

NEW ZEALAND THOROUGHBRED RACEHORSE OWNERS FEDERATION

OWNERS' BULLETIN



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PRESIDENT'S UPDATE



WHERE HAVE ALL THE OWNERS GONE IS SOMETHING THAT I HAVE NOTICED ON RECENT VISITS TO RACE MEETINGS SINCE THE LAST ISSUE. EXCUSING ELLERSLIE I WONDER WHETHER OWNERS ARE STAYING AT HOME ON THE LOUNGE CHAIR AND WATCHING THEIR THOROUGHBRED RACE OR ARE UNHAPPY ABOUT THE OWNERS' EXPERIENCE IF THEY ATTEND A MEETING. I WOULD SAY IT IS A MATTER OF BOTH!

The cost of travel and accommodation is high especially if the meeting gets abandoned which is a 1 in 5 chance happening of late, and secondly some Club's amenities for owners are poor.

The raceday experience for owners is something that needs attention, especially where some building infrastructure is deemed necessary. If Clubs want to increase their attendance rates then providing adequate owner privileges and designated lounges requires being addressed by both NZTR and Clubs.

Your Federation Executive met on the last Sunday in March to consider its strategic purpose and direction and work through its constitutional changes as required by the provisions of the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022. We are required to revise our constitution and register by 5 April 2026.

Though this exercise may not seem onerous there are some major implications that need to be addressed and considered before we register. This same provision applies to New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing making necessary changes to its constitution which we await before we finalise our Federation rules and register by the due date.

As previously communicated we await NZTR direction and leadership around allowing the Owners Federation to become a member of NZTR (currently reserved only to Clubs) which will in turn permit your Federation to consider changes to our membership criteria.

As the Federation is recognised under the provisions of the Racing Industry Act 2020, we are advocating that membership of the Federation would be open to all owners registered with NZTR if they registered their consent online to be a member without subscription.

Your Executive believes that the Federation should be funded by NZTR and not the members who already expend costs in regards ownership and training fees.

It's time for the Racing Industry to give back to Owners! In turn we can work alongside LOVERACING, your local Clubs in getting participants back "On Track" and bring back the community race days that were the bread and butter of the racing industry of the past.

I apologise I cannot offer you more at this time as I too have been very busy in my day job but I do wish you success in the coming months.

Bernard Hickey (President) 

NZTR INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE 2025

By Sally Blyth

THE THIRD NZTR-HOSTED INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE TOOK PLACE ON MONDAY 31ST MARCH 2025 AT ELLERSLIE RACECOURSE. THE DAY PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ALL SECTORS OF THE INDUSTRY TO COME TOGETHER AND HEAR INSPIRING SPEAKERS FROM INSIDE AND OUTSIDE OF THE INDUSTRY, AS WELL AS TO MIX AND MINGLE. I ATTENDED ALONG WITH PRESIDENT BERNARD HICKEY AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER DENISE MAYHEW. UPON ARRIVAL, EACH PARTICIPANT RECEIVED A GOODIE BAG WITH A TABLE NUMBER INSIDE IT. WE WERE TO SIT AT THAT TABLE, WHICH MIXED THINGS UP AND MEANT PEOPLE DIDN'T STICK IN THEIR OWN GROUPS. A GREAT WAY TO ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO MEET AND CHAT TO NEW PEOPLE. THERE WERE APPROXIMATELY 190 ATTENDEES, ALL SET FOR AN ENLIGHTENING DAY AHEAD.

The Conference commenced at 11am after morning tea. New NZTR CEO Matt Ballesty welcomed everyone and introduced himself. He has a strong sporting background and strategic focus, albeit not within the racing realm. Having only been in the role for a month at that point, he outlined how he was taking time to get to know the inside workings of NZTR and the industry within NZ so he could settle into his role from an informed and grounded place.

The first speaker was Wade Jackson. Under the topic "Mind Dojo: Psychology of Change" he took the group through various activities that touched on how people experience change. Mostly, people fear not change itself but the potential loss that can come with change. Topics covered included resilience, adversity, mental strength, distress, patterns, breathing, empathy and compassion. Racing is an industry that can test people in so many ways, and this session provided some tools and discussion around how to manage thinking, regulate emotions and control behaviours.

Next up was Michael Browell, the CEO of Moonee Valley, who gave an insightful presentation about the future of the racecourse. He provided background about Moonee Valley and its history, along with facts and figures, noting it was the first course in Victoria to host night racing with lights installed in 1997.

The "Valley of Tomorrow" project includes grand designs for a residential development that will include commercial and retail, with 23 acres carved off the site for this purpose. A new racetrack has been designed and work will start in November after the running of the 2025 Cox Plate. This will result in the straight extending to be almost 320m long (currently just 173m). The course will be closed for some 21 months and it is anticipated that racing will begin again in August 2027. Michael shared plans of the development and design, noting the project is self-funded by the Club with the key benefit being securing the Club's financial future. We'll watch progress with much interest.

Following a delicious lunch, we came back together to hear Justin Nelson, Head of Commercial and Fandom at Sky NZ, whose topic was "The Future is in the Hands of the Fans". A strong message was that "the most sought-after commodity in the world is people's attention". He cited how the US benefits from having a robust focus on fans and brands when it comes to sport, bringing in revenue and creating a sense of belonging. Kiwis are seen as patriotic, with a sense of occasion when NZ is on the global sports stage but are not necessarily geared towards serious "fandom" locally. He talked of the "tribalism" that is prevalent in Australia, especially around the AFL, and how NZ could benefit from getting fans to become more engaged. Sports promotion should showcase the fans themselves, not just the athletes, as a way to create more engagement. Generally, fans are an untapped resource and gleaning more "fan data" across generations is an important component to boost fan engagement.

Charlotte McLauchlan (The Ghost Writers) and Eddie Christian (Killick Horizon) spoke on the topic "The Green Track: Racing Towards a Sustainable Future". They touched on attitudes to climate change, benefits and cost efficiencies of sustainable approaches and how this can protect the future of sports. They highlighted two case studies, Formula One and Royal Ascot, both high-profile events that have embraced sustainability measures to reinforce premium brand image, value the environment and increase revenue. For horseracing, it's important

to make practical changes and set standards before they are imposed, as well as to identify strong collaborative opportunities.

Following afternoon tea, Vicky Leonard of Kick Collective talked about "Racing's Image Problem", sharing practical industry crisis communication tips and noting the importance of proactive preparation to provide clear facts, accountability and a course of action that will engender trust going forward. Silence and avoidance do not promote trust.

On Track's James Sendall and Andy Cowan introduced a mental health support initiative for the racing community. A Helpline is available along with a variety of support mechanisms to ensure wellbeing across the industry and this is being well-received.



Dean Shannon, CEO of Entain Australia and NZ, provided an update on initiatives around betting including the roll out of new betting machines in coming months. He highlighted the benefits of having more Sunday racing meetings and called for collaboration and innovation to enhance the racing product and customer experience.

At the conclusion of the day, the following Awards were made to high-performing Clubs for their work in 2024:

Overall Club of the Year Winner: Racing Tauranga

Metropolitan Club of the Year: Auckland Thoroughbred Racing

Provincial Club of the Year: Racing Tauranga

Country Club of the Year: Wairarapa Racing Club

Special recognition was also given to Noelle Prince of Otago Racing Club, who received the NZTR Appreciation Award, and Jason Fulford, Track Manager at Auckland Thoroughbred Racing, who was honoured with the On Track Leadership Award.

CEO Matt Ballesty wrapped up the day by thanking all the keynote speakers for their valuable insights and practical ideas which will help strengthen the future of NZ racing.

Once formalities were concluded, participants came together for fellowship over drinks and nibbles. I was pleased to spend some time talking with Matt and also Auckland Thoroughbred Racing Chair Doug Alderslade. I put forward to both of them an aspect that had been discussed at our NZTROF Executive Workshop the day prior, namely that the actual sport of thoroughbred racing ought to be given more profile – currently the main focus in the media is on betting which means those who don't understand horse racing tend to think it's all about gambling and cruelty to animals. People who are not involved don't get exposed to the glory, history and nuances of the sport itself – but if they did, they might have a different perspective and, from that, the industry may well grow and strengthen into the future. We need to bring the younger generation on board in a positive way and showcasing the magnificent elements of the Sport of Kings is a way to do this.

All in all, it was an enjoyable day – I got to meet new people and hear some inspiring messages. I came away with a positive vibe for the future of the industry I love. 🐾

EDITORIAL *Neil Miller*

JUST RECENTLY MEDIA BREATHLESSLY REPORTED THAT WESTPAC BANK HAD AN ONLINE OUTAGE - AND WHAT A CRISIS THAT HAD CAUSED. IT GAVE EXAMPLES OF THE HARDSHIPS THIS HAD CAUSED AND ONE WAS OF A POOR PETAL WHO HAD BEEN UNABLE TO TOP UP A HOP CARD AND THUS COULDN'T GO ANYWHERE!

The outage was two hours and I thought "spare me" or us, of the need to hear about a non-functional person and the telling of this non tragedy. When are we going to hear and read about "real" people; you know the ones that actually do and achieve things. Well the following pages here are about achievers who go bravely into the world and have a crack.

