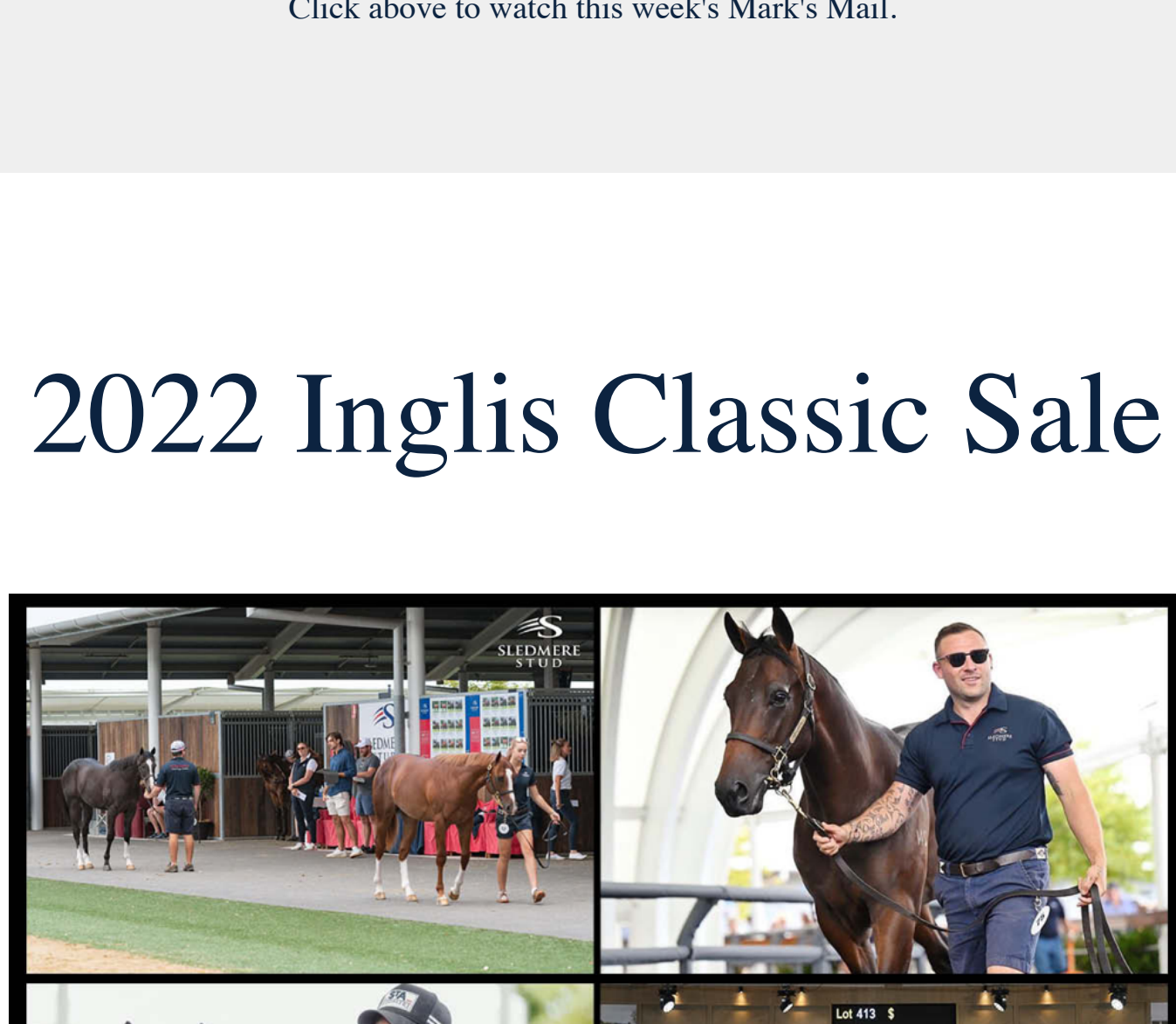


Waikato Weekly

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ALL THE LATEST NEWS THIS WEEK FROM WAIKATO STUD

Mark's Mail

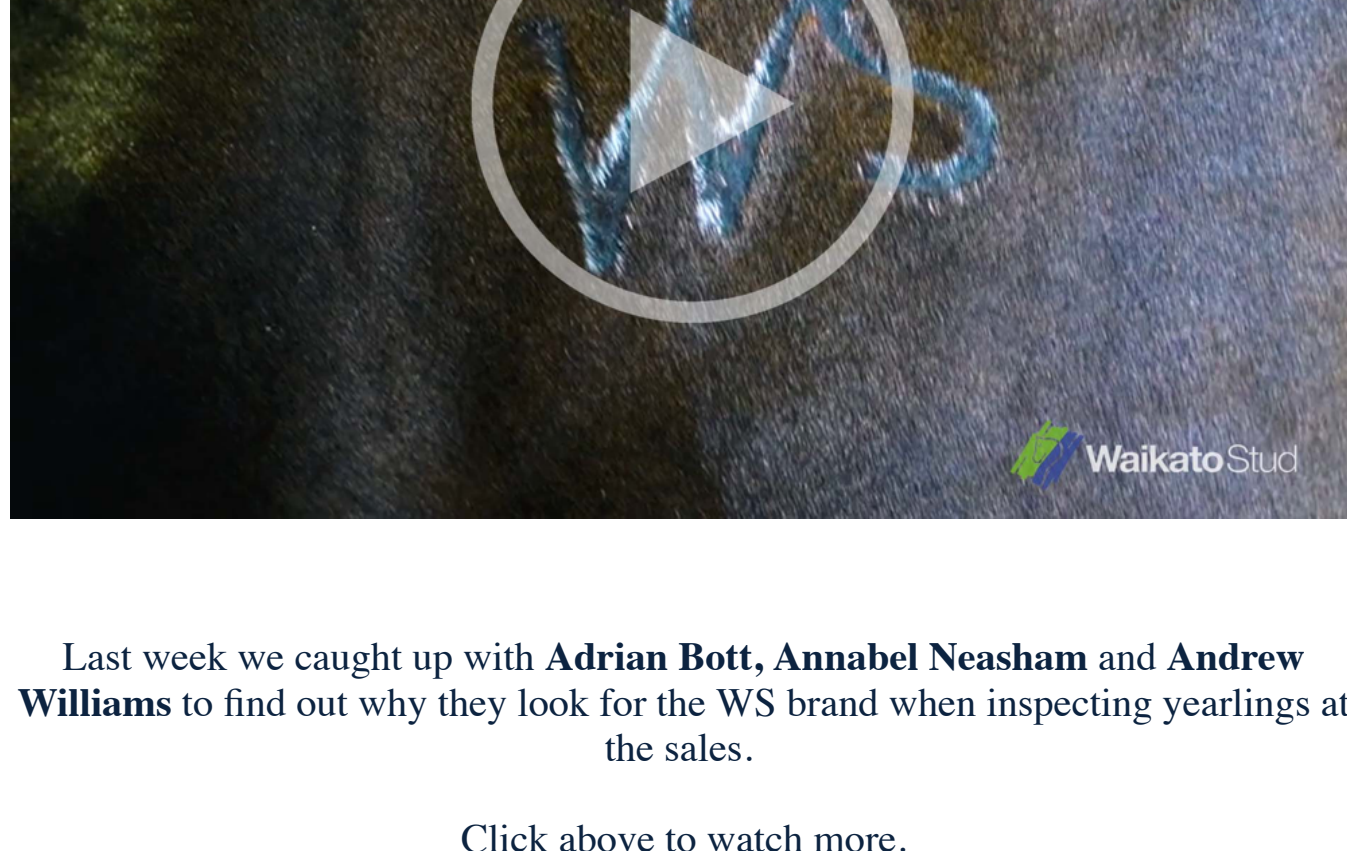


The past few weeks have been a mix of awesome, challenging and full on! We've had yearling photo and video shoots, as well as parades, with other areas of the farm in the middle of foal handling and weaning. In between all this, we watched our draft of six go through Sledmere Stud's Inglis Classic Sale draft, of which we were very happy with the results.

We also visited 11 **Ardrossan** breakers out at Riversley Farm, run by Sam Beatson. The video attached will speak for itself, but we were all very impressed with how similar all the horses were and how athletically they all moved.

