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Trish Dunell)

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BELOW / Princess Kereru

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His daughters Princess Kereru and Pinmedown did their sire proud on Saturday afternoon while at Wingatui he was also to the fore.

Princess Kereru was an appropriate winner of the Gr.3 Waikato Stud Plate for trainers Ken and Bev Kelso and Mark Donoghue.

The Gr.1 Railway Stakes runner-up turned in a stylish performance for the fifth success of her career.

"She's just a little trooper," Ken Kelso said. "Her form's been great all year and she really deserved that as she hasn't had a lot of luck in the big races.

"It is so important to get that winning black-type to go with that Group One placing.

"She is just the most adorable little horse you've ever come across."

Meanwhile, Pinmedown boosted her Gr.1 New Zealand Oaks prospects with a strong win in the Gr.3 Sunline Vase.

"I think that she's just a very, very good horse," said Pam Gerard, who trains with Mike Moroney.

"I've thought that all along although she's a little accident-prone and doesn't help herself.

"She gets really wound up on race day and when you look at her in the birdcage she's sweating up and you wouldn't have a bar of her.

"She would be one of the toughest horses I've ever come across, she just



throws curveballs at you all the time."

Gerard confirmed Pinmedown, who was bought by Moroney's brother Paul for \$28,000 at Karaka, would run in the Oaks.

"She is tough and gives her all, all of the time," she said.

"On her breeding, I don't think that 2400 metres is a problem, that's why Mike and Paul bought her.

"It's what we have aimed at all along and to get two (stakes wins) along the way is a bonus."

At Wingatui, Emily Margaret crossed the field from a wide gate and was never headed in the Listed NZB

Insurance Stakes.

"We thought we could just grind them all into the ground and that is what she did," co-trainer Kevin Hughes said.

"She was very, very fit and was just too good on the day.

"She seems to have come through the race very well and we will have a look at the Wellington Guineas. The travel doesn't seem to worry her."

PRINCESS KERERU GETS HER ELLERSLIE REWARD

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Matamata raider Princess Kereru gained a well-deserved reward when she snatched victory in a thrilling finish to the Gr.3 Waikato Stud Plate (1200m) at Ellerslie on Saturday.

The Ken & Bev Kelso and Mark Donoghue-trained mare had looked every inch the winner of the Gr.1 Sistema Railway (1200m) at Ellerslie on January 1 before succumbing to the late dive of Santa Monica that day.

The pair tangled again in the Gr.3 Concorde Handicap (1200m) at the same venue later that month with Santa Monica again finishing ahead of her rival when they placed fifth and seventh respectively.

On Saturday the rivalry was renewed once again in dramatic fashion with Princess Kereru coming out on top as she held out the late charge of outsider Ronchi by a nose with Santa Monica a head back in third as the trio fought it out over the final 150m.

Winning jockey Cameron Lammas wasn't sure his charge had held on as the challengers came at him but was delighted when informed of the final result.

"She's as tough as they come and a little warhorse," he said.

"She's pretty quiet really and a lovely ride who gives everything in her races.

"Normally she begins fair but today she jumped good and I got three-back on the fence.

"I went for a tight gap but she's tough and puts her ears back and gives you everything."

Co-trainer Ken Kelso was also quick to pay tribute to the spirit of the five-year-old who has now won six of her 23 career starts.

"She's just a little trooper," he said.

"Her form's been great all year and she really deserved that as she hasn't had a lot of luck in the big races.

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"She is just the most adorable little horse you've ever come across."

Kelso was delighted with the ride by Lammas who has been aboard for three of her six wins.

"That's the way to ride her as she has to be held up and come with that final late sprint," he said.

"I was a bit worried there as I thought Ronchi might have got us.

"We need to win a Group One now but that might be next year."

Kelso will wait to see how Princess Kereru pulls up from her exertions before deciding on her next target although he is mindful of the mare's place in the handicap after the victory as he doesn't want to burden her with excessive weight in races run under handicap conditions. – **NZ Racing Desk**



BELOW / Some of the WS team with Princess Kereru
Photo credit: Race Images Photos



PINMEDOWN ENHANCES OAKS BID WITH ELLERSLIE VICTORY

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A rails-hugging ride by Jake Bayliss paved the way for classy filly Pinmedown to add a second black-type victory at Ellerslie to her record when she scored in the Gr.3 McKee Family Sunline Vas.

The Mike Moroney and Pam Gerard-trained three-year-old had taken out the Gr.2 Eight Carat Classic (1600m) on a Heavy10 surface on Boxing Day, but relished the Good3 track on offer on Saturday afternoon.

Sent out as a \$5.50 favourite in an evenly balanced contest, Pinmedown enjoyed a perfect run in mid-field throughout in a muddling run race. Asked to move into contention nearing the 600m mark Pinmedown soon found herself with a wall of horses in front of her as the challenges came out wider.

Bayliss spied a gap one-off the fence at the 300m mark and when the Pins filly saw clear air, she burst through the gap to dash to the front and defeat Clementina and Savy Yong Blonk, who both closed nicely out wider.

