



2018 STALLION REGISTER OUT NOW

THE 45TH VOLUME OF THE REGISTER OF THOROUGHBRED STALLIONS OF NEW ZEALAND

The 45th volume of the Register of Thoroughbred Stallions of New Zealand is out now, and in the letter boxes of all financial members of the NZTBA.

The 136 page soft bound book features the tabulated pedigrees of 68 stallions standing at stud in New Zealand along with their race and stud records and the statistics of their sires, and is perfect reading for those long winter evenings, when breeders are starting to think about where to send their mares this season.

The book is highly sort after each year by breeders whether they are a commercial breeder or own just one mare, and provides vital information to guide breeders in the important investment decisions they must make each year to sustain New Zealand's successful

thoroughbred breeding industry.

The comprehensive statistical data is crucial to the industry including sire premierships – both local and international, fertility figures, sales averages, award winners, free handicaps, industry statistics and a host of other useful information. This year the publication includes an extended trade directory and a directory of breeding farms that don't stand a stallion.

The pedigree index alone which covers 14 pages features an alphabetical index of all the horses in the first five removes of the pedigrees if the advertised stallions. As well all stallions standing at stud in New Zealand are listed in alphabetical order, under the sire's name, under their service fee, and in their regions.

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The book features beautiful colour equine photography by Trish Dunell including a magnificent photo of the champion sire **Savabeel** (AUS) at home in his paddock. The Waikato Stud based stallion will once again at the end of this season, lead all three local and international sires premierships; the Grosvenor (New Zealand earnings), the Dewar (Australia and New Zealand earnings), and the Centaine (worldwide earnings).

The register features eight **first season sires** commencing their stud duties in New Zealand this season commencing with **Almanzor** (FR) (Wootton Bassett[GB]-Darkova[USA]) a triple group one winner who will stand at Cambridge Stud.

He is the winner of eight races from 11 starts including the Gr.1 Chantilly Grand Prix du Jockey Club, Gr.1 Ascot Champion Stakes, and the Gr.1 Leopardstown Irish Champion Stakes. **Almanzor** is a son of the Champion French Two-year-old of his year Wootton Bassett, who is a son of Iffraaj(GB).

Derryn (AUS) (Hinchinbrook[AUS]-Munhro[AUS]) will join the ranks at Grangewilliam Stud just out of Whanganui. He is a winner of three races including the Gr.2 ATC Arrowfield 3YO Sprint Stakes and the Listed Darby Munro Stakes. He has four black type placings including a third at group one level in the Gr.1 Doomben 10000.

A son of Hinchinbrook(AUS), **Derryn** carries the Fastnet Rock(AUS) sire line. Hinchinbrook is the sire of 14 stakes winners including the group one winners Press Statement and Seabrook.

Derryn's dam is the Lonhro(AUS) mare Munhro(AUS) herself a winning sister to the Gr.3 winner Colour both being out of the stakes winning mare Regrowth.

The first of the two new stallions to commence duties in the South Island is **Mongolian Falcon** (AUS) (Fastnet Rock [AUS]- Amazing Beauty[IRE]) who will stand at Willow Glen in Waimate. He was the winner of three races including the Gr.2 Hawkes Bay Guineas, where he beat subsequent Group One winners Jon Snow and Heroic Valour, and was also second in the Gr.2 James and Annie Sarten Memorial for three-year-olds.

By the Champion sire and racehorse Fastnet Rock (AUS), himself the sire of 136 Stakes winners, and he is out of Amazing Beauty(IRE) an winning Irish mare who was placed at group and listed level. She descends from the Champion American Two-Year-Old filly of her year Phone Chatter.

Rich Hill Stud, will be the New Zealand home for **Satano Aladdin**(JPN) (Deep Impact[JPN]-Magic Storm[USA]) a group one winner in Japan, who is by sire sensation Deep Impact(JPN). He won eight races including the Gr.1 Tokyo Yasada Kinem over 1600 metres, and he also won twice at Group Two level.

His dam Magic Storm(USA) won the Gr.2 Manmouth Oaks in the United States before going to stud in Japan, she is also the dam of Lachesis, a sister to Satono Aladdin, and the winner of the Gr.1. Kyoto Queen Elizabeth II Cup.

A son of Makfi(GB) will be one of



Almanzor

the first stallions to stand at Valachi Downs in Matamata, where **Saville Row**(Makfi[GB]-Fleece[GB]) will join the relocated **Zacinto** (GB). A winner of three races he won the Listed Newmarket Handicap and was Group One placed twice at three behind Hall of Fame in the Levin Classic and Ugo Foscolo in the 2000 Guineas.

Makfi(GB) a son of the Champion racehorse and sire Dubawi, was successful at stud in here in New Zealand and in Europe before being sold to stand at stud in Japan, being the sire of 14 Stakes winners. His dam Fleece(GB), by Daylami(GB) won two races and is a half-sister to Chintz (Gr.2 Curragh Park Stakes) both being out of the stakes winning mare Gold Dodger.

Little Avondale Stud just out of Masterton, will be the new home for **Time Test**(Dubawi[IRE]-Passage of Time[GB]) a Group One winner of six races. At three he won the Gr.2 Joel Stakes at Newmarket and the Gr.3 Royal Ascot Tercentenary Stakes. At four he added the Gr.2 York Stakes and the Sandown Brigadier Guard Stakes to his tally and as a five-year-old he was placed in the Gr.1 Belmont Manhattan Stakes and Saratoga Fourstardraw Handicap.

His sire was the Champion two and three-year-old of his year in Great Britain, before becoming a Champion sire. His dam is the Group One winning Dansili(GB) mare Passage Of Time (GB). She won the Gr.1 Criterium de Saint Cloud, and is a sister to the stakes winners Father Time and

Continuum and a half-sister to the Group One winner Timepiece.

The South Island's second new stallion is **War Decree**(USA) (Warfront[USA]-Royal Decree[USA]) who will replace Zacinto at the historic Inglewood Stud. As a two-year-old **War Decree** won the Gr.2 Goodwood Vintage Stakes and at three he won the Gr.2 Dundalk Diamond Stakes. His sire Warfront(USA) by Danzig(USA) is the sire of 68 stakes winners throughout the world,

War Decree(USA) is out of the Street Cry(IRE) mare Royal Decree, who is herself a daughter of the dual Group One winning mare Ticker Tape.