[Click above to watch this week's Mark's Mail.](#)

2022 Inglis Classic Sale



The 2022 Inglis Classic Sale in Sydney was extremely strong, with records being broken throughout. WS had some great results, with the average for our six lots being AU\$225k. Our top-selling colt was **Savabeel x Miracle Miss**, who attracted a lot of attention throughout the sale making AU\$320k. Out of the Group 3-placed **O'Reilly** mare, he caught the eye of legendary trainers Gai Waterhouse & Adrian Bott.

The two **Tivaci** colts out of **Savabeel** mares **Popular** and **Touting**, sold exceptionally well, making AU\$280k and AU\$250k respectively. Sacred Falls sold well at the sale, with the **Believe You Me** colt making AU\$50k, whilst another offered by Leigh Hawkins reached AU\$125k. The strong **Ocean Park x Genius** filly sold to Jason Abrahams of Champion Thoroughbreds and trainer John O'Shea for AU\$210k, while our last to go through the ring, the athletic **Savabeel x Got It** colt, made AU\$240k.

It was also an exciting time watching the first **Ardrossan** go through the ring on behalf of Lime Country, bred by James Chapman of Jaimeson Park. The cracking filly out of **Snowdonia** made an impressive AU\$170k.

We are very pleased with the job the team at Sledmere Stud did presenting these yearlings for sale, and we are now looking forward to our Inglis Melbourne Premier Sale draft going through at the end of the month.