David Price and Mark Freeman accepted an invitation to take their top horse El Vencedor to a premier race in Hong Kong. The outcome of the race was due to external factors like a different hemisphere and a huge crowd but mostly due to the end of a long and hugely successful season at home. I hope EV comes home well and I am sure he will find a good paddock waiting for him.

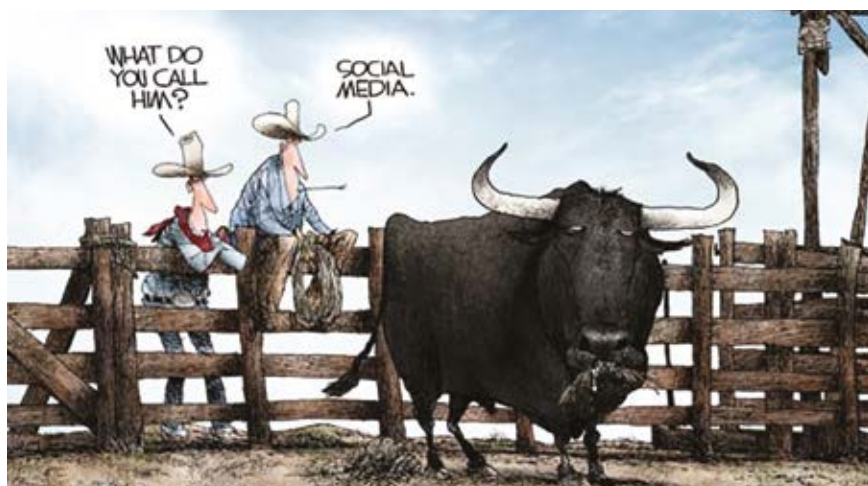
Stephanie Faulkner is the wife of Pete the Central South Island President, delegate to NZTROF and writes the area notes with gusto. A conspiracy theorist could say, "hang on, there is favouritism here" and I would reply, "of course there is." But you read about Steph and decide eh?

Further on there are stories of past good horses written by Lynne Forsman and Dale Opie, real industry people!

Then on further are the Wright's Shelley and Ian of Glen Massey. A story written by Jenny Cowan of an ultra – long distance horse called Farag.

All those people I have mentioned are achievers. They are the ones we want to hear about and hear from. Don't you think?

For your story contact me – neilandjeanette@yahoo.com 📧





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OUR COVER

El Vencedor

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REGIONAL ROUNDUP

AUCKLAND & NORTHLAND

Sally Blyth. Auckland Owners Association President

THE AUCKLAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE WAS APPROACHED BY LORAIN GRANT OF RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION (RDA) - ALSO A MEMBER OF THE OWNERS ASSN - TO SEEK SUPPORT FOR THEIR FUNDRAISING EVENT ON 30TH MARCH 2025 AT TOTARA PARK, A PRIVATELY OWNED PROPERTY WITH AMAZING ART SCULPTURES.

Auckland Committee member Craig Leishman kindly donated \$500 to the cause from his company Boutique Body Corporates (BBC) on behalf of the Auckland Owners Assn. The Committee felt that granting funds outside of thoroughbred racing didn't specifically fit within our Constitution so this was a happy outcome. RDA were appreciative of the gesture and the funds went towards sponsoring a sculpture in the Park, with acknowledgement of the Auckland Owners Assn.

Our Committee was thrilled to be able to support this very good cause that has great results and outcomes for their riders.

Ellerslie has been a busy racecourse over recent months with Karaka Millions Day at the end of January, Champions Day on 8th March, Trials on 1st and 3rd April and Saturday racing on 5th and 19th April, 17th May and 7th June. The course also hosted superb Wednesday midweek meetings on 9th April and 7th May, with a rare Sunday meeting on 25th May.

I attended both the Wednesday meetings and, although there was just a small oncourse crowd, both days were full of fun and fervour with big fields, superb racing and sunshine. CEO Paul Wilcox and GM Craig Baker were out and about amongst the people and horses and I even spotted Paul scooping up horse poo at one point! He caught me indulging in a hotdog - and admitted to having done the same. Yum, best hotdogs ever!

The new-look Winning Post is the perfect place to enjoy a spot of midweek racing (no tote operators in there though, so you can only bet on your account or on a machine) and Taiki's rose blooms out front.

On Wednesday 7th May I had the pleasure of spending a chunk of the day with trainer Barbara Kennedy who had three horses running. It was a spectacular autumn day and the front corner table in the Winning Post was full of delighted cheers as we urged husband Warren on for two exciting "weave through the field from the back" wins, both horses overcoming wide draws and one being on debut. Barbara's third horse ran a very game second and Warren got a hat trick of wins, so it was a very successful day out for the Kennedys. Exciting times and a great thrill for Barbara to get her first training double. Having taken over the training operation of Peter and Dawn Williams when they retired, Barbara looks set to clock up more winners and we wish her well as she goes from strength to strength in the training ranks.

Midweek racing at Ellerslie enables you to get up close with the action and the people. A superb day out for those who can manage to get along, long may it continue!

Getting horses to trial in the north has been somewhat challenging recently, and some horses have had to go racing without a trial under their belt. Congratulations to all those members who have persevered through abandonments and testing times to enjoy well-deserved success over recent months - there have been a few. When that win does come, the name of Ashley Goodwin's horse says it all... "Pure Delight" - a 5YO mare who got her Maiden win in January at Ruakaka after a significant string of placings. Here's hoping there are plenty of winners in store for us all over the winter months. 🐾

WAIKATO/BAY OF PLenty

Jill Lunn

THE WAIKATO/ BAY OF PLenty OWNERS ASSOCIATION BEGAN THEIR YEAR BY PRESENTING A TROPHY ON A MAIDEN RACE AT THE MATAMATA MEETING ON 22 JANUARY. WE WERE LUCKY TO HAVE OUR RACE AS RACE 3 AS THE MEETING WAS ABANDONED AFTER THE RUNNING OF THIS RACE.

The Waikato BOP Thoroughbred Owners Association Maiden 2000 metre race was won by Gold Currency a 4yo Tarzino gelding owned by Sandy Schlaepfer and her sister J Young. Sandy was over the moon to win this race. She bought the mother Sixpence a Stravinsky mare on Gavelhouse in foal to Tarzino for \$500 and he is trained by Shaun Phelan. Sandy says, "Shaun has been wonderful with him and taken him slowly to get him learning. He has had breaks in his training at our farm at Te Kauwhata, and each time he has gone back the report has been he is more settled." It was a wonderful win for Sandy and her sister, and I am sure there will be more to come from their farm.

Ellerslie on Karaka Millions night 25 January saw a number of Waikato/ BOP owned and trained horses show their abilities. Orchestral who is owned by Colin and Helen Litt from Waikato, showed her amazing talent to win the Elsdon Park Aotearoa Classic over 1600 metres. She has now won over \$2 million. This time last year we saw Orchestral win the Karaka Millions 3yo race, then in February 24 she won the Avondale Guineas, and in March the New Zealand Derby. It is interesting to see last year's plan with the step up in distance each time for this horse. In 2024 she had a race on 1 January at Pukekohe over 1600 metres and won that, the Karaka Millions 3yo was over 1600 metres, then the Avondale Guineas over 2100 metres before the New Zealand Derby over 2400 metres. Then she had some time in Australia where she won over 2000 metres and got placed over 2400 metres. This year 2025 she had a preparation run over 1400 metres before the Elsdon Park Aotearoa Classic.

Race 3, The Group 2 Westbury Classic was taken out by an Australian horse Konasana trained by Chris Waller by the tiniest of margins over our horse Imprevu. Imprevu is a French word that means 'Unexpected' in English, and while we were quietly confident she certainly got under the guard of the tipsters. The Lunn family breed and race their own horses and this family is proving its value. Imblaze (8 wins) is her aunty and Impresa (2 wins and many places) is her half-sister. Imprint, her dam, won on debut before going amiss with a cracked fetlock and was sent to the breeding barn.

The 2yo Karaka Millions and the 3yo Karaka Millions were both taken out by Te Akau owned horses. In the Summer *Bulletin* I wrote about their horses La Dorado, which did win the 2-year-old race and Damask Rose, which did win the three-year-old race. Congratulations to all those in the syndicates and to Te Akau principal David Ellis who is a member of our Association.

Then there was the Group 1 race, The Railway for all the smart sprinters. The favoured Crocetti prevailed and the crowd was enthusiastic to see this happen, over the also favoured Alabama Lass. Crocetti is owned and trained in Pukekohe and Alabama Lass is trained in Matamata by Ken and Bev Kelso for the group including Marie, Jo and Murray Dunn, Sue and Tony Egan, Eddie Tynan and AJ Moore.

Another Premier meeting was LIVING LEGENDS DAY held at Te Rapa for Waikato Thoroughbred Racing on the 8 February which saw the track in fabulous order and the weather a scorcher. The spoils were shared by many from small time trainers to the big guys from Australia. The horses were magnificent and the very large crowd appreciated being able to see these wonderful animals and the living legends from past years.

