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VALE LORRAINE ANDERTON



White Robe Lodge matriarch Lorraine Anderton has passed away. (Trish Dunell)

The racing community is mourning the death on Saturday morning of Lorraine Anderton, the matriarch of one of New Zealand's most celebrated racing families.

The wife for 63 years of Racing Hall of Fame horseman Brian Anderton, she had suffered poor health over the past 18 months, but that didn't prevent her from continuing to play a significant role in White Robe Lodge, virtually up until her passing.

"Mum always liked to have a handle on things, especially around the

administrative side of the business," said eldest daughter Karen Stewart, who with her husband Wayne manages breeding operations at White Robe, North Taieri.

"Even on Friday she was at the office checking everything was in order. No way was she dropping the reins."

News of Lorraine's passing after her health had taken a sudden turn for the worse overnight Friday quickly spread and brought a note of sadness to the final day of the Grand National Carnival at Riccarton.

That day marks the anniversary of Grand National Steeplechase wins by the White Robe-bred Noble Express (NZ) (Noble Bijou) (1994) and High Forty (NZ) (Danzighill) (2015), both of whom were also on a long list of major winners she shared ownership in.

"Lorraine's first winner was Attentive (NZ) (Ruddington) back in 1970," Brian recalled. "I was still riding then and wasn't allowed to own horses, but she stepped up and raced a lot of good horses over the years.

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"There were big winners like Inferno (NZ) (Yamanin Vital), who she raced with her great friend Val Christophers, and Tommy Tucker (NZ) (Gallant Guru), who we raced together with another good friend, Ian Nichol.

"We were still winning races together up until just lately – Move On (NZ) (Ghibellines) went up to Christchurch in June and won its first start, then there's Eavesdrop (NZ) (Ghibellines), who won at Oamaru a couple of weeks ago."

Brian and Lorraine Anderton met "on the dancefloor" and were to marry in 1960, becoming the parents of five children – Karen, Lynne, Cathryn, Shane and Nicola.

"Her grandfather had Clydesdales but other than that she didn't have much connection to horses," Brian recalled.

"That didn't stop her becoming a big help to me on the stud. She did shifts at foaling time, she would help me with foaling mares and even by herself when things got busy.

"One night she was helping to foal a mare when she was pregnant herself, things got a bit hectic and there she was, ended up flat on her back. It was one of those stories we laughed about for a long time afterwards.

"Lorraine was a big part of White Robe virtually from the start, but our greatest achievement together is

our family, that has been the most important thing to us over the years, and especially just lately.

"I've got them all here with me now and to have all our children as well as the grandchildren around at this time is so important.

"It's a wonderful tribute to someone who has been my best friend for more than 60 years and who has meant so much to so many."

A Requiem Mass celebrating Lorraine Anderton's life will take place at 11am on Wednesday at St Mary's Church, 87 Church Street Mosgiel.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Te Akau pleased with exhibition gallops

Trainers Mark Walker and Sam Bergerson were pleased with what they saw from their quartet of exhibition gallopers at Te Rapa on Saturday.

Galloping in pairs over 1000m, **Brando (NZ)** (Savabeel) and **Trobriand** (Kermadec) were followed at an interval by **Skew Wiff (NZ)** (Savabeel) and **Maven Belle (NZ)** (Burgundy).

"Both pairings ran home in 35.5 (600m) and overall, we were pleased with the way they worked," Te Akau racing manager Reece Trumper said.

Trumper said Brando and Skew Wiff will resume in the Gr.2 Waikato Stud Foxbridge Plate (1200m) at Te Rapa on August 26, while Maven Belle will be given a bit more time before commencing.

"I think a wet track on Foxbridge Plate Day will bring Brando into it more," Trumper said.

"I don't think he's quite as sharp to run 1200m on a good track, given he's won over 2000m, and is probably looking for a bit more ground now.

"Michael McNab is going to ride Brando in the Foxbridge and Opie (Bosson) will team up with Skew Wiff.

"Skew Wiff has come back an absolute machine and has really strengthened up. She's not big, but strong, and Opie combines with her really well.

"Maven Belle is a bit woolly, she is holding onto her winter coat and not properly thriving yet, so we'll just bide our time with her until she comes in the coat."

Trobriand's first-up assignment is more imminent, with the Group Two winner set to line-up in the Gr.3 Cambridge Stud Northland Breeders' Stakes (1200m) at Ruakaka this coming Saturday.

The three-year-old gelding split Group One winners Pier (NZ) (Proisir) and Legarto (NZ) (Proisir) in a 900m trial at Te Rapa a fortnight ago and his connections are looking forward to him resuming this weekend.

"Trobriand is flying and we've been really happy with his work ahead of next Saturday," Trumper said. – **LOVERACING.NZ News Desk**

HEAVENLY START FOR HIGHVIEW'S NEW RECRUIT

The 2023-24 season is off to a perfect start for new Highview stallion Divine Prophet, whose daughter **See You In Heaven** scored a dominant win in Saturday's Gr.3 Behemoth Stakes (1200m) in Adelaide.

The high-class four-year-old was sent out as a \$2.15 favourite for the Morphettville feature and lived right up to those high expectations, overcoming a three-wide run to win with plenty in hand.

"Considering she is still underdone, it's exciting to see where she goes next," co-trainer Chantelle Jolly said on Saturday. "She has come back bigger and stronger."

"She will head to the Leon Macdonald Stakes (Listed, 1400m) here in a fortnight, and then we will take her to Melbourne, where the end game is the Empire Rose Stakes

(Gr.1, 1600m)."