"It was going to be fifty-fifty where we ended up from the gate, but we found ourselves a little handier in mid-field," Bayliss said.

"From there it was just a matter of getting out and giving her a bit of room.

"I thought she was a momentum filly, but she gave a good turn of foot up the straight.

"She ran right through the line, so she is definitely on an Oaks path."

Co-trainer Pam Gerard confirmed that the Gr.1 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai New Zealand Oaks (2400m) at Trentham in a fortnight was a target for her charge although she did admit she would have to keep her fingers crossed that the accident-prone filly could get there in one piece.

"I think that she's just a very very good horse," she said.

"I've thought that all along although she's a little accident-prone and doesn't help herself.

"She gets really wound up raceday and when you look at her in the birdcage she's sweating up and you wouldn't have a bar of her.

"She would be one of the toughest horses I've ever come across, she just throws curveballs at you all the time."

Gerard is keen to see Pinmedown tackle the 2400m of the Oaks journey as she believes she will relish the challenge of the feature event where she is listed as a \$6 third-favourite by TAB Bookmakers.

"She is tough and gives her all, all of the time," she said.

"On her breeding I don't think that (the 2400m distance) is a problem as that is why Mike and Paul bought her.

Pinmedown is the daughter of Oregon mare Alleyway and hails from an extended family that includes two-time Hong Kong Horse of the Year, Ambitious Dragon. She was purchased by Paul Moroney for \$28,000 from the Ardsley Stud draft at the 2017 National Yearling sale. – **NZ Racing Desk**



BELOW / Pinmedown
Photo Credit: Trish Dunell



EMILY MARGARET DOMINATES WINGATUI RIVALS

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A trip north to contest the Gr.2 Norwood Family Wellington Guineas (1400m) at Trentham beckons for multiple stakes-winning filly Emily Margaret after a dominant on-speed victory at Wingatui on Saturday in the Listed NZB Insurance Stakes (1400m).

Ridden by Robert Hannam, the Central Districts rider took luck out of the equation, venturing straight to the front on Emily Margaret from barrier 14 and never looked like being beaten.

The Kevin and Pam Hughes-trained galloper scored by two-and-a-half lengths from Dreamtesta, with northern visitor Naval Fleet landing some black-type in finishing a long

neck away in third.

"I was very, very pleased with her and Robbie did a great job," Hughes said

"We thought we could just grind them all into the ground and that is what she did.

"She was very, very fit and was just too good on the day."

Hughes said he was not sure what the strength of the Wellington Guineas field would be but he was keen to give his filly a chance at adding a Group Two to her record.

"She seems to have come through the race very well and we will have a look at the Wellington Guineas. The travel doesn't seem to worry her," Hughes said.

Emily Margaret has had an extensive three-year-old preparation, which started back in September with victory in the Listed Canterbury Belle Stakes (1200m), a leg of the NZB Southern Filly Of The Year Series.

Saturday's contest was the second leg of the series, meaning the daughter of Pins has the maximum points, with the next leg being the Listed NZB Airfreight Stakes (1600m) at Riccarton on April 6.

"I think 1400m is her pet distance," Hughes said.

"You might get away with a mile as a three-year-old. If she had someone like Robbie riding, she could steal a mile race, so we might do that third leg, we'll just see what happens at Wellington." – **NZ Racing Desk**



BELOW / Emily Margaret
Photo credit: Wild Range Photography



RESIDENTIAL TOO GOOD ONCE AGAIN

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Pins five-year-old Residential will be a valuable addition to the Waikato Stud broodmare band when her time comes.

She is a multiple stakes winner and at Wingatui on Saturday took her career winning tally to eight.

Trained by John and Karen Parsons, the mare made short work of her open class rivals in the hands of Tina Comignaghi.

The dual Listed winner of the Southland Guineas and NZB Insurance Stakes at three, Residential is a daughter of Metropolitan.

The Elusive City mare was herself a two-time black-type winner and all three of her foals to race have been successful.

They hail from the Group One winning family of Ajasco, Silver Liner, Petrava and Hoeberg.



BELOW / Residential
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Photos



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

Ocean Park

SERVICE FEE: TBC

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 1 yearlings sold for up to \$220,000 and averaged nearly \$100,000

Athletic anatomy

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

Proven sire capabilities

His 9 Stakes performers include Ocean Jewel, Another Dollar, Rondinella, Arrogant, Pretty to Sea, Seaway, Mongolianconqueror, Ocean's Fourteen and Dancer's Kin

Freakish stride length

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



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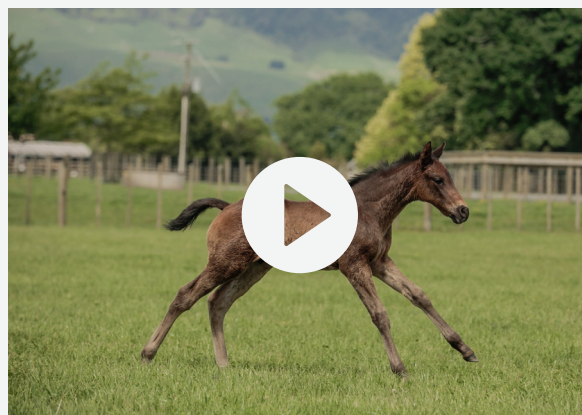


