

26.2.16

Weekend @ Waikato



ROSA CAROLINA LOOKING ALL TOO FAMILIAR

Onlookers of Saturday's **Gr.2 J Swap Matamata Breeders' Stakes** (2yof, 1200m) contender **Rosa Carolina** could well be forgiven for thinking there's something very familiar about her.

Not only does she race in the same colours as star Australian **Savabeel** racemare **Lucia Valentina**, she is by the same sire also.

Out of the stakes winning **O'Reilly** mare **Ombre Rose**, **Rosa Carolina** has had the one start to date for a second placing.

"Her first-up race run was great," said her trainer Stephen Marsh.

"She has a lot of class about her and we think she should run a boomer in the Breeders'.

"She's by Savabeel, so we do expect that she will be even better at three."

Having also trained **Lucia Valentina** when she raced in New Zealand, Marsh is able to draw favourable comparisons between the two Lib Petagna-raced horses.

"They're both gorgeous horses," he noted.

"Rosa's probably shown a little bit more early.

"I'm not saying she's the better horse, I'm just saying that as a type, she's a bit stronger, whereas at the same point, Lucia was leggier and took a little bit longer to come to it."


Waikato Stud Sired

-BLACK-TYPE RUNNERS THIS WEEKEND-

SATURDAY

	TESIA 13f Pins x Artesia by No Excuse Needed	Gr.2 Matamata Breeders' Stakes 1200m	Mata.	3:10pm
	ROSA CAROLINA 13f Savabeel x Ombre Rose by O'Reilly	Gr.2 Matamata Breeders' Stakes 1200m	Mata.	3:10pm
	BASSETT 12g Savabeel x Fledgling by Captain Rio	Gr.3 Zeditave Stakes 1200m	VRC	3:37pm
	ETERNITY 09f Pins x Beyond by Centaine	Gr.1 WFA Stakes 1600m	Otaki	4:02pm
	KAWI 12g Savabeel x Magic Time by Volksraad	Gr.1 WFA Stakes 1600m	Otaki	4:02pm
	PASADENA GIRL 12f Savabeel x Nina From Pasadena by Redoute's Choice	Gr.2 Angus Armanasco Stakes 1100m	VRC	4:12pm
	GUSTAVO 10g Savabeel x Fiorenza by Stravinsky	Listed Kaimai Stakes 2000m	Mata.	4:22pm
	CELTIC TIGER 12g O'Reilly x Miraculous Miss by Exceed and Excel	Gr.2 Autumn Classic 1800m	VRC	4:47pm
	ADORABEEL 09f Savabeel x Plaza Doree by Saumarez	Gr.2 Guy Walter Stakes 1400m	ATC	5:45pm

SUNDAY

	MUWAARY 12c O'Reilly x Silently	Gr.2 Gauteng Guineas 1600m	Turf.	5:30am
	FLAME HERO 09g Silently x Rhysess by	Gr.1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup 2000m	HKJC	8:30pm



KAWI

Gr.1 WFA Stakes (1600m)
Saturday 4:02pm NZ time



FLAME HERO

Gr.1 Citi Hong Kong Gold Cup (2000m)
Sunday 8:30pm NZ time

WS BIG DAY OUT

- OXBOW THE ADVENTURE CO., WANAKA -

In recognition of efforts made, the WS team flew down to Wanaka's Oxbox The Adventure Co. on Monday on a mystery getaway. In what was a tightly guarded secret, the only clue given to staff prior to departure was 'wear camo'.

[To see the full photo gallery of this awesome day, please visit Waikato Stud's Facebook page](#)



