

HOW'S THIS FOR AN O'REILLY DYNASTY!

Last Saturday the incredible sire had a hand to play in each of the following black-type results...



Sire of the Gr.1 Ranvet Stakes winner SILENT ACHIEVER



Sire of Listed SI Breeders' Stakes winner EMERALD QUEEN



Damsire of Gr.1 Coolmore Classic winner STEPS IN TIME



Great grand-sire of Gr.2 Phar Lap Stakes winner TRAITOR

O'REILLY Scoops Rosehill's Gr.1 Pool

Champion sire **O'Reilly** was a major player at Rosehill last weekend when he scooped the Group One pool. His daughter **Silent Achiever** upstaged her rivals in the **Ranvet Stakes**, while the stallion's grand-daughter **Steps In Time** won the **Coolmore Classic**.

For **Silent Achiever** it was an overdue major reward after she had weighed in five previous times at the highest level in Australia for breeder-owner Kevin Hickman and trainer Roger James.

"I felt all week that we were a far better chance than what we were rated," James said. "It was a magnificent ride from Nash (Rawiller) as we have come to expect. She was always going to go onto the BMW. We'll make a decision after that whether go to the Sydney Cup or back to the Queen Elizabeth."

Silent Achiever kept pacemaker **Carlton House** within her sights and wore down the Queen's horse close to home to take the honours by a neck.

"The writing had been on the wall for some time and Roger said the blinkers had helped her improve a couple of lengths," Rawiller said. "I thought the mare was right up to winning these good races in Australia and full credit to Roger and Vinnie Colgan, who has been riding her at home."

Earlier, a daring ride by Jim Cassidy won the **Coolmore Classic** for the Joe Pride-trained **Steps In Time**, who is out of a half-sister by **O'Reilly** to Group One winners **Glamour Puss** and **Vision And Power**, who was also prepared by Pride.

"He (Cassidy) told us what he was going to do and I wasn't about to give Jimmy instructions," Pride said.

"It was a bold ride from Jimmy, he only just got it right but when it comes off it looks good doesn't it? He got it spot on so what can I say? She's got the Group One beside her name now, got a fantastic pedigree and she's related to Vision And Power another one of my champs."



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This week we put 60 Seconds of curious questions to Shane Kennedy, co-trainer with Anna Furlong of last Saturday's Listed Valachi Downs South Island Breeders' Stakes winner **Emerald Queen**

Favourite comfort food:	Roast Lamb
Best Horse Trained	Hurrah
Favourite TV show:	Sky Sport
Book on the bedside table:	Thoroughbred Racing Monthly
If you weren't a trainer, you'd be:	A lot richer!!!
What do you do to relax:	Play Golf
Who would you love to meet or have met:	Tiger Woods
Favourite holiday destination:	Paihia
Favourite thing about Waikato Stud:	O'Reilly
Career Influencers:	Talking with past top trainers the likes of Dave and Paul O'Sullivan come to mind
Favourite Film:	Happy Gilmore (ask Mark sometime he knows the story!)
Career Highlight:	Would have to be last weekend's result; Emerald Queen winning for Kevin Hickman on the same day Silent Achiever won – it's great when the plan goes to plan
Best piece of good advice:	Talk to everyone on the way up cause you need them on the way down
If someone was going to play you in a movie, it would be	James Gandolfini who played Tony Soprano
Not many people would know that...	Played rugby in France

WS-Sired Gr.1 Runners this Weekend...

