

NEWS UPDATE



Muscle Hill

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Headline performers by Muscle Hill

MUSCLE HILL is enjoying a breakout season 'down under' with the standout performer in almost every age group in Australia and New Zealand.

In Australia, Aldebaran Zeus is the leading two-year-old colt, **Elite Stride**, the winner of six of his seven starts this season, is clearly the most outstanding three-year-old trotting colt, and **Dance Craze**, winner of the Australian Trotting Grand Prix, is the premier aged trotting mare.

In NZ, **MUSCLE HILL's** son **I See Fire** (2 wins from 3 starts) is the leading two-year-old, while **Vacation Hill**, winner of the NZ Trotting Oaks, and the Hambletonian Classic winner **Cracker Hill** are the premier three-year-old filly and gelding respectively.

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Derby winner by Muscle Hill

Brilliant 3YO **Elite Stride**, a son of **MUSCLE HILL**, set a fresh national record rate of 1:57.9 over 2300 metres when he captured the \$30,600 NSW Trotters Derby at Menangle on Saturday night (May 9).

The colt led from the outset and trotted flawlessly throughout to win by 1.5 metres.

The winner of seven of his eight starts, **Elite Stride** was bred and is raced by Emilio and Mary Rosati, and is the first foal out of the American-bred Real Babe Tr 1:52.4 (\$386,103), by Donato Hanover.

Other **MUSCLE HILL** winners in May have been the highly promising 2YO colt **Aldebaran Zeus**, the talented **All The Muscles** and the Melton winner **Classy Lola**.

LUCKY CHUCKY was represented by a 'new' winner in the 3YO filly Aurora, who won on debut at Albion Park on May 8. She is out of a mare by Sundon.

LUCKY CHUCKY has left eight winners and two placegetters from only 12 starters in Australia to date.

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Wishing Stone

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Wishing Stone winners in Victoria

The exciting young trotters **Zarem** and **Venkman**, both members of **WISHING STONE's** first crops, were very impressive winners at Bendigo and Shepparton respectively last week.

Zarem, a 4YO gelding, won his fifth race for the term and rated a career-best 2:00.7, while **Venkman**, a 3YO filly, came from worse than midfield to post her third success.

WISHING STONE has sired 10 Australian bred foals 2YO and older for five winners and a placegetter from six starters.

MUSCLE HILL's brilliant son **Elite Stride** captured his second feature win in the space of a week when he won the NSW 3YO Foundation Final at Menangle. It was his seventh success on end and he is clearly the leading 3YO trotter in the country based on wins and prizemoney.

The **MUSCLE HILL** brothers **Kyvalley Senator NZ** (3YO) and **Kyvalley Chief NZ** (4YO) both saluted the judge at Bendigo, the latter hoisting a fresh lifetime mark of 1:56.4 over 1650 metres.

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