For the first time Norwegian Park in Cambridge will stand a stallion and that will be **What's The Story**(Savabeel[AUS]-Tall Story). A descendant of one of New Zealand's leading families by the sire who needs no introduction to New Zealand breeders Savabeel, he is the winner of two races and was second in Rangipo's Gr.1 Vodafone New Zealand Derby.

His dam Tall Story is a half-sister to the great race mare Tall Poppy who won 11 races three at Group One level, and both are out of the bonny mare Fun On The Run a Group One winner of 18 races.

Another new addition to the stallion ranks, is **Unusual Suspect** (USA), (Unusual Heat[USA]-Penpoint), who has already served a small book of mares in Australia, before relocating to Letham Stud in Wanganui. The Gr.1 Hollywood Turf Cup winner, carries the wonderful Nureyev(USA) sire line through his sire Unusual Heat, the sire of 44 stakes winners.

He raced predominantly in the USA where he won nine races including his Group One victory, along with a victory in the Gr.3 Hollywood Turf Express Handicap and two listed wins. As an eight-year-old he won the Listed Werribee Cup in Australia.

Unusual Suspect boasts a New Zealand bred dam who won in the USA and had also left another Group One winner to Unusual Heat(USA) in Golden Doc A. She in turn is a granddaughter of the Champion two-year-old filly of her year Black Willow.

NB Statistical data for each stallion is updated throughout the season by Arion Pedigrees and is available on our website under the stud and stallions banner.

DATES TO REMEMBER

5 JULY	NZB Yearling Karaka Sales 2019 entries due
7 JULY	Rodmor Trust Lecture Series Christchurch
8 JULY	Kiwi story airs on TV1 8.30pm
9 JULY	Rodmor Trust Lecture Series Palmerston North
15 JULY	Rodmor Trust Lecture Series Waikato
27 JULY	NZTBA Waikato Cathay Pacific Group One Awards Dinner
31 JULY	NZB Insurance Pearl Series Final Entries Due
1 AUGUST	Happy Birthday to all our equine friends!
2 AUGUST	NZTBA Wellington AGM
17 AUGUST	NZB RTR Sale Entries Close
25 & 26 AUGUST	NZTBA Waikato Stallion Parade Weekend
26 AUGUST	NZTR Horse of the Year Dinner Ellerslie Convention Centre
9 SEPTEMBER	NZTBA Auckland Branch Stallion Parade and Awards Luncheon

DID YOU KNOW

FARMERS AS LANDLORDS

A quick reminder farmers providing staff accommodation are subject to the same rules as other landlords, with a couple of exceptions. That means you need a written service tenancy agreement even if the tenant doesn't pay rent. <https://www.tenancy.govt.nz/> for details.

BREEDERS & OWNERS

Number of Registered Thoroughbred Breeders in New Zealand are currently 3,705

Number of Registered Thoroughbred Owners in New Zealand are currently 15,951

NEWS

Breeding stories are regularly posted on our website under the news banner – make sure you visit this page <https://www.nzthoroughbred.co.nz/blog/>

RACING INDUSTRY SPEND

The New Zealand racing Industry in 2016/17 generated a total direct spend of \$1,205.8 million. Flow on effects linked to this expenditure increase the value-added contribution to over 1.6 billion.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS



Hopefully by now you will have all received the latest edition of the stallion register, and are using these long winter evenings to study the pedigrees and statistics of the eight new stallions featured.

Champion sire Savabeel graces the cover of the register, and what an amazing season he has had once again. The Waikato Stud based son of Zabeel, has made a clean sweep of all three stallion premierships for the third year in a row, quite an achievement.

We have made a few changes to the register this year, and I would like to thank Justine and Corrina along with Arion Pedigrees, Trish Dunell and Professional Print Services for their efforts in producing it.

When we undertook to restructure our Association last year, we knew that change would not be easy and we would encounter numerous teething problems along the way. Finally though, we have found a new home for our Association, and this month Justine and Corrina will move into offices in Anzac Street in Cambridge.

The site features enough office space for them to work together, along with a sitting area which will house our wonderful Stead Memorial Library. We are looking forward to getting our library back on display, and hope that you will call in and see Justine and Corrina and make yourself at home in our new premises.

Justine has been busy canvassing new partners and this year we welcome to our Association two new industry partners; Equifibre and Plusvital. Details of their products and services are elsewhere in this Bulletin. It is great to have them on board and I hope that you will support them when you can, as they are providing valuable funding to our operation.

It's a busy time for some of our branches, and Justine has tried to get around the country to AGM's and functions to meet many of our members. Over the next few months our branches will be hosting, award evenings, foal walks, and stallion parades the dates of which are also listed in the Bulletin and we encourage you to attend.

Finally the breeding season is just around the corner, it's been a harsh winter all over the country so far and hopefully that won't impact too much on foaling down and mares cycling and producing nice healthy foals. Our foal numbers were up slightly last year, so let's see if we can keep the momentum building and produce more racehorses.

John

WELCOME NEW NZTBA PARTNERS PLUSVITAL AND EQUIFIBRE



PLUSVITAL PARTNER WITH NEW ZEALAND THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

Irish equine science company Plusvital has just announced a new partnership with the New Zealand Thoroughbred Breeders' Association (NZTBA), who will offer their members detailed information and discounts on Plusvital's range of genetic tests for Thoroughbred horses. Powered by Equinome's cutting edge genomic tools, these genetic tests analyse the DNA of a horse to predict optimum race distance, optimum race surface and performance potential.

Commenting on the announcement of this new partnership, Plusvital Sales Director Ciara Watt said: "We are thrilled that the NZTBA has chosen to partner with us in educating and informing their members about the benefits of genetic testing for Thoroughbred breeders. The NZTBA are committed to consistently improving the production of quality thoroughbreds in New Zealand and we hope that our innovative research can contribute to that commendable goal".

Speaking on behalf of the NZTBA, Justine Sclater said "I felt Plusvital was a nice fit for our association and when I spoke to Australasian Sales Manager

Brad McCarthy he was of the same view. Being able to offer NZ Breeders the opportunity to educate and offer access cutting edge technology in genetics is a part of the equation in breeding".

