

Weekend @ Waikato

GR.1 AMBITIONS APLENTY

THIS WEEKEND'S WS-SIRED GR.1 BRIGADE



WS SIRED

BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS THIS WEEKEND

FRIDAY

	LEGLISS VEUVE 13f Pins x Hyades by O'Reilly	Listed Valley Pearl 1200m	MVRC	9:45pm
	CRIMSON CAPE 11g Savabeel x Scarlett Cape by Cape Cross	Listed Abell Stakes 1200m	MVRC	11:45pm

SATURDAY

	ADORABEEL 09f Savabeel x Plaza Doree by Saumarez	Gr.3 Epona Stakes 1900m	ATC	2:40pm
	IRISH WHISPER 11f O'Reilly x The Speaker by Volksraad	Gr.3 Cuddle Stakes 1600m	WRC	2:50pm
	GOODSAV 12f Savabeel x Millililli by Pins	Gr.3 Cuddle Stakes 1600m	WRC	2:50pm
	SABOTAGE 12g Savabeel x Scenic Lil by Scenic	Gr.2 Wellington Guineas 1400m	WRC	3:24pm
	ADVENTADOR 08g Fast N Famous x Alpine Beauty by Khozaam	Listed Lightning Hcp 1200m	WRC	3:59pm
	REILLY LINCOLN 11f Pins x Wailea Miss by O'Reilly	Listed Lightning Hcp 1200m	WRC	3:59pm
	SMASHING 11f Pins x Ruud Van Slats by Van Nistelrooy	Listed Lightning Hcp 1200m	WRC	3:59pm
	BOHEMIAN LILY 11f O'Reilly x Bohemian Blues by Blues Traveller	Gr.1 Ranvet Stakes 2000m	ATC	4:30pm
	COLDPLAY 12f Savabeel x Forty Two Below by O'Reilly	Gr.1 New Zealand Oaks 2400m	WRC	4:41pm
	AMAZING LADY 12f O'Reilly x J'Lo by Unbridled's Song	Gr.1 New Zealand Oaks 2400m	WRC	4:41pm
	DUCHESS KATE 12f Savabeel x Royal Prize by Prized	Gr.1 New Zealand Oaks 2400m	WRC	4:41pm
	GOLD AMBITION 12g Savabeel x Senorita Lucy by Senor Pete	Gr.1 Rosehill Guineas 2000m	ATC	5:50pm
	SPLENDIDO 12g O'Reilly x Vিকেzzchardonnay by Don Eduardo	Gr.1 Rosehill Guineas 2000m	ATC	5:50pm
	SPIRIT BIRD 12f Savabeel x Press Leak by Rock of Gibraltar	Listed Natasha Stakes 2200m	WATC	7:14pm

SUNDAY

	VICTORY MAGIC 11f Savabeel x Zephyr Song by Danasinga	HK-1 Hong Kong Derby 2000m	HKJC	10:10pm
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What They Looked Like

WS-SIRED STAKES RUNNERS AS YEARLINGS



VICTORY MAGIC



LEGLASS VEUVE



GOLD AMBITION



IRISH WHISPER



GOODSAV



AMAZING LADY

WS Inglis Sydney Easter

-YEARLING SALE DRAFT -

Selling 5-7 April

Lot 9	Savabeel	Pins on Ice (NZ)	B.	Filly
Lot 40	Savabeel	Ripple Rock	B.	Filly
Lot 74	Savabeel	Sitting Pretty (NZ)	Br.	Filly
Lot 89	Savabeel	Splits (NZ)	Br.	Colt
Lot 112	Savabeel	Tootsie (NZ)	B.	Colt
Lot 140	Savabeel	Vogue (NZ)	Br.	Colt
Lot 269	O'Reilly	Do Ra Mi (NZ)	B.	Colt
Lot 270	Ocean Park	Donna Cattiva (NZ)	B.	Colt
Lot 343	O'Reilly	Honolulu (NZ)	Br.	Colt
Lot 380	Savabeel	Lego (NZ)	B.	Filly
Lot 394	Ocean Park	Make A Wish (NZ)	B.	Filly

