

# WAIKATO STUD NEWSLETTER





# PROBABEEL REIGNS SUPREME IN EPSOM COX PLATE NEXT

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FURTHER  
EMPHASISED HER  
STAR QUALITIES  
WITH A STUNNING  
VICTORY IN  
THE G1 EPSOM  
HANDICAP AT  
RANDWICK ON  
OCTOBER 3



Probabeel (Savabeel x Far Fetched)

The outstanding daughter of Savabeel powered down the middle of the track to win the time-honoured mile and the eighth win of her distinguished career.

"Probabeel has had a wonderful preparation and

nothing to worry about and that's the difference between winning and getting beaten," trainer Jamie Richards said.

"So much planning and thought went into getting her into the race with the right weight, very much like the old

school trainers used to do. Just like Colin Jillings, Dave O'Sullivan and Jim Gibbs, the true legends of New Zealand racing."

Successful in last season's G1 Surround S. at Randwick, Probabeel had won G3 Bill Ritchie in her previous appearance to emphasise her readiness for the Epsom.

"She loves this track and she loves the mile. The team has done a great job with handling her and with

Melody Belle winning the Group 1 at home it's been a great day," said Richards' Sydney representative Craig Thornton, a former top-class jumps jockey.

"She's had a trouble-free run and she's just a gorgeous mare

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and a pleasure to do anything with. We’ll see how she comes through this, but they may look at Melbourne now.”

The G1 Cox Plate is now the confirmed target for the valuable mare, who has won more than A\$2.3 million.

Probabeel had a wide barrier to deal with in the Epsom, but with a gun ride from Kerrin McEvoy she proved too good.

“She’s been pleasing us all the way through the preparation. She flew the lids and we were a bit closer than I initially thought we’d be. We had partial cover for most of the race and got snaffled out of a spot when we bunched up at the 1000 metres,” McEvoy said.

“She showed her true grit there, she really picked up well for me, and I knew that if I could just have a conservative run through the first part she was going to be really strong for me with no weight on her



back and that is exactly what she was able to do.

“I thought straight away at the top of the lane that I had Bossy’s (Glen Boss) measure on Funstar.”

A \$380,000 Karaka purchase by David Ellis and now owned by Cambridge Stud, Probabeel is a true kiwi victory.

She a daughter of the Pins mare Far Fetched, who is a three-quarter sister to the G2 Thousand Guineas Prelude winner Legless Veuve and the G3 Mannerism S. winner Tootise, dam of the three-time Group 2 winner Ocean Emperor.



## **PROBABEEL**

**\$1 million G1 Epsom Handicap**

G1 Surround Stakes

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# OCEAN PARK MARE IN THE EVEREST

Tofane has earned herself a crack at the world's richest race on turf



Tofane (Ocean Park x Baggy Green)

## Ocean Park 5-year-old Tofane to run for Yulong Investments in the AU\$15 million The Everest at Randwick on Saturday

Agreement was reached between the connections of Tofane and the high-profile Victorian breeding and racing operation following the mare's resuming run for third in the G2 Bobbie Lewis Quality.

"It's a big thrill for us to partner with Yulong on this," trainer Michael Moroney said. "I

was more than satisfied with her effort on Saturday under the circumstances.

"She had topweight, the race wasn't really run to suit so I thought for her to be beaten under 0.5l was an excellent run."

Tofane has won five of her fifteen starts, including a deserved G1 All Aged S. victory following a brace of Group 3 successes, and more than AU\$820,000.

"She won the All Aged S. at Randwick in April after good efforts in G1 The Galaxy and the G1 TJ Smith S. and she beat Gytrash home over 1200 metres in Adelaide last year so she deserves a crack at a race like The Everest," Moroney said.

# Q&A

## WITH ANDREW JACKSON

### What does a typical day at work look like for you?

I am the Breeding Barn Manager. A typical day starts about 5:45am at the breeding barn. Organising the paperwork and co-ordinating the order of the breeding's. We breed at 6am, 11am, 4pm and 8:30pm.