One of our owners having a purple patch is David Price the part owner of El Vencedor. What a horse! He was simply magnificent on Living Legends Day winning the Group 1 Herbie Dyke Stakes by 3 lengths from his closest rival La Crique This race was over 2000m and it didn't seem to prove a hindrance to El Vencedor that he stepped up from 1500m to 2000m in only 8 days and won by such a margin. Previous to this race El Vencedor had shown what he is made of at Ellerslie when he carried 61kgs to win the Fulton Family Stakes on 1 February and win by 5 lengths, over 1500metres. El Vencedor also won on February 22 at Ellerslie. The Sport Nation Otaki Maori WFA Classic was easily taken out by this stunning horse ridden by Wiremu Pinn. He is part owned by Mark Freeman and both Mark and David bred this gelding by Shocking. El Vencedor has also been invited to race in Hong Kong on 27 April 2025 to contest the Group 1 QEII Cup over 2000m at Sha Tin. A truly remarkable horse!

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HAWKES BAY Bernard Hickey

WITH THE HAWKE'S BAY RACING CLUB AND RACECOURSE TECHNICALLY SHUT DOWN AND NOT OPERATING, NOT MUCH HAS HAPPENED RACING WISE IN THE BAY. MEMBERS OF THE CLUB AND ALSO OWNERS ARE AWAITING ON SOME FORM OF JOINT DECISION BETWEEN HAWKE'S BAY RACING AND NZTR AS TO WHAT IS THE FUTURE PLAN OF THE CURRENT VENUE. RUMOURS AND WHITE LIES ARE TALKING OF A COMPLETE TRACK REFURBISHMENT WITH NEW STAND AND FACILITIES. SO IT'S A CASE OF WAIT AND SEE AS TO WHAT THE PIXIE FAIRIES BRING TO THE TABLE.

Meanwhile, Hawkes Bay horses and owners have been successful since I last reported and no better to start with is former Hastings-trained galloper JIMMYSSTAR who has stamped himself as one of the most exciting sprinters in Australia. Jimmysstar just recently won the Group 1 All Aged Stakes over 1400m at Randwick and the son of Per Incanto has now put together nine wins from his 18 starts and is currently in the stable of Ciaran Maher. Bred by Wairarapa couple Pete and Chrissy Algie in partnership with our Bulletin's main sponsor, Masterton's Little Avondale Stud. Both stud proprietors Sam and Catriona Williams and the Algies remain in the ownership of Jimmysstar.

Central Hawke's Bay owner Dean Shuker looks like he has another good filly in the making and following in the footsteps of ATISHU, a winner of 11 races and more than A\$6m in stake money who was just recently retired from racing, in the name LITTLE BLACK DRESS. Trained out of Cambridge by Stephen Marsh, the two-year-old filly by Snitzel out of Star Fashion won the Listed \$100,000 SkyCity Star Way Stakes over 1200m at Ellerslie. There's more to come from this exciting filly!

Without a doubt, NZ Kiwi winner at Ellerslie, DAMASK ROSE has been a sensation for Hasting racehorse owner Kieran Pollard who holds a 10% shareholding in the Te Akau Coming Up Roses Partnership syndicate. The filly out of Savabeel has proven to be our number one three-year-old this season and Kieran has a lot to look forward to when the mare commences her career in the spring. I cannot imagine what it would be like to have an interest in such a horse and Kieran must be still looking at a beaming smile when he looks in mirror each morning. Good luck for the future which will no doubt include a stint in Australia next season.

Napier racehorse owner and good friend Noel Lister celebrated a long overdue win with KARMAN LINE in winning the \$40,000 BCD Group 1600m at Waikato recently. The mare by Myboycharlie has had a mixed career plagued by injuries but has shown promise on a number of occasions without saluting. Trained by Lance O'Sullivan and Andrew Scott, Karman Line is destined to be sold possibly at the Queensland Gold Coast National Broodmare Sales in May.

Other Hawke's Bay owners who have had success in the last three months are included in the back of this *Bulletin*. If I have missed someone please don't hesitate to contact me direct via hickeyb@xtra.co.nz 📧



**Damask Rose
Top Filly**

WAIKATO/BAY OF PLENTY CONTINUED

Another winner of note on this auspicious day was Leica Lucy. Bred and raced by Heather Crofsky and her husband she won the Fillies Classic Group 2 race. Craig Grylls had to ride a masterful ride to weave her through the gaps to get her to the line. Leica Lucy also went to Wellington and won the NZ Oaks. Heather and her husband previously owned the NZ Derby winner a few years ago Habibi.

Leica Lucy has now gone to Sydney and the stable of Chris Waller.

Another of our members who had a winner recently was Roger Blunt. His horse Catherinenz won at Otaki on 9 February over 1400m. She is by Shameexpress out of Roger's mare Grey Sapphire and Roger bred her himself. She has had 10 starts for 4 wins and 2 thirds, and her trainer Robbie Patterson thinks she will target some stakes races soon. Her full brother Shameless Boy is also in Robbie Patterson's stable and has begun his new campaign.

Brent Tupaea is another of our members who has been having a purple patch. He is a member of several syndicates and his horse Aladdin Sane, by Satono Aladdin won in November. Another of his horses Sweet Ice, by Frosted, won in December and Dealt With, by Ace High, won in January. Dealt With is trained by Roger James and Robert Wellwood and owned by a syndicate of owners who also include Kevin O'Brien and Chris and Jill Grace. After having 2 wins in January Dealt With was 3rd in the Karaka Millions 3yo and followed that with a 2nd in the Eagle Uncle Remus Stakes, both listed races.

Kiwi Skyhawk is by Contributor and another 3yo who has been showing amazing durability. He is part owned by Steve Freeman a member who is on the committee of Tauranga Racing. Kiwi Skyhawk has raced every month since July 2024. He has raced for 3 wins and the last two wins have been of Group 3 races over 2100 metres.

Bak Da Angel is another with a good record. 12 starts for three wins and three 2nds. Bak Da Angel is another by Ace High closely related to the very good Hollinshead family that has produced Te Akau Shark and Bak Da Chief. In January Bak Da Angel won at Tauranga and then on 19 April won at Ellerslie over 1400. Bak Da Angel is raced by our member Jocelyne Wallace as part of a syndicate. 📧

WANGANUI & TARANAKI

Bret Field and Brian O'Dea

THE LAST QUARTER HAS BEEN A VERY BUSY PERIOD AROUND OUR PARTS WITH PLENTY OF RACING AT BOTH WANGANUI AND WAVERLEY WHO HAVE TAKEN THEIR SHARE OF THE LOAD WITH OTHER MAIN CENTRAL DISTRICTS TRACKS OUT.

The irrigation installed at Waverley was perfectly timed and both tracks will need a good rest at some stage in the next couple of months after a total of 13 meetings were held.

It was great to see a spread of successes over both regions for some of our members especially with a Group 1 for the Stanleys with Ladies Man and a Group 3 for Taranaki legend Carey Hobbs with Herbert. Other owners that featured that have a close connection with the Wanganui Jockey Club were the Aurets with Lady Rosabella and Diana Handley with Uncle Arch. Also great to see a couple of Waverley lads have victories too with Bay Express for Alan Hawken and Mark Corcoran still breeding winners with Steal My Thunder.

The unveiling of Johnathan Parkes Memorial Seat was well received by a good crowd in attendance at the 5th April Breeders Stakes raceday. Trainer Erin Hocquard was a great



influencer in having the seat made and fittingly as all good deeds deserve she has had 2 recent wins in April with King of Hearts.

For donations towards this impressive memorial please contact info@wjc.co.nz

MANAWATU/WELLINGTON

Allan Fenwick

CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED TO MARTON TRAINER FRASER AURET AND HIS WIFE ERIN WHO ARE THE BREEDERS OF KA YING RISING, THE TOP-RATED SPRINTER ON THE LONGINES WORLD'S BEST RACEHORSES LISTINGS.

The superstar Hong Kong sprinter completed a record-equalling season with a scintillating victory in the HK\$22 million Gr.1 Chairman's Sprint Prize (1200m) at Sha Tin at the end of April. Taking his unbeaten race record to 12 consecutive wins the Shamexpress gelding simply demolished a world class field of 12 rivals.

Another couple to enjoy success at the highest level are members Chrissie and Pete Algie who together with Little Avondale Stud bred and have retained a racing interest in Jimmysstar. The Per Incanto gelding defeated a star-studded field at weight for age to win the 1400m Gr.1 All Aged Stakes on the final day of the Championships at Randwick in March. Earlier in the season he had won the Group 1, 1100m Oakleigh Plate. Jimmysstar is clearly living up to his potential.

Chrissy Bambry has a smart two-year-old in Silver Salute who was an impressive winner on debut at Wanganui for her large group of owners including Committeeman Mark Fearon. The U S Navy Flag filly had trialled twice for two placings prior to her debut assignment, where she was underrated in a market dominated by a couple of northern two-year-olds.

Gail Temperton and partner Stan Alexander were in the winner's circle at Woodville with Never Look Back at the end of April. For good measure Name the Game was third in the very next race.

But if Woodville was great Hawera a few days later was even better. The meeting, originally set down for Otaki, but transferred to Hawera featured the Foxton New World Foxton Cup. The Partnership's smart Proisir mare Royal Flower outstayed Never Look Back for a memorable stable quinella. Well done Gail and Stan.