In addition to the newly announced partnership, Plusvital also maintain on-going relationship with the Cambridge Equine Hospital, who offer clients Plusvital's Speed Gene Test, as well as the Distance Plus Test, which further refines a horse's optimum trip.

Plusvital maintains an on-going, multi-million euro genomic and nutrition research program at its headquarters in Ireland, with its most recent high-profile development being the launch of EnerGene-Q10, the world's first nutrigenomic supplement for horses. This specifically tailored supplement increases and maintains the energy levels of horses during exercise, with particularly benefit for T:T type horses as categorised by the **Speed Gene Test**. Powered by Equinome's cutting edge genomic tools, Plusvital's range of genetic tests analyse the DNA of a horse to predict optimum race distance, optimum race surface and performance potential.

The most popular of Plusvital's genetic tests, The Speed Gene Test, was launched by Equinome in 2010 and since then has grown to be the most firmly established genetic tool for Thoroughbred horses around the globe. The test examines changes in the DNA within the "Myostatin" gene, which is responsible for muscle development and muscle fibre type.

The test then categorises horses into three distinctive types:

C:C Sprint/Mile Types (1,000m - 1,600m)

C:T Middle Distance Types (1,200m - 2,200m)

T:T Staying Types (1,600m+)

In addition to The Speed Gene Test, Plusvital also offer genetic tests to predict the performance/breeding potential (The Elite Performance Test) and the precocity potential (The Raced/Unraced Test) of a Thoroughbred horse.

By using these genetic test results to identify what their horse may produce breeders can:

Gain objective scientific support for mating decisions

Make more informed sales and racing decisions

Improve average sales prices and clearance rates

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Prices for Plusvital's genetic tests start at just NZ\$435.

ABOUT PLUSVITAL

Plusvital has been a leader in equine nutrition since its formation in 1975, growing out of Ireland's world-famous racing and sport horse tradition. Since the introduction of the iconic Plusvital Racing Syrup to the market over 40 years ago, Plusvital continues to develop innovative scientifically-based equine supplements. Plusvital is also the world's leading provider of genetic testing to the Thoroughbred industry.

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ON BEHALF OF THE NZTBA WE WELCOME EQUIFIBRE AS A NEW PARTNER



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NZB Bloodstock Sales Manager Danny Rolston

Well, it's that time again already and if you read the regular NZB press releases you will be aware that we are calling for entries for the 2019 National Yearling Sales Series. On the back of a successful Sale under the new format this year, we will again adopt the Book 1, 2 & 3 structure with a few minor changes possible once Selections and Acceptance numbers have been finalised later in the year.

Given that we are in entry phase it would only be appropriate for me to reiterate our process and key dates.

- July 9th – Entries are closed, at this point Arion produce approximately 2000 selection pedigrees for us to upload to our ipads.
- August 13th – Inspection period begins. John Cameron, Regan Donnison, Morgan Carter, Joe Walls and I will travel the country to inspect conformation and discuss pedigrees with breeders/consignors on farm. Every horse entered for Book 1 or 2 will be inspected.
- September 14th – Inspection period completed.
- September 17-20th – NZB Selection Committee convenes, the greater team (including the above) will assess all pedigrees in conjunction with field agents' reports and catalogue horses using the hypothetical method of "what Sale will this horse make the most money in".
- Immediately post the Selection meeting, outcome advices are distributed with appropriate selection and acceptance date so we can go to print in the first week of November and commence strategic marketing campaigns.

Two things that assist our team to accurately complete assessments and put forward the best catalogue possible are firm ground for inspections and the correct horse location during this period. The new format really favoured well conformed athletic horses that under the old criteria may have suffered at selections being lighter on black type, which reinforces the importance of the inspection process. Turnover at the Yearling Sales increased by 20% this year, largely in part to the great job you do, the amazing horses you breed and their overachievement in all our main export markets. Its early days but we are already excited at NZB with the commitment we are already receiving from breeders for 2019. See you all out and about in the coming months and good luck with the upcoming breeding season.



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JOHN CARTER

If Rising Red the winner of the Gr.3 Premiers Cup over the Queensland carnival has a bit of an identity crisis it's not surprising.

The son of Redwood(GB) was definitely a flag bearer for the New Zealand bred thoroughbred in a carnival where we failed to really attend let alone conquer, but he is trained in Australia, and when he ran in the 2017 Vodafone Derby he was described as an Aussie raider.

So let's set the record straight. Rising Red is raced by his breeders John and Victoria Carter of Carter Bloodstock, and according to Auckland Branch NZTBA member John Carter, he is still more 'ours than theirs'.

"I was quite new to the game then and I thought the Aussies would recognise the bloodlines and pay heaps of money for them at Karaka, that worked for a couple of years but then it changed. Although all the mares that I bought have produced winners."

"The remarkable thing about Rising Red when he came over for the Derby, they referred to him as the Aussie raider, considering Victoria and I still own 50%, my brother Brian and his wife Judy who farm near Whakatane, own 25% and Trent had 25% which he on sold to 25 members of the Cranbourne Racing Club that hurt and so did being run down by Gingernuts and running second.

"It hurt that those few Aussies that had like a 1% share made him an Aussie raider when in fact he was bred here, and trained here until Trent (Busuttin) and



John Carter

Natalie (Young) took him to Australia when they started training in late 2016."

In fact he stayed in New Zealand for his lead up preparation to the ATC Derby, however once back in Australia he strained a suspensory and was off the scene of a year. He made his return to racing at Flemington in the Listed March Stakes, over 1400 metres which was way too short for him. At his next start at Bendigo he was held up in the Listed Golden Mile, over 1600 metres and ran a bold fourth.

He then travelled to Randwick and ran third in the 2000 metre Gr.3 Japan Racing Association Plate, before heading to Queensland and running a bold third in the Gr.3 Chairman's Plate also over 2000 metres. A fortnight with natural improvement and over 2200 metre he triumphed in the Gr.3 Premiers Cup. Unfortunately he chipped a fetlock shortly after and couldn't take his place in the Gr.2 Brisbane Cup, but his connections are confident he will be back in the spring.

Carter bred Rising Red from his High Yield(USA) mare Diva In Red(AUS) he is the fifth foal and the fifth winner. Since Rising Red she has visited Ekraar(USA) twice and produced two colts that the Carter's have retained, and Redwood twice.