I am also the Wet Mare Manager, so I organise all the mares for vet work in the mornings.

### How is Super Seth settling into stallion duties?

Super Seth has taken to his new role like an old pro - and he's loving it!

### Most exciting mare sent to Super Seth to date

His most exciting mare is Bonneval, which he will serve this week.

### Favourite resident stallion and why

Savabeel is my favourite. Right from day one he has been a champ. He is unbelievably intelligent and just so laid back. He stamped his foals right from the start, which is always a good sign.

### What's something you find challenging about your role?

A challenging part of my role is to keep the breeding barn running like clockwork. Making sure the right mare goes to the right horse and co-ordinating not only our own mares, but the walk-ins from other farms.



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Andrew Jackson



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**Favourite memory working for Waikato Stud**

One favourite memory was when Daffodil won the Oaks in Sydney and the after party!!!

**Favourite holiday destination**

Paihia and Randwick Races!

**Do you have any hidden talents or hobbies?**

Not really a hidden talent, but I'm quick with a 'dad joke'.

**Are you a coffee or tea person?**

Coffee person.

**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

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Super Seth

# GRADUATES IN FRAME FOR RICCARTON CLASSICS

**The Waikato Stud-bred and raced Cornflower Blue remains very much in the picture for next month's G1 Barneswood Farm New Zealand 1000 Guineas.**



Cornflower Blue (Savabeel x Tiffany Yellow)

The Savabeel filly blotted her copybook last time out when a beaten favourite in the Listed New Zealand Bloodstock Canterbury Belle S., in which she finished fourth after covering ground from a wide barrier.

Matamata trainer Jamie Richards revealed the filly had, like a number of other runners on the day, been touched up by the hard nature of the track.

"I think Cornflower Blue just found it a bit firm at Riccarton," Richards said. "A number of runners that pulled up pretty scratchy in their action and I don't think we were the only stable to do that.

"Hopefully, we don't run into that sort of firm track again down there through the carnival.

"She seems to be okay now and she'll head to Ashburton for the G3 Barneswood Farm Stakes next and back around a corner and

with a little bit of moisture in the track she should be a chance."

Cornflower Blue has had to be taken along with patience and made only one appearance last season, finishing runner-up behind her talented stablemate Need I Say More, a subsequent multiple Group winner, on her home track.

"She had a small stress fracture in her cannon bone and needed a good, long break after her debut run in February and thankfully the Waikato Stud team, Dr Chris Phillips, Kerrie Cox and Sam McLeish, along with our vet Ronan Costello, gave her plenty of time to get over that and it's all in front of her now," Richards said.

"It's nice to have another really good filly in the stable for Mark and Pippa Chittick



and Garry and Mary Chittick so we are looking forward to the future with her.”

Cornflower Blue, also nominated for the G1 NZ 2000 Guineas, returned from her enforced break to win trials at Te Rapa and Te Teko and was then dazzling in her 3-year-old debut, careering away to win by a widening 6l to seal a trip south for the Riccarton classic. She is a daughter of the winning O'Reilly mare Tiffany Yellow, who is a sister to the G3 Concorde Handicap winner Mosse.

They are out of Golden Sparkle, a full-sibling to the former New Zealand Broodmare of the Year Parfore, who has produced the Group 1 winners Tiger Tees and Terravista, the

multiple Group 2 winner Ball Of Muscle and the former Singapore Horse of the Year Super Easy.

The G1 Manawatu Sires' Produce Stakes winner Il Quello Veloce also features on Cornflower Blue's pedigree page.

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Cornflower Blue is currently sharing the fourth line of betting for the 1000 Guineas at \$12 and also in the running for the feature is another daughter of Savabeel in Helsinki.

The Waikato Stud-bred filly was a \$525,000 purchase from Book 1 of last year's National Yearling Sales and is from an unraced three-quarter sister to the ill-fated sire Sacred Falls, whose highlight of his New Zealand wins before being a three time Group 1 winner from Chris Waller's stable was victory in the 2012 G1 New Zealand 2000 Guineas.

