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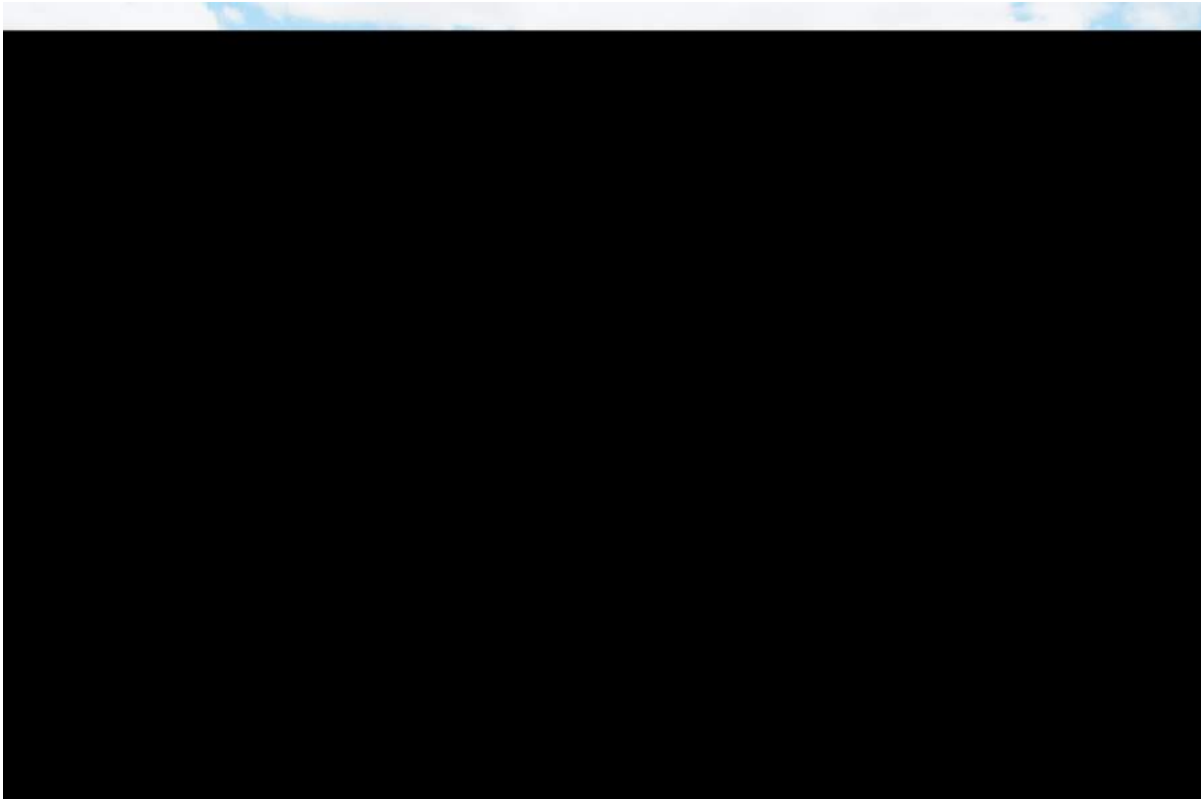
WS dominated the track on Saturday

What a weekend last weekend was for Waikato Stud stallions. All cylinders were firing. We couldn't be prouder of the success that owners, trainers, jockeys etc are having with Waikato stallions' progeny, from Trentham to Eagle Farm, Pukekohe to Ballarat, and plenty more. A true thrill to watch from Matamata!

To name a few of the stars...

Ardrossan

Beau Dazzler (ex Pwerfect)



Ardrossan continued with his impressive feat as he claimed his first 2YO stakes winner in Australia last Saturday. **Beau Dazzler** (ex **Pwerfect**) lunged late down the home straight to make all in the Listed Phelan Ready Stakes for T J & M Spears. **Beau Dazzler** was bred by the Dewar Partnership and sold by Mapperly Stud - well done team. The 2YO is now eligible for the \$1m 2YO Karaka Million race next month.

Ocean Park Kureder (ex Charmeuse)



(Kureder is on the inside - blue cap)

Ocean Park's tough son, **Kureder** (ex **Charmeuse**) scored by a nose at Eagle Farm to bring home his third consecutive win for Chris Waller Racing. The five-time winner is a Karaka National Yearling Sale graduate, purchased by his trainer and Guy Mulcaster from the draft of Valachi Downs. Congratulations to Neville Morgan who has great success with Ocean Park with the likes of Kolding and Kovalica.