Her Redwood(GB) yearling sold at Karaka in February to Trent Busuttin and

the Carters have retained 25%, their partner in Rising Romance Ross Powell also has 25% and Trent has syndicated the remaining 25% to his stable clients. She is due to foal to Redwood again this season.

Carter purchased Diva In Red and a three other mares out of Australia.

"I had some dealing with a bloodstock agent in Australia and I bought three or four mares," he recalled.

"I was quite new to the game then and I thought the Aussies would recognise the bloodlines and pay heaps of money for them at Karaka, that worked for a couple of years but then it changed. Although all the mares that I bought have produced winners."

Rising Red races in the Carter Bloodstock colours of terracotta with a stylised white joker on the front and back, colours made famous by another of their breed Rising Romance. The bonny Ekraar mare who won five races including the Gr.1 Australian Oaks, and ran second in six group one events including the Caulfield Cup, L.K S McKinnon Stakes, Memsie Stakes and the New Zealand Derby.

Carter has a half-sister to Rising Romance, Gem Lover in his broodmare band of six at his 30 acre Ardmore property, and she has produced a filly and a colt to Ekraar making them three-quarter relations to Rising Romance. Although he and Victoria still live in the city he is 'hands on' on the farm with the help of two part-timers, and Sandra Townsend of nearby Delphcommon to do all the serious work.

Another of his mares It's You (AUS) (Celtic Swing[GB]- Yarra Dreaming[AUS]) has left the stakes winner Yourein, and he also sent her to Redwood(GB) twice.

"I have bred two lovely Redwood fillies out of her, it's a shame that they are taking time. I am not giving up on them yet though, I named one Rising Rose and the 'Rising' name goes to the ones I think are going to be good," he added.

- Michelle Saba

TIME TO GET THE FOAL NUMBERS UP

BY **BRIAN DE LORE**

New Zealand's annual foal production has been in continuous decline for many years and while this has also been the trend in other jurisdictions around the world the decline has bottomed out in Great Britain, Ireland and now more recently Australia.

The Great Britain foal crop has decreased from 1998 over a 20-year-old time-frame from 5,233 to 4,778 in 2017 (down 8.7%) but the trend within that time-span has been quite volatile and needs further explanation.

By 2008 the GB foal crop had increased to 5,920 but the recession in that year began showing its effect and by the year 2014, the number had plummeted to a 20-year low of 4,328 (down 26.9%). In the past four seasons, it has recovered marginally each year to be at 4,778 (up 10.3%).

Ireland, by comparison, has seen an increase in the foal crop during the same 1998-2017 time-frame from 7,718 to 9,689 (up 25.5%). The Republic reached its 20-year high in 2007 when 12,633 foals were born (up 63.7% from 1998) but five years later by the year 2012, the foals born had reduced to 7,546 (down 40%).

In 1988-89 at the height of the eighties boom, the broodmare/foal populations of New Zealand was approximately double today's figures.

Not unlike Great Britain, Ireland has been trending higher each year since 2013 and by 2017 was back up to 9,689 foals (up 28.4% in five years). These figures clearly show the intensity of thoroughbred breeding in Ireland compared to Great Britain with a foal production of more than double its much larger neighbour



in a country with a human population of just 4.8 million – not dissimilar to New Zealand.

The foal and broodmare population here at home would graph-up similarly in shape to that of Great Britain and Ireland for the first 15 years but the last four to five years would look quite different. Whereas they had bottomed out in 2013-14, the New Zealand figures show a continued decline to 3,372 foals born in the 2016-17 season.

Using the same 20-year time-frame, the New Zealand foal population has decreased from 4,549 foals in 1997-98 to 3,372 (down 25.9%). The 20-year high came in 2002-03 when 5,060 foals were born, a figure that dipped and then rose again in 2008-09 to 4,558 but has since eroded annually to a possible, coming 40-year low in 2018-19.

In 1988-89 at the height of the eighties boom, the broodmare/foal populations of New Zealand was approximately double today's figures.

In Australia, in the 1997-98 season, a total of 18,351 thoroughbred foals were born which 20 years later had reduced by a massive 5,446 to 12,905 (down 29.7%). The 20-year high was in the year 2005-06 when 18,758 foals were born but from

that point, the decline was consistent until the year 2015-16 when the number was reduced to 12,819.

More recent returns are showing a marginal increase which Australian breeders are confident will continue through to the current season and beyond. The turn-around is thought to be as a result of the big prizemoney increases that took effect in 2012 after racefields legislation delivered a massive cash input after a high court action by corporate bookmakers failed to prevent racefields becoming law.

Stakes increases that may emanate from a restructure of New Zealand racing plus the eventual arrival of our own racefields income will have a three-to-four-year lag-time before confidence is rebuilt in the breeding industry to see a rise in the numbers of foals born.

But numbers alone do not tell the full story or provide answers for the future. The demand for a well-bred, well conformed foal/yearling will always be a constant. Supply and demand have always the principle upon which honest auction prices are attained.

Sometimes it's better to be the big fish in the smaller pond.



WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL HEALTHY RIVERS WAI ORA PLAN CHANGE 1

WHAT HAPPENS NOW?

The NZTBA made a submission to Variation 1 of Proposed Plan Change 1 for the Waikato and Waipa River catchments. NZTBA is also aware that some of our members also made a submission. Below is a diagram of the process.

If you didn't make a submission and have concerns on how Plan Change 1 may impact on your business, you will now have to rely on and support the representation on your behalf by NZTBA.

The next step is further submissions which is likely to occur late July/August. This is where if you made a submission, you can make a further submission on other parties submissions either supporting or opposing. Making further submissions is a good opportunity to provide further detail on the areas that are of concern in the plan.

The further submission timeframe is short and will only be 15 working days to complete from when Council calls for them. However, the Waikato process is being handled a little differently and the 1000+ submissions from the first round are already available to view. So, if you want to get a head start the submissions and Council analysis can be found here.

<https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/council/policy-and-plans/plans-under-development/healthy-rivers-plan-for-change/submissions-and-summary-of-submissions/>

After the further submission period has closed Council will produce what is known as Section 42A reports. This is Council's view on the submissions that have been made and may have recommendations for change that will be presented to the Hearings Panel. During this period Council may also have meetings with submitters known as pre hearing meetings to get a better understanding of submitters issues and explore possible solutions.