Helsinki was second on debut last season before finishing eighth in the Karaka Million after an interrupted run. She was runner-up when resuming this term at Te Rapa when her chances weren't helped by interference in the run home.

“She was unlucky not to win fresh-up. She got knocked around a bit and did well for second,” co-trainer Peter William said.



Atishu [Savabeel x Posy]

Another Waikato Stud homebred in the frame for the Guineas is Sacred Falls' daughter Waimoku Falls from the stable of Stephen McKee.

She was an impressive debut winner at Tauranga for Go Racing, who paid \$140,000 for her at Karaka. She is a daughter of the unraced Savabeel mare Honolulu, also the dam of Rellson who was Group placed in Hong Kong and as Sacred Capital has won three times at Listed level in Macau.

Honolulu is a half-sister to the four-time Group 1 winner and producer Alamosa and the family of the G1 Schweppes Oaks winner Lights of Heaven and Dal Cielo, successful in the G1 Diamond Stakes.

Also holding nominations for the 2000 and 1000 Guineas is Stephen Marsh's Atishu, also owned by Go Racing. She has placed in all three appearances, including a runner-up finish in the Listed Wanganui Guineas.

Atishu was a \$260,000 purchase at Karaka and is a daughter of Posy, a sister to the Chittick family's three-time Group 1 winner Daffodil and the family of the G1 Ellerslie Sires' Produce Stakes winner Good Faith.

Another graduate of the Chittick family's Matamata farm is Aegon, a son of Sacred Falls who won the G3 Hawke's Bay Guineas to power into 2000 Guineas contention.

Co-trainer Andrew Forsman signed the ticket at \$150,000 at Karaka to purchase Aegon, who is a son of the Zabeel mare Toss Up and she has a 100 per cent record at stud with all four foals to race successful.

The pedigree page also features Daffodil and Good Faith, who produced the G3 McNeil S. winner Tully Dane.



Waimoku Falls (Sacred Falls x Honolulu)



# MO'UNGA

## AN OUTSTANDING PROSPECT



**Chris Waller has a high opinion of Mo'unga and it's easy to see why. The Waikato Stud graduate handled a steep rise in class with aplomb when the Savabeel colt overcame an interrupted run to bolt away with the Listed Dulcify Quality on September 12**

The colt settled second last from a tricky gate and improved to be in the hunt on straightening, but stuck in behind runners.

Mo'unga shouldered his way into the clear 200 metres from home under rider James McDonald and then powered clear to keep his unbeaten record intact.

"He beat some decent horses and came through them like a real professional. It was like Lonhro bursting through with the white socks," Waller said.

"He's an up and coming horse and he's still six months away – he'll be something really special in six months.

"He's got a great future."

Mo'unga tackled the Caulfield Guineas last Saturday under Damien Oliver, and gave a massive effort in his first Group 1 assignment.

Bred by Waikato Stud, Mo'unga was purchased out of their draft at Karaka in 2019 by Aquis for \$325,000 and is out of the winning O'Reilly mare Chandelier, who also finished runner-up in the G3 Lowland Stakes.

She is a sister to the G2 Auckland Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes winner Irlanda and the family of the G1 Auckland Cup winner Chenille and the G2 Rich Hill Mile winner Chintz, whose son Not An Option was successful in last season's G2 Wakefield Challenge Stakes.



Mo'unga (Savabeel x Chandelier)

Ardrossan x Dolce Amore – The dam of this filly is a half-sister to Group 1 winner Irish Fling.



Savabeel x Chandelier - This colt is a half-brother to 3YO Mo'unga, who recently earned himself black type status after taking out the Listed Dulcify Stakes.



# FOAL FEATURE!

Sacred Falls x Miss Bling – This filly is a half-sister to Group 2 winner My Gold Bracelet. The dam is a half-sister to four-time Hong Kong Group 1 winner Beauty Flash.