See You In Heaven's 12-start career has so far produced five wins, five placings and more than A\$630,000 in stakes. She has previously made her mark at black-type level in both South Australia and Victoria, boasting victories in the Gr.2 Sandown Guineas (1600m), Gr.3 Ottawa Stakes (1000m), Gr.3 Breeders' Stakes (1200m) and Listed Dequetteville Stakes (1050m).

See You In Heaven is the best of two stakes winners for Divine Prophet, who is also the sire of Gr.2 Skyline Stakes (1200m) winner Promitto. With his oldest progeny now five-year-olds, Divine Prophet has sired a total of 81 winners from 162 runners to date.

Divine Prophet is a full-brother to New Zealand's reigning

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See You In Heaven winning the Gr.3 Behemoth Stakes (1200m) at Morphettville (Atkins Photography)

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champion sire Proisir, and he was himself the winner of three races including the Gr.1 Caulfield Guineas (1600m).

Secured by Brent Gillovic in a deal with Aquis Farm that also brought Group One winner Ulanova's sire Santos to this side of the Tasman, Divine Prophet will stand at Highview for a \$13,500 service fee this spring.

"Richard Jolly is a good pal of mine, and he's always said that she's well above average – a really good filly," Gillovic said. "She sat three wide for the trip and won easily, beating a Goodwood winner (Savatoxl). You can't take anything away from the win, and it's a great boost for the stallion.

"He's a full-brother to Proisir, as we know, and I think he was a better racehorse and a better type, so it's only a matter of time before he makes his mark."

Gillovic's confidence in Divine Prophet has yet to be met with a flurry of bookings for the stallion, but he is hoping for a surge in interest following this weekend's New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association Waikato Stallion Parade. The popular two-day event will stop off at Highview at 9.45 on Sunday morning.

"Of the two new stallions, Santos has probably been the one that's been on fire, and that's surprised me," Gillovic said. "Some weeks

have brought bookings for Divine Prophet, while other weeks have been quiet.

"He's a Caulfield Guineas winner who's left stakes winners in Australia, and this mare's going to be hard to beat in a Group One race in Melbourne later in the spring.

"He's a magnificent horse. We've all fallen in love with him. He's not only a great type, he's also a good doer and such a kind, quiet horse. I'll give up if he doesn't do the job in New Zealand.

"The stallions will be on show on Sunday morning, and I look forward to people coming out and seeing Divine Prophet in the flesh. He's a beautiful horse – he really is.

"You'd like to see him get 80 to 100 mares. He's still got a little way to go to get there, but we'll be sending 15 to 20 mares to him ourselves, that's for sure. Having a stallion like him is a huge opportunity."

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Highview Stud stallion
Divine Prophet (Supplied)

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POLLY GREY **RETURNING HOME**



Group One performer Polly Grey. (Bradleyphotos.com.au)

Kiwi mare **Polly Grey (NZ)** (Azamour) is returning home, but this time it is for good.

The nine-year-old mare has a date with leading New Zealand sire Proisir but her connections are hoping she can snare some further elite-level success before she retires to the broodmare paddock.

Initially trained in New Zealand by co-owner Kylie Fawcett, Polly Grey won six races for the Matamata horsewoman, including the Listed Matamata Cup (1600m), and also placed in the Gr.2 Japan Trophy (1600m) and Gr.3 Thompson Handicap (1600m).

With the country going into lockdown in 2020 as a result of the

COVID-19 pandemic, Fawcett elected to send her mare over to leading Sydney trainer Chris Waller in Australia, where racing continued.

The move has proven to be a masterstroke, with Polly Grey going on to win a further five races over the last three years, including the Gr.3 Epona Stakes (1900m), Listed Gosford Cup (2100m), Listed Lord Mayors Cup (2000m), Listed ATC Cup (2000m) and Gr.3 JRA Plate (2000m).

"At the time, around COVID, with our industry shutting down, it was just a no-brainer to send her there and it has paid off," Fawcett said.

"She has won five races over there and they have all been black-type races."

The daughter of Azamour was also Group placed on several occasions, including a hit-and-run mission on last year's Gr.1 Zabeel Classic (2050m) at Pukekohe, where she finished third behind Defibrillate (NZ) (Shocking).

"All we needed was a drop of rain (for the Zabeel Classic)," Fawcett said. "It was about 300m away in the distance, but it didn't hit the track. She went a really good race on that Good track."

Polly Grey has subsequently returned to Sydney, and while she is pleasing Waller ahead of the spring, Sydney's unseasonably warm weather has been far from ideal for her build-up.

"He (Waller) is very happy with her. He is almost the happiest he has ever

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been in terms of how she is training and her general wellbeing. He is just waiting for some rain to line her up," Fawcett said.

"She is nominated to race at Hawkesbury on Thursday, but we have scratched the last four times because they are having a winter-summer over there and the tracks have been a Good4 every time she has been due to race.

"She is all dressed up with nowhere to go unfortunately.

"I can guarantee we will bring her back to New Zealand and dry the country out."

Polly Grey is nominated for all three Group One races over the Hawke's Bay Spring Carnival and Fawcett is hoping the weather plays its part for her mare.

"She is nominated for those races, but we are not going to be competitive until we probably get up to that mile (Gr.1 Arrowfield Stud Plate).

"She is coming back because she is going to Proisir. If we get conditions to suit, she will race on for a bit. If it doesn't, she will be retired."

Fawcett said they were weighing up their options with stallions on both sides of the Tasman and settled on Rich Hill Stud stallion Proisir as their ideal first mating for their Group One performer.

"When we were comparing stallions in Australia at similar money, he was still coming up as the best value," she said.

"We thought we would send her to him and give her a really good go.