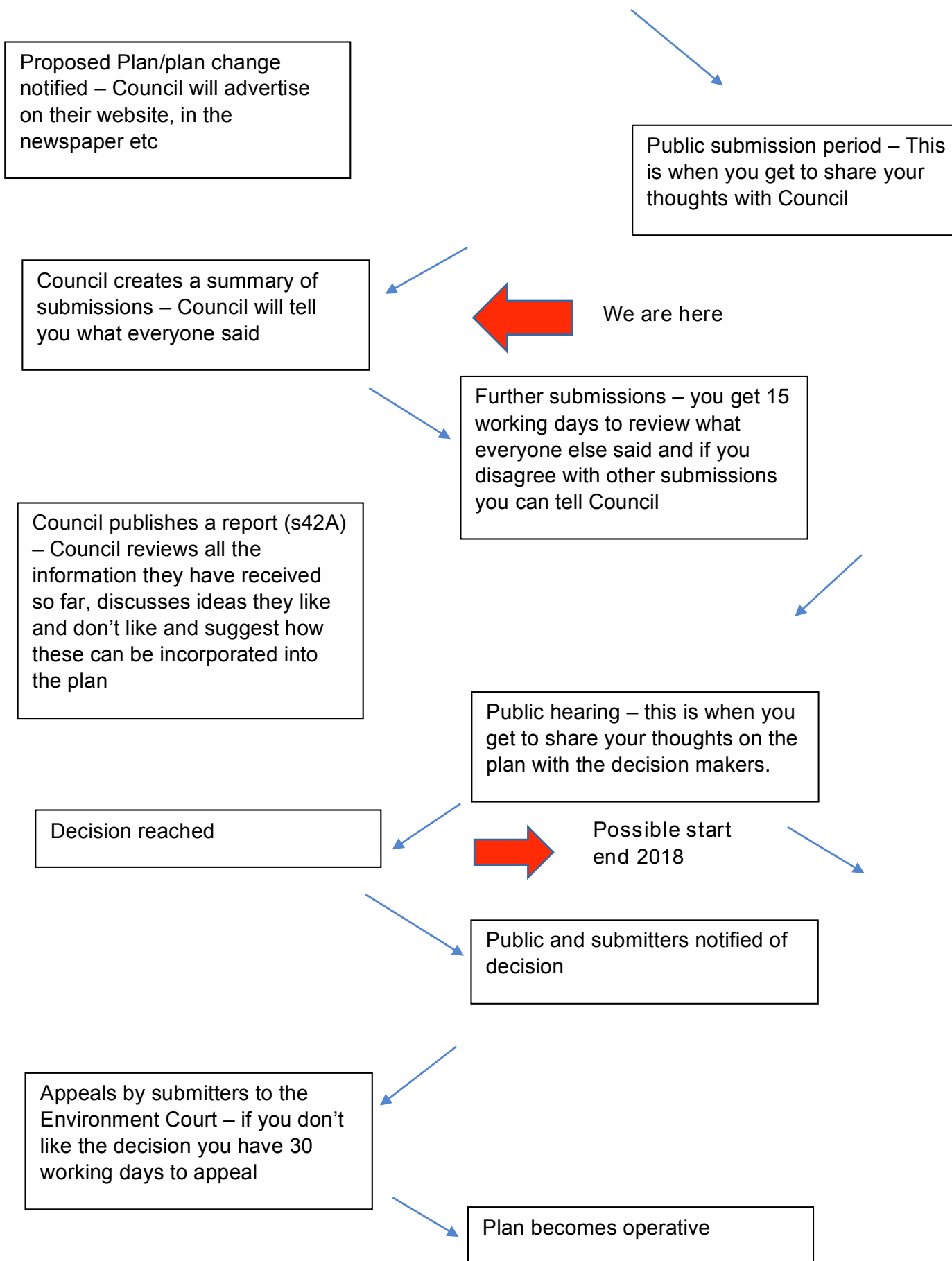
Hearings are expected to commence late this year and continue through to 2019.

For further information on the process these info sheets are useful <https://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/council/policy-and-plans/plans-under-development/healthy-rivers-plan-for-change/infosheets/>

Or contact Justine Sclater Justine@nzthoroughbred.co.nz

WHAT'S THE PROCESS?

By law, council must follow a specific process to engage the public. This is as follows:



HORSES AND THE ENVIRONMENT: UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACTS

Horses and the Environment:
Understanding the Impacts

Waikato Regional Council has recently released a report it commissioned on the equine sector. The primary aim was for Councils to get a better understanding of the equine community in the Waikato and Waipa catchments that are affected by Healthy Rivers Wai Ora: Proposed Plan Change 1.

While Council has a good understanding of the dairy, dry stock and horticultural sectors and their impacts on the environment and water quality they acknowledge there is little understanding of the equine sector. This project was the first step in rectifying that.

A range of equine properties were selected that included small lifestyle, sport horse and two thoroughbred studs.

There was a presumption that equine properties could be treated like drystock or dairy properties relative to their

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intensity. While there are similarities in practices of the pastoral sectors the study has shown that management of equine properties has differences that may mean the environmental impacts of horses will not be the same as the other pastoral sectors.

The report also assessed the properties against Proposed Plan Change 1. Proposed Plan Change 1 is seeking to improve the water quality of the Waikato and Waipa catchments and all properties over 2 hectares will be affected. The contaminants of concern are nitrogen, phosphorus, microbes

and sediment. Proposed Plan Change 1 requires all properties over 20hectares will need to get a Nitrogen Reference Point and may have to undertake a Farm Environment Plan.

For equine properties the Nitrogen Reference Point is of significant concern as this is proposed to be achieved by using the model Overseer. The report shows that the current version of Overseer is unreliable for calculating nitrogen loss from equine properties. If it is used as a regulatory tool by Councils there is the potential it will constrain equine businesses.

Waikato Regional Council is now considering its next steps and approaches it will take from the findings of the report.

It will be important for equine property owners to keep informed of developments and join in any opportunities to discuss solutions.

The full report can be found here.

NEED HELP WITH ENVIRONMENT RULES?