# FOAL FEATURE!



**Ardrossan x Elfin** – This colt is the first produce out of Elfin and is from a good winning family.



**Savabeel x Vogue** – This filly is a half-sister to stakes placed Magazine. The grand-dam, Glamour Puss, was a two-time Group 1 winner.



**Savabeel x Snowdrop** – The dam of this filly was a six-time winner. The grand-dam, Daffodil, was a NZ Champion 3YO and was a three-time Group 1 winner, including the ATC Oaks.



**Ocean Park x Joy** – The dam of this colt has three named foals. Two have raced, and both have been winners. The grand-dam, Gio, is related to Group 1 winner Glamour Puss and Group 2 winners Rare Insight and Vison and Power.



# WALLER DOMINATES GROUP 1 WITH OCEAN PARK'S SONS

**Chris Waller is a major fan and supporter of Ocean Park and his admiration for the Waikato Stud resident was further boosted after the G1 George Main Stakes at Randwick on September 19**



KOLDING Ocean Park x Magic Star

The champion trainer quinellaed the feature with Ocean Park's sons Kolding, already the winner of the G1 Epsom Handicap and Golden Eagle, and multiple top-flight placegetter Star Of The Seas.

"He's bounced back after two runs and in my mind if things don't go your way you don't panic. We stuck to a plan with him and try and make things unfold and all four horses went well."

Waller said Kolding had reasons for his below par form since his Epsom and Golden Eagle victories of last preparation.

"To be fair, it's the first time he's been right-handed with a good draw and a good track. First-up it was too wet, he has to have a decent track."

Kolding was quickly into stride to sit in second spot and he fought strongly to the line to hold out Star Of The Seas.

"The dry track was a big help to him and Chris has nursed him back to his best form. He's usually better ridden with a bit of cover, but how it mapped he was always going to end up outside Dreamforce," successful rider Tommy Berry said.

"He settled really well for me and gave him a chance to finish off strongly. It was a great training effort and a tough run by the horse.

"I think 1400 to 1500 metres is bang on for him. He is an honest and tough horse and great to see him back in top form.

"I couldn't sleep and about 2am I went back and watched his Epsom and Golden Eagle wins and he was the best horse in Australia at that stage. He only had to return to that sort of form and he was going to be hard to beat."





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West Wind (Pins x Zephyr Song)

# WIND BLOWS CRANBOURNE RIVALS AWAY

**West Wind continued on her winning way at Cranbourne on October 9, with another dominant performance**

The Waikato Stud-bred and raced daughter of Pins went back-to-back with success over 2025 metres in the Pinker Pinker Plate.

West Wind had won her previous start for trainers Ciaran Maher and David Eustace over a middle distance and it seems only a matter of time before she is given the opportunity to add black type to her record.

She has now won five of her 10 starts and has proved herself to be versatile as far as track conditions go with winning performances on top of the ground and on rain-affected surfaces.

West Wind is a sister to the G3 Eulogy Stakes winner Whistling Dixie and the winner and G2 Sir Tristram Fillies' Classic runner-up Mark Two.

