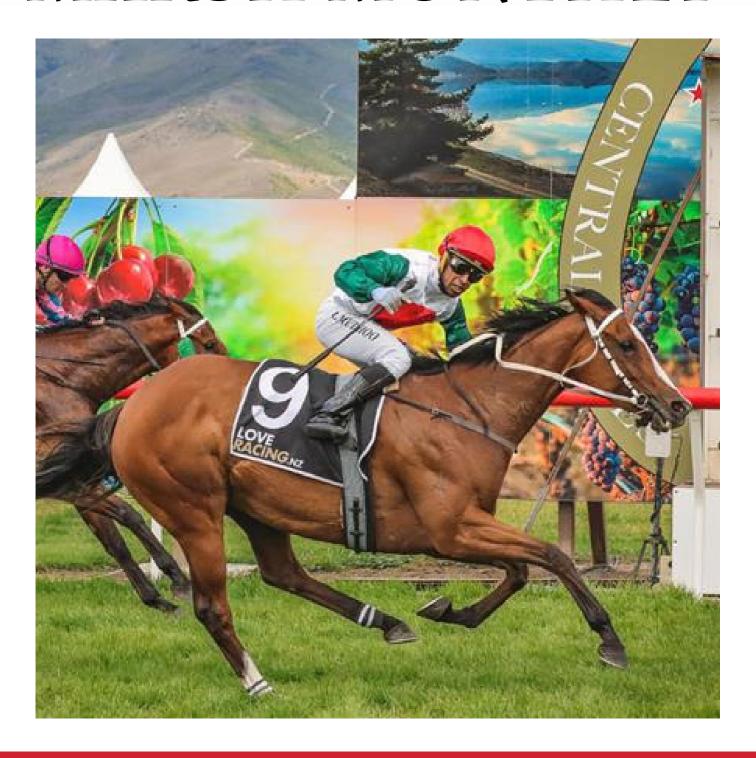


# MARSH MONTHLY



#### Inside this month...





# Red dot report

It was another month of testing conditions with several meetings run on rain effected tracks and some abandoned due to the weather conditions. We elected to be very patient throughout November as we know the tracks will improve dramatically throughout December, January, February and March.

We continue to unearth some real quality with our young horses, talented 3 year old filly Bourbon Chique narrowly beat stable mate La Dulcin'ee and she will now take her place in this weekends \$100,000 Group 3 Bonecrusher stakes while Mister Roshan was another 3 year old to break maidens and joins a large group who are on target for nice 3 year old races over the summer. Encierro made it back-to-back wins at Te Rapa before a brave 4th in the Group 3 Eagle Technology stakes and the evergreen Tightline came within 1 stride of victory in Listed Legacy Lodge Sprint.

December is arguably the most exciting month on the New Zealand racing calendar and its certainly the busiest with 27 race meetings across the country. It is great to see the continued rise in stake money with all premier meetings now at a minimum of \$45,000 for rating races. Boxing Day will see the minimum stakes set at \$70,000, New Years day at \$65,000 and this Saturdays Trentham card at \$50,000 minimums. This provides owners with the opportunity to earn great prize money and we plan to be well represented across all of these meetings.

As well as a busy racing schedule we are now less than 2 months out from the NZB National yearling sale. We intend to be very active at this years' sale and will continue to source young stock from Australia throughout the sales season. The Karaka catalogue is out and our research into pedigrees is well underway, Dylan, Bruce and I will commence on farm inspections during the next month. Please feel free to contact us at any stage to discuss being involved with our yearling class of 2023.

I hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing plenty of you on course throughout December.





## Meet the Team-Ashley Tomkinson Returns



Some of you may remember Ashley Tomkinson who was a valuable part of the Marsh Racing Team a couple of years ago before returning to his hometown in Wales. With senior foreperson Paige on maternity leave we are we couldn't think of anyone better to fill her large shoes and are thrilled to welcome Ash back to Marsh Racing as foreman at the new barn! When last at Marsh Racing Ash rode trackwork, often strapped at the races travelled to Sydney with Mark Two and Campari. We sat down with Ash to find out a bit about what brought him back to us and which horse has already caught his eye!