Timmy finally broke through maidens at his 10th start for Sylvia Kay at Woodville. The Time Test gelding had had a series of placings in his career to date.

A number of members, including John Druce, Mark & Faye Fearon and Elaine Vine share in the ownership of Zackery a recent winner at Trentham. The Zacinto gelding is trained by Matthew Eales.

Time Test filly She's All That was a maiden winner in February for Wexford Stables. She is raced by a Syndicate which includes Association Members John Pearce and the Grants

The Roydon Bergerson trained Vee Vee notched up win number 3 at Wanganui in April. Association Members Gerald Haddon, Mark Fearon and Bob Wiltshire share in the ownership of the Vadamos gelding.

Dealt With, raced by a Syndicate including Brian Hall followed up a winning debut with another victory and 2 placings in Listed company. The Ace High gelding is trained by Roger James and Robert Wellwood.

Neil Managh's Gohugo recorded his 2nd win when successful at Wanganui in January and has had further placings since. Neil bred the

gelding who is from Mint, who won 4 races for him.

The Association was pleased to join with the Central Districts Branch of the NZTBA and InToWin Syndications in sponsoring the Group 3, InToWin.Co.NZ Manawatu Breeders Stakes. Due to the Awapuni track being closed the race was hosted by the Wanganui Jockey Club in early April.

The 2050m WFA event for Fillies & Mares was won by Val Di Zoldo ridden by Lily Sutherland. Although it was just her 3rd win, the five-year-old Tony Pike trained mare had been placed many times in good company and was the winner earlier in her career of the Little Avondale Lowland Stakes. Val Di Zoldo has subsequently gone on to win the Group 3 Travis Stakes.

MAJESTIC HORSE FLOATS 2024/2025 POINTS SERIES

Congratulations to El Vencedor the undoubted WFA star of summer racing who has a slender lead at the end of April in this year's Majestic Horse Floats Points Competition.

Having gone off to represent New Zealand in Hong Kong El Vencedor has however, left the door ajar for the chasing pack to try and run him down before the end of the season.

THE LEADER BOARD AS AT 30 APRIL 2025 IS AS FOLLOWS -

1st	40.....	EL VENCEDOR	Daz & Mike Southey
2nd	39.....	JUST CHARLIE.....	Roz & Mike Southey
3rd	37.5.....	MAROTIRI MOLLY.....	Christine & Beven Palato
4th	30.....	CARIGNAN.....	Susan & Allan Fenwick
5th.....	28.....	SPOT ON TIME	Rosy Cooper
6th.....	24.....	MOHI PLACE.....	Libby Bleakley
7th =.....	23.....	AMEND.....	Erin Connors
.....	23.....	BEDTIME STORY	Tim Gillespie
.....	23.....	DUBAI'S POTIKI	Tony Bambry
10th	22.....	INSATIABLE	Douglas Duncan
11th	21.....	TAKESHI	Matt & Logan Fenwick
12th.....	20.....	TOWN CRYER	Jill Dixon / Bob Wiltshire / John Roache (Estate of)
13th =.....	19.....	HE'S LUCID	Douglas Duncan
.....	19.....	KICK ON	Philippa & Sam Trotter
.....	19.....	PHATS.....	Tony Bambry
.....	19.....	ZACKERY.....	Eliane Vine
17th =.....	18.....	HARD ROCA.....	Matthew & Logan Fenwick
.....	18.....	MOET DOWN.....	Rosy Cooper
.....	18.....	SHOWBASTIAN COE.....	Richard Algar
.....	18.....	WITZ END.....	Tim Gillespie

The Association acknowledges and appreciates the cash and the voucher sponsorship of Majestic Horse Floats.

CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND

Peter Faulkner

HELLO FROM THE MAINLAND, I HOPE EVERYONE IS SAFE FROM THE IMPENDING DOWNFALL ABOUT TO HIT, I THINK WINTER RACING IS REALLY HERE NOW. I HAVE LOOKED AT THE RACING CALENDAR FOR THE SOUTH ISLAND IN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS, AND THERE ARE ONLY ELEVEN GRASS TRACK MEETINGS. ONLY TWO IN JULY WITH NATIONAL WEEK AROUND THE CORNER. IS THERE SOMETHING A LITTLE BIT LACKING IN THE PROGRAMMING?

Still some great racing with good size fields down here, and one initiative with the Southern Cups Series being a huge success. Field numbers and turnover being well up by 28%. The five Cups of Gore, Invercargill, Dunedin, Wyndham and Riverton, culminating in a slender points victory to the Robert Dennis trained Lofty's Gift in the inaugural series. Well done that team.

A horse which has been very solid, and consistent of late is Treybon, for owner Bruce McLeod. The 7yo gelding by Sweeney, and trained by Ross Beckett at Yaldhurst, has now won five with stakes of \$230k. His latest win came in the time honoured Kumara Nuggets, the open 1810m journey on a soft 6 track. With apprentice Donovan Cooper aboard and claiming down to 52kg, they jumped from gate eleven and ended up seventh, three wide without cover. Keeping him in a nice rhythm while there was plenty going on up front, they were able to slide forward into the race at the right time to be third at the turn and hit the front with 100m to go. They were able to hold everyone off in a busy finish. A great race to win and there would have been big celebrations.

That consistent form continued with two seconds in the heats of the Southern Mile Series, which then in the final ran a gallant second again after being fifth, three wide in the open. They managed to find the lead in the straight only to be run down in the last 50m. Another game run. Lastly he ran in the Southern Alps Challenge, an Open Mile. He ran a creditable third, after being handy and three wide in the open again. Led at the turn and fought like a tiger for another good payday.

Gilbert, or Noble Knight on the racetrack, had another good win when he won the Invercargill Gold Cup over 2600m. The 7yo son of Ghibellines is owned by Helen and Tim Parish, and trained/owned by Sandy Cunningham of Prebbleton. Ridden by Billy Jacobsen, they had a nice sit sixth on the outer, improved down the side to hit the front before the turn to pinch a break. They were too strong in the run to the Judge and held on for a good win. An honest campaigner, he also ran third in the Canterbury Gold Cup last weekend over 2000m, taking his career earnings to over \$300k.

A mare who is racking the wins up, is the 5yo mare by Per Incanto, called Tikki. Owned by Craig Hunter and trained by Steven Prince at Wingatui, she has prevailed in three of her last four starts. This takes her tally to seven wins from sixteen attempts and earnings of \$172k. All three wins this time have been Open 1200's from Gore to Wingatui and then Riccarton. All three piloted by Tina Comignaghi (she has ridden her in six of her seven wins). The last at Riccarton she was third, three wide in the open, led at the 200m, and was brave to the finish to break 1.09. I'm sure there are more in store.

Well that's all from me, hope you all keep warm and safe and keep on winning. 🍀

SPONSORSHIP AT "RIDING FOR THE DISABLED" WALK

PAT WOOLASTAN

WE WERE SO GRATEFUL TO BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPONSOR A SCULPTURE AT A RECENT FUNDRAISER BY TOTARA PARK RDA. THIS CAME ABOUT BY THE KIND DONATION OF AUCKLAND OWNERS COMMITTEEMAN CRAIG LEISHMAN.

The RDA committee and helpers should be very proud of themselves – their sculpture walk at River Haven in Clevedon was a major success. They certainly had the formula right and it is hard to say whether it was because the venue was beautiful, the sky was blue, the art was intriguing, the volunteers were so darned helpful, it was for a very worthy cause, or because there was music and food.

But I suspect that the catalysts that pulled everything together were the ponies and horses; those wonderful patient ponies who walk miles with special people on board.

Totara Park ponies and horses are handpicked. They must be strong, sound and have a temperament that is calm and reliable. RDA like the TB industry is also concerned about welfare, and retired ponies live out their lives on a farm, being loved and cared for. As most riders at RDA are children most equines used are ponies, but not all, and Thoroughbreds have been used for RDA work as they are sensitive and clever. The last TB used at Totara Park was wonderful with disabled riders and in the school but with a capable adult rider in the open spaces of Totara Park she had the wind between her ears and the finish line ahead.

Understandably for an RDA fund raising event there were plenty of past and current RDA families there and the lines of children waiting for Pony Rides included those wanting to renew the riding experience, and those current riders who wanted an extra ride!

By placing the rider in different positions on the horse (therapeutic riding) different muscles are worked. Stopping and starting the horse as well as changing the speed and direction increases the benefits. Muscles are strengthened by the increased use involved in riding. Horses are warm, flexible, and responsive animals, creating a positive and engaging experience for riders.

Horses are known to have a calming effect, which can be particularly beneficial for riders with anxiety or other mental challenges. It is not uncommon for children arriving exhibiting not just physical but mental problems as well to be placed on a pony and they immediately relax. That's horses!

The Sculpture trail itself is fascinating; it is a beautiful 40 acres of rambling garden and arboretum; a 3.5km of trail through trees, beside a river and punctuated with sculptures that were funny, clever, and always thought provoking.

The sculpture by Jeff Thompson and sponsored by the Auckland Thoroughbred Owners Association was so appropriately set on a flat marshy area, and was entitled simply "Keel" -- and while most viewers could quite vividly imagine a boat upside down under the ground, a small lad who hadn't read the notice said "Oh look, an aeroplane on its side" -- and it could have been. Everyone has a different slant on things.