"If we get a nice colt, we might put them through the sales, but at this stage we are breeding to race with John and Margaret Thompson."

Fawcett rates Polly Grey as the best

horse she has been associated with and would love for her to go out on a winning note.

"I bred and raced My Keepsake (NZ) (Keeper), who won a Group One, but I think Polly was capable of winning a Group One in the right conditions, but we have never seemed to get those perfect conditions," she said.

"When we were getting them and she was really in-form, the races over there were starting to get abandoned because it was just that wet."

While Fawcett is looking forward to cheering home Polly Grey at Hastings, she is hoping to have a presence at the carnival with members of her own team.

She believes last start ITM/GIB 3YO Winter Championship Final (1600m) winner Delorean (NZ) (Time Test) is starting to come of age and she is hoping to seal a trip south with the

mare with a pleasing showing at Ruakaka this weekend.

"I am running Delorean at Ruakaka on Saturday. There is a 75 fillies and mares race over a mile, so she is going to go back there," Fawcett said.

"If she keeps trucking along and going well, I will try and find a race for her at Hastings.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see her go over 2000m, which is just incredible because as a two-year-old I had her pencilled as a 1200m two-year-old sprinter and that would be it.

"I always thought she had the potential, but she was just doing a lot wrong and had a couple of unfortunate runs as a two-year-old where she didn't learn anything.

"We have had to sacrifice a few runs to try and get her right and hopefully next Saturday we have done that."

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Trainer Kylie Fawcett (Trish Dunell)



DANCING DREAM CARRYING HOME HOPES FOR RAE

Kenny Rae had hoped to have multiple representation in Saturday's three-year-old feature on his home track at Ruakaka but the stable is now down to a sole contender.

The talented **Whiskey Lies (NZ)** (Embellish) is currently under offer to Hong Kong interests and stakes winning stablemate **Illicit Dreams (NZ)** (Vancouver) will head south to Christchurch where Rae's daughter and training partner Krystal Williams is permanently based.

Rae's only runner in this weekend's Gr.3 Cambridge Stud Northland Breeders' Stakes (1200m) may now be the consistent **Dancing Dream (NZ)** (Contributer).

"She's still a maiden and you'd expect it to be a strong field for a \$100,000 race, but if she can place it's better than winning a maiden race, especially for a filly," he said.

"She's got a home track advantage so there's no travelling and we'll probably have four others in the maiden races anyway."

By Contributor, Dancing Dream has placed in five of her nine outings including three consecutive runner-up finishes at Ruakaka last season behind Embellish's son Whiskey Lies.

"I honestly thought she was better than him but it's three nil to him. I still say with a bit more time she could end up being the better horse," Rae said.

Illicit Dreams enjoyed an unbeaten two-start autumn campaign and following her home track success headed south to claim top honours in the Listed Champagne Stakes (1200m) to take her record to two wins from five appearances.

"I was looking at the Breeders' Stakes with her, but she wasn't going to be ready," Rae said.

"She'll go back down to the South Island for the three-year-old fillies' races."

Illicit Dreams is likely to resume

Dancing Dream (outside) will contest the Gr.3 Cambridge Stud Northland Breeders' Stakes (1200m) at Ruakaka on Saturday. (Race Images)

at Riccarton over 1000m on September 2 and as a lead into the Listed New Zealand Bloodstock Canterbury Belle Stakes (1200m) a fortnight later.

"Krystal is down there on the farm, it's a beautiful spot. It might be a long way, but once the horses arrive there's no more travelling," Rae said.

"If the sale doesn't go through then Whiskey Lies will go to Christchurch with her for the three-year-old races. He's passed the vet, but they're not sold until the money comes through."

Whiskey Lies was unplaced in his spring debut and returned to complete a winter hat-trick of wins with a series of gallant front-running displays.

Meanwhile, stablemate **Follow Your Dreams (NZ)** (Contributer) is likely to run in the open 1400m sprint at Ruakaka on Saturday and is another booked to head south.

The travelling party may also include a younger member or two, depending on the outcome of Tuesday's trials at Avondale.

"We've got seven two-year-olds trialling and after that we'll decide which ones stay in work, which ones go out or go down south," Rae said. – **LOVERACING.NZ News Desk**



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TE RAPA SPECIALIST CONTINUES WINNING ROLL

Turn The Ace (NZ) (Turn Me Loose) extended a glittering run of form on the heavy conditions at Te Rapa on Saturday, producing a fifth career victory for trainer Andrew Forsman.

The five-year-old son of Turn Me Loose was confidently sent forward to be pacemaker under apprentice Elen Nicholas, and when challengers Hot Salsa (NZ) (Tavistock) and El Nymph (NZ) (El Roca) loomed at the top of the straight, the pair stuck to the inside rail to cruise away for a stylish win in the Lodge Real Estate Mile (1600m).

"It was a very good win. He

obviously favours Te Rapa which is always good, so we knew he'd run well because he does like the track," Forsman said.

"It was a good dominant win, he did have to carry a bit of weight compared to a few others in the field so I thought he was very strong at the line."

Turn The Ace carried 57kg with Nicholas' two-kilogram claim at Te Rapa, however, further weight penalties following the victory means despite holding a nomination for the ITM New Plymouth Interprovincial (1600m) this Saturday, the gelding will likely bypass the race.

"We're just deciding today if we back him up and run him because it's probably a bit of a tough ask, he'll probably have to carry a bit too much weight to contest that race so more than likely he won't go down there," he said.

The five-year-old also holds a feature nomination for the Arrowfield Stud Plate (Gr.1, 1600m) on the second day of the Hastings Spring Carnival, but after a long and successful campaign Forsman is carefully selecting the best route for his in-form charge.