The landscape is changing. Historically most horse properties have been permitted under regional council rules. However, with the increased focus on water quality all land uses are coming under the spotlight and this includes horse properties.

Burying your head in the sand will not make it go away. And these changes are happening around the country, all at various stages and all regions have different rules.

So if you are asking any of the following;

- What is a regional plan?
- Will it affect me?
- Can I change anything?
- How do I get involved?
- How do I do a submission?
- What is a further submission?

- Will I need a resource consent?
- What is a controlled or discretionary or non complying activity?

Yes, you can do it on your own, but resource management planning can be confusing.

I can help my name is Sally Millar and I've been an environmental consultant and policy advisor for 20 years. I come from a dairy farming background and have a lifelong involvement in the equine sector.

Give me a call or send me an email and let's find an option that's sustainable for your business or lifestyle.

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WHERE ARE THEY NOW



Iffraaj

Ten years ago the 2008 NZ Stallion Register featured 104 stallions in the main body of the book. Only 10 of those 104 were debutantes serving their first year at stud in New Zealand, 2 fewer than the previous years crop of first season stallions.

Of the 10 who featured in that year's Stallion Register, only Iffraaj appears in the main body of the 2018 edition while Saperavi is the only other stallion still standing at stud in New Zealand.

Multiple Group 2 winner Iffraaj, who has shuttled to Haunui Farm from the northern hemisphere since retiring to stud, is the sire of 59 black type winners, 28 of them at group level. He at present has sired 9 Group 1 winners including Derby winners Gingernuts and Jon Snow and NZ 2000 Guineas victor Turn Me Loose while in the north they include 4 time Group 1 winner Ribchester and Coronation Stakes victor Rizeena. He has been NZ's leading sire of 2YOs in 2015-16, leading sire of 3YOs in 2014-15 and 2016-17 and twice in the top 3 on the NZ general sire list. He also finished third on the 2013 GB/Ire 2YO sire list.

Saperavi, a half-brother to successful sires Darci Brahma and Burgundy and

still active at Willow Glen in Waimate, has sired 21 winners to date including Listed winner Orovela.

Cecconi, who retired to Westbury Stud and was exported to Australia in 2015 and Great Britain, who also initially stood at Westbury and was sent to South Africa in 2012 are also both known to be still active. Cecconi has sired 37 winners including black type placed Precious Sophia while Great Britain has 4 black type winners from his South African crops including Group 3 winners Wrecking Ball and Al Mariachi.

Any Suggestion, who began his career at Rich Hill Stud in Matamata was exported to China in 2015. He is the

sire of 101 winners including 2YO black type winners Second Time Lucky and Ockham's Razor while his daughter Courte Zarindi is twice a black type winner this season.

Chinese Dragon, a son of Stravinsky and a Grade 2 winner in California, was imported to stand at Goodwood Stud and then exported to Australia in 2013 where he stood until 2015. His best progeny are Group 3 winner China Star and NZ St Leger winner Serpent.

Edenwold, who was exported to Iran in 2015, retired to Selwyn River Stud in Christchurch. He was champion Canadian 2YO colt in 2005 and winner of Canada's major 3YO race, the Queen's Plate. His best horse is Listed placed Madam Bentley.

Helmsman, a Grade 1 winner at Santa Anita and who had retired to stud in USA in 1998, only covered mares for 2 seasons in New Zealand before being retired. In the USA he sired 20 black type horses including 6 black type winners.

Grangewilliam Stud's Argentinian Group 1 winner Thano also left 5 crops of foals before also being retired. A son of 10 time Argentinian champion sire Southern Halo, he is the sire of 22 winners.

The most unlucky of the 10 debutantes in 2008 was undoubtedly Red Clubs who died in Ireland in early 2011. His 2 crops in Ireland and 1 in New Zealand, where he stood at Stoney Bridge Stud, resulted in 7 black type horses including Group 1 winners Sky Lantern and Vedelago and Wanganui Cup victor Madonna Mia.

NZB INSURANCE PEARL SERIES FINAL ENTRIES

A reminder that the final entries for all yearling fillies close on Tuesday 31st July. To date 40 Pearl Bonus's have been collected by nominated fillies this season alone. This is your last chance -

To nominate go to <http://pearlseries.nzthoroughbred.co.nz/page/nomination-form/> or call the Pearl Hotline 0508 222 202

SIR PATRICK HOGAN HONoured AS A LEADING EXPORTER

The NZTBA would like to congratulate Sir Patrick Hogan who was honoured with the Exporters' Champion Award at the 2018 ExportNZ Awards recently.

This is a very special award recognising individual accomplishment and its criteria exemplifies Sir Patrick. The award is presented to someone who over a period of time has contributed significantly to our export sector. It recognises individuals who go beyond the call of duty to share their experience, their networks, their leadership skills and wider talents to help foster the talents of others, develop business offshore, and promote New Zealand across the globe.

Sir Patrick has made a huge contribution to our industry since the establishment of Cambridge Stud, not only as a trailblazing stud master with his selection of champion stallions and marketing initiatives but as a mentor to many individuals. Many successful stud masters, bloodstock agents and others with careers in the industry have all worked for Sir Patrick.

New Zealand Bloodstock Managing Director, Andrew Seabrook, accepted the award on Sir Patrick's behalf and vindicated the ExportNZ Awards judging



His significant Sales achievements at Karaka under the Cambridge Stud banner have seen him sell in excess of \$260m in horses over the last 40-odd years with a considerable number having been exported to Australia, Europe and South-East Asia

panel's decision saying, "Sir Patrick has been a true leader in the development of the New Zealand thoroughbred export market setting the standards from which many vendors now aspire to."

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been exported to Australia, Europe and South-East Asia.

"A trend setter in terms of international marketing strategies and networking, he raised the standard of international promotion of New Zealand-bred stock and hospitality offered at the Sales – and the results speak for themselves."

Seabrook was attending the awards presentation as New Zealand Bloodstock were also nominated for an award, achieving finalist status in the Best Large Business category.

The other finalists in this category included technology business Invenco, agricultural and security supplies business Gallagher Group, and dairy company Milk New Zealand Dairy.

"Being a finalist for this award is a reflection of the service, performance, dedication and loyalty the team at NZB demonstrate to our customers on a daily basis and being recognised as an export leader is an exceptional endorsement for NZB and the wider thoroughbred industry."

