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Cup winner for Pacific Fella

The \$25,000 Caduceus Club Cup, for three-year-olds, run at Moonee Valley on Hunter Cup Day, was a triumph for **Pacific Fella** as the sire of the convincing winner, **Watchmefella**.

The colt, who came from a back row draw, trailed the leader from the outset and used the passing lane to full advantage to upstage a hot field in the major lead-up race to the Victoria Derby.

In posting his seventh win, Watchmefella took a new lifetime mark of 1:57.1 for the 2100 metres mobile with the last 800 in a blistering 57.2 seconds. Out of a Safely Kept mare, the colt boosted his lifetime earnings to \$61,719.

Rambooka, a four-year-old son of Pacific Fella out of a Garry Rowan mare, became the 33rd winner from the first Australian crop of the Cam Fella horse when he saluted at Gold Coast on Monday.

Other recent Pacific Fella winners included the four-year-olds **Pacey Miss** (ex Classic Garry mare), who notched her sixth win at Shepparton, and **Born To Groove** (ex Discotheque mare), who posted win No. 7 at Port Pirie.

In America, **Pacific Playboy** (ex Artsplace mare) won a \$75,000 event at Meadowlands in 1:51, while **Pacific Philly** (ex Laag mare) took a \$32,000 Mares Open at Dover Downs in 1:52. It was her 19th victory and lifted her earnings past the \$430,000 mark.

Somebeach shares top billing in Canada

A week after annexing the Dan Patch Award for the 2YO Colt of the Year in America for 2007 the **Mach Three** colt **Somebeachsomewhere** collected the prestigious O'Brien Award for 2YO of the Year in Canada.

The world champion also tied for the overall Horse of the Year title in Canada.

Fiery Falcon on Derby trail

Fiery Falcon, a **Mach Three** three-year-old gelding, stamped himself as a genuine contender for this month's Great Northern Derby with an authoritative win in a heat of the Southern Supremacy Stakes at Invercargill on Saturday.

Showing blistering speed from the mobile barrier, the gelding quickly assumed control and was never extended in winning by one-and-a-half lengths. He sizzled home in 57.7.

Out of a Falcon Seelster mare, Fiery Falcon, who captured the NZ Sires' Stakes Final as a two-year-old, boosted his stakes total to a lofty \$233,791.

Meanwhile, **Test Flight** (by Mach Three ex Beach Towel mare), a former top ranked youngster, won a \$32,000 Open Pace at Dover Downs' five furlong oval last Monday in 1:51.4.

IN BRIEF

- **Wunlastchance**, a **Safe And Sound** three-year-old gelding ex Holmes Hanover mare, cut out the mile at Port Pirie last Friday in 1:58.5. It was his third win from his past six starts
- **Shippo Camotion**, a four-year-old **Camotion** gelding from a Jate Lobell mare, won again at Woodbine on Saturday in 1:54.4
- The **Cammibest** filly **Bestoflee** (ex Scoot Outa Reach mare) emerged successful at Rideau Carleton Raceway last Sunday in 2:01.2

Rustler winners in Canada

Rustler Hanover, a royally bred son of Western Hanover, produced a pair of fast winners in Canada, namely **Steal Black** 1:58 (6YO ex Storm Damage mare) and **Carolina Moon** 1:58.8 (6YO ex Precious Bunny mare).



Rustler Hanover

Riverboat King 100% winners

Montana King and **Clifton Roulette**, a pair of **Riverboat King** four-year-old geldings, registered their first wins at Invercargill and Oamaru respectively last week. Both won as they liked and took their sire to a 100% winning record for his first NZ crop, his oldest progeny being only four year olds.

Montana King, who is out of a Butler B G mare, settled well back before working up three wide to sit parked at the bell. After exploding to the lead on the home turn, he won by an ever-increasing one-and-a-quarter lengths.

Clifton Roulette (ex Holmes Hanover mare) led for the last 1600 metres on the grass track at Oamaru before scoring by almost two lengths.

Riverboat Star, an Australian-bred gelding by Riverboat, and out of a Vanston Hanover mare, maintained his rich vein of form in leading throughout at Albion Park on Saturday night winning easily by nine metres. It was his seventh success.



Riverboat King

Peace Of Art's pair

The Artsplace horse, **Peace Of Art**, sired winners on both sides of the Tasman last weekend.

Inisher, a six-year-old mare, overcame a chequered passage to prevail on the grass at Oamaru, while **Takoda**, a five-year-old gelding, finally broke maiden ranks after several placings at Newcastle. The former, a winner of more than \$30,000, is out of a Holmes Hanover mare, and the latter is from a daughter of Farm Main Man.

His Honour at Addington

His Honour, a **Caprock** five-year-old gelding, was a most impressive winner in maiden company at Addington last Tuesday.

Out of an Equitable mare, the gelding settled down a long way from the leaders before circling the entire field three-wide with a lap to go. He won untouched by three lengths.

Krater Rock, another ex Kiwi by Caprock, notched his ninth career success at Rocklea (Qld) on Saturday.

Watson's week

Perth standardbred breeder-owner Robert Watson, a director of Stallion Station, had a week to remember last week.

Firstly, a filly from Robert's Jupiter Lodge consignment at the inaugural WA National Select Sale at Belmont realised the highest price ever for a yearling sold at auction in Australia of \$125,000.

Two days later, Fidelius Charm, bred and raced by Watson, produced a barnstorming finish to capture the \$70,000 Group 2 WA Sales Classic 2YO Fillies' Final at Gloucester Park.

Incidentally, the minor placegetter, La Jaconde, a heat winner from the previous week, was bred by fellow Stallion Station director Gary Lyons.

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