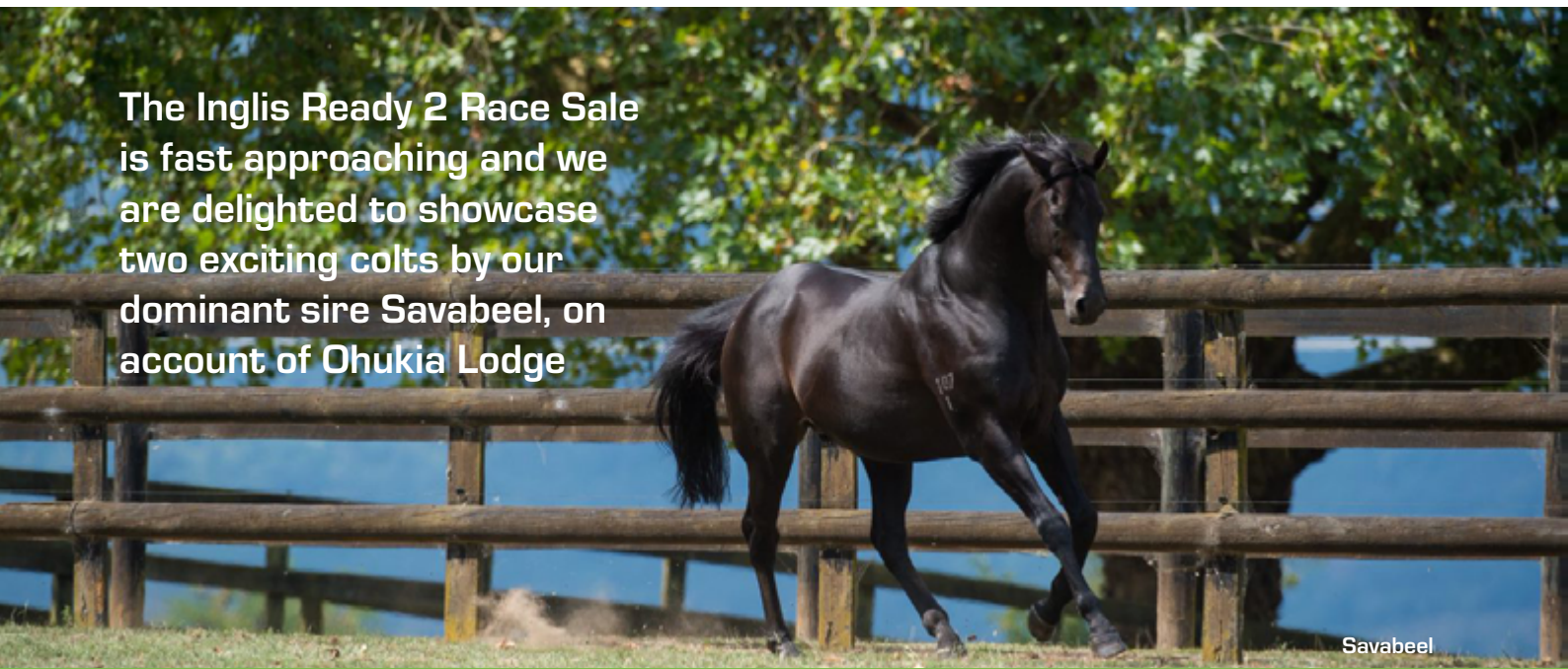
A half-brother Atmosphere, a son of Savabeel, won the Listed UCI Stakes and as Victory Magic finished runner-up in the G1 Champions & Chater Cup in Hong Kong.

Zephyr Song is a half-sister to the two-time Group 2 winner Glenview and she is the dam of the G1 South African Derby winner Timber Trader.



# READY **2** RACE SALE

The Inglis Ready 2 Race Sale is fast approaching and we are delighted to showcase two exciting colts by our dominant sire Savabeel, on account of Ohukia Lodge



Savabeel

## LOT 81

A bay colt by our six-time Champion sire Savabeel out of the two-time winning No Excuse Needed mare, Posy. Posy is a full sister to former Champion filly and multiple Group 1 winner, Daffodil.

This colt is a full brother to two-time winner Hurricane Fighter, and stakes-placed 3YO filly Atishu.



Savabeel x Posy

## LOT 117

A brown colt by Savabeel, the sire of over 100 stakes winners, including 20 Group 1 winners. This colt is out of the sprint winning O'Reilly mare Simply You, who is a three-quarter sister to Group 2 Stan Fox Stakes winner Rare Insight. Rare Insight is the dam of Group 1 Coolmore Classic winner Steps In Time. The grand-dam of this colt is dual Group 1 winner Glamour Puss.



Savabeel x Simply You



# STUD RESIDENTS HOT IN AUSTRALIA

The progeny of Savabeel and Ocean Park have made significant impacts in Australia already this season with respective representatives Probabeel and Kolding posting top-flight wins.