 VIDEO HERE



HEALTH

EQUINE INDUSTRY SURVEY RESULTS

Recently we asked members to complete a survey on their views on which aspects of horse research were a priority. The clear majority listed equine nutrition as their top priority followed by equine welfare and stress, breeding issues and mare health, training and fitness for competition, fertility, conformation, problems of bones, joints, cartilage and ligaments, foal health and development, bleeders, ulcers, colic and pasture management. This information will be used when setting out research priorities and research grants. The full survey results can be read here http://www.nzerf.co.nz/sites/default/files/files/SKMBT_C35310030214270.pdf

NZ EQUINE HEALTH NEWS

NZ Equine Health Association and MPI last year signed their first equine Operational Agreement. This Readiness Operational Agreement covers how both parties will work together in peace time (in advance of an exotic disease incursion) and proposed a number of equine related projects.

Included in these projects was a commitment to work together on progressing some aspects of the Equine VetIntel system. MPI has agreed to joint fund some milestones within this project over the next year, which will see more practices recruited, some analysis of timelines and some work to ensure our disease descriptors match those required by MPI. This was a momentous achievement in many ways when one realises much of MPI's focus has been on developing a new Biosecurity strategy and responding to the Mycoplasma bovis outbreak. The VetIntel system is currently the NZEHA's largest, most ambitious project and we are excited that it has attracted funding from the NZERF, the Equine Trust and MPI, and has been endorsed by the New Zealand Veterinary Association's board and NZ Equine Veterinary Association - both those bodies are making contributions in kind.

The importance of such projects and other equine welfare and biosecurity work has been recognised by all supporting equine bodies this year by an increase in their financial contributions so that the NZEHA can continue its mandated work. During the year Micheal Martin from the Thoroughbred Breeders Association stood down as Vice Chair of the NZEHA committee and Martin Burns from NZ Thoroughbred Racing has taken over this role. The NZTBA is currently represented by our President John Fokerd.

NZERF RODMOR TRUST LECTURE SERIES 2018

June 22, 2018

The NZERF Rodmor Trust Lecture Series "Rehabilitation of the Performance Horse", lead speaker is Dr Frances Peat.

Dates are: 7 July Christchurch | 9 July Palmerston North | 15 July Hamilton

For more information and to register https://www.nzthoroughbred.co.nz/site_files/13893/upload_files/blog/NZERF-brochure-2018.pdf?dl=1

CONTAGIOUS DISEASE OUTBREAK - WHAT TO DO

With the approaching stud season and therefore more stock movement it is a timely reminder for us all to look at our on farm practices. The New Zealand Equine Health Association (NZEHA Inc.) has adopted this code for the control of equine contagious disease outbreaks and seeks adoption by each of its member organisations. While New Zealand is relatively free of many of the world's equine infectious diseases, it faces ongoing threats. These can be contained by those in charge of horses employing good containment measures.

The NZEHA recommends the following steps in the event of a suspected outbreak of either of the two most common problems facing horses, Strangles and Equine Herpes - to read more [https://www.nzthoroughbred.co.nz/site_files/13893/upload_files/NZTBAEHDContagiousOutbreakWTD\(1\)\(1\).pdf?dl=1](https://www.nzthoroughbred.co.nz/site_files/13893/upload_files/NZTBAEHDContagiousOutbreakWTD(1)(1).pdf?dl=1)

JUST QUICKLY

CONGRATULATIONS MICHAEL WALLACE

On behalf of the NZTBA we would like to congratulate our former Sunline International Management Scholarship recipient Michael Wallace on his achievement in his role in selecting American Triple Crown winner Justify - Michael is now firmly written into American racing history.

BEYOND THE BARRIERS NZ

A non-profit organisation whose purpose is to promote the versatility and suitability of retired racehorses as pleasure and sporthorses. Beyond the Barriers will hold 2018 The Dunstan Ex-Factor at Equidays, Mystrey Creek on the 12-14 October 2018. This is open to thoroughbreds with less than 1 year of sporthorse schooling prior to Equidays. There is \$10K of prizemoney on offer for more information <http://www.beyondthebarriers.co.nz/page/default/2017/>

KIWI STORY TO BE AIRED ON TV!

Tune in on Sunday 8th July 8.30pm to watch this legendary story which is part of NZ racing folklore.

FASTTRACK

Recently we asked Fasttrack to review our office insurance requirements and provide a quote. This was a very beneficial exercise and we have made significant savings on our annual insurance premiums. As a partner to the NZTBA I encourage our members to give Fasttrack the opportunity to review their insurance needs. Click here to find out who your nearest broker is <https://www.fasttrackinsurance.co.nz/Contact+Us.html>

BRIAN DE LORE LOOKS AT WHERE THE NZRB FOCUS ON MARKETING LIES:

https://theinformant.co.nz/website/News/single_news/The-great-sports-betting-heist/XK8388

FERTCO DIARY



PASTURE TIPS

Invest in wintering-off capability – the impact on pugging on soil remains for months after the event, with knock on effects on pasture quality and weed levels therefore its best avoided.

Increasing the range of grass species into the pasture – a sward that can create synergies that can access different minerals and promote micro-organisms to get deeper root development.

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Eli brings many years of experience in the agriculture industry, he has a passion for soil science, microbiology and is committed to making efficient and sustainable improvements through these processes.

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BREEDERS' COURSE 2018



Participants in the 2018 Breeders Block Course

Recently our annual Equine Breeding Block Course was held and with spring still a few months away it was the ideal time of year to take the opportunity to host participants from stud farms and private farms nationwide.

Three days of lectures and practical sessions, designed to increase understanding of the health and management of broodmares and foals, ensured everyone went away well prepared for the coming season and trainees enrolled in the National Certificate in Equine Breeding got a great head start on completing their assessments as evening study sessions were also held.

The course was well supported by the following equine experts covering equine topics that included the horse's digestive

system, Dr Angela Hawker from Cambridge Equine Hospital explained the intricacies of the equine skeleton, Russell and Robyn Rogers demonstrated how their water walker can assist horses in both fitness and rehabilitation. A visit to Cambridge Stud hosted by Cameron Ring followed, he related the proud history of that farm and paraded stallions Tavistock and Burgundy.