"The Hastings carnival is probably

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Turn The Ace winning at Te Rapa on Saturday. (Kenton Wright (Race Images))





TE RAPA SPECIALIST CONTINUES WINNING ROLL

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as long as his preparation wants to go on, so we'll have to decide whether we maybe give him a short let-up and try to get to something like that," he said.

The Cambridge stable will be well represented on Wednesday at their local synthetic meeting, with polytrack specialist Medina (NZ) (American Pharoah) joined by lightly-ried three-year-old filly Satin Doll (Dissident).

Medina displayed her best run of form late in her three-year-old season, producing two consecutive victories on the Cambridge Synthetic track in July and she will contest the Richard Bright Memorial Cup 1550 this week.

The American Pharoah mare will be well-weighted in a strong field with 54kg under Warren Kennedy, who has started off the new season impressively, including riding four winners at the Te Rapa on Saturday.

"Medina's in good form, she's performed well on the poly the last couple of starts but as has the whole field, they're all pretty much poly-track specialists so it'll be a very competitive race," Forsman said.

"That's what happens when the stakes-money's up, they've attracted a really good field."

Satin Doll will have her second

raceday start in the Pryde's Easifeed 1300, with the daughter of Dissident having produced a third placing at her first start earlier in the year.

"She's coming up well. I am happy with her apart from the awkward draw (9).

"She's trialled well on the polytrack before so that's probably why we're quite keen to give her her first run this prep on there, and we'll progress from there."

Forsman had also nominated Almanzor debutante Roadcone for the race but has elected to give the three-year-old his first start the following Saturday back at Te Rapa.

Later in the week, Forsman will likely have Trans-Tasman stakes performer White Noise (NZ) (El Roca) resuming at Ruakaka on Saturday in the open handicap 1400m event.

The El Roca five-year-old produced a dominant victory last preparation in the Gr.3 Easter Handicap (1600m) after an Australian stakes-placing in the Listed Sale Cup (1600m) last November and holds nominations for all three of the Hastings Triple Crown races.

"White Noise will probably kick off up there, and how he performs will dictate where we head with him in the next few weeks," Forsman said.

Forsman also plans to send four-year-old Russian Satire (Russian Revolution) to the Ruakaka meeting, with the daughter of Russian Revolution set to start in the Rating 65 1600m race.

– LOVERACING.NZ News Desk

Cambridge trainer Andrew Forsman (Darryl Sherer)





KENOBI READY TO GRADUATE

Fred Cornege believes **Kenobi (NZ)** (Burgundy) has done his time as a Padawan and is ready to graduate from maiden ranks when he heads to Cambridge's synthetic meeting on Wednesday.

The Burgundy gelding has posted three consecutive third placings on the surface and will attempt to go two better in the Waipa Earthworks 1550.

"He's a regular placegetter," said Cornege, who trains the five-year-old in partnership with his wife Lindsay.

"I think he is better off learning the trade at the lower level rather than going up, but he has done his apprenticeship now and if he can put his best foot forward on Wednesday, I think he is a chance."

Kenobi will jump from gate five under senior hoop Sam Spratt, who rode him to his last start placing over 1300m.

"I hope he doesn't get out of his ground. He creates a problem for himself – he starts okay and then he loses a bit of ground and has to go through traffic to get to the line. Sam has ridden him now, so she knows what he is about," Cornege said.

"His last start he was flat out the whole way to keep pace with them. He will have a bit more time to think about things (over 1500m)."

All going to plan after Wednesday, Kenobi will be given a quick freshen-up before targeting the Hawke's Bay Spring Carnival.

"We will probably give him about a week off and then we will look at the second and third day MAATs at Hawke's Bay," he said.

Cornege has had a strong run over the last few years with stakes winners Rose 'N' Power and Pop Star Princess and said the stable is currently in a rebuilding phase.

"We have a team of maideners. We have had a good run with two mares and they have gone by the wayside now so I am back to the drawing board," he said.

"We are having fun. We are professional trainers in a sense, but we are doing it for fun."

Cornege is excited about the prospects of a number of his stable runners, including a well-related gelding.

"I have got a very nice horse by Burgundy. He is a four-year-old and is a half to Yourdeel," he said.

"He has shown us a bit but I am just waiting for his owners to name him so we can do something with him.

"Billy Bunter has also shown us he is a little above average. He has had a few problems but hopefully they are sorted now and it's onwards and upwards."

– **LOVERACING.NZ News Desk**



Trainer Fred Cornege. (Trish Dunell)

BRIGHTSIDE ON FAMILIAR PATH



Mr Brightside winning the 2023 Gr.1 Doncaster Handicap at Randwick (Bradleyphotos.com.au)

Mr Brightside (NZ) (Bullbars) gave Ben & JD Hayes their first Group One winner, taking out the 2021 Gr.1 Doncaster Mile (1600m), and he will follow a similar initial preparation to last Spring as he is set to resume in Saturday's Gr.2 P B Lawrence Stakes (1400m) at Caulfield.

New addition to the Hayes training trio, Will Hayes, is hoping the stable stalwart can give him his first Group One winner as part of the Lindsay Park operation and thinks the six-year-old is ready to go first up, having won his most recent jump out.

"We couldn't be more thrilled with his two trials that he's done at Flemington, he's in terrific order, he's a

warhorse now, he's got plenty of pre-seasons under the belt so we're hoping for a very forward run first up," Hayes said.

Runs in the Gr.1 Memsie Stakes (1400m) and Gr.1 Makybe Diva Stakes (1600m) are also pencilled in, with the latter to determine whether he returns to Moonee Valley for another Gr.1 Cox Plate (2040m) tilt or is kept to a mile.