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-WS Sired- RESULTS

SAVABEEL			
20.2.16	SEWREEL (NZ) 2012	(F. by Savabeel-Haberdashery)	1st Taranaki RC Oaks Prelude L, NZ\$50000 1800m earning NZ\$31250 (trainer: M P Baker)
20.2.16	What's the Story (NZ) 2012	(C. by Savabeel-Tall Story)	1st ARC Rutherford Rede H., 2100m (trainer: S J McKeen)
21.2.16	Star of Greenbeel (NZ) 2010	(G. by Savabeel-Greensleeves)	1st Poverty Bay TC Vintech Pacific H., NZ\$12000 1200m earning NZ\$7500 (trainer: K T Myers)
PINS			
19.2.16	Intense (NZ) 2011	(G. by Pins-Fiorenza)	1st CJC Racecourse Hotel & Motor Lodge Maiden S., 1200m (trainer: Ms N Lloyd)
19.2.16	Elite Star (NZ) 2012	(G. by Pins-Chico)	1st Singapore TC Restricted Maiden S., 1200m (trainer: S BAERTSCHIGER)
21.2.16	Miss Alice (NZ) 2010	(F. by Pins-Raining)	1st Southland RC Southland S., 1400m (trainer: J F Parsons)
24.2.16	Lookatmepins (NZ) 2010	(F. by Pins-Look at Moiye)	1st Avondale JC Racing Next 9 March H., 1400m (trainer: K I Rae)
O'REILLY			
19.2.16	I'm O'Reilly (NZ) 2010	(G. by O'Reilly-What Can I Say)	1st SCTC Bampak Maiden P., 1400m (trainer: W J Phelan)
20.2.16	Mutakayyef (NZ) 2011	(G. by O'Reilly-Rationable)	1st Turffontein Champions Day 30 April H., R82000 1450m earning R51250 (trainer: C Binda)
21.2.16	Line Seeker (NZ) 2011	(G. by O'Reilly-Hooked Ona Feeling)	1st HKJC On Ting H., 1200m (trainer: P D O'Sullivan)
RIOS			
19.2.16	Jade Elite (NZ) 2011	(G. by Rios-Spirit)	1st Macau Salvador H., 1350m (trainer: KSW)
21.2.16	Happy Place (NZ) 2010	(G. by Rios-Tranquill)	1st HKJC Wu King H., 1600m (trainer: T P Yung)
NO EXCUSE NEEDED			
25.2.16	Xcuses Xcuses (NZ) 2011	(F. by No Excuse Needed-Xpectacular)	1st Wairoa RC Wairoa Business Supporters H., 1300m (trainer: J G Bary)



MAKING THE NEWS

-WS SIRED NEWSMAKERS-

O'REILLY



LINE SEEKER

Makes it 2/2 since making
Hong Kong return

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SAVABEEL



WHAT'S THE STORY

Catapults self into Derby
calculations

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SAVABEEL



SEWREEL

Adds to Baker/Forsman
Oaks ammo

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O'REILLY



SPLENDIDO

Stable planning maiden
Derby coup

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SAVABEEL



KAWI

Brisbane off the radar

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PINS



MISS ALICE

Black-type mare back to
winning best

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60 SECONDS WITH

AUSTRALIAN MEDIA PERSONALITY

DARRYL SHERER

JOB(S):	Melbourne correspondent for Racenet (.com.au), Flemington trackman for Winning Post, freelance bloodstock consultant and photographer.
FAVOURITE FOOD:	Pretty much anything as long as there is no tomato sauce, mustard, vinegar or such like involved.
DO YOU HAVE ANY NICK-NAMES AND HOW DID YOU COME TO GET THEM:	Not really, I get DRS a bit from friends but usually just my name.
BEST HORSE(S) INVOLVED WITH	Trissaro, Sir Avon, Ominous (GB) & Zedeel.
BOOK ON THE BEDSIDE TABLE:	"The Story Of The Lost Child" by Elena Ferrante.
IF YOU WEREN'T IN THE THOROUGHbred INDUSTRY YOU'D:	Have stayed in mainstream publishing.
WHAT DO YOU DO TO RELAX:	Movies, hit the occasional golf ball (badly).
FAVOURITE TV SHOWS:	The Bridge, Vikings, Jack Irish, The Legacy, Fortitude, Death In Paradise.
WHO WOULD YOU LOVE TO MEET OR HAVE MET:	Lucky in our line of work to meet so many interesting people. A day spent with the Aga Khan among his horses would be pretty special.
FAVOURITE HOLIDAY DESTINATION:	What's a holiday?
FAVOURITE THING ABOUT WAIKATO STUD:	The yearlings are always presented in such good order and Savabeel.
HOW DID YOU GET INVOLVED IN THE INDUSTRY:	My aunt took me racing when I was eight, Galilee's Melbourne Cup - I had a brown \$1 note on him and that was it.
FAVOURITE MOVIE:	So many - James Bond (Sean Connery), Indiana Jones, Amelie, Day of the Jackal, The Italian Job - I could go on.
CHILDHOOD HEROES:	Roy Higgins, Raelene Boyle, Lionel Rose
CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:	Buying Trissaro in New Zealand and seeing him win Group I races, buying Ominous in France and winning a stakes race with him in Australia. We won several publishing awards in my time at Horse and Hound magazine in London, which was satisfying as it was a team effort.
BEST PIECE OF GOOD ADVICE:	Self praise is no recommendation.
NAME 3 PEOPLE YOU'D LOVE TO INVITE TO DINNER?	Nigella Lawson, Andre Fabre & Saba Douglas-Hamilton
IF SOMEONE WAS GOING TO PLAY YOU IN A MOVIE, YOU'D LIKE IT TO BE...	Robert De Niro.
NOT MANY PEOPLE WOULD KNOW THAT I...	Have never taken a selfie and have no intention to ever do so.