MANAWATU SIRE'S PRODUCE



O'MARILYN 11f
O'Reilly - Monroe Magic

ROSEHILL GUINEAS



SAVVY NATURE 10g
Savabeel - Generous Nature

GEORGE RYDER STAKES



SACRED FALLS 09c
O'Reilly - Iguazu's Girl

WS Sired Black-Type Runners

SATURDAY

ANGEL BEE 09f Pins x Zabeels Angel by Zabeel	G3 Birthday Card Stakes 1200m	ATC	3.30pm
O'MARILYN 11f O'Reilly x Munroe Magic by Zabeel	G1 Manawatu Sires Produce 1400m	MRC	3.41pm
JACKS POINT 06g Pins x Activate by Kinjite	Listed Fairdale/Goodwood Studs Flying Handicap	MRC	4.21pm
PUSSY O'REILLY 08f O'Reilly x Octapussy by Octagonal	Listed Fairdale/Goodwood Studs Flying Handicap	MRC	4.21pm
SORIANO 09f Savabeel x Call Me Lily by Just a Dancer	G2 Awapuni Gold Cup 2000m	MRC	4.56pm
SACRED FALLS 09c O'Reilly x Iguazu's Girl by Redoute's Choice	G1 George Ryder Stakes 1500m	ATC	6:00pm
SAVVY NATURE 10g Savabeel x Generous Nature by Carnegie	G1 Rosehill Guineas 2000m	ATC	6.40pm
EPINGLE 07f Pins x Etoile Du Nord by Zabeel	G3 Percy Sykes Tribute Stakes 1900m	ATC	7.20pm
PRETTY PINS 08f Pins x Luna Tudor by Military Plume	G3 Percy Sykes Tribute Stakes 1900m	ATC	7.20pm
KNEAD THE DOUGH 09f O'Reilly x Knocknacree by Green Desert	G3 Percy Sykes Tribute Stakes 1900m	ATC	7.20pm

SUNDAY

CLASSIQUE IVORY 08g Savabeel x Senorita Ivory by Senor Pete	Listed Pinjarra Cup 2300m	PINJ.	9:40pm
WAR AFFAIR 10g O'Reilly x Kristique by Kris S	Sgp G3 Singapore 3 Year Old Sprint 1200m	SGP	10pm
ROOM FOR EXCUSE 10g No Excuse Needed x Ombre Rose by O'Reilly	Sgp G3 Singapore 3 Year Old Sprint 1200m	SGP	10pm

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Pedigree Pointers with... GARETH DOWNEY

What an amazing day it proved to be for **O'Reilly** last Saturday. There were 2 Gr. 1 races held in Australia on the day. **O'Reilly** sired the winner of the **Ranvet** when **Silent Achiever** showed all her determination to gun down **Carlton House**, who had held a long margin lead as they straightened for home. In the **Coolmore Classic**, it was the tearaway leader, **Steps In Time**, who carried the blood of **O'Reilly** to a very courageous win. **Steps In Time** is out of **Rare Insight**, who is a **Gr. 2 Stan Fox** winning daughter of **O'Reilly**.

As if his role in those 2 Gr. 1 wins wasn't enough, **O'Reilly** still had yet another hand to play on the Rosehill card. **Traitor** won the Gr. 2 Phar Lap Stakes later that day, and his 2nd dam is by none other than **O'Reilly** as well.

Back in New Zealand, **Emerald Queen** was another daughter of **O'Reilly** to win at stakes level on the day for Kevin Hickman, who would later revel in the success of his wonderful mare **Silent Achiever**. **Emerald Queen** secured her 2nd win at stakes level in winning the South Island Thoroughbred Breeders' Stakes.

In the last 12 months alone, **O'Reilly** has appeared in the pedigrees of **30 individual stakes winners** – and, remarkably, 6 of those have carried the **O'Reilly** blood to **Gr.1** victory within this 12 month period; with these 6 being **Silent Achiever, Sacred Falls, Steps In Time, Costume, Irish Fling** and **Kirramosa**.

As we can all see, the impact of **O'Reilly** on the racing scene is very influential and it certainly seems like a successful strategy to ensure he is carried in the bloodlines of our breeding endeavours.

View From the Top with Mark Chittick

As mentioned above, it was an unbelievable Saturday for **O'Reilly** last weekend. It's hard enough to get a **Gr.1** winner, but to score with a **Listed** winning daughter, a **Gr.1** winning granddaughter and a **Gr.2** winning great grandson is something quite incredible.

Congratulations to all connections involved here - particularly to Kevin Hickman, the successful breeder/owner of of the stakes winning **O'Reilly** pair **Silent Achiever** and **Emerald Queen**.

Let's hope this weekend continues in similar fashion for WS supporters!

Mark.

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