



Boban gets there in the Group 1 The Star Epsom Handicap.

Boban would have lost no admirers and would have gone down as an unlucky second in the Group 1 \$500,000 The Star Epsom Handicap had the tiniest of margins against us been found by the judge at Randwick on Saturday. Not having any favors in the run, it was a mammoth effort, needless to say we're incredibly proud of him and the way he's matured and adapted his ring craft to get to this level. Raising the roof in the winner's bar, his elated owners made special mention of 'the journey' they've had with the horse - something we can relate to with every single horse in the stable.

On the support card Zoustar and Arinosa also produced blinders. Although we're not lavish with the big claims when it comes to our horses, it's fair to say after Zoustar's scintillating performance, he has to be Australia's most exciting colt going at the moment. For the owners of our three winners, Magic Millions provided the start of their journeys to stakes success with all three being reasonably priced, reminding us that a keen eye, careful management and a touch of luck gets results at the top of the sport.

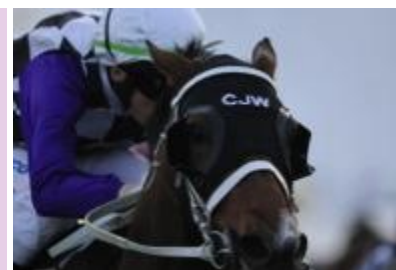
Unfortunately, the loss later in the day of up and coming stayer Lucripetous saw our journey with him come to a premature end. Somewhat of an enigma for some time, he'd also done us proud having turned the corner this preparation to produce career best runs and prompting us to set the Sydney Cup in his sights in the autumn.

This weekend we look South to our faithful Foreteller in the Group 1 Caulfield Stakes while Vilanova has his chance to turn things around and prove himself in the Group 1 Spring Champion Stakes at Randwick, check out this week's cheeky [weekend video preview](#) for more on our runners and [click here](#) for the fields.

**Wishing you all a safe and successful weekend, the team at Chris Waller Racing.**

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## BOBAN

Arriving at the stables on December 20 last year, Boban looks to have been a pretty good early Christmas present for the team and has rewarded everyone for their hard work and patience over the past 10 months with the stable's first Epsom win. He and Glyn Schofield have forged a good understanding on the race track with the 4yo son of Bernardini now settling and racing a lot more generously. His main target is now the Group 1 Emirates Stakes.

## ZOUSTAR

Continuing his golden run, Zoustar demoralised his opponents in the Group 2 Roman Consul Stakes over 1200m. Proving Chris had pulled the right rein in keeping him over the sprint distances, the way he let down and pulled away from the field was truly impressive and reminiscent of a transformer the way he lowered his frame before putting his foot down. He will now have a crack at the straight six at Flemington in the Group 1 Coolmore Stakes .

## ARINOSA

Kicking off her preparation in fine style, Lynlea Puglisi's gutsy grey produced yet another honest performance to clinch the Group 2 Premier Stakes trophy. Stable-mate Dystopia was a gallant second placing while fellow Ingham family runner She's Clean, although finishing 5<sup>th</sup>, looked the run of the 1200m race. Arinosa now heads to the Group 1 MacKinnon Stakes.

## RUNHARDASUN

Runhardasun ran a cheeky race first up for a narrow victory at Newcastle in the hands of our stable apprentice, John Kissick. With just five starts under his belt, it was the son of Haradasun's second career win. He is most likely to head to a 1600m race at Warwick Farm on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## RASTRO

An ultra-consistent son of Mossman, Rastro broke maiden ranks last preparation and proved he'd done his homework while spelling to put it all into practice at Randwick on Monday with a decisive win. His next appearance will be at Rosehill on the 26<sup>th</sup> over 1100m.

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## OVER 500 TURN OUT FOR THE VRC MEMBER NIGHT WITH CHRIS

**Although we joked that they'd be paying for a crowd to turn up for a night, solely with Chris Waller, the well run VRC Member's function attracted a 500 strong crowd last night.**

Hosted by OTI's Simon O'Donnell, the night covered everything from what Chris has done if it wasn't for racing to what he looks for in horses and our attitudes to jockeys, on which he commented "Jockeys do a great job, we over analyse them. They're heroes of the sport and work so hard at what they do."

Among the appreciative guests on the night, Matt Coughlan tweeted after the event "Great night listening to Chris speak about his career, he is methodical and progressive in his approach to racing."

Thanks to the VRC for inviting us to be involved in their special night and for more snippets of the evening's discussions, check out their twitter feed: <https://twitter.com/FlemingtonVRC>



Things Chris never thought he'd have to do – sign autographs for fans!

