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# Weekend @Waikato

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NZB 2019 Karaka Yearling Sale  
Lot 316 Savabeel - Posy filly  
Photo credit: Nicole Troost



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BELOW / Love Affair  
Photo credit: Race Images  
Photos

"She had to be good because Meeska Mooska actually kicked really well and surprised me when he put a couple of lengths on us, but she is a good mare and she deserves that," rider Matthew Cameron said.

"She dug deep like good horses do."

Owned by Garry Chittick, the Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman-trained daughter of Savabeel notched her first black-type success and her sixth win from 12 starts, to go with her earlier placings at Group Two and Group Three level.

"She is a day by day mare and Andrew and Murray and the girls at home have done a super job nursing her along," Cameron said.

Forsman said Love Affair thoroughly deserved a black type victory on her resume.

"It was a good effort. It was a muddling run race and definitely didn't suit her and that's what we were nervous about.

"I said to Matt don't panic, just ride her like she's the best in the race and thankfully her class got her through.

"I am delighted for Waikato Stud. We will just take it one race at a time. She has had a fair bit of racing now this preparation, so we will just keep her ticking over and find suitable races for her."



Waikato Stud will offer a half-sister to Love Affair by Ocean Park at January's New Zealand Bloodstock National Yearling Sales (Lot 349).

The Matamata farm enjoyed a red letter day at Ellerslie with Pink Graffiti winning in their colours while stud graduates Probabeel and O'He Can were also successful and My Pendant, part-owned by Mark Chittick, took her record to two wins from four starts when she won at Moonee Valley.

## MY PENDANT A GEM OF A FILLY

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Progressive filly My Pendant continued her winning way in Melbourne on Saturday with another stylish performance.

Runner-up in her first two appearances, she broke her maiden at Sandown before dealing with better opposition at Moonee Valley.

The three-year-old daughter of Pins is trained for a syndicate that includes Waikato Stud's Mark Chittick by Danny O'Brien.

"She took up from where she left off at Sandown last week," O'Brien said.

"She produced a really paralysing last furlong. She's still doing a bit wrong, running in late, but she's got that ability to really quicken."

O'Brien believes My Pendant has stakes-class ability but could press on for another start this campaign over 1400 metres before turning attention to better-class races next time in.

"We were looking to run her at 1400 today, but the race just wasn't around so we had to stick at 1200 and she obviously had no problems winning again," O'Brien said.

"She will get out to a mile at some stage."

My Pendant is out of a half-sister to the Gr.1 Queensland Oaks winner Miss Keepsake and the Gr.2 Japan-New Zealand Trophy winner Villifye.

It is a family stocked with Group One winners such as Octagonal, Lonhro, Grosvenor, Mahaya and the champion sprinter Lankan Rupee.



BELOW / My Pendant  
Photo credit: John Donegan/  
Racing Photos





## STRONG FAMILY TO FORE

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A family littered with Waikato Stud success stories was again to the fore at Ellerslie on Saturday afternoon.

It came in the impressive form of the Jamie Richards-trained Probabeel, an exciting daughter of Savabeel.

Bred and sold by the Matamata farm, she was untested to win after a narrow defeat on debut.

Probabeel settled off the pace, but when Opie Bosson asked her for an effort she proved far too good.

"She's going to take improvement and hopefully she'll come back here," stable representative Teina Walters said.

"She really kicked away like we thought she would."

The \$12,500 winning stake is now likely to see her into the 2019 Karaka Million field.

A \$380,000 Karaka yearling,

Probabeel is out of the winner and Group performer Far Fetched.

By Pins, she is a half-sister to Group winners Legless Veuve and Tootsie.

The latter is the dam of the home-bred triple Group Two winner Ocean Emperor.

The genuine Pink Graffiti completed a stud double when the Tony Pike-trained mare downed her Rating 65 rivals.

The Ocean Park four-year-old has now won twice from 13 starts and has collected eight minor placings.

Pink Graffiti is a hugely valuable mare as she is a half-sister to dual Group One winners Glamour Puss and Vision And Power.