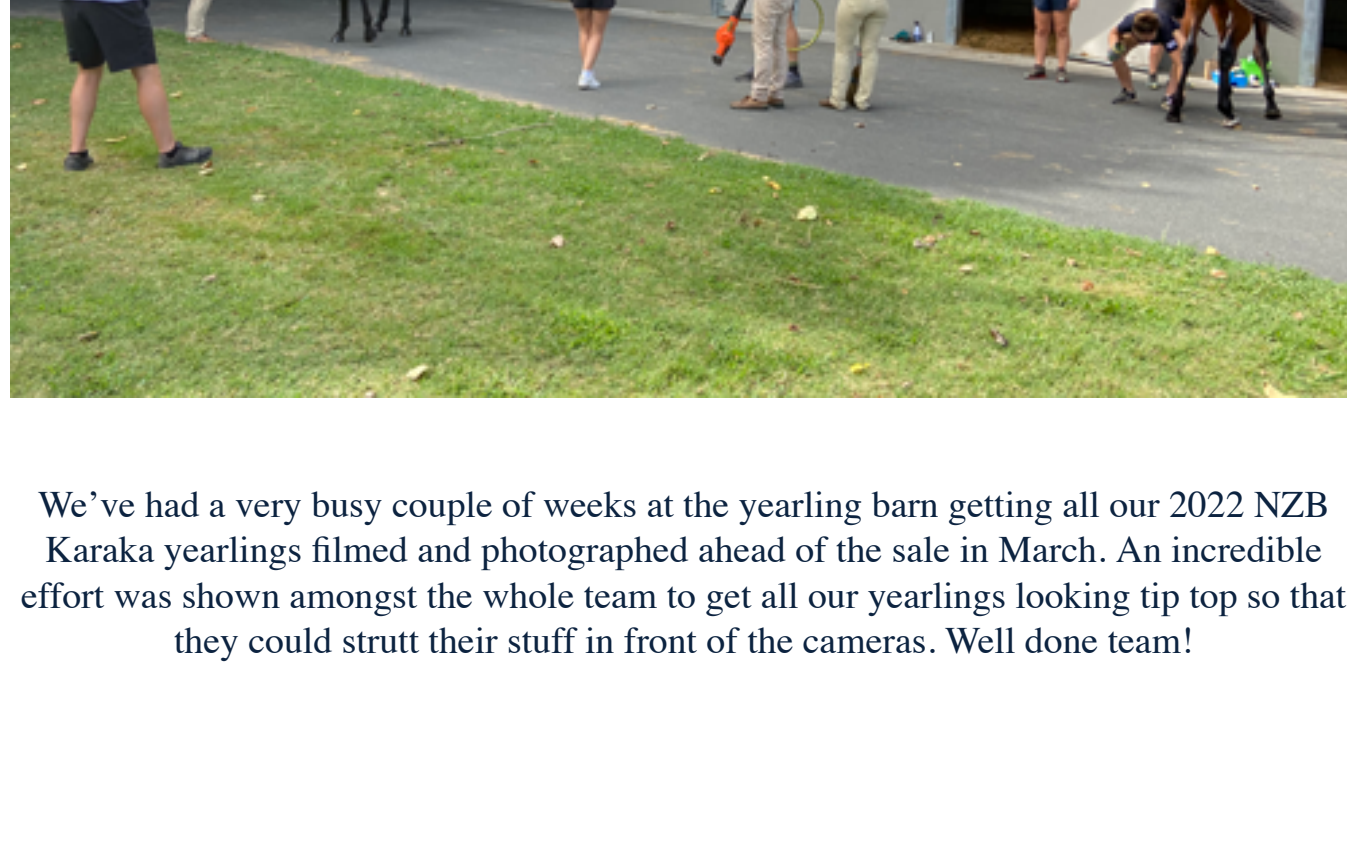
Look for the WS



Last week we caught up with **Adrian Bott**, **Annabel Neasham** and **Andrew Williams** to find out why they look for the WS brand when inspecting yearlings at the sales.

