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THE RISING

Ocean Park's hot roll continues as Arrogant comes painfully close to defeating boom colt The Autumn Sun in the Group 1 Rosehill Guineas.

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ARROGANT DISPLAY NEARLY CLAIMS GROUP ONE

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An outstanding effort from Ocean Park's son Arrogant all but earned the colt a memorable Group One victory in Saturday's Rosehill Guineas.

Sent over by Michael Moroney from his and Pam Gerard's Matamata base, he sat in second before going to the front early in the run home.

The hot \$1.30 favourite, The Autumn Sun came at him, but Arrogant was gallant and gave rider Craig Williams his all.

He rallied strongly under pressure and was only just pipped by The Autumn Sun, now a five-time Group One winner. Arrogant earned a trip across the Tasman after finishing fourth in the Gr.1 New Zealand Derby.

He is now likely to head toward the Gr.1 Australian Derby and he's already proved 2400 metres won't faze him.

Bred by Kevin Hickman, Arrogant is out of the O'Reilly mare Charmeuse and was purchased for \$130,000 by Paul Moroney from Valachi Downs' Karaka yearling draft.



BELOW / Arrogant (left) and The Autumn Sun fighting it out in the concluding stages of the Rosehill Guineas.

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PINS MARE LANDS RICCARTON FEATURE

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Genuine mare Residential has gone to another level with victory in Saturday's Gr.3 South Island Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes.

With rider Robert Hannam sporting the Waikato Stud silks, she was sent straight to the front and slipped clear on the turn.

Residential stuck to her task grimly down the long straight and had enough in reserve to claim her fourth Stakes win, and ninth win of her career.

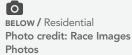
She is trained by John and Karen Parsons, who have done an admirable job with the five-year-old.

"Waikato Stud will be very pleased," Karen Parsons said.

She indicated the pre-race plan hadn't

been to lead - "but he pulled it off."

Residential is a daughter of the late Pins and the stakes winner Metropolitan, a daughter of Elusive City.







OCEAN PARK FILLY ONE TO FOLLOW

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A well-related Ocean Park filly has started her latest campaign in sizzling style with an effort that augurs well for her autumn preparation. With jockey Craig Williams in the Waikato Stud colours, Fabric came from the tail of the field to win impressively at Geelong.

Trainer Danny O'Brien had her primed for success in her first outing for three months.

Fabric's performance was no surprise though, as she had placed in all three of her spring appearances.

The three-year-old is a daughter of the unraced Pins mare Haberdashery.

She is a half-sister to the Gr.1 Queensland Derby winner Lachlan River.

Haberdashery is also the dam of the Listed Oaks Prelude winner Sewreel and a strong black type family.

Further back in the pedigree is the Gr.2 Swettenham Stud Stakes winner French Bid and the Gr.3 Blue Diamond Prelude winner My Flashing Star.



BELOW / Frabric Photo Credit: Reg Ryan/Racing Photos



SAVABEEL FILLY DELIVERS FIRSTS ALL ROUND

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On The White Turf's breakthrough success held particular significance for one member of her large support crew.

The filly is raced by a big syndicate and for Dave Stanley it was his first win as an owner.

The daughter of Savabeel is trained by Richard Freedman and holds a nomination for the Gr.1 Australian Oaks.

Her maiden victory over 1400 metres was a deserved one as she had placed in four of her previous five appearances.

Bred by Waikato Stud, On The White Turf is out of the Pins mare Pins On Ice, who won on three occasions.

All four of her foals to race have now been successful and includes On The White Turf's brother Schopenhauer, a \$450,000 Karaka yearling.

Their dam is a sister to the Gr.2 Avondale Guineas and Gr.3 Taranaki 2YO Classic winner Icepin.

It is also the family of the multiple Group One winner and sire Kinjite.