**BELOW** / Probabeel pictured as a yearling  
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## WS SIRED/SOLD STAKES RUNNERS

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### SATURDAY 8 DECEMBER

#### AOTEA LAD

Savabeel – Corsage

**Gr.2** Wakefield Challenge Stakes, 1100m

Trentham, 2:30 pm (NZT)

#### OCEAN EMPEROR

Zabeel – Tootsie

**Gr.1** Captain Cook Stakes, 1600m

Trentham, 4:50 pm (NZT)

#### SURELY SACRED

Rock 'n' Pop – Not Sure

**Gr.3** Bonecrusher Stakes, 1400m

Ellerslie, 5:50 pm (NZT)

#### CAVALLO VELOCE

O'Reilly – Giant Mystique

**Gr.3** Bonecrusher Stakes, 1400m

Ellerslie, 5:50 pm (NZT)

### SUNDAY 9 DECEMBER

#### BLUE SWEDE

O'Reilly – Hooked Ona Feeling

**Sgp-3** Colonial Chief Stakes, 1600m

Singapore, 10:20 pm (NZT)



## BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT

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### SURELY SACRED

GROUP 3 BONECRUSHER STAKES



**Surely Sacred** / By Rock 'n' Pop from Not Sure

An impressive winner on-debut two weeks back, Surely Sacred will make the step up in class and distance when contesting the Group 3 Bonecrusher Stakes at Ellerslie on Saturday. Leith Innes will go back aboard the Tony Pike trained three-year-old son of Rock 'n' Pop who has drawn barrier eight.

### OCEAN EMPEROR

GROUP 1 CAPTAIN COOK STAKES



**Ocean Emperor** / By Zabeel, from Tootsie

WS-bred 7YO entire Ocean Emperor has won his previous two starts, including a last start win in the WFA Group 2 Tauranga Stakes. He has had three weeks between runs and will line up in tomorrow's Group 1 Captain Cook Stakes over 1600m at Trentham. Rosie Myers will take the ride and he has drawn a touch wide in barrier eleven.

### AOTEA LAD

GROUP 2 WAKEFIELD CHALLENGE STAKES



**Aotea Lad** / By Savabeel from Corsage

Savabeel two-year-old gelding Aotea Lad will make his debut race appearance in the Wakefield Challenge Stakes at Trentham tomorrow following a very tidy trial win at Matamata on the 27th of November. Trained by Te Akau Racing's Jamie Richard's, Aotea Lad will be ridden by trusted stable jockey Opie Bosson from barrier five.

### BLUE SWEDE

SGP- 3 COLONIAL CHIEF STAKES



**Blue Swede** / By O'Reilly from Hooked Ona Feeling

The eight-year-old son of champion sire O'Reilly has enjoyed a successful racing career in Singapore and has been a winner on eight occasions. The Shane Baertschiger trained galloper will look to add further black type to his record when he contests Sunday evening's Sgp-3 Colonial Chief Stakes over 1600m. He has drawn barrier three and will be ridden by familiar jockey Matthew Kellady.



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## TIVACI FOAL PHOTO COMPETITION ENTRIES (CONT'D)

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**TOP (L)** Tivaci – Sitting On A Hill filly. Bred by Chrissy, Judith & Tony Bambrly.

**BELOW (L)** Tivaci - Enide colt. Bred by Trelawney Stud.



**TOP (R)** Tivaci – Pica Pica filly. Bred by Wentwood Grange.

**BELOW** Tivaci – Lady Royale colt. Bred by Hallmark Stud.

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**TOP (L)** Tivaci – Torrid Love colt. Bred by Hallmark Stud.

**BELOW (L)** Tivaci – Elusive Lady filly. Bred by Rupert & Cheryl Legh, Bryan & Christine Dorman and Michael Ramsden.



**TOP (R)** Tivaci – Lady Like colt. Bed by David Toole, Kambula Stud.

**BELOW (R)** Tivaci – Soul Sista colt. Bred by Rupert & Cheryl Legh, Bryan & Christine Dorman and Michael Ramsden.

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**LEFT MIDDLE** Tivaci – Domani Oro filly. Bred by Michelle & Casey Dando, Bradbury Park.

**BELOW (L)** Tivaci – Lucida filly. Bred by Bella Vinci Stud.



**TOP** Tivaci - Adriatico colt. Bred by John Carter (Jomara Bloodstock).

**BELOW (R)** Tivaci filly from Monachee. Bred by PV & PG Mullin Trust.

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## TIVACI FOAL PHOTO COMPETITION ENTRIES (CONT'D)

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**TOP (L)** Tivaci - Syrah colt. Bred by Trelawney Stud.

**LEFT MIDDLE** Tivaci - Inscrutable filly. Bred by Daniel Gangi and Simon Bilalis.



**TOP (R)** Tivaci - Starstripe colt. Bred by Rupert & Cheryl Legh, Michael Ramsden and Bryan & Christine Dorman.

**BELOW** Tivaci - Maphelane filly. Bred by Blandford Lodge.

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## MARK'S MAIL

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Catch up with Mark, WS vet Dr. Chris Phillips and Farm Manager Steve Clark in this week's edition of Mark's Mail.





## GARRY'S CORNER

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