This isn't an exhibition trying to be smart and superficially "arty" It is just what the viewer makes of it. It will ask questions, many questions but those sculptures will leave lingering pictures in our minds. And it was well worth the walk. 🍀



STEPHANIE FAULKNER

Pam Trusttum

SOUTH CANTERBURY TRAINERS HAVE BEEN TO THE FORE IN 2024-2025 SEASON, AND STEPHANIE FAULKNER IS KICKING GOALS WITH HER SMALL TEAM BASED AT THE PHAR LAP RACEWAY.

Last season, 2023-2024 her team won 12 races and the standout performance was Green Luck taking out the Group 3, CJC Coca Cola Canterbury Gold Cup. This was Stephanie's first Group winner and it was a great achievement getting the 9yo Street Cry gelding back in winning form.

Green Luck had started his career in Australia, winning 2 races before being sold to Hong Kong where he added another 6 wins to his tally. Stephanie took over training the veteran two years ago, after he had just finished a racing campaign. With time off and patience she finally got him back to the races albeit with a few setbacks along the way. As well as his Group 3 win Green Luck also won the Waimakariri Businesses North Canterbury Cup over 2000m this time as a 10 year old. Fondly known as Leo, he is now happily retired and remains under Stephanie's care.

This season, 2024-2025, with three months still to go Stephanie has already got 13 wins on the board and a strike rate of 6.92. With a nice team of horses in work, there should be more wins to come.

Smooth Operator has been racing in impressive fashion. The handsome 5yo Turn Me Loose gelding is now a 6 times winner, taking out three in a row which included the \$50,000 Nigel Robertson Building Southland Crystals at Invercargill in December. Stephanie then took him over to the West Coast to compete in the Kumara Gold Nuggets, a race she won as a jockey back in 1997 riding Khadeelah for the Parsons stable.

Smooth Operator went a great race finishing in third place.

He is now turned out for a well-deserved spell after a run of placings in the Southern Cup races, which included third in the Invercargill Gold Cup, second in the Dunedin Gold Cup, and rounding his season off with a fourth in the Riverton Cup.

Another talented runner in the stable is He's Tunza Grunt, a 7yo gelding by the local stallion Pure Champion. He has won 4 races so far, 3 this season and is working up nicely after a spell. Stephanie is looking forward to his return to racing for a winter campaign as he is adept on the wetter tracks and like a lot of racehorses, seems to be getting better with age.

Richard Stomper, who is by El Roca, is another 5yo gelding that is talented with 4 wins to date and should go on with it. He will be returning to the races sometime in the spring as he likes the firmer conditions.

It is no surprise to see Stephanie achieving success in her training role as she has been involved in the horse industry for most of her life

Stephanie was a typical horse-mad child riding ponies from an early age, and then as a sixteen-year-old schoolgirl she started riding trackwork for local trainer Graeme Jackson which soon led to her taking out an apprenticeship with him. In those early days she was known as Stephanie Clark

I can remember seeing Steph riding at the trials, a fearless competitor with the ability to get her horses out of the gates at speed and front run to the line. She was telling me that the first time she rode at trials she actually bunked school and rode in four 2yo heats for her boss and won with them all. The next day she was called into the Roncalli College Principal's office and asked to explain why there was a write up about her in the Timaru Herald, with the headline 'Schoolgirl Makes Dream



Stephanie with Green Luck after his win in the Canterbury Gold Cup

Debut at Doncaster'. Any future horse related absences from school were duly noted as work experience.

Stephanie's first winning ride came in 1990 at Riccarton on Windvale Birdie which incidentally was the last winner trained by successful local racing stalwart Cecil Stewart. That same year still as an apprentice she rode Count Claudio to win The Homeby Steeplechase at Riccarton for her boss Graeme Jackson. Stephanie did all of the schooling work on him so when his regular rider Angus Mavor got hurt, she got the ride. She was the first female jockey to win a feature jumps race at Riccarton Park.

In 1991 Steph competed in the pony club area trials riding Lezulea, who was a retired Thoroughbred gelding by Beaufort Sea, who had won 2 flat races for Graeme Jackson. Unfortunately, they missed out on getting in the South Canterbury/North Otago Area Team for the NZ Pony Club Championships by just a couple of points. As it turned out it was a blessing in disguise because she ended up riding Count Claudio to win the Otago Hunt Cup Steeplechase instead.

When Stephanie retired as a jockey in 2002 she had won 124 races on the flat, and 16 jumps races. At the time of her 16th win she was the most winning female rider over jumps in New Zealand and was also the first female to win a hurdle/steeplechase double on the same day.

In 2007 Stephanie became the first woman race starter in Australasia when she took up the position in Canterbury, covering all meetings at Riccarton, Ashburton, Timaru and Waimate. She said it was a challenging job because at times things can go wrong very easily, but having a good camaraderie with her gate staff helped. In 2013 she retired to have a baby.

After taking a break Stephanie got back into the training role in the 2015-2016 season basing herself at Phar Lap Raceway.

Steph loves the horses and enjoys riding her own trackwork and that's why she tries to keep her training team down to a manageable number.



stud chat with Sam

What a summer for Per Incanto, especially across the Tasman! Jimmysstar, a gem of a horse we bred and still part own with local friends Chrissie and Pete Algie, won two Group 1's and is the only horse to win more than one Group 1 sprint in Australia this season and Gringotts who beat 10 Group 1 winners for a deserved elite level success in the Group 1 George Ryder.

Then there was New Zealand's richest race, the \$3.5 million NZB Kiwi where Evaporate another son of Per Incanto ran second. Congratulations to the Hayes team for doing us all proud and reinforcing the opinion of many good judges when Evaporate won the Group 3 at Randwick, demonstrating that he is a serious Group 1 talent for next season and beyond.

The atmosphere at Ellerslie on Champions Day was electric, it reminded me of being at Trentham on Cup Day as a kid. Well done to Ellerslie, Auckland Thoroughbred Racing, Entain and NZB. Get your tickets early for 2026!

At Sydney Easter, Per Incanto was the leading New Zealand based sire averaging \$425,000. Across the five major Australasian yearling sales he has sold 34 yearlings and averaged \$207,000.

Congratulations to NZB for their tireless work in ensuring another excellent Karaka Yearling Sale. Results wise it bucked the trend from some of the lead up sales across the Tasman and it's exciting to see domestic interest and investment in the breeding sector returning.

Which was a part of why Catriona and I made the decision to stand



our new stallion, Little Brose, the Group 1 Blue Diamond winning two-year-old son of Per Incanto.

When I heard he might be available, I jumped on a plane to Melbourne and inspected him. I recalled seeing him when he sold at the Magic Millions. Not only was he a looker but an outstanding mover too. Here at LA, he has a swagger about him, he walks like he's the king of the barn already!

And of course, Per Incanto and the Street Cry bloodline go from strength-to-strength downunder. Blue Diamond winners have had a phenomenal impact as stallions, which probably shouldn't come as any surprise because it's a pinnacle event of early maturing speed and the colonial bred precious sprinting stallions have dominated domestic racing for the last 30+ years. Redoutes Choice, Extreme Choice, Written By, Bel Esprit, and Tagaloa just to name a few.

Pedigree wise, we feel Little Brose, just like his father, is ideally profiled to work with a range of bloodlines. We've got the pedigree matching tools on our website, and I'd encourage you to log on or give me a call.

The syndicate made the decision to lift Per Incanto's service

fee to \$60,000 plus GST. The response from breeders has been overwhelmingly supportive. He currently sits in 13th position on the Australian sires premiership, making him the leading New Zealand based stallion with stake money earnings to date of over \$10 MILLION. In the 2024/5 season he's sired two Australian Group 1 winners (of three Group 1's), three Group 2 winners and a Group 3 winner.

We want to thank all of our team for their tireless dedication across the summer sales. Results like the \$1.7 million colt at Sydney Easter simply don't happen without you. If you'd like to see our new boy Little Brose and Per Incanto, who is closing in on the \$100 MILLION in progeny prize money, we'd love to see you.

Finally, I couldn't go without raising a glass of pinot, Wairarapa of course, to Mike Moroney. Mike and Pam did such a wonderful job with Roch 'N' Horse, but he was more than just a damn good trainer, most importantly he was just a good human. Rest easy Mike.

EL VENCEDOR (EV) ONCE IN A LIFETIME!

By Sally Blyth

EL VENCEDOR (EV) AND HIS PROUD OWNER DAVID PRICE WERE PROFILED IN THE *WINTER 2024 OWNERS' BULLETIN*. GIVEN THAT THE HORSE HAS GONE FROM STRENGTH TO STRENGTH, INCLUDING A RECENT STINT IN HONG KONG, SALLY SPOKE AGAIN WITH DAVID TO FIND OUT THE LATEST INSIDE INFO.

Firstly, let's go back to 2024 when EV won the Group 1 Bonecrusher Stakes in March that year, beating hot favourite Legarto. After a few ups and downs, he won the Group 3 Balmerino Stakes by 3.5L on 5th November 2024 at Ellerslie. He was back in business.

In the first part of 2025 came an impressive four-in-a-row winning streak which made everyone sit up and take notice.