"We'll make that decision after the Makybe Diva. We're definitely going to see how he gets through those first few runs and then make the best decisions from there," Hayes said.

All 11 of Mr Brightside's wins have come between 1400-1630m, and the A\$8 million earner could potentially

chase international riches later this year.

The Kiwi import was originally trained by Ralph Manning in Cambridge, for whom he ran a luckless fifth in his sole New Zealand start at Matamata before being sold privately to clients of the Hayes stable via Australian agent Wayne Ormond.

A possible overseas trip to visit father David Hayes in Hong Kong for December's Gr.1 Hong Kong Mile (1600m) is still very much in mind, with the Cox Plate form already standing up in last year's edition through Laws Of Indices.

"It's still a long way away but it's definitely on the table," Hayes said.

- RAS Newswire



DIAMOND JAK WINS AT TE RAPA



Diamond Jak winning at Te Rapa on Saturday. (Kenton Wright (Race Images))

Diamond Jak (NZ) (Jakkalberry) continued his purple patch of form at Te Rapa on Saturday when taking out the Dunstan Horsefeeds 2100.

The victory brings the five-year-old gelding's record to two wins and four placings from seven starts this preparation, although trainer Mark Brosnan said it hasn't come easy.

"It was a very good ride and we were lucky to draw one," Brosnan said.

"I was quietly confident with him, but he is a fragile sort of horse. He doesn't take a lot of work and he doesn't eat well, so you just don't know for sure whether you have done enough with him.

"But he has improved all the way through. He is bred to stay and he is starting to do it now. A year on and he should be better again, I hope."

Brosnan said he now needs to look at the racing programme to figure out his gelding's next target, with his win ruling him out of what would have been his next assignment.

"He has jumped up in the ratings after yesterday. I was hoping to go to a 2400m in a couple of weeks time, but that is a 65 so he can't go there now, so I'm not too sure what his plans are from here," he said.

Meanwhile, Brosnan is having a frustrating run with Outback Opal (NZ) (El Roca), whose spring preparation has been interrupted with hoof issues.

"She has been back in work for six weeks. She's had a few feet issues, so she is a wee way off yet," he said.

The six-year-old mare was in fine form last season, winning four and placing in one of her eight starts, and ran fourth in the Gr.2 Travis Stakes

(2000m) at Te Rapa in April.

Stablemate Arjay's Flight (NZ) (Highly Recommended) also had a pleasing run last year and is set to return to work in the coming weeks.

"He has been at the water-walker for a month and he is due back in the stable next week. We'll just continue to go through the grades with him at this stage," Brosnan said.

Looking at his younger team, Brosnan is excited about the prospects of Shamexpress gelding Sterling Express (NZ), who won his sole trial over 850m at Te Awamutu in April.

"There is a three-year-old called Sterling Express who I think is a nice type," Brosnan said.

"He has had one trial for a win and he is quite exciting and is about a month away."

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LORD SPENCER GETS DESERVED WIN



Lord Spencer on his way to winning at Riccarton on Saturday. (Race Images South)

Wanganui hurdler **Lord Spencer (NZ)** (Zed) was rewarded for his consistency at Riccarton on Saturday when breaking through for his maiden hurdle victory in the Speight's Summit Ultra On Tap 0-1 Win Hurdles (3100m).

The son of Zed had placed in his four previous hurdle outings, including at Riccarton a week prior, and trainer JJ Rayner was delighted to see him score at the final day of the Grand National Festival of Racing.

"He is a neat horse and deserved to win. Stephan (Karnicnik, jockey) rode him perfectly yesterday, he sat and waited, settled nicely and saved

ground."

Rayner was quietly confident heading into the race, but was wary of \$1.60 hot favourite Afterallthistime (Deep Field), who subsequently finished third.

"He has done well since the first day. He really needed that, and I think it brought him on a bit," Rayner said.

"I was a bit worried about the Myers horse (Afterallthistime), but we got past them yesterday, which was good."

Lord Spencer will make the long trek back to Wanganui where he will enjoy a freshen-up before Rayner looks for his next target.

"He has come through the race

really well. I will give him a week off at home and we will just play it by ear. I have no big plans at the moment," she said.

"I don't want to do too much this season. I think we will look to next season for some biggies."

Meanwhile, Rayner is looking forward to heading to New Plymouth this coming weekend with stakes performer Hacksaw Ridge (NZ) (Power).

The six-year-old gelding has enjoyed a freshen-up following his fourth placing in the Whyte Handicap (1600m) last month and will attempt to capture the lion's share of the \$80,000 purse on offer in the ITM New Plymouth Interprovincial (1600m) on Saturday.

"We gave him a week freshen-up since his last run and he is on target for the Interprovincial on Saturday with Craig Grylls on," Rayner said.

"He does show a lot of promise. He likes bad ground so the wetter the better for him."

The son of Power has been in good form, highlighted by his runner-up result in the Listed AGC Training Stakes WFA (1600m) at Wanganui in June.

The Gr.3 Winter Cup (1600m) was in Rayner's sights following that run, however, she soon shifted her aim toward Saturday's test.

"I was heading in that direction (Winter Cup) with him this year, but he is not a good traveller so I don't think he would have handled the trip down there," she said.

"If he grows up a bit, he might head that way next year. The Interprovincial is his main target. \$80,000 on your backdoor, you might as well be there."

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HILL GUESSES CORRECTLY WITH GUESSING GAME

Malcolm Hill rolled the dice when lining up **Guessing Game (NZ)** (Derryn) at Awapuni's synthetic meeting on Friday and it proved a fruitful decision for the Wanganui trainer.