MAKING THE NEWS

- WS SIRED NEWSMAKERS -

PINS



AEROVELOCITY

Back for 2nd Japan Gr.1 bid

O'REILLY



GLOBAL ASSAULT

Ungaro legacy lives on

SAVABEEL



WHAT'S THE STORY

Trainer relaxed about Derby jockey

O'REILLY



MARY QUANT

Relishes Mile Challenge





60 SECONDS WITH

Australian Media Personality

Jo McKinnon

JOB TITLE	PRINCIPAL OF JO MCKINNON MEDIA A Freelance Media professional who contracts to Racing.com, and to the broader Racing and Equestrian community.
RECENT PROJECTS	TURF LIFE – Producer/Host An 8 part programme sponsored by Racing.com that goes behind the scenes, meeting the people who are passionate about the horse and venturing to places and properties many would not have seen before. A RACETRACK SOMEWHERE – Producer/Host Independently created and produced this 5 part short documentary series focusing on unique, iconic, and remote Thoroughbred racing events around Australia. LONGINES HONG KONG MASTERS – Host Having helped develop the Hong Kong Leg of this world renowned show jumping championship, Jo has participated each year subsequent as its English journalist/ commentator.
DO YOU HAVE ANY NICK-NAMES	Usually Jo, Joey or Jojo amongst friends.
FAVOURITE FOOD	Love a good steak
BEST HORSE(S) INVOLVED WITH	I still have a real soft spot for Sunline. She came at an important time and nailed my passion for racing. She was such an inspiring horse. Not many can do what she did. I loved her front running style, her high cruising speed, her wonderful gusto and the lovely McKee father/son duo behind her. Front running horses like her and Might & Power capture you. They set the tone right from the start and fight it out right to the post. Northerly is another horse I'd put right up there. These three were horses were real warriors. Plane looking, no frills horses who were just so so tough.
BOOK ON THE BEDSIDE TABLE:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Little Book of Mindfulness by Patrizia Collard • Island Home by WA writer Tim Winton
IF YOU WEREN'T IN THE THOROUGHBRED INDUSTRY YOU'D:	I can't imagine life without horses, so probably a professional rider of some descent, probably in show jumping or dressage though. Being a horse trainer is also something I've considered. It would be incredibly tough but I'd love the challenge that it would inevitably be.
WHAT DO YOU DO TO RELAX:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk the Tan Track at Melbourne's Botanical Gardens. It's not only great for fitness but to help you unwind, relax and think. • Spend time with my family, which I enjoy immensely. • Travel to unusual remote places. Going on road trips to these places absorbs you and when you come back, you feel like you've been away a year.

FAVOURITE TV SHOWS:	Australian Story on ABC. The stories of Australians from all walks of life
WHO WOULD YOU LOVE TO MEET OR HAVE MET:	Malcolm Turnbull – He’s what this country’s needed for a long time. He seems to have great leadership and values
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Going on a safari in Africa probably rates number one. • Heading to Darwin in the middle of the year to escape Melbourne’s winter. • I love the Outback, so touring Broome in the Kimberley region was also one of the best trips I’ve done.
FAVOURITE THING ABOUT WAIKATO STUD:	It’s an iconic name in breeding and racing in the Southern Hemisphere. The brand is not only a region, but a stud, the horses it has stood and the successful horses it continues to produce.
HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN THE INDUSTRY:	As a kid growing up, I was very involved in equestrian. Because I was tall for my age, I was riding thoroughbreds when I was 12. We’d get them off the track and transform them into show horses. I would go to the racing stables to find the next horse to bring on, and whilst there, it just captured my imagination. I was just wowed by it really.
FAVOURITE MOVIE:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Top Gun – I must have seen it about 25 times • The Man From Snowy River starring Tom Burlinson
CHILDHOOD HEROES:	My Mum and Dad. Dad has an incredible emotional intelligence. I used to hang of his every word growing up and I still do. Both Mum and Dad have been incredibly supportive of my life and are my heroes to this very day.
CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:	Well right now really. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Having been given the opportunity to produce Turf Life by Racing.com. It’s the culmination of 15 or so years in the industry all coming together in one project. To have been given this opportunity to showcase the sport and for it have been well-received by both the general racing community alike, has been a big thrill. • Embarking on ‘A Racetrack Somewhere’ with my brother Lachlan is also another highlight. Reconnecting with Australia’s rich racing culture was a project I had long wanted to do. There were times when we wondered what we had got ourselves into, so it’s been a massive thrill to have produced this and for it now to be set for broadcast in April. • My involvement with the Hong Kong Masters has also been another major high for me. Working alongside the calibre of people and horses it brings, can’t help but inspire you.
BEST PIECE OF GOOD ADVICE:	Enjoy the journey That is, be in the here and now and savour every moment. Be passionate about what you do. If you look at the really successful people, they are all passionate about what they do. What I do is not a job, it’s a way of life. As a teenager I hoped to be doing something I was passionate about and for it not be motivated by money. This is something I’m happy to say I’ve lived up to.