Savabeel is currently fifth on the Australian General Sires' Premiership with Probabeel his flagship runner following the homebred's impressive victory in the G1 Epsom Handicap and the 4-year-old is now a major G1 Cox Plate contender.

Listed winners Mo'unga and Savacool have been other Savabeel representatives to keep Savabeel's tally ticking over nicely in Australia.

Kolding was successful in last season's Epsom and also the Golden Eagle and this term he has quickly found top form for trainer Chris Waller.

High Emocean has been another top performer for Ocean Park with a recent victory in the Listed RM Ansett Classic at Mornington.

The Ciaron Maher and David Eustace-trained 4-year-old took her record to five wins from 11 starts when she came from the back of the field to win the distance feature in a canter.





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# GARRY'S CORNER



Garry Chittick

**I was always told if you want to remain friends you never raise the issues of politics or religion. Well, I will give God a miss**

but this may be the last opportunity to acknowledge Winston Peters support for racing. According to the polls, he is lucky enough to collect his well-earned pension whilst catching flounder off the beach in front of his home.

To be fair Winston has been a long-term consistent supporter of racing. I say that because we have had

a number of politicians who close to elections suddenly show up at the races.

Never mind, I have consistently said racing's problems have in recent years been racing created. We all know where we were financially ten years ago, reserves of 75 million and freehold assets.

We now have 45 million owed to the bank, after a Government bailout required to meet outstanding current commitments. No handout and we were stuffed.

How did this happen? This is a cash business, and yet our management allowed this to happen.

Remarkable, our chairperson was required to be independent, as were three other board members. In their wisdom they anointed a chief executive, also with no knowledge of how our industry functions.

I know you are tired of me dragging the old arguments out but there is a common thread to this debacle, introducing people unsuited to the role required of them. You don't believe me? Read the annual reports. But of course, current accounts are still unavailable. I wonder why?

Gallop South attempted to reintroduce some coal face representation to NZTR. Their proposal was never going to be supported with a return to



total regional representation. However, when 32 of our 52 Clubs supported some change then I would have, had I been chairman, recognised as a board something needed to be addressed.

Well, hallelujah, our members council have ordained clubs with three or less race dates will have a subcommittee to report to the members council. Who in turn, if they feel it

you should, you would need to be a super person to qualify.

Ironically you will be far more qualified than the council sitting in judgement of you. More importantly, our remaining three board members if required to reapply would not make the cut.

I have just read where an analysis of the use of big words is more often than not

abundance, what's to worry about? Not a lot except if we believe our fellow breeders then a further decline in the number of mares mated seems obvious.

This unfortunately appears to be universal, with USA mating's of 20,000 represent 40% of mares mated at their peak.

Spring racing in Australia is as always great. Just no spectators.

Sales throughout the world are mixed with huge money paid for some, oil may have something to do with that.

Darley were responsible for 25% of Tattersalls aggregate. I have no doubt there was a great deal of other oil funding a number of the horses Darley did not require.

Clearance rates are mixed, to be expected.

This of course leads to Karaka. It's hard to know how it will work out. Clearly if as appears likely we still have Covid restrictions, then it will be very disappointing. Personally, I would have taken the punt on a later date but who knows.

For all that the exciting three-year-old in Australia Ole Kirk will contemplate offers over \$50 million. Not sure how much over, just as well we will always have the world's best terroir to rear the animal.

Cheers G,  
Garry Chittick



warrants further attention, may reach the board table.

At Matamata on Saturday probably their strongest board member said, "What about us?"

Well what about them?

We live in an unusual world. If you read the original advertised requirements to offer yourself to the scrutiny of our members council, and

a front for little knowledge. Don't believe me? Read the Sunday Star Times.

Who cares? Well the anointed runners of our code clearly place great credence on the above. Common sense may interfere with the direction of those who have no history of the coal face. Good Luck.

And so, to season, the weather is great. The grass on which our reputation is based is in