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WINNER'S CELEBRATION



Hasabro (2015 Savabeel x Halloween gelding)

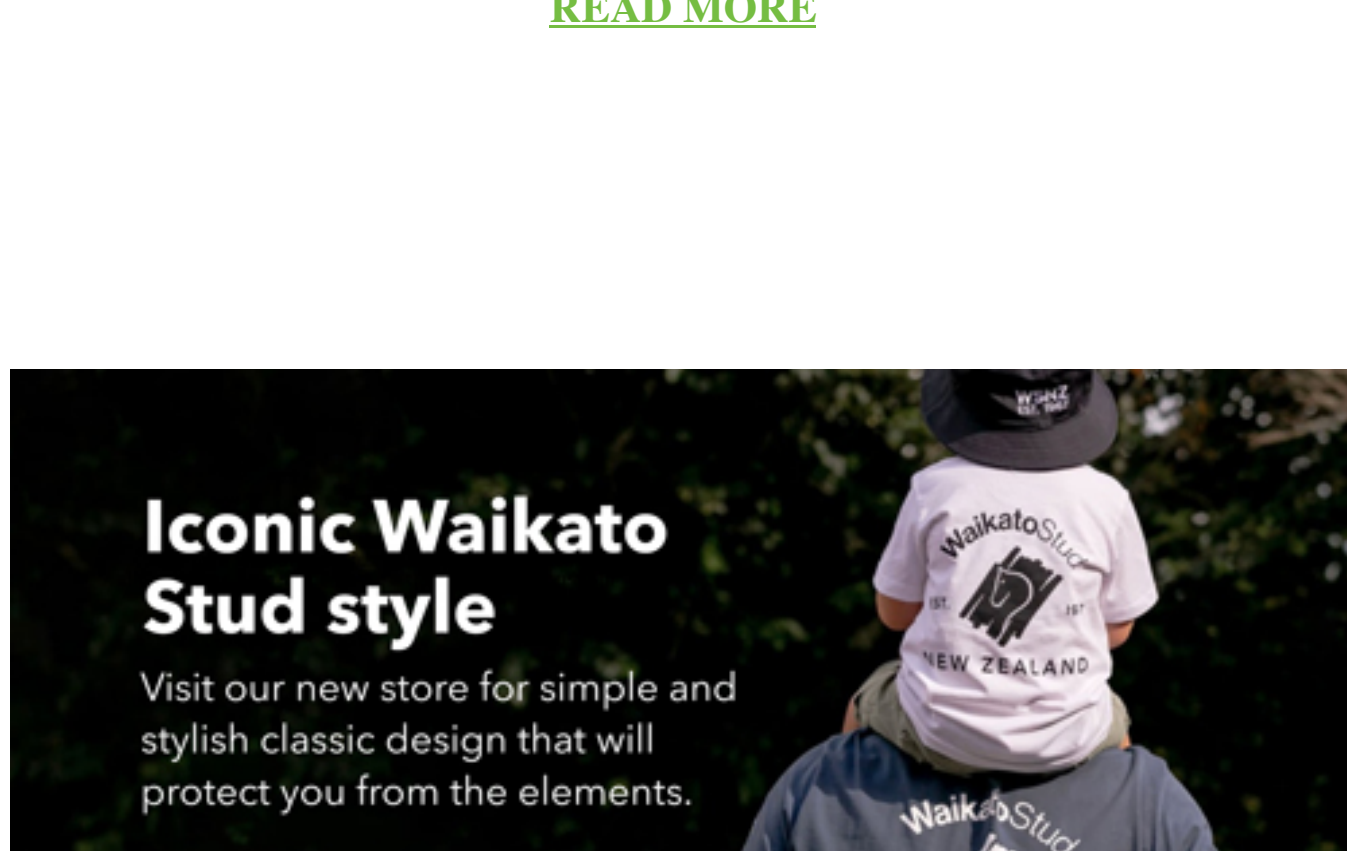
The son of **Savabeel**, **Hasabro** was victorious once again last Saturday at Wingatui in the G3 White Robe Lodge over 1600 metres.