Tivaci Tawi (ex Jammu) & Rue De Rivoli (ex Boulevard)



Tivaci struck at Pukekohe. WS-bred **Tawi** (ex **Jammu**) stormed home (blue jacket) at Pukekohe on Saturday to record his second win for trainer Paul Mirabelli under Jasmine Fawcett. His half-brother by Adrossan goes under the hammer as **lot 806** at the 2024 Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale. A nice pedigree update! Congratulations to all involved in this exciting horse, **Tawi**.

Tivaci struck again that day. 3YO filly **Rue De Rivoli** (ex **Boulevard**) charged through the middle to break her maiden under Opie Bosson for Te Akau. A WS graduate, she was a \$340k Karaka buy for David Ellis. Her sister sells at Karaka as **lot 621** in 2024. Exciting times ahead!

Savabeel

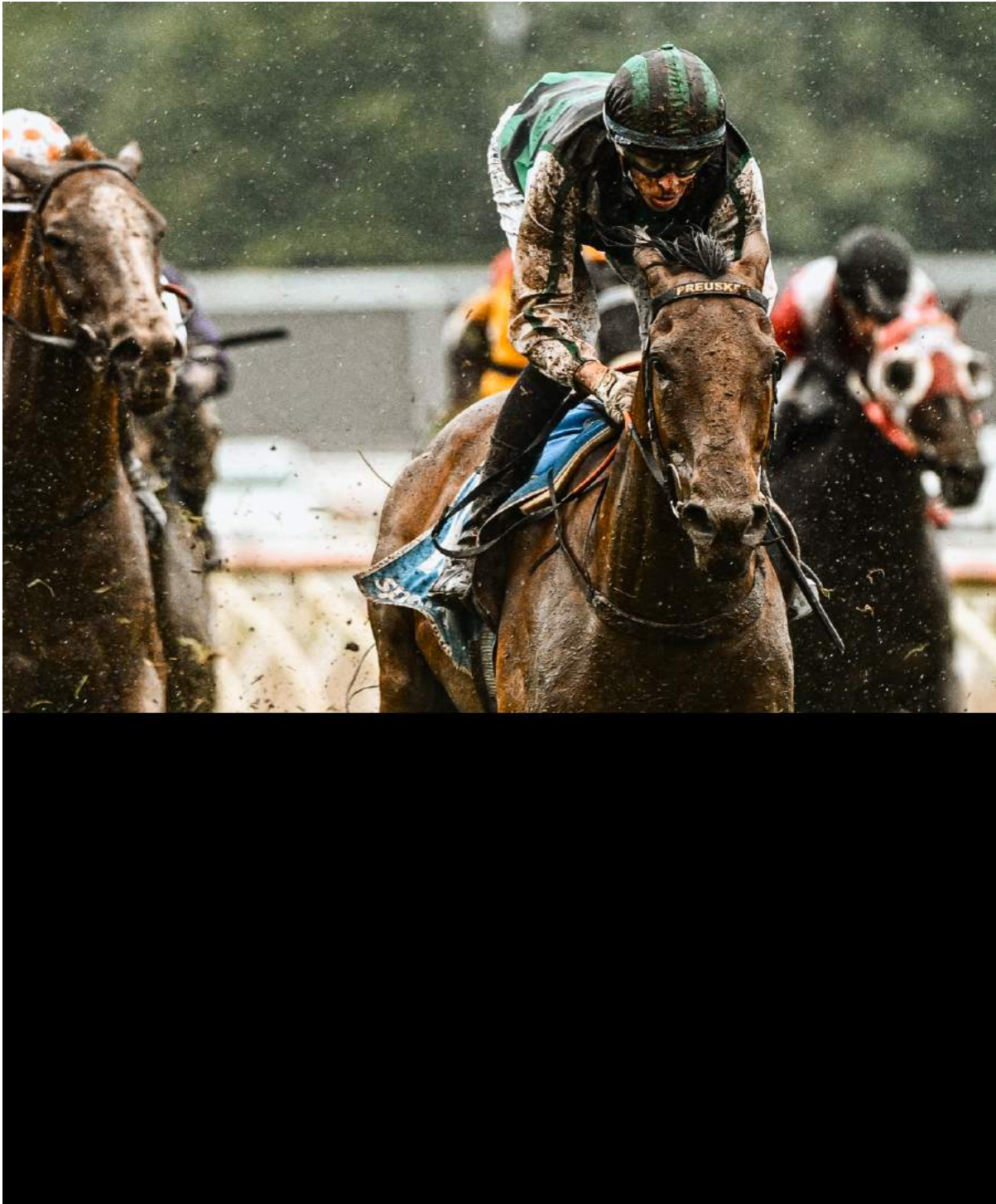
Nereus (ex Eudora) & **Captain Envious** (ex My Central)



Savabeel success at Wellington Racing Club on Saturday. WS-bred 4YO **Nereus** (ex **Eudora**) gunned it home to clear the field by 4 lengths under Opie Bosson to record his second win from four starts for Shaune Ritchie and Colm Murray. Congratulations team, how exciting! We love seeing those silks pouncing across the line.

