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MARSH MONTHLY



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Hear from Stephen

Register your interest in the
upcoming Ready to Run sale



Red dot report

It has been a great start to the season for the stable, recording more individual winners in the first two months than any other season to date. As well as the winners coming at a steady rate, so to have been the placegetters. So far a total of 27 horses have filled the placings, leaving us with a top three strike rate of less than 3!

While we have still had our share of poor weather, the tracks across the board have improved significantly and it has been great to race on more consistent surfaces.

We recently took horses to Te Aroha for a set of jumpouts as part of the venues return to racing program. We were thrilled with how the track played and the feedback from senior jockeys was extremely positive. Te Aroha is a great racing surface with a big roomy straight, having it return to being a fully functioning race venue will really assist the programme.

With the resumption of racing at Ellerslie getting closer and the return of Te Aroha, this will significantly boost the options for racing in the North. Te Rapa has shouldered much of the responsibility for the last 18 months and it is a credit to Butch Castles and his track manager Bart Cowans for consistently producing a quality racing surface, juggling the weather and a heavy increase in race meetings.

It was a great thrill to see Hoard the Bourbon and Financier, two horses I have always held in high regard, return to the winner's circle in September. Both race in the recognisable silks of fantastic stable supporters Bourbon Lane and include a number of loyal stable clients. The increase in prize money for open class horses at the top level has meant having progressive horses like these are a real asset and give owners a great opportunity to earn prize money. I have no doubt these horses will progress through the grades over the coming seasons.

The annual Ready to Run sale is just over a month away and we will again be active securing horses to syndicate. The Ready to Run sale is unique in the fact we get a chance to see the horses gallop over 200m at Te Rapa and much of the hard work has been done prior to us buying. We have traditionally been very selective at this sale, and it will be no different this year. If anyone is keen to join our priority list please contact me, our purchases are always quick to sell and we have a good number already interested.

We are in the middle of an extremely busy period as we refine our team for the upcoming Christchurch Guineas and Cup carnival. It is an even group of 3 year olds this season and we are keen to have representation in all the feature races at Riccarton.

Good luck to all connections with runners throughout the month and we look forward to seeing owners on course.

Stephen

September Winners



03/09/23 Hawera

Lincoln Lady

Michael McNab

Lincoln Farms Bloodstock Ltd
Johnny Neil Builder Ltd

1200

Replay.



03/09/23 Hawera

The Diviner

Michael McNab

Mrs L & S Bleakley & M W Freeman
Heather D. Yaxley Martinez
Maiden

Replay.



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09/09/23 Ruakaka

C'est Moi

Tegan Newman

Mrs J L Egan
T and G Plumbing

Replay.



13/09/23 Cambridge

Lerado

Michael McNab

*Ms S E Bourke, J F Bruford, J P Cate, G M Datson,
C J Dobbie, M J Fox, J W Gracie, D J & G J Jenkin, P
L Sparrow, Waihi Livestock Ltd & M L O Williams*

Manning Investments Ltd

1300

Replay.



13/09/23 Cambridge

Hoard The Bourbon

Michael McNab

*2020 Bourbon Lane Stable New Zealand LLC & S B
Marsh*

Garrard's Horse and Hound

1300

Replay.



21/09/23 Matamata

Pow Tong

Sam Weatherley

Mission Downs Trust

Waharoa Industrial Park

1400

Replay.



30/09/23 Hastings

Financier

Opie Bosson

2021 Bourbon Lane Stables New Zealand LLC
Partnership, Nearco Stud, Dr P H Mitchell,
Grant Wilson & Paul Saker

Manning Investments Ltd 1300

Replay.



Quick Ten

Courtney Barnes

Senior jockey Courtney Barnes is a big part of our team and is fresh off her best ever season in 2022/2023 where she rode 39 winners and prize money earnings of over \$1M! We caught up with the popular hoop for this month's Quick Ten.

EARLY MORNING / LATE NIGHT

DERBY / OAKS

COFFEE / TEA

SERIES / MOVIE

FILLY / COLT

MEXICAN FOOD / INDIAN FOOD

STAYCATION / VACATION

COX PLATE / MELBOURNE CUP

TAKE AWAY / DINE OUT

STAYER / SPRINTER