1st February 2025: Fulton Family Stakes 1500m Listed Race, Ellerslie. Won by 5L. Ridden by Rory Hutchings.

8th February 2025: Herbie Dyke Stakes 2000m Grp1 WFA, Te Rapa. Won by 3L. Ridden by Rory Hutchings.

22nd February 2025: Sport Nation Otaki-Maori WFA Classic 1600m Grp1. Won by 3¼L. Ridden by Wiremu Pinn.

8th March 2025: Bonecrusher NZ Stakes 2000m Grp1 WFA. Won by 1/2 Head. Ridden by Wiremu Pinn.

You can't get better form than that, and EV was all set to travel to Hong Kong for the

FWD QEII Cup to be run on 27 April 2025 at Sha Tin.

EV's owners David Price and Mark Freeman were invited along as guests of the Hong Kong Jockey Club. A real "once in a lifetime" opportunity, David praised how incredibly well they were looked after during the five nights they were hosted by the Club.

David decided to go up to HK early in order to spend time with his good friend Paul Lally, who used to be head bookmaker for the TAB in NZ. Paul has now lived in HK for 16 years and does all the pre-race commentary there. David stayed with Paul and together they went to the races at Happy Valley. David describes the experience of being on this iconic racetrack, surrounded by skyscrapers, as "very cool."

After time with Paul, David joined fellow owner Mark and the wider group and everything was laid on for them. He describes it as a "well-oiled machine" and a "lavish" experience. They went to trackwork at Sha Tin every day, a half-hour

journey from the hotel. The local horses did their work until 8:30am and then the track was cleared and the international horses got working, which created a form of quarantining.

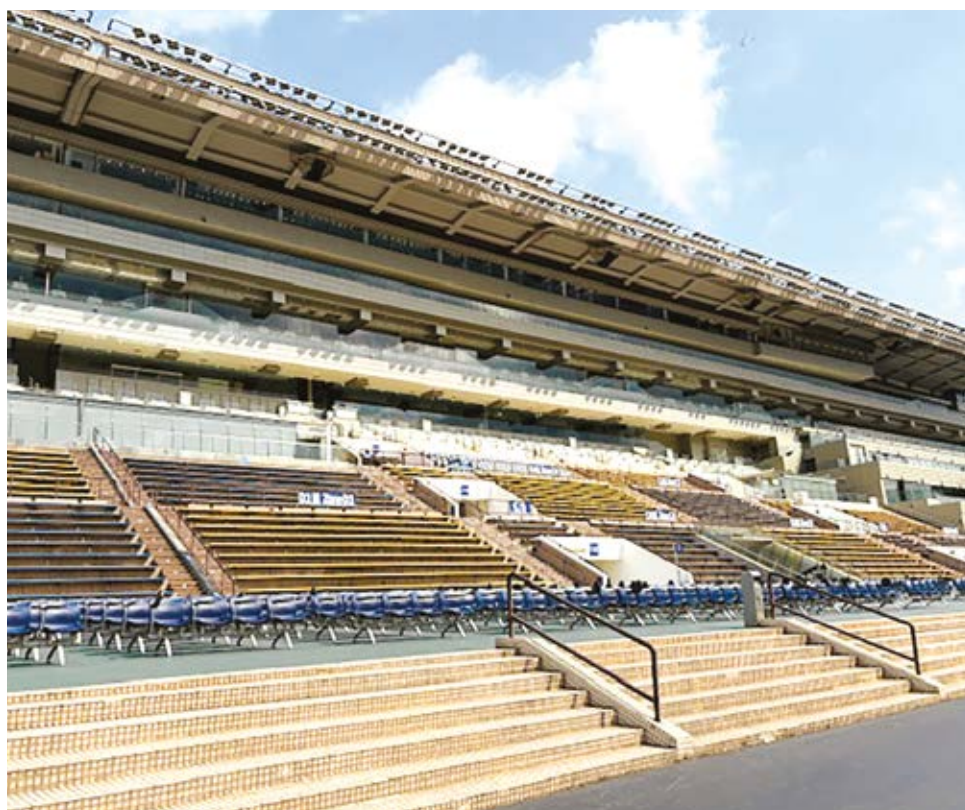
There was a huge press presence with a big contingent from Japan and Australia. Michael Guerin was there from NZ and many interviews were undertaken during those days, providing an opportunity for David to share his joy of being part of everything via all manner of media including YouTube.

Unfortunately, EV had several issues with an abscess on his hind hoof which initially showed itself before he'd even left NZ shores. It showed up on the Friday before his exhibition gallop at Te Rapa, but by Sunday he was deemed "good to go" which was a great relief. However, on Monday it had reappeared and David held off on the packing as there was every possibility the horse may not get to HK after all. Racing is full of ups and downs but this scenario was in the more gruelling category for an owner with high hopes.

Videos of EV trotting up were relayed to the HK vets, and x-rays were taken. Much to everyone's relief EV trotted up perfectly, and he was loaded onto the plane for his journey. Alas, the abscess drama recurred once he landed. Talk about stressful – for horse, trainer and owners. Here he was about to go on the world stage, and this was happening. Because of the uncertainty, EV had to be trotted out three times a day which wasn't ideal and added to the already high levels of stress all round.

The emotional roller coaster the team was going through was extreme, to say the least, and this was far from the ideal buildup. Thankfully, on the Thursday ("make or break day"), EV passed the test and everyone could breathe another sigh of relief knowing he was fit and able to run.

But, despite getting over the abscess and galloping up nicely, there were a few other issues that cropped up during the preparation phase. Everything was on such a dauntingly huge scale, including the infield screen, which was massive, bigger than anything EV had come across in his life. He was reluctant to go near it in trackwork and trainer Stephen Marsh had to do a run-up to "jump start" the horse with jockey Zac





David with jockey Zac Purton

Purton on board in order to get him to run past it. The next day EV worked with Australian horse Mr Brightside and settled down – if Mr B could run past that screen with ease, so could EV! And he did. Phew.

The next stress test came in the form of the barrier draw. All team members were “nervous as hell”. David had been nominated to do the selection deed and, with the whole process being live-streamed, there was added pressure on top of everything that had gone before. EV had saddlecloth #5 so David had decided he would choose the number 5 marble if it was still available when it was his turn. It was.

As he peeled back the cover to reveal EV's barrier number (please, please be No.1), he was ecstatic to see that he had selected... Barrier No.1! After all the angst of the lead-up and knowing how important the draw was, given the tightness between the start and the first turn on the track, this was the boost that was needed as race day loomed. The plan was to be quick out of the gates, and the ace barrier draw aided this plan.

At one point, EV was third favourite, which gave David comfort, with others obviously rating him a chance. As the horses paraded in the ring prior to the race, David tried not to overthink things; being calm and objective was key.

EV got away well and headed straight to the lead. You could hear the pride in former NZ commentator Tom Wood's voice as he called the Kiwi horse out in front for quite some time. David and the crew watched with trepidation, all sorts of thoughts going through their heads. Oh no, he's going way too fast, way too hard out in front, he's going for broke, too quick, how can he hang on. With 1200m to go, they were all yelling for EV to slow down and eventually the horse was overcome by everything and faded out.

Jockey Zac Purton said he'd had real trouble holding EV back once he got out in front – not enough Weetbix for breakfast to hold him back, he joked. The horse thought he was in a 1000m sprint. Like a smalltown boy in the big city, it was all too daunting and EV finished tenth. In the end, he beat himself. As did Mr B who was a disappointing last in the Group 1 Champions Mile on the day.

The Japanese horses are strong and came in first (Tastiera) and second (Prognosis) in the race. David is just thankful that his horse completed the race without incident and got to go home. Alas, Liberty Island went amiss and didn't get that privilege.

Given the last NZ horse to win in HK was Sunline back in 2000, the huge and tough task of trying for success over there is put into perspective. Mr B has won nine Group 1 races in Australia and he also struggled on the HK stage.

Raving about the exceptional hospitality, both on and off course, David mentioned the Gala Dinner that was held on the Friday night at The Club House, with all manner of entertainment on offer and food/drink stations set up in horseshoe fashion. “Extravagant”, he enthused, and I could hear the sense of incredulity in his voice at the special experiences he was able to enjoy on account of owning the fabulous racehorse that is EV. He and Mark also bred the horse which gives extra kudos.

After his extraordinary time in HK, David was happy to be able to spend some alone time in Phuket, Thailand to relax and unwind, process what he'd just been through and come back down to earth. He loved every

moment of the R&R after such a hectic time. Racing is fun and frenetic and fabulous, but rarely a peaceful experience! David arrived home refreshed and relaxed, however EV had to remain in HK for two weeks of quarantine, followed by two weeks in Melbourne for a further quarantine stint.

Once home, EV will have well-earned time out. Although he thrives on racing, a spell will be good for him. Perhaps he'll get to travel to Melbourne later in the year for the Cox Plate (the final one to be run on the current Moonee Valley course before it is reconstructed). That's over to trainer Stephen Marsh.

What a roller coaster ride for the whole team! EV – the first horse to win three Group 1 races in four weeks in NZ; the mantle of being the 10th best galloper in the world on 13 May 2025 according to Longines ranking; and the chance to run in a prestigious HK\$28m (NZ\$6.01m) race at Sha Tin. Wow, it's the stuff that racehorse owners dream of – and for David, it came true.

