

# STALLION UPDATE

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**AEROVELOCITY**

CROWNED  
CHAMPION HONG KONG  
SPRINTER

**CHOPIN'S FANTAISIE**

ADVANCES STATUS AS  
RISING SINGAPORE STAR



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# PINS PROGENY SPOTLIGHT



## AEROVELOCITY CROWNED CHAMPION HONG KONG SPRINTER



Hong Kong's prestigious Champion Awards were held on Friday, with particular kudos being achieved by Waikato Stud's international G1 sire Pins, whose son Aerovelocity was crowned Champion Sprinter of 2016-17.

The Paul O'Sullivan-trained galloper had previously won the title in 2014-15 and is rated as one of the toughest horses ever to have competed on the Hong Kong circuit.

Aerovelocity started this season with two encouraging runs, finishing third in both the G2 Premier Bowl (1200m) and the G2 BOCHK Wealth Management Jockey Club Sprint (1200m), and then bounced back for a second triumph in the 2016 edition of the G1 LONGINES Hong Kong Sprint (1200m) - the world's top rated sprint race of 2016.

He remains the only locally-trained horse to have won G1 races in three different jurisdictions.

As a consequence of his extraordinary race record, which included five G1 wins, Aerovelocity's owner Daniel Yeung (pictured left) also collected a Lifetime Achievement award for his recently retired sprinting hero.

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# Aerovelocity

**BREEDING** Pins - Exodus (Kaaestad)  
**BREEDER** Steve Till & Nelson Schick  
**SALE** 2010 Premier Yearling Sale; Vendor Windsor Park Stud; Price \$120,000; Purchaser Paul O'Sullivan  
**TRAINER** Paul O'Sullivan  
**OWNER** Daniel Yeung  
**RECORD** Champion Sprinter in Hong Kong in 2014-15 & 2016-17. 12 wins at 1200m, 1300m, to 2016-17 in NZ, Singapore, HK and Japan, Longines Hong Kong Sprint, Gr.1 -twice, Chukyo Takamatsunomiya Kinen G1, Singapore TC Krisflyer International Sprint G1, HKJC Centenary Sprint Cup, HK-1, Premier Bowl Hcp HK-2, Sha Tin Vase HK-3  
**EARNINGS** NZ\$7,828,538



-Aerovelocity photos courtesy of Donald Lee, the Hong Kong Jockey Club, the Singapore Turf Club and Windsor Park Stud





## CHOPIN'S FANTAISIE

The Michael Clements-trained Chopin's Fantaisie has maintained his unbeaten record in Singapore. The WS graduate made it four wins on the bounce at Kranji last night when he was successful over 1400 metres.

The Pins three-year-old only had half a length to spare, but rider Glen Boss said the margin didn't tell the full story. "He will never win by a space, that is not his caper. It's more cat-and-mouse style with him," he said.

"He's got a lovely long action and has a great attitude. He will grow and mature further as he's not the full product yet – he is coming along quite well and will be even better in six months' time. I sat on his back in the last 10 days, and he's such an unassuming horse. But he has so much energy and he can run time. Mike will have a lot of fun with him as he will continue to improve for sure."

A brother to the former Hong Kong champion Ambitious Dragon, Chopin's Fantaisie was purchased by Clements out of WS's 2015 Premier Sale draft to Karaka. "Everything he does suggests to me he is stepping up every time," he said. "Considering he has a well-related sibling, we were quite happy to get him at such a price (NZ\$150,000)."

Chopin's Fantaisie was bred by Pat and Jane Lowry (pictured below with him as foal). He is out of the Oregon mare Golden Gamble, who is currently in foal to Rock n Pop.





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INTERNATIONAL G1 SIRE

**11** G1 WINNERS

**7.6** % STAKES WINNERS-TO-RUNNERS

**7** MILLIONAIRE EARNING SUPERSTARS

**74** CAREER STAKES WINNERS



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