NAME 3 PEOPLE YOU'D LOVE TO INVITE TO DINNER?	I'd invite my immediate family
IF SOMEONE WAS GOING TO PLAY YOU IN A MOVIE, YOU'D LIKE IT TO BE...	Kate Winslet – she seems very real. I like her.
NOT MANY PEOPLE WOULD KNOW THAT I...	Can cook. There is a misconception that if you are a career person, you can't also be a homemaker. I don't cook often, but I can cook.

AT THE FARM THIS WEEK



2016 Secretaries Lunch



Michelle thanking WS hosts Glenda and Garry



Weanlings on the way back to their paddock

BLAST FROM THE PAST

- FOND WS MEMORIES FROM THIS WEEKEND PAST -



2015 Gr.1 NZ Oaks winner,
SAVARIA (Savabeel)



2006 Gr.1 NZ Oaks winner,
LEGS (Pins)



2008 Gr.2 Wellington Guineas winner,
RIOS



2009 Gr.1 Rosehill Guineas winner,
METAL BENDER (Danasinga)



2014 Gr.1 Ranvet Stakes winner,
SILENT ACHIEVER (O'Reilly)



2011 HK-1 Hong Kong Derby winner,
AMBITIOUS DRAGON (Pins)

PEDIGREE POINTERS

-WITH GARETH DOWNEY-

SACRED FALLS – TOP CHOICE FOR PROSPECTORS

Last Saturday, **Redoute's Choice** sired 2 stakes winners (Peeping and Thyme For Roses) and also featured as the broodmare sire of a further 2 stakes winners (Souchez and Tried And Tired).

The most interesting aspect about these four stakes winners is that they all share a common pedigree pattern of combining **Redoute's Choice** with **Mr Prospector**. As **Mr Prospector** is such a prolific influence in the breed these days, this combination with **Redoute's Choice** anywhere in a pedigree is one that has obviously had a very large opportunity to be tested. In fact, the reporting functions in Arion Pedigrees show there have so far been **1,963** runners combining **Redoute's Choice** and **Mr Prospector** within the first 5 generations in a pedigree.

That is a very large sample set so enables a well-tested comparison. It is therefore interesting to see that the results to date when **Redoute's Choice** has appeared anywhere in a pedigree with **Mr Prospector** on the opposite side are running at **5.5% SW/Rnrs**. On the other hand, when **Redoute's Choice** has been carried anywhere in a pedigree and **Mr Prospector** is **NOT** present on the other side, the results are running at **4.4% SW/Rnrs**.

So, whilst that is not a huge difference, it is still a fair conclusion to draw that, if you have a horse carrying **Redoute's Choice** in its pedigree, you have so far had a **25%** greater chance of breeding a stakes winner if you mate that horse with another horse who does carry **Mr Prospector**, than if you go with one that doesn't. The quality of horse that has been produced has also been very high – with the list including millionaire earners such as **Miss Finland, Lankan Rupee, Miracles Of Life, Zoustar, Gallica, Extreme Choice, Sweet Idea, Snitzerland, Musir** etc.

So, with **Sacred Falls** being out of a **Redoute's Choice** mare, this could suggest that sending mares carrying **Mr Prospector** to Sacred Falls would be a good option. This is further enhanced by the good success that has occurred when combining **O'Reilly** and **Mr Prospector** anywhere in a pedigree – which is currently running at **5.7% SW/Rnrs**. These have included the likes of **Daffodil, Sacred Star, Kirramosa** and **I Do**.

As **Sacred Falls** is by **O'Reilly**, out of a **Redoute's Choice** mare, and doesn't yet carry **Mr Prospector** himself, he looks like an excellent option to send mares carrying **Mr Prospector** to. If you have such a mare and would to discuss a possible mating to **Sacred Falls** in more detail then please feel free to contact me via either gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or 021 433 073



SACRED FALLS



REDOUTE'S CHOICE



MR PROSPECTOR

THE MAIL

-WITH MARK CHITTICK-



I must say 'job well down' to the team. We finished branding the foals this week. The last foal branded being #176.

As you can see from the pics right, developments at the new property **Escada Farm** are coming along nicely, with tracks and fencing now well underway.



Great to get out on a 'Tuesday Tour' this week.

Looking forward to doing more of these visits and catching up with good friends in the days ahead.

In the meantime, have a great weekend!

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