## NO BREAK FOR TOP MAN WALLER

**How does premier trainer Chris Waller celebrate another winning carnival treble, including the Group 1 Epsom Handicap with Boban?**

He gets up in the middle of the night and goes online to purchase a tried horse for 200,000 euros from Arqana's Arc sale in France.

If anybody was entitled to a decent sleep-in yesterday, it was Waller after a jam-packed week that featured two flights to Melbourne - where he visited his horses and attended the Horse of the Year awards - and three race meetings.

But after watching Boban win the feature at Randwick, as well as freakish colt Zoustar and ghostly grey Arinosa get the cash, Waller went to bed early before he awoke in the early hours of yesterday.

"I got up around 2am and had a look at the Arc sales in France. I was a bit confused by the daylight saving," Waller said.

"I ended up buying a horse by Dansili, who is the same (sire) of Foreteller. The horse is named Opposite. He's a horse we've bought to race here in the autumn, and he looks to be a worthy contender. [Read more...](#)



## CHRIS BACKS FORETELLER FOR CAULFIELD STAKES BOIL OVER

Chris Waller believes Foreteller is in the right race; he does not see the Caulfield Stakes as a benefit for star mare Atlantic Jewel. The underrated weight-for-age performer beat only two home last time out in the slowly run Underwood Stakes, five lengths behind It's A Dundee and Atlantic Jewel last time. [Read more...](#)

## JADE MARAUDER OUT TO FIND FORM IN ANGST

Of Chris Waller's stakes runners in Sydney and Melbourne on Saturday, one horse is presenting the premier trainer with a special challenge. Waller has Group One contenders in Vilanova (Spring Champion Stakes) and Foreteller (Caulfield Stakes) but it is an out-of-form mare who might provide the most satisfaction if she can win at Randwick. [Read more...](#)

## NASH CONFIRMED FOR ROYAL DESCENT IN CAULFIELD CUP

Premier jockey Nash Rawiller put a tumultuous week behind him with news that he's been confirmed as the rider for Royal Descent in the Caulfield Cup. [Read more...](#)

Standing in ice boots in the wash bay on a Monday morning is where you'll see all of the weekend's runners including some proud staff and usually a few winners...



Boban's worked out what a lot of boys have been trying to for a while... How to get a kiss from Lucy? It turns out you just have to win a Group 1!



Arinosa and Jess.

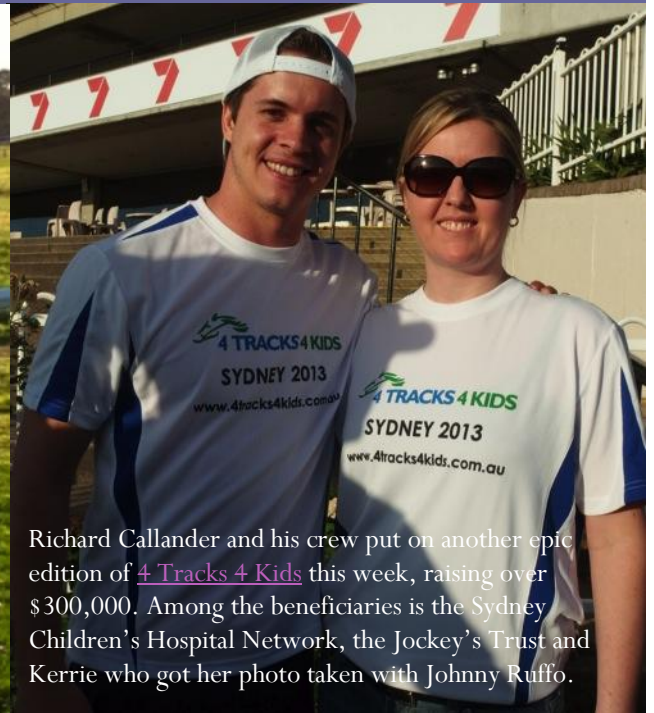


Zoustar and Benny



Bronwyn Healy captured these two great shot of Royal Descent and Hawkspur at Flemington this week.

Everyone was wondering what Jarred had caught when told he was in quarantine... Turns out he's there to ride and look after new import, Opinion.



Richard Callander and his crew put on another epic edition of [4 Tracks 4 Kids](#) this week, raising over \$300,000. Among the beneficiaries is the Sydney Children's Hospital Network, the Jockey's Trust and Kerrie who got her photo taken with Johnny Ruffo.



Bruno and Instrumentalist.



Brinkley and Perplexity.



Another majestic Foreteller pose.



Emma and Resourceful.