Although the world didn't see the best of either EV or Mr B, David says it was an incredible “once in a lifetime” occasion to be part of. He'll be pinching himself for a long time to come.

El Vencedor (Shocking – Strictly Maternal). 6YO Bay gelding. 12 wins from 41 starts and a run at Sha Tin.

EV has a look at the scene





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NZTR FUELS WINTER RACING MOMENTUM

NEW ZEALAND THOROUGHBRED RACING (NZTR) HAS UNVEILED A REFRESHED WINTER RACING SCHEDULE FOR 2025, DELIVERING STAKES INCREASES AND BACKING CLUBS THAT ARE LIFTING THE BAR OVER THE COLDER MONTHS.

Leading the way is the return of Whangārei Racing Club's 2025 Winter Championships at Ruakākā Racecourse, now set for Saturday 28 June. Proudly sponsored by ITM/GIB, the meeting features five \$60,000 Finals, providing strong incentives for connections targeting progressive winter horses. There are no early nominations this year, with all qualifying races listed in the latest NZTR Racing Programme Guide.

On Saturday 19 July, Taranaki Racing Inc.'s Powerworx Opunake Cup Day at New Plymouth Raceway receives a significant lift. The Listed Powerworx Opunake Cup (1400m) climbs to \$120,000, with the winner earning a ballot exemption into the \$110,000 Group 3 Winning Edge Presentations 128th Winter Cup (1600m) at Riccarton Park Racecourse. The total prizemoney for the day increases to \$435,000, up \$100,000 from 2024.

NZTR Chief Executive Officer Matt Ballesty said the calendar adjustments aim to build consistency across the winter months.

"These enhancements are a positive step for winter racing. They provide better structure for participants, increase opportunities at key points in the season and support Clubs that are looking to grow their raceday offerings."

The season wraps with a reinvigorated Taumarunui Cup Day, hosted by Taumarunui Racing Club at Te Rapa Racecourse on Saturday 26 July. The Taumarunui Cup (2200m) stake doubles to \$100,000, thanks to a co-investment from NZTR and Taumarunui Racing Club. The 1300m Open Handicap also increases to \$50,000 and the 1400m 3YO SW+P to \$55,000, with total stakes for the day hitting \$350,000.

"Taumarunui (Racing Club) is a strong example of a tenant Club taking the lead," said Ballesty.

"They've put forward a clear plan to grow their feature raceday and NZTR is pleased to support that investment," he said.

These enhancements sit alongside a major milestone at the 2025 Grand National Festival of Racing at Riccarton Park Racecourse in August this year. Held by Canterbury Jockey Club, the 150th edition of the Racecourse Hotel & Motor Lodge Grand National Steeplechase (5600m) will be run for a record \$200,000, the highest purse in the race's history.

With solid prizemoney increases across these winter features, NZTR is backing Clubs, supporting participants and building a more competitive and compelling winter season.

WINTER 2024-25 FEATURE HIGHLIGHTS:

2025 WINTER CHAMPIONSHIPS | RUAKĀKĀ RACECOURSE – SATURDAY 28 JUNE

\$60,000 ITM/GIB Stayers' Final (2100m) – Open HCP
\$60,000 ITM/GIB Sprinters' Final (1400m) – Open HCP
\$60,000 ITM/GIB Progressive Final – Spc Con HCP
\$60,000 ITM/GIB 3YO Final – 3YO SW+P
\$60,000 ITM/GIB 2YO Final – 2YO SW+P
No early nominations

POWERWORX OPUNAKE CUP DAY | NEW PLYMOUTH RACEWAY – SATURDAY 19 JULY

Listed Powerworx Opunake Cup (1400m) increased to \$120,000

Winner earns ballot exemption into the \$110,000 Group 3 Winning Edge Presentations 128th Winter Cup (1600m)

Total day stakes lifted to \$435,000 (up \$100,000 from 2024)

TAUMARUNUI CUP DAY | TE RAPA RACECOURSE – SATURDAY 26 JULY

Taumarunui Cup (2200m) stake doubled to \$100,000
1300m Open Handicap increased to \$50,000
1400m 3YO SW+P increased to \$55,000
Total day stakes lifted to \$350,000 (up from \$285,000)

GRAND NATIONAL FESTIVAL OF RACING | RICCARTON PARK RACECOURSE – 2, 6 AND 9 AUGUST

150th edition of the Racecourse Hotel & Motor Lodge Grand National Steeplechase (5600m) to be run for a record \$200,000

THE NOTABLES - REMEMBERING PAST GOOD HORSES

Te Rapa Specialist -
Turn the Ace *Lynne Forsman*

TURN THE ACE, A WONDERFUL RACEHORSE BY TURN ME LOOSE OUT OF FRESCOES, WILL ALWAYS BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS ABOVE AVERAGE ACHIEVEMENTS, ESPECIALLY HIS RECORD AT TE RAPA.



Turn the Ace was purchased by trainer Andrew Forsman at the 2020 Karaka Sales for \$30,000. Little did anyone know that this unassuming purchase would go on to become a standout winter galloper in New Zealand racing.

With a career spanning 29 starts, Turn the Ace or 'Ace' as he was known at the stables, racked up 9 wins, with 7 of those victories coming at the Te Rapa Racecourse. The track was clearly his home ground. However, despite being a dominant force at Te Rapa, Turn the Ace missed securing a milestone on the 10th August 2024, as he aimed for the track record for total number of wins, beaten into second place by a long head, just shy of reaching that milestone. To date he still equals the track record for number of wins.

One of the most significant aspects of Turn the Ace's legacy is his groundbreaking status within the bloodlines of his sire, Turn Me Loose. Turn the Ace was not only the first winner for his sire but also his first stakes winner, making his success even more special. His victories were a testament to the quality of his pedigree, and his early promise as a racehorse helped bring attention to his sire's potential.

Furthermore, Turn the Ace's success was particularly meaningful for Forsman Racing, as he became the first winner for Andrew Forsman under his training colours.

A knee injury sustained in August last year, meant that Turn the Ace was forced into retirement, cutting short what could have been an even more lengthy career along the lines of his half-brother in Australia, Here To Shock.

After a career filled with triumphs, Turn the Ace is now enjoying life, being cared for by his dedicated Raceday Attendant, Trina Riddell. Trina has played a pivotal role in his life both on and off the track, ensuring that he was always in the best hands during his race days and at the stables. The owners of Turn the Ace are deeply grateful to Trina for her unwavering commitment and care, and they feel confident that he is in the best possible hands as he transitions to a new chapter in his life.

Although Turn the Ace's racing career has come to an end, his journey isn't over. The owners are now focused on finding him the perfect forever home - a place where he can enjoy a relaxed and fulfilling life after his time on the track. They are hopeful that Turn the Ace's next chapter will be just as meaningful and rewarding as his racing career.

His story is one of potential, heartbreak, and triumph - a true testament to the unpredictable nature of the sport and the indelible mark a horse can leave on the hearts of those who watch them race.

By The Numbers

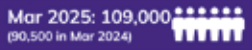
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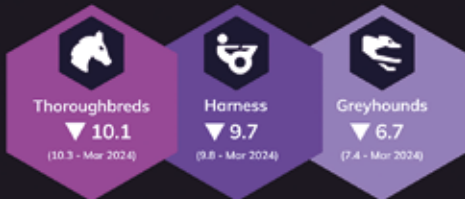
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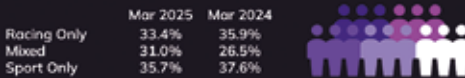
Top 5 racing events by turnover for March:

1. The NZB Kiwi (Listed)	Ellerslie	\$1.37m
2. Barfoot & Thompson Auckland Cup (G2)	Ellerslie	\$1.00m
3. Trackside NZ Derby (G1)	Ellerslie	\$920k
4. Windsor Park Stud 3YO Trophy	Ellerslie	\$701k
5. Al Basti Equiworld Dubai NZ Oaks (G1)	Trentham	\$694k

Sports Turnover



Split of all active customers by Racing Only, Mixed and Sport Only betting:



MEMORIES OF A SPECIAL HORSE INDIKATOR

Dale Opie

THINKING BACK OVER THE YEARS MY HUSBAND KEITH OPIE TRAINED SOME SPECIAL HORSES.

The ones that come to mind in the 1980s were So Dandy, Ebony Belle and Era of Triumph but in the 2000s a particular one that stands out was Indikator.

He was only average height 15.2 hands high but his temperament and nature were excellent.

A real gentleman in every way. His stable name was Troy which means strength courage and bravery and he was all of those. Born in 2003 by Sandtrap out of Lady Daintree who was by Sir Tristram.

He was owned and raced by the late Peter Setchell who had a lot of horses trained by us.

Indikator had 18 wins and 19 placings from 85 starts from 1150m to 2900m.

His NZ earnings were \$557,235 and in Australia \$99,250.

He won the Rotorua Cup in 2010 trained by my husband Keith and then our son Gavin who joined his father in the training partnership. He again won the Rotorua Cup 3 more times in the years 2011 2013 and 2014. I don't think that this has been equaled to the best of my knowledge.

He also won the Kiwifruit Cup twice at Tauranga.

