakes over 1215m.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy long weekend!

**Cheers,
Mark**



GARRY'S CORNER

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I know submissions to the Minister are due today, but really what's the point in attempting to add to the plethora of opinions proffered on a subject that if the Minister is true to his presentation at Hamilton is set in concrete.



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