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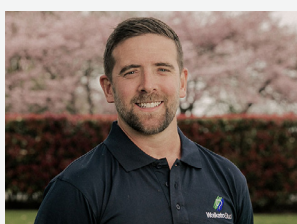
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FRIDAY 8 MARCH

THE LORD MAYOR

Rock 'n' Pop – Soph

Gr.3 Newmarket Handicap, 1400m
Newcastle, 7:35 pm (NZT)

MADISON COUNTY

Pins – Red Delicious

Gr.1 Randwick Guineas, 1600m
Randwick, 6:20 pm (NZT)

PURPLE SECTOR

Pins – Eden Valley

Gr.1 Randwick Guineas, 1600m
Randwick, 6:20 pm (NZT)

AOTEA LAD

Savabeel – Corsage

Gr.1 Sistema Stakes, 1200m
Ellerslie, 4:15 pm (NZT)

SHILLELAGH

Savabeel – Trocair

Gr.1 Australian Cup, 2000m
Flemington, 6:35 pm (NZT)

RONDINELLA

Ocean Park – Valpolicella

Gr.1 Bonecrusher NZ Stakes, 2000m
Ellerslie, 4:50 pm (NZT)

OCEANEX

Ocean Park – Danex

Gr.3 Aspiration Handicap, 1600m
Randwick, 7:00 pm (NZT)

TIPTRONIC

O'Reilly – Tiptoes

Gr.1 Bonecrusher NZ Stakes, 2000m
Ellerslie, 4:50 pm (NZT)

PRINCE JABEEL

Savabeel – J'Adane

Gr.1 Auckland Cup, 3200m
Ellerslie, 5:27 pm (NZT)

KAMADA LINCOLN

Savabeel – Careyes

Gr.1 Auckland Cup, 3200m
Ellerslie, 5:27 pm (NZT)

BRUTAL

O'Reilly – Alberton Princess

Gr.1 Canterbury Stakes, 1300m
Randwick, 5:35 pm (NZT)

BLACK TYPE SPOTLIGHT

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RONDINELLA

GROUP 1 BONECRUSHER STAKES



Rondinella / By Ocean Park, from Valpolicella

Talented Ocean Park mare Rondinella was second in the Listed Kaimai Stakes last time to the races and the brave mare didn't go down without a fight, being beaten by only a nose by 2018 Gr.1 NZ Derby winner Vin De Dance. The James / Wellwood trained mare was faced with less than ideal conditions, running on a heavy track and was wide the entire trip but was still able to produce her famous electric turn of foot to add black-type to her record. She will have her work cut out for her tomorrow, taking on 8 Group 1 winners so needless to say, her class will be tested to the limit. Regular jockey Vinnie Colgan will go aboard and she has drawn well in barrier 3.

BRUTAL

GROUP 1 CANTERBURY STAKES



Brutal / By O'Reilly, from Alberton Princess

Exciting three-year-old O'Reilly colt Brutal was third in the Gr.3 Southern Cross Stakes last time to the races and was unfortunately caught wide after jumping slowly from a wide gate. He hit the line strongly, suggesting the step up from 1200m to 1300m would be suitable and the Team Hawkes trained colt has drawn much better this week in barrier 1. Team Hawkes have opted to put Kerrin McEvoy on this start (Brenton Avdulla rode last start) and the star three-year-old will be looking to add a third Stakes win to his resume.

MADISON COUNTY

GROUP 1 RANDWICK GUINEAS



Madison County / By Pins, from Red Delicious

The dual Group 1 winning son of Pins was last seen at the races when third in the \$1 million Karaka 3YO Mile and unfortunately missed the Gr.1 Herbie Dyke Stakes due to a pending sale (which subsequently fell through). The Baker / Forsman trained three-year-old has won both of his Group 1's over this distance (1600m) so poses a great threat to his rivals, especially considering he has drawn well in barrier 3 and top jockey Tommy Berry is booked to ride.

OCEANEX

GROUP 3 ASPIRATION HANDICAP



Oceanex / By Ocean Park, from Danex

Exciting Mick Price-trained three-year-old Ocean Park filly Oceanex is first up after a short freshen and is coming off a winning streak which has seen her win her last three starts. Her ability was tested last time to the races where she sat three wide the entire trip and was able to produce a barnstorming finish from the tail of the field. She has won over this distance (1600m) and has had a couple of trials leading into the run so should be fit and ready for the test. She has drawn well in barrier 2 and Glyn Schofield is booked to ride.

MARK'S MAIL

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Catch up with Mark Chittick in this week's edition of Mark's Mail.

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GARRY'S CORNER

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This is a difficult corner to put together, after attending the Derby Day, a day out Mary and I enjoyed, but the only slight blight on the day was the scuttle buck about current administrators and or which direction the industry should choose.



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