It was the first time the homebred gelding had been on the surface and it proved to his liking, scoring a three-quarter length victory after being posted three-wide throughout.

"It was a tough run. He got caught three deep the whole trip and kept on kicking. It showed that he has a bit of ticker," said Hill, who bred and owns the four-year-old.

Hill was weighing up between heading to the trials or racing on the polytrack with Guessing Game, and he is pleased he chose the latter.

"He's not really handling the wet tracks. I either had to go back to the trials and try and get some points or head to the synthetic," he said.

"I wouldn't call him a synthetic horse, but in saying that, I have had some problems with his shins and that is why I have been going on these wetter tracks, just to get a bit of racing into him.

"I was pretty confident of a top four finish. He will now be put aside until the tracks get a bit better.

"He is probably better on the grass on top of the ground."

Hill was thrilled to get the win with his homebred and he is looking forward to having his siblings through his barn in years to come.

"I bought the mare (dam) off gavelhouse in-foal to this bloke (Derryn, sire) and I have a couple of foals out of her by Unusual Suspect," Hill said.

"I asked Nigel Auret (for advice on buying a mare) because I was keen to send a mare to Unusual Suspect and he gave me an idea of what I should be looking for and I bought this mare.

"She is a lovely mare and has left nice foals, so it is all working out well."

A former jockey, Hill spent plenty of time overseas before returning to New Zealand a few years ago to spend more time with his parents, and he is enjoying working a few horses around his job as track curator at Wanganui Racecourse.

"I started off as a kid here in Wanganui before I went up north and did my apprenticeship with Graeme Sanders," Hill said.

"When I finished my apprenticeship, I did a lot of travelling and spent a lot of time in Australia, England and Japan.

"I did a bit of truck driving along the way, but I was always around horses, riding track work. I did a bit of training in Australia for a few years as an owner-trainer and had a few wins in the country in New South Wales."



Guessing Game winning at Awapuni on Friday. (Peter Rubery (Race Images Palmerston North))

Hill said he particularly enjoyed his time in England and Japan.

"The last time I was in England I worked in a jumping yard which had about 180 jumpers, that was a real eye-opener," he said.

"Japan was interesting. Foreigners could only work in the pre-training and breaking in side of it over there. The culture shock was the biggest thing. I was up in Hokkaido where it gets down to -17 degrees in winter time, which is about six months of the year by the time it thaws. But it was a good experience."

Now back in New Zealand, Hill has been enjoying working a couple of horses and even returned to the jockey ranks for a couple of years, but he said his riding days are now behind him.

"I am a hobbyist. My folks were getting on a bit so I am just helping them out and enjoying life. I work at the racecourse and do a few horses of my own," he said.

"I didn't ride for many years but when I came back and had a handy horse I thought I would give it a crack. I rode him at Tauherenikau about three or four years ago. I then put weight on again and decided to have a crack at the amateurs.

"I must have had eight or 10 rides in the amateurs and had a bit of fun, but I think those days are behind me now, I am busy enough with my few horses and a full-time job."

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NZ STALLION AWARDS

THE CENTAINE AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
TAVISTOCK	\$452,433
SAVABEEL	\$324,364
BELARDO	\$247,637
SWISS ACE	\$246,727
SACRED FALLS	\$162,803
ZED	\$149,448
CONTRIBUTER	\$143,896
JAKKALBERRY	\$141,084
ZACINTO	\$137,706
SWEYNESSE	\$130,995

Criteria: Sire whose NZ-conceived progeny have accumulated the highest stakes earnings worldwide

THE DEWAR STALLION TROPHY

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
TAVISTOCK	\$401,135
SAVABEEL	\$287,730
BELARDO	\$233,435
SACRED FALLS	\$152,635
SWISS ACE	\$143,165
JAKKALBERRY	\$139,045
ZED	\$138,295
ZACINTO	\$120,765
CONTRIBUTER	\$113,240
RELIABLE MAN	\$106,743

Criteria: Sire whose progeny have accumulated the highest combined stakes earnings in Australia & New Zealand

THE GROSVENOR AWARD

STALLIONS	EARNINGS
JAKKALBERRY	\$116,645
ZACINTO	\$100,445
SHOCKING	\$93,365
BELARDO	\$86,965
SWISS ACE	\$80,130
METTRE EN JEU	\$71,250
SHAMEXPRESS	\$65,900
ALAMOSA	\$63,285
MONGOLIAN KHAN	\$53,445
SACRED FALLS	\$52,695

BEST PERFORMERS	EARNINGS
BERRY THE CASH	\$62,000
WEE TADHG	\$20,650
KOPIA	\$26,550
BELARDO BOY	\$64,375
MAKABAR	\$46,000
WEST COAST	\$62,000
BLUE VEIN	\$23,275
PRINCE TURBO	\$47,250
VALLEY KING	\$40,250
PRINCE ALBY	\$27,525

Criteria: Leading Sires by Earnings in New Zealand



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NZ BRED WINNERS IN

MACAU 12 AUGUST

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
NUMBERONE MINGXAN (NZ) 2016 by Bullbars (AUS) out of Blancpain by Generous (IRE)	J M Clydesdale; Bay Of Plenty; NZ	Macau Hibernian H. 1200m.	2018 Ready to Run Sale V: Te Runga Stud Ltd \$29000 P: Macau Jockey Club
FAMOUS RAINBOW (NZ) 2019 by Sweynesse (AUS) out of Florence Hilton by Lucky Unicorn (AUS)	K J Hickman ONZM; Canterbury; NZ	Macau Airdrieonians H. 1500m.	2021 National Yearling Sale - Book 2 V: CH Bloodstock Ltd \$29000 P: HN Auret