Bought and owned by Go Racing, this colt is from a successful family, with full sister, **Hasahalo** winning the G1 NZ 1000 Guineas, and also a half-brother to Group 3 winners **All Hallows Eve** and **All Saints Eve** (**Sacred Falls**).

"*Hasabro was hugely impressive. To be fair, considering the weight-for-age conditions and how well off he was at the weights, the race did look like it was at his mercy, but it was a big thrill to see him win the way he did.*" said Go Racing's Albert Bosma after the race.

Bosma has also made mention that Hasabro will be lined up for a couple of Group 1s in the future.

This week on Garry's Corner

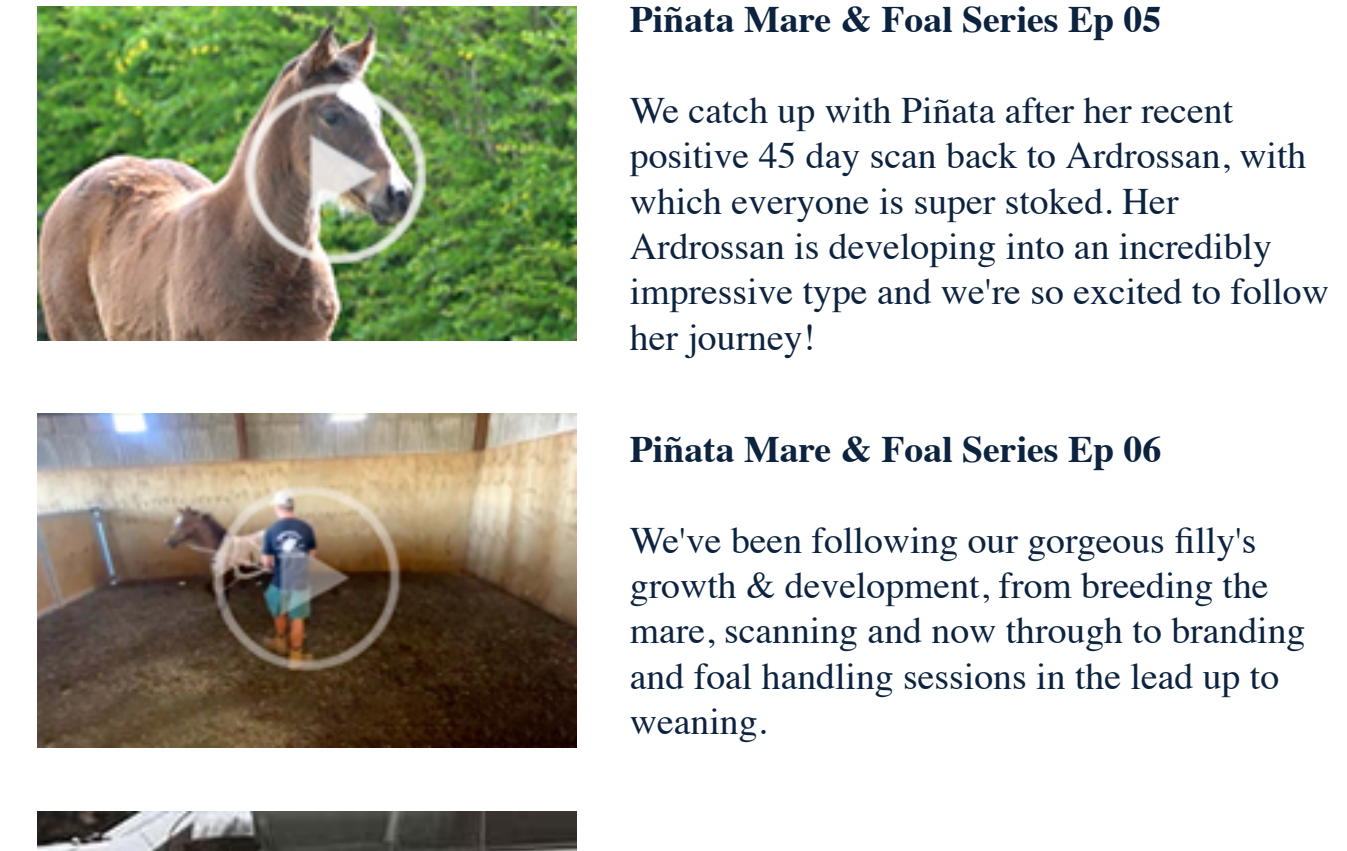


We are hard at it, well someone is, with yearling preparation in full swing. This vital component in the racing industry cycle has never before been confronted with so much uncertainty. Sure, the thoroughbred market has defied logic, Magic Millions was exceptional, I am sure the rest of the Australian sales will be equally positive, so what's different here?

Mostly, beyond normal control, our sale date has been delayed with the best of intent. Our sale last year was surprisingly positive, however there is, under our National Code Red, more confusion this year. I understand COVID was rife at the Gold Coast but still attended by all and sundry apparently running the gauntlet. NSW appears to now have a policy of living with the virus thus allowing potential viewing of the yearlings. Our locals similarly can visit and inspect under controlled numbers. Regrettably, a number of our key players who have based themselves for obvious reasons offshore, are unable to be here.

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News on the farm



We've had a very busy couple of weeks at the yearling barn getting all our 2022 NZB Karaka yearlings filmed and photographed ahead of the sale in March. An incredible effort was shown amongst the whole team to get all our yearlings looking tip top so that they could strut their team in front of the cameras. Well done team!

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Piñata Mare & Foal Series Ep 01

On a stunning winter morning with a heavy Waikato frost, Piñata felt it was time to foal! She delivered a gorgeous Ardrossan filly. It's a quality family, featuring Mackintosh, Anacheeva and Brando.

Piñata Mare & Foal Series Ep 02

After Episode 01 was viewed by 1 million viewers on social media, we start the journey following this gorgeous duo and get to know both Piñata and her foal.

Piñata Mare & Foal Series Ep 03

This week we hear the story behind Piñata and her one eye and the process she goes through to make sure she's ready for her next visit to Ardrossan.

Piñata Mare & Foal Series Ep 04

We check in on how regular trimming and assessments have improved the filly's front leg conformation, and complete Piñata's 15-day pregnancy scan.

Piñata Mare & Foal Series Ep 05

We catch up with Piñata after her recent positive 45 day scan back to Ardrossan, with which everyone is super stoked. Her Ardrossan is developing into an incredibly impressive type and we're so excited to follow her journey!

Piñata Mare & Foal Series Ep 06

We've been following our gorgeous filly's growth & development, from breeding the mare, scanning and now through to branding and foal handling sessions in the lead up to weaning.

A day in the life of a WS stallion

Take a behind the scenes look into the life of our gentleman WS stallions and how they keep fit and healthy during the season.

Bill & Suzi Pomare visit WS

We caught up with trainer and breeders, Bill & Suzi Pomare on their exciting new Ocean Park colt and G1 winning Ocean Billy's amazing achievements so far.