It was a cross-Tasman double for **Savabeel**! 5YO gelding **Captain Envious** (ex **My Central**) stormed to the line under Michael Dee, posting a sensational 4 length win to take home the **Ballarat Cup** recording his fifth career win for Paul Preusker. Congratulations to owners and breeders, Ultra Racing.

That legendary **Savabeel** blood gets you places...
Captain Envious in his tough Ballarat Cup victory

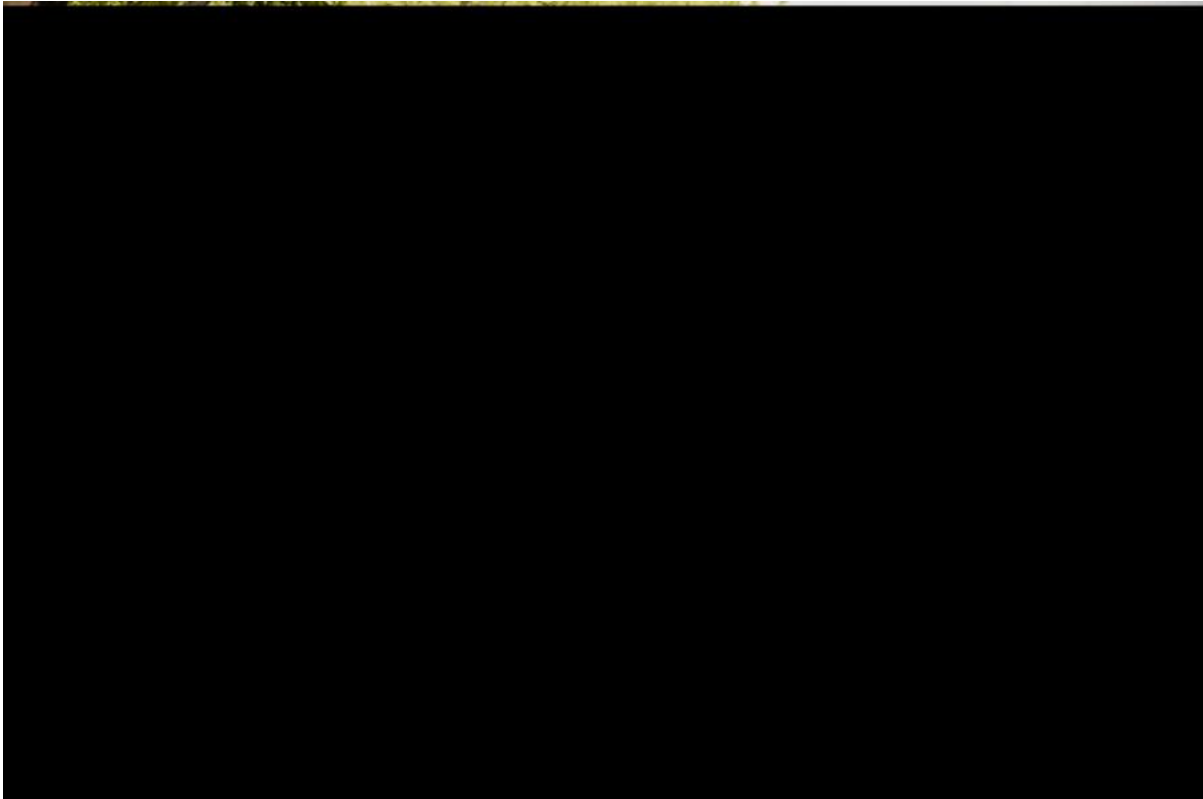


What's going on at the farm?

The annual O'Shea tour

A classic John O'Shea Racing x Waikato Stud rendezvous. Good food, quality wine, & great to see mates. It was our pleasure to host you all. Always a good time! We look forward to catching up over the 2024 sales season.

Super Seth on show



As the breeding seasons comes to an end, the parading for the WS boys does not stop! Pictured above is Super Seth strutting his stuff. Our G1 Caulfield Guineas winner is off to a flyer at stud! Leading the NZ First-Season Sires Table, he has produced two winners including the Listed-placed Poetic Champion from a handful of runners.