BELOW / On The White Turf Photo credit: Bradley Photos



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BELOW / Final Savings Photo Credit: Race Images



NICE WINNING TOUCH BY TOP MARE'S SON

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Final Touch was a race mare of the highest order for John and Karen Parsons with three Group One successes and numerous stakes placings. The daughter of Kashani has now made an impact in stage two of her career with her son Final Savings successful at Wingatui on Monday.

By the champion stallion Savabeel, he was co-bred by Waikato Stud and the Parsons, who train the three-yearold.

Final Savings would have been desperately unlucky to be denied as he was held up in the straight before bursting through a gap late.

His younger sister and stablemate Touchabeel also shows promise and has been in the money in all four of her appearances. Their dam is from the family of Mic Mac, who was a dual Group Two winner and twice placed in Group One company.





SAVABEEL COLT WINS IN STYLE

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Hasabro looks set for a lucrative autumn campaign following an effortless victory at Tauranga on Saturday.

While it was the son of Savabeel's first success, the Waikato Stud graduate is highly-regarded by trainer Stephen McKee.

So much so that the Waikato Stud graduate was sent to Melbourne in the spring to try and qualify for the Gr.1 VRC Derby.

That didn't work out and he was brought home to spell and his maiden success showed he has returned in grand order.

"Once he got to the front and got into a rhythm he was fine and won well," stable representative Mathew Faber said.

He revelled in his work at the head of the field and coasted home for a hollow victory.

"He jumped well and rolled along and it was a good, strong win," rider Leith Innes said.

Hasabro was a \$220,000 Karaka purchase from Waikato Stud's 2017 Karaka yearling draft for Go Racing and is out of the Encosta de Lago mare Halloween. He is a brother to the Gr.1 New Zealand 1000 Guineas winner Hasahalo, who didn't have the same luck at Te Aroha.

Also ridden by Innes, she raced in the trail and finished unplaced after being denied a run in the straight

She also runs for Go Racing and was a \$110,000 yearling buy out of Waikato Stud's 2016 Karaka yearling draft.

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SATURDAY 30 MARCH

NORDIC

Ocean Park - Queen Cha Cha **G3** Manawatu Classic, 2000m Awapuni, 1:50 pm (NZT)

BRAWLER Ocean Park - Knockout **G3** Manawatu Classic, 2000m Awapuni, 1:50 pm (NZT)

THE CHOSEN ONE Savabeel - The Glitzy One **G3** Manawatu Classic, 2000m Awapuni, 1:50 pm (NZT)

GOLDEN AGE Savabeel - La Belle Epoque G3 Manawatu Classic, 2000m Awapuni, 1:50 pm (NZT)

THE BANDITO Pins - Reputedly **Listed** Flying Handicap, 1400m Awapuni, 3:40 pm (NZT)

MADISON COUNTY Pins - Red Delicious G2 Tulloch Stakes, 2000m Rosehill, 3:50 pm (NZT)

HANK MOODY Savabeel - Cantante G2 Awapuni Cup, 2000m Awapuni, 4:20 pm (NZT)

KAMADA LINCOLN

Savabeel - Careyes **G2** Awapuni Cup, 2000m Awapuni, 4:20 pm (NZT)

RONDINELLA

Ocean Park - Valpolicella **G1** Tancred Stakes, 2400m Rosehill, 6:30 pm (NZT)

KAONIC

Savabeel - Fast Love **G3** Doncaster Prelude, 1500m Rosehill, 7:10 pm (NZT)

SEAWAY Ocean Park - Miss Purrfection G3 Doncaster Prelude, 1500m Rosehill, 7:10 pm (NZT)

VINACEOUS

Savabeel - Villifye **G3** Western Australian Oaks, 2400m Ascot, 9:40 pm (NZT)



BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT

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RONDINELLA

GROUP 1 TANCRED STAKES



Rondinella / By Ocean Park, from Valpolicella

The four-year-old daughter of Ocean Park will take her biggest test to date when she lines up in tomorrow's \$1.5 million Group 1 Tancred Stakes at Rosehill. She was ultra impressive last time out when third in the Group 1 NZ Stakes behind six-time Group 1 winner Melody Belle and multiple Group 1 winner Danzdanzdance on a severely rain-affected heavy 10 track. With the track conditions improving at Rosehill throughout the week she will hopefully strike a better track and the Roger James / Robert Wellwood training duo will no doubt have her fit and primed for the run.

