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***NO EXCUSE NEEDED Knock Outs: No Excuse Maggie & Justanexcuse***

## 12 Stakes Winners for No Excuse Needed



**No Excuse Needed** notched a dozen Stakes Winners last Saturday.

The battle for the black spot number 12 was valiantly fought out by offspring **No Excuse Maggie** and **Justanexcuse** in the **Listed Matamata Cup (1600m)** (see picture above), with honours ultimately lying with the former by a short neck.

Raced by the Full Of Excuses Syndicate, **No Excuse Maggie** has returned four wins and four placings from 13 career outings for trainer John Bary, ensuring owners Kaye and Howard Jones a super return of NZ\$77,525 on their initial \$2500 NZB Weanling Sale investment.

Bred and sold by Waikato Stud, **No Excuse Maggie** is out of the **O'Reilly** mare **Maggie O'Reilly**. To date, **No Excuse Needed** has crossed with **O'Reilly** mares for a record of 4 stakes winners and for a 70% winners-to-runners ratio.

## Fact

**O'REILLY = 14** Stakes Winners as a Broodmare Sire (inc **2** G1 winners)

## Tullamore Ready for G1 Caulfield Cup

The signs are looking all good ahead of **Tullamore's Gr.1 Caulfield Cup** bid this Saturday.

In her daily blog on Thursday, Champion trainer Gai Waterhouse had this to say:



*I always ask my jockeys who their best of the morning was and Mark (Newnham) declared Tullamore just that.*

*"I can't tell you how good he is going" he said. Just before he ran in The Metropolitan I still felt he had a little improvement up his sleeve but today I feel he has really peaked. He glided over the 1400m on the dirt.*

*(Click here to read full blog)*

## Foal of the Week: Fast'N'Famous x Port Merion Filly



**Sire:** Fast N Famous

**Dam:** Port Merion

**Damsire:** O'Reilly

**Breeder:** Willie McIntyre

**Comment:** *Classy looking filly from the family of VOLKSINI & Champion 3YO EASTERN JOY.*

## Dating Bounces Back



Waikato Stud's multiple stakes winning **O'Reilly** mare **Dating** bounced straight back into the black-type winners' circle last Saturday.

In what was her first start since the **Gr 1 AJC Oaks** last autumn, the Graeme and Debbie Rogerson-trained 4YO lifted the **G3 Taranaki Breeders' Stakes (1400m)**, showing rivals the way home with 280 metres to run.

At the post, **Dating** held a half-length margin over **Guessing** (Keeper), with fellow WS-bred **Sharp Princess** (Pins) filling third a neck away.

# WS Sired Stakes Runners this Weekend

HORSE	RACE NAME	WHERE	Race #	Time (NZ)
<b>SATURDAY</b>				
<b>DOWAGER QUEEN</b> 08f Savabeel x Dower by Pins	Listed Sportingbet Ethereal Stakes (2000m)	MRC	3	2:45pm
<b>SANGSTER</b> 08g Savabeel x Quinta Special by Spectrum	G3 Norman Robinson Stakes (2000m)	MRC	4	3:20pm
<b>PUMP IT</b> 08g Savabeel x Stray by Tale Of The Cat	G3 Norman Robinson Stakes (2000m)	MRC	4	3:20pm
<b>VINCENT MANGANO</b> 05g No Excuse Needed x Rationable by Housebuster	Listed Lion Red Plate (1200m)	Roto	9	4:52pm
<b>SOCIETY LADY</b> 08f O'Reilly x Logical Lady by Sound Reason	Listed Lion Red Plate (1200m)	Roto	9	4:52pm
<b>PADDY O'REILLY</b> 05g O'Reilly x Star of Amarissa by Assert	G3 David Jones Cup (2000m)	MRC	7	5:20pm
<b>ALMODOVAR</b> 07g Pins x Midnight Madam by Kaapstad	G3 David Jones Cup (2000m)	MRC	7	5:20pm
<b>TULLAMORE</b> 06g Savabeel x Trocair by Flying Spur	G1 Caulfield Cup (2400m)	MRC	8	6:05pm
<b>LUCHA LIBRE</b> 07f Pins x Libre by Grosvenor	G2 Tristarc Stakes (1400m)	MRC	9	6:50pm
<b>SUNDAY</b>				
<b>SAVARHYS</b> 08g Savabeel x Rhysess by Pins	Listed Ray Coupland Stakes (1400m)	Ash RC	8	3:56pm
<b>CRACKER</b> 08f O'Reilly x Dilemma by Rory's Jester	Listed Ray Coupland Stakes (1400m)	Ash RC	8	3:56pm

## Run of the Week: Somepin Anypin

The Gary Portelli-trained **Pins** 4YO **Somepin Anypin** turned heads last Saturday with a pillar to post win in the Bowermans Office Furniture Handicap (1350m) at Rosehill.

The free-going chestnut strode straight to the front under Jim Cassidy and refused to relinquish the advantage thereafter, ultimately sailing to the line for a 2 1/4 length win over the **G1 Spring Champion Stakes** winner **Erewhon**.

"He was a moral and I rode him like a moral." said Cassidy of the outing.

## Notes this Week

- Pins 4YO Muchos Respectos scores first up win for Danny ([click here for more](#))
- Savabeel son Savour The Moment looks the goods ([click here for more](#))
- US stallion dominates Matamata Cup ([click here for more](#))
- Dating completes stunning double for Stud ([click here for more](#))
- Somepin Anypin a class above rivals ([click here for more](#))

## Mark's Mail



Well done to Kaye and Howard Jones with **No Excuse Maggie** last weekend.

She provided the second Waikato Stud-bred stakes winner behind **I'm Jake** for the season so far and notably paved the way for our very own **Dating**, who did her part later on the same day.

Looks like another terrific weekend of Racing and Rugby ahead.

Waikato Stud's on-farm tipster and long term stallion man, **Davo**, says **Tullamore** will win the **G1 Caulfield Cup** this weekend.

So there you have it, **Tip of the Week: Tullamore**, Saturday, MRC, Race 8, 6:05pm.

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