SINGAPORE 13 AUGUST

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
CHARMINTON (NZ) 2018 by Charm Spirit (IRE) out of Sarzana by High Chaparral (IRE)	D A Murtagh; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1200m.	2020 National Yearling Sale - Book 1 V: Windsor Park Stud \$65000 P: HBL Racing
FOUNTAIN OF FAME (NZ) 2016 by Charm Spirit (IRE) out of Shylock's Daughter by Generous (IRE)	Marthas Kitchen Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1200m.	2018 National Yearling Sale - Book 2 V: Curraghmore \$40000 P: Hardwicke Racing/Waterford B/stock
FIREWORKS (NZ) 2015 by Ekraar (USA) out of Brooklyn Roads by Bertolini (USA)	Monovale Holdings Ltd; Waikato; NZ	Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1400m.	
JANUARY (NZ) 2019 by Swiss Ace (AUS) out of Musically (AUS) by Belong to Me (USA)	G Harvey; Auckland; NZ	Singapore TC Class 3 H. 1200m.	2021 Ready to Run Sale V: Westbury Stud \$75000 P: Donna Logan Racing Stables

MALAYSIA 13 AUGUST

HORSE & BREEDING	BREEDER	RACE	SALES DETAILS
ARC TRIUMPH (NZ) 2014 by Showcasing (GB) out of Wind Of Savannah by Savabeel (AUS)	Haunui Bloodstock Ltd & B J O'Brien; NZ	Perak TC Cosmo Stakes 1200	2016 Ready To Run Sale V: Mana Park \$57500 P: Hardwicke Racing/Waterford B/stock



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GLOBAL NZ BRED WINNERS

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AUSTRALIA

Belardo : Verona (NZ) (Spamalot by Stravinsky) 2018;
05 Aug 2023, 1st ATC Schweppes H. 2400m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$8000

Charm Spirit : The General (NZ) (Roxon by Postponed) 2016;
05 Aug 2023, 1st Morven RC Warrego H. 1200m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$120000

Contributer : Caerus (NZ) (Due Diligence by Danasinga) 2018;
05 Aug 2023, 1st Richmond TC Ri McClymont Memorial H. 1400m
Sold by Mapperley Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$55000

Contributer : Contribute (NZ) (Contrada by O'Reilly) 2017;
06 Aug 2023, 1st SCTC Canadian Club H. 1800m

Contributer : Snow Patrol (NZ) (O'Rocker by O'Reilly) 2020;
09 Aug 2023, 1st MRC Ladbroke It Maiden P. 1300m
Sold by Lilywhites Lodge at Ready to Run Sale for \$170000

Ekraar : Teemenzed (NZ) (Elusive Quarry by Zabeel) 2014;
05 Aug 2023, 1st Casterton RC Bet 365 H. 1800m

Guillotine : Cleaver (NZ) (Plaza Doree by Saumarez) 2015;
06 Aug 2023, 1st MRC Ladbroke It Hurdle 3400m
Sold by Windsor Park Stud at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$17500

Jakkalberry : Boom Boom Sweet (NZ) (Ultra Explosive by Darci Brahma) 2016;
05 Aug 2023, 1st Darwin TC Administrator's Cup H. 1600m
Sold by Novara Park at National Yearling Sale for \$25000

Mahisara : Winston Smurfhill (NZ) (Primera by Reset) 2018;
06 Aug 2023, 1st SCTC Jim Beam Black H. 1400m

Niagara : Bonjour (NZ) (Catch the Day by Keeper) 2016;
11 Aug 2023, 1st Geelong RC Rex Gorell Volkswagen H. 1230m

Ocean Park : Chateaux Park (NZ) (Val de Loire by Montjeu) 2016;
09 Aug 2023, 1st ATC All Too Hard at Vinery Stud H. 2200m

Reliable Man : Opera Belle (NZ) (Kiri by Prized) 2019;
06 Aug 2023, 1st Wodonga TC Wiesners Maiden P. 2050m
Sold by Te Runga Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$60000

Rock 'n' Pop : Kobe Rocks (NZ) (Queen Mary by General Nediym) 2017;
12 Aug 2023, 1st Gladstone TC Gladstone Cup H. 1608m
Sold by Hallmark Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$13000

Sacred Falls : O'Mudgee (NZ) (Contented by More Than Ready) 2016;
12 Aug 2023, 1st Townsville TC Cape Cleveland H. 1300m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$140000

Sacred Falls : Sacred Feeling (NZ) (Hooked Ona Feeling by Zabeel) 2019;
09 Aug 2023, 1st BRC Membership on Sale Now Maiden P. 1640m
Sold by Phoenix Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$100000

Satono Aladdin : Suigetsu (NZ) (Fairfield Flame by Oasis Dream) 2019;
12 Aug 2023, 1st Kerang TC NPDP Gypsum Maiden P. 1100m
Sold by Rich Hill Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$54000

Savabeel : Travelling Kate (NZ) (A Touch of Ruby by Pins) 2017;
12 Aug 2023, 1st ATC ACY Securities H. 1800m

Savabeel : Savvy Legend (NZ) (Donna Cattiva by Captain Rio) 2016;
06 Aug 2023, 1st Townsville TC Ladbroke H. 1609m

Savabeel : Medal (NZ) (Gold Rocks by Oratorio) 2018;
06 Aug 2023, 1st Townsville TC Qld Trucking Association H. 1609m
Sold by Waikato Stud Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$500000

Savabeel : Run On (NZ) (Youtoofast by Fast 'n' Famous) 2016;
05 Aug 2023, 1st Roxby Downs DRC Kalari QUBE Logistics H. 1400m
Sold by Milan Park at National Yearling Sale for \$300000