He had three starts in NZ over hurdles and won all three the most notable of these was the Manawatu Hurdles held at Awapuni and was ridden in all three starts by Craig Thornton.

He made several trips to Australia the last one for the Grand National Hurdles where he finished in fifth place. He was retired after that at the age of 10.

He always did his best and gave all of us a great thrill.

It is memories like this that will never be forgotten.

THE JERICHO CUP

Jenny Cowan

MUCH OF ANY OWNER'S RACING SUCCESS IS DETERMINED BY MANY FORCES - LUCK, WEATHER, TIMING, AND PATIENCE. HOPE IS ALWAYS PRESENT AND, AT TIMES, SURPRISE.

Shelley and Ian Wright live on their 500-acre bull farm at Glen Massey, west of Ngaruawahia. They are owners who may feel their success in winning the 2024 Jericho Cup in Australia is mostly surprise. One element of surprise was that Peter Groidis, an Australian who was completely unknown to them, made contact to attain, one way or another, a good share of their stayer Farag. And he did so, with a 50/50 shareholding being formed.

Shelley enjoyed playing a lot of squash, and Farag was named for one of the sport's notable players - Egyptian champion Ali Farag.

The Wrights' 6YO horse, with a dozen races behind him, had no wins but a third placing over 2400m. It was that which attracted the offer from Peter, purely based on TV viewing and with a Jericho Cup run firmly in mind.

Acting on trust, Shelley and Ian sent their horse to the stable of Aaron Purcell in Warrnambool. Possibly as a result of a lot of hacking across the lovely hills of the Wright farm, Farag was a settled, quiet and sensible horse.

Ian had visited Warrnambool prior to Cup day with his physio Danny Erickson from Morrinsville who had been called to attend to Farag. Otherwise, when raceday came, the Wrights would have been newcomers to the Australian scene.

Farag, meantime, had won some five races at good country meets in Victoria, in the lead-up to the Jericho. Jockey Will Gordon had a good feel about the horse and was booked to ride him some six months ahead. And win

he did. By 20 lengths. The winning stake was over AUD\$300,000.

The original Jericho Cup race was 4800m (three miles) and was initiated in honour of the involvement of war horses in World War 1. The inaugural race was held in 1918 and run in the desert in the Middle East. It was won by a horse called "Bill the Bastard". The Cup was reinstated 100 years later and Warrnambool was the chosen location. It is only for ANZAC-bred (Australia and NZ) horses and is run over 4600m. Mounted Army troops are on course and create a fitting scene to support the race day and, in particular, the Jericho Cup.

Both the Australian and New Zealand National Anthems are played at the Cup presentation, in honour of the ANZACS, and a large, bronze replica of a horse was presented to the Wrights as a trophy, which is now in the hands of the trainer.

A highlight, not often achieved in any notable race, was that Shelley and Ian also owned a half share in the third placed horse, which they named and trained from a yearling. Called Glen Massey it is named after their local district. He had been acquired in similar fashion by Paul Duncan, ex-Cambridge but now based in Caloundra, who was looking for a staying horse. Who would have thought he would pay for a 2000km float trip to Warrnambool?! Glen Massey's jockey that day was 58 years old and, all things considered, his third placing was a worthy one. He has now been transferred to the stable of Simon Wilde and both the Wrights' horses are set for jumping careers.

The second horse, one of the three NZ-bred placings, was Split, previously trained by Jo Rathbone, and owned with Simon Harrison. He was a ballot-free entry as the winner of a



race at Waverley and is now in the stable of Patrick and Michelle Payne.

Racing is the Wrights' passion. Farming and training blend in with many hours of work, and they are assisted in the preparation of horses by their able staff.

NOTE - Farag is by Sacred Falls out of Flighttime (Dam Sire Yamanim Vital).

EDITOR'S NOTE - It will be worth your time to Google "The Jericho Cup" and a little research will find a chapter from the book "Bill the Bastard". It reveals that the Jericho Cup was initially set up as a Military tactical ruse to amass a force with the objective of taking large swathes of territory in the Middle East.

RACING TAURANGA SUNDAY 30TH MARCH 2025

By Phyllis Huitema



Phyllis presents Donna

THE WAIKATO /BOP THOROUGHBRED OWNERS ASSOCIATION SPONSORED RACE 6 ON SUNDAY 30TH MARCH AT NEW ZEALAND'S LEADING RACECOURSE, TAURANGA.

The race was a Maiden race run over 1400m. It attracted 12 entries. The winning horse, Larius Lacus, is trained by Donna Logan of Byerley Park and owned by Mr. CW Kwok. Unfortunately, Mr. Kwok was not on course, however he phoned after the race to congratulate the winning jockey Warren Kennedy and the trainer Donna Logan. Larius Lacus previous runs have been in Victoria and had been placed 11/3 in trials.

We were pleased to see this horse win at Tauranga. The trophy was presented to the trainer Donna Logan by Phyllis Huitema, Committee Member of The Waikato/BOP Association.

The Waikato/BOP Thoroughbred Owners Association is delighted that Racing Tauranga has been voted the finest provincial racing venue in New Zealand and for winning the prestigious overall NZTR Club of the year 2024. Racing Tauranga provides owners, trainers, jockeys and importantly sponsors and the public with a quality venue and facilities. Congratulations to the small, but mighty team led by Louise Dean who work together on all aspects of this winning Racecourse.

The next Waikato/BOP Thoroughbred Owners Maiden trophy race will be at Rotorua on 10 May.

RUSTY RAMBLINGS

FOCUS ON THE LOCAL SPORTS BAR IN MATAKANA, THE RUSTY PELICAN

By Sally Blyth

I WAS AWAY MUCH OF FEBRUARY IN THE WINTRY NORTHERN HEMISPHERE, SO I MISSED A BIT OF THE SUMMER RACING AND THE INEVITABLE RUSTY CAMARADERIE. BEFORE HEADING TO EUROPE, I WENT TO ELLERSLIE FOR KARAKA MILLIONS DAY ON 25TH JANUARY – A FABULOUS TWILIGHT MEETING, GREAT TO BE ON COURSE.

Then came the much-hyped Champions Day on 8th March. Featuring the NZB Kiwi, it was a fantastic day out, especially for the Rusty crew. The weather behaved and the on-course vibe was magic, as was the racing. A mini-bus was organised to take the Rusty crew to Ellerslie and they made a full day of it – breakfast en route and a table in the Hunterville Room where merriment was the order of the day.

Being part of the Te Akau Coming Up Roses Racing Partnership, "Stretch" has a piece of Damask Rose, which we'd all been following. He also has shares in La Dorada but that horse was unfortunately scratched on the day so all hope lay with DR. When she was slow to begin and hopelessly left behind at the tail of the field, some were already ripping up their tickets. But up the inside she snuck with an astounding rails-run and jockey Blake Shinn got her up for the significant inaugural win. It was truly impressive that she was able to gobble up the entire quality field in virtually one gulp, getting up by 1½L after all that. You can imagine the euphoria and noise that went on in and around the Hunterville Room after such an incredible show! Stretch, in his orange tie, relished his moment of glory on the dais with all the other happy owners, and the Rusty lot were counting their dollars with big smiles on their faces! The dreams that had been fluttering about the Rusty for some time really did come true!

Meanwhile, back at the Rusty, Missy had the place to herself. Having wandered over for a dose of racing, she watched the big race alone – and sent us a photo of an utterly deserted Rusty racing corner – a most unusual Saturday afternoon sight!

Paul had the job of return chauffeur and got everyone home safely... back to the Rusty! I sidled in shortly afterwards to partake in the continued elation and celebration, and Missy returned to be part of it all too. The grins never left our faces; it was truly a day to remember!

A new Rusty betting syndicate got under way in April... past efforts haven't been too successful, so let's hope this is the profitable one we've been waiting for. The task of betting falls to two people each week and they can do whatever they wish with a portion of the funds, bearing in mind that a minimum bet applies and \$1 each way is not acceptable! It's always a bit disconcerting when it's my turn as, although I'm a keen and regular punter, putting \$20 on the nose is out of my comfort zone!

In and around racing fun, everyone keeps an eye on everyone and the community spirit shines. I was away again for a chunk of April leading a tour in outback Aus and, as always, it was great to catch up with all the Rusty news, hear the "so close" and "won big" stories – and get back into racing stride myself. It was with great glee that I waltzed in after a successful day at Ellerslie on Wednesday 8th May to share my "won big" story. Tricky as winter racing can be, here's hoping there are more of those tales over coming months for us all.



Stretch (right) and Guy celebrate the win on course



Happy owners celebrate Damask Rose's win



THE OWNERS' FEDERATION WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

2 JANUARY TO 28 APRIL 2025

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MANAWATUBRIAN HALLLOWER HUTT

MANAWATUSTEVE HAYLOCK & SUE CROFT.....PALMERSTON NORTH

CONGRATULATIONS TO FEDERATION MEMBERS ON THEIR RECENT WINS!

We continue to track winning horses owned by Owner's Federation members. As we only have visibility of owner's named in the race book, we know we will have missed members involved in winning syndicates and may have inadvertently missed others. We apologise to any member we have missed and extend our congratulations to all members who have recently experienced the thrill of winning.

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