#### What is your background before joining Marsh Racing?

I was a dressage head groom. National hunt work rider. Showjumping head groom and a hunting groom.

#### What brought you back to Marsh Racing?

My work family. I Have made some very immediate close friends from when I first arrived not seeing them for years and then being offered this opportunity was one not to be missed.

#### What is your favourite thing about your job?

The challenge. As racing staff were put up against a new challenge every day. It's quite a great industry to open your eyes to other trades and professions and pick the brains of the great people you meet along the journey.

#### Favourite horse past or present?

There have been many but one that stands out would a Nadeem x Ivy Hall gelding who was named Princeton Spirit. He was the best. One of the few I've kept track of since he left us and has 6 wins under his belt. There is also War Affair who was the biggest privilege to get to ride every day.

#### What would your perfect day off look like?

Usually start with a good Instone hash stack and then a hike up some mountain with mates. And finish the day off with an espresso martini.

#### If you didn't look after racehorses what would you do for a job?

I have no idea. We have a healthcare system at home that supports and helps young children being bullied or have attempted suicide. I'd love to work in a profession to help those kids.

#### One to watch?

We have a lovely Ardrossan x Bridgewater in at the moment that looks an ideal model.



### November Winners



2/11/22 Avondale



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5/11/22 Te Rapa

#### Sadler's Chick

Michael McNab

Go Racing Good Life Syndicate
Cellar Door Waimauku 2100m

## <u>Replay</u>

#### C'est Moi

Michael McNab

Mrs J L Egan

NZB Insurance Pearl Series

Race 1200m



#### **Encierro**

Jonathan Riddell

I G Benge, H J Chapman, A J Cunningham, E H Falconer, M & R Haydon, B W Johnson, Miss A Legg, R B & S B Marsh, R C Montgomery, S W Platt, A G O & G R Wilson

Waikato Stud Winners Circle Mile

<u>Replay</u>



# DUNSTAN DUNSTA

8/11/22 Pukekhoe

#### **Bourbon Chique**

#### Craig Grylls

2022 Bourbon Lane Stable NZ LLC, Dennis Foster, KT Cheah, N J Climo, A J & Mrs H M Cunningham, E H Falconer, R B & R K Marsh, P M McDonnell, Dr P H Mitchell, S W Platt, G A Sherlock, B J Taylor, D W Wallace

Ellerslie Event Centre 1300



#### **Royal Roc**

Wiremu Pinn
SB Marsh &TL Clarkson
Waitomo Fuels 1400



15/11/22 Rotorua



15/11/22 Rotorua

# <u>Replay</u>

#### Mister Roshan

Wiremu Pinn

Jim Barlow

Rydges Rotorua 1230

<u>Replay</u>





25/11/22 Cromwell



26/11/22 Te Rapa



27/11/22 Cromwell

#### Raposa Rapida

Megan Taylor

Go Racing Foxy Syndicate
Catalyst Performance Clare

Memorial 1220m

# <u>Replay</u>

#### Well I Never

Wiremu Pinn Go Racing Amadeus Syndicate BCD Group 1400

<u>Replay</u>

#### Monza Circuito

Rohan Mudoo

12 Monkeys Syndicate, Eight Jugs No Dinner Syndicate, B A Ford & Hedwood Thoroughbreds Ltd

Grand Casino Open 1400

<u>Replay</u>

Congratulations to all connections!





# Quick Ten

## George Simon

There is arguably no one busier throughout December than NZ's voice of racing George Simon.

George will once again be in the thick of the action calling the major meetings in the north including the iconic Group 1 Boxing Day card. A little-known fact about George is he was the breeder of multiple Group One winner Turn Me Loose with wife Maryanne.

We caught up with the popular figure for this month's quick 10.

EARLY MORNING / LATE NIGHT

COFFEE / TEA

FILLY / COLT

STAYCATION / VACATION

TAKE AWAY / DINE OUT

DERBY / OAKS

TV SHOW / MOVIE

MEXICAN FOOD / INDIAN FOOD

COX PLATE / MELBOURNE CUP

FAV RACE TO COMMENTATE?
Was The Great Northern over the Hill. Now The NZ Derby