MADISON COUNTY GROUP 2 TULLOCH STAKES



Madison County / By Pins, from Red Delicious

The dual Group 1 winning son of Pins was unlucky to miss the Rosehill Guineas last weekend after sustaining an injury on the way to the track but he will get his chance to show the Aussies what he's made of when he contests the Group 2 Tulloch Stakes at Rosehill tomorrow. He was last seen running fourth in the Randwick Guineas and showed a dazzling turn of foot to make up a lot of ground late. The Murray Baker / Andrew Forsman trained gelding will jump from barrier 10 with Tommy Berry in the saddle. NORDIC GROUP 3 MANAWATU CLASSIC



Nordic / By Ocean Park, from Queen Cha Cha

The lightly raced three-year-old son of Ocean Park has won one of his five starts but has been extremely consistent, coming second in three starts. He put in a huge run at Te Aroha last start, making up a lot of ground late and should enjoy the step up in trip in tomorrow's Group 3 Manawatu Classic at Awapuni (2000m). Trained by Murray Baker and Andrew Forsman, Nordic has drawn barrier 11 and will be ridden by Johnathan Parkes.

SEAWAY GROUP 3 DONCASTER PRELUDE



Seaway / By Ocean Park, from Miss Purrfection

The five-time winning son of Ocean Park didn't appear to handle the heavy 9 track conditions at Rosehill two weeks back (Ajax Stakes) but will hopefully strike some luck on a better surface in tomorrow's Group 3 Doncaster Prelude. He will no doubt be fitter after having had two starts this prep and champion trainer Chris Waller has secured top jockey Kerrin McEvoy to ride.



AT THE FARM

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Brad Smeele

The WS team had the privilege of meeting and hearing world champion wakeboarder Brad Smeele's story this week.

Brad is a true inspiration and gave us all a timely reminder that - "there's always someone who will appear to have it better than you, and always someone who seems worse-off. So rather than letting your happiness be affected by comparing yourself against others, find happiness within yourself. Rather than getting upset about what you don't have, be grateful for what you do have."

Thank you for sharing your incredible story with our team Brad, we wish you all the best on your (many) future ventures!

For anyone interested in finding out more about Brad's story <u>click here</u>



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TOP (L) Brad and Mark Chittick **TOP (R)** Brad with George and Harry Chittick BELOW Brad with Pippa and Charlie Chittick



MARK'S MAIL

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I'll start by saying wow, how impressive was Arrogant in the Rosehill Guineas last weekend! Congrats to Mike, Pam and everyone who has been involved with him - you have done an incredible job at preparing him and we can't wait to see him line up in the Derby next weekend.

The racing team have been on fire lately and it was terrific to see Residential win the Group 3 South Island Breeders' Stakes last weekend - thanks to John and Karen Parsons who also prepared Final Savings to win on Monday for us.

Fabric was also super impressive at Geelong on Tuesday under the training guidance of Danny O'Brien and our Savabeel filly On The White Turf was top notch on Sunday at Kembla for Richard Freedman. What a week!

All the best to everyone with horses racing in Sydney during the autumn carnival, it's really great to see such an exciting group of Kiwi horses over there. I'm really looking forward to watching Ardrossan who will race in the Star Kingdom Stakes at Rosehill tomorrow, Rondinella who is in the Tancred Stakes and Madison County who will take his place in the Tulloch Stakes.

Have a great weekend everyone!

Cheers Mark





GARRY'S CORNER

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Life is all about choices, as we age choices and interests change. Personally given the choice I would have settled on age 40. You know you still are fit enough to believe everything is possible if you have made some of the right decisions you will be on the cusp of whatever material gains that may be important to you.

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