

Haunui Update



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News Briefs

Haunui Stallion Parade

The annual Haunui Stallion Parade was held on the last Sunday of August as part of the Auckland Stud Tour.

We were very lucky with the weather and there was a great turn-out throughout the entire day with more than 120 people visiting all four Auckland Studs throughout the day.

Van Nistelrooy made a special appearance at Haunui and was a welcome addition to the stud tour. He along with resident stallions Don Eduardo and Elusive City were on show along with four Elusive City yearlings which made quite an impression.



Elusive City—Fikra colt

Bookings for the stallions are coming along nicely and we thank all of you who have once again shown your support for Haunui in 2006. If you are yet to decide on a mating for your mare, please feel free to contact either Mark or Shannon at the office if we can be of further assistance.

Breeding Season Underway

The 1st of September signaled the start of the 2006 breeding season and we are happy to report that both Don Eduardo and Elusive City are working well in the breeding barn.



Don Eduardo

Elusive City has settled nicely into Haunui after arriving at the farm in early August. "He has always got his head in the feed-bin," says Haunui stallion manager Wayne Milliken, "in fact, so does Don Eduardo. If there is ever any feed left in their feed bins I'll know something is up!" he said.

More New Arrivals

The foals are continuing to arrive at Haunui with some notable additions being:

Dehere—Eire Hostess filly. This filly was born on the 21st of August and is the first foal of the stakes-winning O'Reilly mare Eire Hostess.

Savabeel—Fayreform filly. Born only a few days ago, this is a very nice filly out of three-time G1 winner Fayreform. Fayreform has a Stravinsky yearling and will visit Stravinsky again in 2006.

Don Eduardo foals. We have four Don Eduardo's on the ground already this season—three colts and a filly.

The filly pictured below is out of the Last Tycoon-mare Gu Li. She was born on the 7th of September and is owned by Australian-based clients David and Cynthia Pleasance.



2005/2006 Stakes Results

- 3 GROUP ONE WINNERS FOR HAUNUI IN 2005/2006
- 7 INDIVIDUAL STAKES WINNERS
- 9 STAKES PERFORMERS
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The Redoute's Choice—De Canny filly sold at Karaka 2006 for \$320,000

“ACTIVATION CARRIES ON THE SUCCESS THAT LLOYD WILLIAMS HAS HAD WITH HAUNUI GRADUATES FIRSTLY WITH PERLIN THEN GALLIC, LEGIBLE AND NOW THIS HORSE,” SAID MARK CHITTY OF HAUNUI FARM.

Haunui Horses to Watch:

Opportunity Knocks (NZ)

(Traditionally—Te Akau Bird)—just beaten by Alberto in two starts as a 2YO.

Skimmio (NZ) (O'Reilly—Surfin Bird)

—ran in the Matamata Breeders' Stakes and the Ellerslie Sire's Produce Stakes in her last two starts as a 2YO

Fragrance (NZ) (Faltaat—Rosie's Gem) - a filly from an outstanding Haunui family

These horses will all be lining up in the next 2–3 weeks and could well be worth following in the spring/summer.

Continuing along the lines of introducing some of the key members of the Haunui team, this month we would like to introduce Luke Geddes, our Yearling Manager.

For many of you, Luke will be a familiar face as he has been a key member of the Haunui team for a number of years.

Originally from Mossvale, South Sydney, Australia (yes, we have an Aussie among us!) Luke first came to New Zealand in 2001. “I used to come over and work at Haunui during the yearling season, do the sales and then go home again,” said Luke. “I did that for about three years and then started full time at Haunui about three years ago,” he said.

Each year, Haunui prepares more than 40 yearlings for all major sales in both New Zealand

and Australia. Luke is responsible for the day to day routine and care of all yearlings and staff from weaning through to the sales.

Dane Trompert and Robin Milliken are also a big part of the yearling team and as senior staff, assist Luke in the day to day management of the young stock.

Luke also heads the breaking and pre-training here at Haunui and this season, has broken in more than 30 yearlings for Haunui and our clients.

Most of these horses have now gone off to trainers and the reports that we have had back in regard to their education are very pleasing.

In 2007, Haunui will once again be selling at all of the major sales across Australasia with

our draft for the Magic Millions Sale in January already in the early stages of preparation.

“These horses are just coming in and out of the boxes each day and we are just starting to get them into a routine,” said Luke. “We will just take them quietly over this month and then really pick things up for the last eight to ten weeks of the preparation,” he said.

Luke and his partner Victoria are expecting their first baby any day soon and we wish them all the best.



Stakes Wins Already Coming for Haunui Graduates

The new racing season is only a month underway and already, two Haunui graduates have tasted stakes success.

Mikki Street (NZ) (Cape Cross—Ocean Pearl) got the season off to a great start in winning the first black type race of 2006/2007, the Group Three Winter Cup (1600m) at Riccarton.

Purchased privately as a weanling by Mark Chitty, Mikki Street was sold through the Haunui yearling draft of 2003 and was knocked down to the bid of Lisa Latta for \$61,000.

While Mikki Street was the first stakes performer of the season for Haunui, he became the first stakes winner for his breeders Alistair and Caroline Ring after coming close last season with

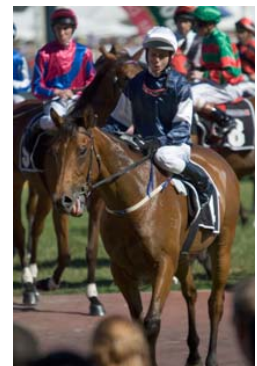
two stakes placings. His dam **Ocean Pearl (NZ)** (Crested Wave) is due to foal to Don Eduardo and will visit him again this season.

On the other side of the Tasman, **Activation (NZ)** (Zabeel—Coogee Walk) claimed the Listed Premier's Cup (1800m) last week in impressive style.

Racing in the Lloyd Williams colours, Activation came to the fore last spring when he took out the Group Three Coongy Handicap (2000m) and his most recent victory has trainer Graeme Rogerson penciling in the Group One The Metropolitan (2400m) as one of his major targets.

Interestingly, this time last year it was another Haunui graduate who took out the Premier's Cup.

Railings (Aus) (Zabeel) won the same race for trainer John Hawkes on his way to claiming the Metropolitan-Caulfield Cup double.



Activation was bred by Marie Leicester from her great race-mare Coogee Walk. Coogee Walk is due to foal to Redoute's Choice toward the end of September and will visit Zabeel this spring.