The evening then proceeded to an educational seminar hosted by the NZTBA at The Prince Albert Tavern, Cambridge held in conjunction with Massey University. Presentations from Massey's Javier Roca, Yin Yin Chin and Chris Rogers presented various topics relating to optimising growth and reproduction under New Zealand Conditions.

The entire second day was generously hosted by Windsor Park Stud. Leigh Wills took everyone through some interesting exercises designed to help understand how the horse thinks, while resident farrier Paul Murray showed points of conformation and methods that can assist correcting these issues.

NZ Bloodstock's Danny Rolston gave an insightful presentation into the structure of the racing industry, Dr Ronan Costello from Waikato Equine Veterinary Hospital explained the body systems of the horse and finally Dr Rochelle Kerr from Matamata Vets gave an interactive presentation that demonstrated life-



Veterinarian Rochelle Kerr demonstrates how to perform CPR on a new born foal

saving techniques that can be used on new born foals.

On the final day the highlight was a tour of the facilities at Waikato Equine Veterinary Hospital by Dr Noel Power and the course was completed with expert farrier, Kim Hughes, sharing his knowledge of corrective hoof trimming. Thanks to organisers Vicki Pascoe and NZTR Training Advisor Kay Hogan who have received positive feedback received from those who attended and numerous requests for them to run the course again next year.



Paul Murray gives conformation pointers



Haunui Farm's Robyn Milliken pictured with Coogee Walk



Fayreform looking after her mob of weanlings

PURPOSEFUL RETIREMENT FOR GREAT MARES

Two Champion race mares Fayreform (Tights[USA]- Glamour Gold) and Coogee Walk (Success Express[USA]- Boardwalk Angel), who have gone on to leave stakes winners are enjoying their retirement as Nanny mares at Haunui Farm in Karaka.

"We have quite a paddock full of old retired mares especially the good ones," said Haunui Farm's Marketing Manager Shannon Taylor.

"Some belong to us and some to our clients, and we use them for babysitting duties. As long as they have a good nature for nurturing.

Fayreform was the Champion WFA performer in 1998 winning three Group One events, the New Zealand Stakes, Thorndon Mile and the Waikato International Stakes, as well as five other races. She in turn is the dam of the Group One performer Perfect Fit (Elusive City [USA]), and four other winners including Free Form who also left the stakes placed winner Triaction(Elusive City[USA]).

"We have been using Fayreform for a number of years now, her last foal Showthemoff (Showcasing[GB]) is already in the broodmare paddock as well, along with her group one winning daughter Perfect Fit.

"She is used as a babysitter when the foals are first weaned," according to Taylor.

"She is put in with a mob of them to teach them how to behave, and in her case we have even used to her to teach orphan foals, who have been unable to find foster mothers' or its been too late in the season for them to be fostered. She has been fantastic for us in that role. She just loves to be a mother."

Auckland NZTBA branch member Marie Leicester owns the former Champion Sprinter Coogee Walk, who won the Gr.1 Railway Handicap. She is the dam of five winners from five foals to race including the Gr.3 MRC Conghy Handicap winner Activation (Zabeel).

"Coogee Walk is a bit more of a recent addition to the ranks but she too is shaping up to be a top nanny. Her last foal was also a filly by Showcasing(GB) who is now two.

"They were awesome race mares and top producers," concluded Taylor, "so there is always a home here for them here at Haunui."

- Michelle Saba

SUNLINE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT DAVID MORRIS ENJOYING COOLMORE IRELAND EXPERIENCE

JUNE 21, 2018

Since my last blog where I had only spent a couple of weeks in Ireland, until now where there is less than two weeks remaining, the time in between has flown by. My time at Coolmore has exceeded all my expectations and the lessons I've learnt from all the great people I've met along the way has been amazing.

[CLICK HERE TO READ MORE...](#)



David pictured with Coolmore stallion Highland Reel



NZTBA MARQUEE

It was great to have a presence at the 2018 Karaka May Sale with our breeders' marquee back in its ringside spot. Thanks to all our members who called by to say hello to myself and Corrina we loved catching up and your support was appreciated. I also enjoyed meeting some new faces and welcome the new members that joined over the sale period.

We Welcome Our New Members

NZTBA - NEW MEMBERS

- Angelique Bridson(Waikato)
- Courtney & Mandy Howells(Waikato)
- Jennifer & John Workman(Auckland)
- Sam & Nireen Jefferis(Waikato)
- Diane & Joe Anderson(Waikato)
- Long Acres Stud(Waikato)
- Iain & Mary Henderson (Hawkes Bay/Poverty Bay)
- Bob & Jenny Butler (Wellington)
- Scott Robinson(Waikato)
- Simon Moore(Waikato)
- Annabel Wigley & Olly Tuthill(Canterbury/Westland/Marl)
- Sonia Waddell(Waikato)
- Novara Park(Waikato)
- Mark Vince(Waikato)
- Lynaire & Brent Cottle (Central Districts)
- Georgia Sheard(Auckland)
- David Murtagh(Waikato)
- Neil Florence(Waikato)
- Cambridge Stud(Waikato)
- Lorenzo Scartozzi & Michelle Kingston-White(Waikato)
- Peter Faulkner (Canterbury/Westland/Marl)
- Sunlight Thoroughbreds(Waikato)
- Scott Calder(Waikato)
- Henry Plumtre(Waikato)
- Graham Pattie(Waikato)

OFFICE UPDATE

After a long search to find a suitable residence, the NZTBA have found a permanent home in the heart of Cambridge. Our new premises will be 9 Anzac Street Cambridge (opposite the New World Supermarket), right in the town centre. The new office is a ground floor building easily accessible and has several car parks.

We are taking up residence from the 1st of July and this will enable us to house the much treasured Stead Library for members to access and there is a small lounge area where members are welcome to drop in say hello and peruse the books we will have on display as well as other memorabilia.

“Corrina and I are looking forward to getting settled in a more permanent environment and look forward to welcoming members and hope they take the opportunity to drop in and say hello. I have always felt Cambridge is the right place for the Association to find a permanent home being , centrally located in the heart of the Thoroughbred industry.

Cambridge is a vibrant town that is very easy to find an excuse to visit, and I seem to bump into industry people whenever I head out”.

Justine

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