PEDIGREE POINTERS

-WITH GARETH DOWNEY-

RIOS – A PROVEN UPGRADER

As we have often said, we refer to **Rios** as being our “secret smokey” on our stallion roster. As his progeny continue to get the chance to perform on the track, this is becoming less and less of a secret. In the last week, there have been **4** of his progeny race and, impressively, **2** of them have won. These winners were **Happy Place**, who scored the 3rd win of his career in taking out the Class 3 final race on the card at Sha Tin, and **Jade Elite** who also scored in Macau.

One of the reasons we formed the view that **Rios** could well prove to be our “secret smokey” was the feedback we got early on from breeders that his foals were often looking like the best foal their respective dams had left. This is now flowing through into the performances on the racetrack. Stallions who can consistently leave some of the better performers from the mares they serve are those who qualify for the label “upgrader”. This is a very difficult tag to justifiably earn, and these are the stallions who pass on the genetic strength that we are all looking for as breeders.



RIOS



HAPPY PLACE



JADE ELITE

So, just to give an objective assessment of the rightful claim of **Rios** to this tag as a genetic “upgrader”, here is a summary of his progeny to date and the performance of other progeny from their dams. **Rios** has so far had 14 progeny to the races, and they are:

Performer	Race Record	Sibling Comparison
Gaultier	Gr.1 Winner	1st black type performer in 7 foals of racing age
Happy Place	3 Wins	Highest stakes earner from 10 foals of racing age
A Tad Leica	3 Wins	Equal highest number of wins from 4 foals of racing age
Del Rios	Winner	1st winner from 2 foals of racing age
Go By Rio	Winner	1st winner from 3 foals of racing age
Jade Elite	Winner	1st winner from 3 foals of racing age
Jackwin	Winner	Only foal from mare
Trigger	Winner	1 of 3 winners from 10 foals of racing age
Pisces Gem	Placed	1st placegetter from 5 foals of racing age
Chilli Boy	Placed	1st placegetter from 3 foals of racing age
Likewise	Placed	1 of 2 placegetters from 3 foals of racing age
Marykate	Only 2 starts	1st foal to race in 5 foals of racing age
Sargent Rahtwo	Only 1 start	1st foal to race from 2 foals of racing age
Rossi The Rifle	Only 1 start	Only 1 start to date

So, this is an outstanding record to date. From **14** runners, **Rios** has left one **Gr.1** winner among **8** winners – and **11** of the **14** runners have at least placed. In addition to this, perhaps the most impressive statistic is that so many of the **14** runners by **Rios** can actually claim to be the best or equal best performer from their dam.

For any breeder looking for a proven genetic upgrader, at a very affordable fee, I would urge you to strongly consider **Rios** for the 2016 breeding season. If you would like to discuss this, or your breeding plans in general, please feel free to contact me via gareth@waikatostud.co.nz or on 021 433 073

MARE OF THE WEEK

-HOOKED ON A FEELING-

ZABEEL EX UGACHAKA BY DANASINGA
UNRACED
4 RUNNERS, 4 WINNERS



BISHOPS CASTLE

2009 O'Reilly gelding
AUS: 6 wins 1200m to 1600m
2011 NZB Premier Yearling Sale
Paul Moroney - \$160,000



BLUE SWEDE

2010 O'Reilly gelding
SING: 7 wins from 1200m to 1600m
2012 NZB Premier Yearling Sale
Worldwide Bloodstock - \$100,000
2012 NZB Ready To Run Sale
Mr S Baertschiger - \$150,000



LINE SEEKER

2011 O'Reilly gelding
HK: 4 wins from 1200m to 1400m
2013 NZB Premier Sale
Passed in at \$30,000
-Won in Hong Kong for trainer Paul O'Sullivan this week



O'WHAT A FEELING

2012 O'Reilly gelding
Sing: Winner at 1400m in 2015
2014 NZB Premier Yearling Sale
Mr S Baertschiger - \$100,000



In-foal to SACRED FALLS

TIP OF THE WEEK

-FROM MICHAEL HUGHES-



MARY QUANT

Matamata RC - Race 2 - 12:48pm

Track and distance winner last start.

Little more conservative than last week...but certainly looks like another win for the famous colours.

THE MAIL

-WITH MARK CHITTICK-

We had a really great day on Monday, when the team flew down to **Oxbow The Adventure Co.** in Wanaka.

The team thoroughly deserved this day and it was brilliantly put on by Oxbow's founders Lloyd and Julz Ferguson and their team.

If you're thinking of a trip to Wanaka, I thoroughly recommend you find out more about this adventure outfit by visiting www.oxbox.co.nz.

Looking forward to one of our our local racing highlights of the year, the **Gr.2 J Swap Matamata Breeders' Stakes** this Saturday. Hope to see some of you there!

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