See his WS-bred yearlings on offer at Magic Millions [here](#).

Tomorrow's racing

Best wishes to all for a big weekend of racing, a few to keep your eye on...

Te Rapa R2 - **Bella Ragazza** (Tivaci x Ramazzotti) - Andrew Forsman
Te Rapa R3 - **Kingfisher** (Savabeel x Kaleidoscope) - Wexford Stables
Te Rapa R4 - **Wolverine** (Tivaci x Knew It) - Te Akau
Te Rapa R4 - **Aromatic** (Sacred Falls x Vickezzchardonay)
& **Prise De Fer** (Savabeel x Foil) - Te Akau

Trentham R4 - **Lincoln Star** (Savabeel x Dating) - Lisa Latta
Trentham R6 - **Morus** (Savabeel x Include) - Peter Didham
Trentham R7 - **Mazzucato** (Tivaci x Yellen) - Te Akau

Randwick R4 - **Toesonthenose** (Ocean Park x Peak Performer) - John Sargent
Randwick R4 - **Cruz Missile** (Savabeel x Cruz Control) - Annabel Neasham

Eagle Farm R7 - **Kirikan** (Tivaci x Jammu) - Chris Waller

Ascot R5 - **Captain Pluto** (Savabeel x Miss Bernardini) - Grant & Alana Williams

Caulfield R6 - **Oceans Of Stamina** (OP x Staxa Stamina) - Ben Brisbane



The Corner, whatever it's worth, hasn't seen the light of day recently. Who knows why, I know the script has been provided. Perhaps it's left in the hands of those too young to appreciate the value of a dose of cynicism.

Humour is often a subtle manner in which to express an opinion. Now, opinions in recent times are not to be freely expressed, ironically this inhibiting of freedom of expression only adds to the relevance of any views held, cynical or not.

Now the Corner is not about the troubles in our increasingly turbulent world, the writer hasn't the time or the intellect to dampen the problems of the world, not focusing on our wonderful sport provides enough targets for random commentary. This week, however, at a celebratory luncheon, I

was able to observe a collection of racing enthusiasts with a fair generational spread which confirmed consensus, as in politics still depends on your opinion.

The King of the Ring, for example, expresses a more magnanimous view of various administrators than the rest of those attending know he believes. The voice of the past oozes the cynicism of those put to pasture.

The skill of identifying colours being carried at great speed is to be valued, particularly by those unable to see beyond 200 metres, his views are therefore savoured until that last 200 metres.

It was difficult to determine who had travelled the greatest distance to savour the exquisite French Wine, but the Dealer would take the prize. With a history of racing administration at all levels, there is an opinion on everything.

My co-traveller was hard to draw out, well hidden by the undergrowth he so prolifically replaces.

Rabo Bank was represented, our host being one of the fortunate ones able to identify his bank manager, most of us can't.

The Property Developer, probably one of the more relaxed, racing account positive, cattle account positive, land sales positive, say no more.

The King of the Plastic on the way to the owner of the year, supported by the Gentry, quieter than I have observed before. Anxious to know if the Karaka Million will be added to his new trophy room, I doubt it's about the money.

The prize for making the least sense has to go to a newly retired Member of Parliament, imagine trying to convince this group that the Election of Labour to the Treasury Benches was in the best interests of the Country. For C—-s Sake! With that sort of logic, he may have enjoyed his last six years in Parliament, he was paid by us, a good bloke, but the handful of cynics in attendance will know they didn't get their money's worth.

Sitting back and watching, it was clear that apart from the host, the other making money out of thoroughbreds was the provider of our horse's nutritional needs. Been supplying a long time, a good owner.

When you think about it, the greatest storyteller must be the trainer, with no jockeys in attendance, who else is there that's had twenty runners with an average of ten owners, if losers, all cynical, if winners all knowledgeable, that thirty seconds from passing the post until the return to the birdcage must test the imagination. Mind you, if trained from a young age by the King of the Ring, embellishing the reason is only an add-on.

So, the eleven of you can enjoy the identification of the above, me, well I've been all of the above, owner, breeder, administrator, property dealer, skip the plastics, syndicator, bought and sold, provided nutrition, nearly politician, storyteller and cynic.

What, if anything, do we all have in common, the horse. More than that, the King of the Ring has all of us. Mind you, no results, we would still be friends, allow your cynicism to work out the rest.

Good punting

Merry Xmas

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