

Could this WS Family Spring More G1 Reward this Sunday?



SMART GIANT 07g

(Pins – Spring by O'Reilly)



DAFFODIL 05m

(No Excuse Needed – Spring by O'Reilly)

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Pins Shooting for HK-1 Classic Double




Pins shoots for a HK-1 Classic double at Sha Tin in Hong Kong this weekend.

Successful with son – the reigning 'Hong Kong Horse of the Year', **Ambitious Dragon** in the **HK-1 Hong Kong Classic Cup (1800m)** last year, **Pins** takes aim for consecutive success this Sunday at 9:35 pm (NZ time) with regally bred son, **Smart Giant** (ex Spring by O'Reilly).

Smart Giant is a half-brother to the triple **G1** winning racemare **Daffodil** and counts one of his two wins this term at Sunday's 1800m trip.

Fact

3 of the last 4 G2 AVONDALE GUINEAS winners have been by WS Sires

-  2011 Icepin (Pins)
-  2010 Joey Massino (O'Reilly)
-  2008 Alamosa (O'Reilly)

WS Stakes Noiminations this Weekend

HORSE	RACE NAME	WHERE	Race #	Time (NZ)
SATURDAY				
ORUTAN 08f Pins x Naturo by Postponed	Listed Southland Guineas (1600m)	South	7	3:26pm
SILENT ACHIEVER 08f O'Reilly x Winning Spree by Zabeel	G2 Avondale Guineas (2100m)	ARC	6	3:36pm
LANSDOWNE ROAD 09c Pins x Ugachaka by Danasinga	Listed Canonbury Stakes (1100m)	ATC	3	4:30pm
NOTICE RECEIVED 08f O'Reilly x Classique Royale by Royal Academy	G3 Vanity Stakes (1410m)	VRC	4	4:50pm
SHOPAHOLIC 08f Pins x Splashing Out by O'Reilly	G3 Vanity Stakes (1410m)	VRC	4	4:50pm
PORT VELL 05g Pins x Melody d'Amour by Centaine	Listed Birthday Cup (2028)	SAJC	5	5:40pm
GUYNO 03g O'Reilly x River Century by Centaine	Listed Detonator Stakes (1800m)	WATC	4	7:25pm
SUNDAY				
WINNING APEX 07g Savabeel x Unearthed by Felix The Cat	HK-1 Hong Kong Classic Cup (1800m)	HKJC	8	9:35pm
SMART GIANT 07g Pins x Spring by O'Reilly	HK-1 Hong Kong Classic Cup (1800m)	HKJC	8	9:35pm

Speedy Cat Blitzes Them Again



After 2 smart wins on the Polytrack, the Grande Vue Lodge Syndicate & Waikato Stud 2001 Ltd-bred galloper **Speedy Cat** franked his name as a rising Singapore sensation with a breathtaking win on the turf on last Sunday.

Lined up by trainer Alvin Tan in the \$75,000 Class 3 race over 1200m, the **Scaredee Cat** 3YO was never in doubt once he overcame his outermost alley to settle at the head of affairs.

When finally popped the question by regular pilot John Powell **Speedy Cat** bounded away from rivals in the blink of an eye, walking in at the post by two-and-a-half lengths.

Speedy Cat stopped the clock at 1 min 10.65 secs.

Blackbooker: HEELS

Heels – the 3YO sister to **SOMEPIN ANYPIN** and ½ sister to **SALSA** and **EVERGREEN**, trialled in sensational fashion at Warwick Farm last Friday, winning with head on chest.

Watch out for her season resuming start in Race 5 at Canterbury Park in Australia next Wednesday.

BREEDING: Pins x Ungaro by Centaine
BREEDERS: Waikato Stud
OWNER: Waikato Stud
TRAINER: Gary Portelli

Mark's Mail



Some terrific racing action this weekend.

Can't wait to see what Kevin Hickman's smart **O'Reilly, Silent Achiever**, does in the **G2 Avondale Guineas** in NZ and in Hong Kong, we will be keenly following what **Spring's** son **Smart Giant** does in the **HK-1 Hong Kong Classic Cup**.

In Australia, trainer Peter Moody's great mare **Black Caviar's** bid for win 19 in the **G1 Lightning Stakes** surely rates as compulsory viewing, as will be our own WS-bred and raced filly **Shopaholic**, who sets sail in the **G3 Vanity Stakes (1410m)**.

Shopaholic is the second favourite for the event and has come through her last start win on the 4th

of Feb in terrific order.

There to cheer her home and represent us on track will be good friends Grant and Phil McKenzie.

Tip of the Week: Shopaholic – VRC - Race 4 - Gr.3 Vanity Stakes (1410m) - 4:50 pm.

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