

NEWS UPDATE



Muscle Hill

7 APRIL 2019

Derby winner by Muscle Hill

The \$100,000 Group 1 New Zealand Trotting Derby was a triumph for **MUSCLE HILL** as the sire of the winner **Lotamuscle** and the third placegetter **Tricky Ric** – rather a notable siring feat.

Lotamuscle, who raced three deep on the marker pegs most of the way and only gained racing room half-way down the straight, finished brilliantly to win by a nose.

Out of a mare by Love You, the gelding has won three of his 11 starts and almost \$80,000 in stakes. He is NZ's leading stake-winning three-year-old trotter to date this season.

Lotamuscle provided **MUSCLE HILL** with his second Derby success, having sired the previous year's winner **Luby Lou**.

By Peter Wharton

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Wishing Stone

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New 2YO winner by Wishing Stone

Sky Eagle, a two-year-old colt by **WISHING STONE**, outfinished his rivals to notch his first success at only his second start at Maryborough on Friday (April 18).

The colt is **WISHING STONE's** second Australian-bred winner from four starters. He has only eight foals of racing age in Australia.

Bred by Nick Hooper and Paul Graydon, **Sky Eagle** is the first foal of Diedre Deville, a winning Conch Deville mare.

WISHING STONE's first crop in America are four-year-olds and of his 47 foals of racing, 38 have raced and 26 have emerged successful.

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Big night at Big M

Sires on the Stallions Australasia roster enjoyed a great night at The Meadowlands, New Jersey on Friday (April 19).

MUSCLE HILL three-year-old gelding **Final Claim** topped the poll with a six lengths romp in a season's record and career-best 1:52.8 in a leg of the Walner Stakes.

The **TRIXTON** three-year-old filly **Trix Are For Kids** won in a new lifetime mark of 1:55.6, while the **LUCKY CHUCKY** gelding **Knightofvictory** scored in 1:54.6, also a career-best.

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NZ Group quinella for Muscle Hill

MUSCLE HILL provided the quinella pair, **Tickle Me Pink** and **Lotamuscle**, in the Group 2 \$55,200 NZ Sires' Stakes 3YO Championship at Auckland on Friday night (April 26) – rather a notable siring feat.

The result lifted **MUSCLE HILL** into second position on the NZ 3YO Trotting sires' list.

Tickle Me Pink, a three-year-old filly, sat parked throughout before fending off the late surge of **Lotamuscle** who came from second last.

The mile rate for the 2200 metres was 2:01.6, the last 800 in 58.1 and 400 in 28.6.

Out of an Andover Hall mare, **Tickle Me Pink** has won five of her eight starts and \$50,262 in stakes.

Congratulations to Breckon Farms, who bred and race the filly.

By Peter Wharton