Shalaa : Playgirl (NZ) (Goodtime Gal by Holy Roman Emperor) 2019;
12 Aug 2023, 1st Casino RC Ajest Security H. 1200m

Shooting to Win : Our Kiwi Princess (NZ) (You've No Idea by Savabeel) 2018;
06 Aug 2023, 1st Port Hedland TC Hedland Hotel H. 1300m
Sold by Leanach Lodge Ltd at National Yearling Sale for \$30000

Swiss Ace : Rheinberg (NZ) (Schiffer by Snitzel) 2018;
09 Aug 2023, 1st MRC Senet Law Experts H. 1300m

Tavistock : Marquess (NZ) (Purple by Commands) 2018;
09 Aug 2023, 1st ATC Precise Air H. 1300m

Tavistock : Superstock (NZ) (Sistabeel by Savabeel) 2019;
12 Aug 2023, 1st MVRC Ladbroke RC Challenger H. 2040m

Tavistock : Anthemic (NZ) (Banchee by Oratorio) 2017;
12 Aug 2023, 1st Kerang TC Autopro Kerang H. 1100m
Sold by Woburn Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$220000
Sold by Pencarrow Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$200000

Tavistock : Costas (NZ) (Keepthechange by Keeper) 2015;
05 Aug 2023, 1st Gilgandra JC M&M Brophy Memorial H. 1600m

The Bold One : Bold Mac (NZ) (Mrs Mac by Colombia) 2017;
05 Aug 2023, 1st ATC Premier's Cup Prelude 1800m


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Thewayouare : Bruno Stars (NZ) (Rhyme by Spinning World) 2014;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Casterton RC Bet 365 H. 2000m

Time Test : Pushy (NZ) (Angel Child by Anabaa) 2020;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Illawarra TC Lake Heights Maiden H. 1200m
Sold by Wentwood Grange at National Yearling Sale for \$60000

Tivaci : The Psychologist (NZ) (Lego by O'Reilly) 2018;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Casterton RC Salute Simon Wilde Maiden P. 1800m

Zed : Magic Mikey (NZ) (Magic Tryst by Magic Ring) 2018;

12 Aug 2023, 1st Toowoomba TC Pryde's Easifeed H. 1890m
Sold by Grangewilliam Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$17000

Zed : Colin Oscopy - Dr Colin (Aust.) (NZ) (Melikah by Cape Cross) 2016;

11 Aug 2023, 1st Geelong RC Bet365 H. 2447m
Sold by Grangewilliam Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$10000
Sold by Valachi Downs at National Weanling, Broodmare & Mixed Sale for \$2500



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MACAU

Swiss Ace : Hostwin Winbull (NZ) (Conferencia by More Than Ready) 2019;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Macau Clyde H. 1050m
Sold by Westbury Stud at Ready to Run Sale for \$45000

MALAYSIA

Castledale : Rainbow Fish (NZ) (Run Roxy Run by Rock Of Gibraltar) 2012;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1200m
Sold by Te Runga Stud Ltd at Ready to Run Sale for \$35000

Darci Brahma : Ghost Bay (NZ) (Casino Snip by High Rolling) 2014;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1200m
Sold by Wentwood Grange at National Yearling Sale for \$70000

Nadeem : Pasir Pinji (NZ) (Mistaar by Iffraaj) 2016;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Stayers S. 1600m
Sold by Westend Partnership at National Yearling Sale for \$6000
Sold by Woburn Farm at Ready to Run Sale for \$34000

Power : Remo Mama (NZ) (Tihi Keepa by Keeper) 2016;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1400m
Sold by Brighthill Farm at Karaka May Sale for \$1500

Proisir : Wanted Payout (NZ) (Zelt by Red Ransom) 2018;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 4 H. 1100m

MALAYSIA

Reliable Man : Can't Find One - Little Pony (Mal.) (NZ) (Keenly by Keeninsky) 2016;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class OM 1500m
Sold by The Oaks Stud at National Yearling Sale for \$110000

Shocking : Amazing Choice (NZ) (Choices Are by Redoute's Choice) 2014;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1400m

Showcasing : Oscar Eight - Mr Hanks (Sing.) (NZ) (Zafonique by Bigstone) 2014;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Somnath Biswas H. 1100m
Sold by Haunui Farm at National Yearling Sale for \$21000

Sufficient : Aussie Eagle (NZ) (So Take That by Align) 2012;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1200m
Sold by Highview at Ready to Run Sale for \$57500

Sweynesse : Mysterious Captain (NZ) (La Pin by Pentire) 2018;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 4 H. 1100m
Sold by Westend Partnership at Karaka May Sale for \$8000

Zacinto : Shylock (NZ) (Prompt Payment by In The Wings) 2017;

05 Aug 2023, 1st Selangor TC Class 5 H. 1700m
Sold by Ohukia Lodge Ltd at Ready to Run Sale for \$80000

SINGAPORE

Contributer : Absolute Radiance (NZ) (Dazzling Heights by Zabeel) 2018;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1800m
Sold by Prima Park at Ready to Run Sale for \$100000
Sold by Mapperley Stud Ltd at Karaka May Sale for \$24000

Sweynesse : May (NZ) (Voleuse by Denman) 2020;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Singapore TC Maiden Race 1100m

Tivaci : Sirius (NZ) (May Rain by Written Tycoon) 2018;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Singapore TC Class 5 H. 1100m

Wrote : Winning Stride (NZ) (Tossed and Turned by Secret Savings) 2018;

06 Aug 2023, 1st Singapore TC Class 4 H. 1600m
Sold by Highview at National Yearling Sale for \$40000

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