

THOSE MAGNIFICENT CLASSIC WINNER PRODUCING MARES: ADMIRATION / MALABELLA

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The tenth in a series of articles reviewing multiple classic producing broodmares with five or more offspring in results information as shown on the Classic Families (CF) database. A number of these mares won classic races, became the dams of classic winners/progeny and contributed to the genetic inheritance of numerous outstanding performers..

Admiration (1941 Grattan Loyal/Bonny Logan), USA family of Black Betty; 2:11.0, \$3,020; 2 wins; 14 foals, 12 winners. Breeder: Miss P. Norton. Foals bred by F.G. Holmes and G. Aitchison (Esteem, Shy, Modest); F.G. Holmes, West Eyreton (Adoration, Achates); all other NZ foals bred by G. Aitchison, Oamaru. A number of foals were bred in Australia

Sire Grattan Loyal was imported from Canada by Free Homes in 1930. Leading broodmare sire (stakes—twice, winners—four times), he often finished second/third on the sires list to U Scott, Light Brigade, Jack Potts and Dillon Hall. Grattan Loyal left many stayers among his 322 winners including Bonny Bridge (NZ Derby), Gold Bar (NZ Cup/FFA, 1:59.6TT first NZ bred under 2 minutes, sire), Loyal Friend (AK Cup), Loyal Nurse (NZ/AK Cup), Sir Vivian (GN Derby). As a broodmare sire, he left Adorian/Integrity (NZ Cup), Ar Miss, dam of Armalight/Zany (NZ Oaks), Blue (NZ/NSW Derbies), Cabra/Great Venture (Dominion Hcp), Damian/Dandy Briar/Unite (AK Cup), Danniels Pride/Rauka Lad/Torrent (Easter Cup), Guiseppe (GN Derby), Leyoro/Lord Mina (WA Cup), Single Direct (AK Cup, NZFFA, WA Cup, ID Pacing G/F), Stella Frost (AK Cup, NZFFA, ID Pacing G/F).

Dam Bonny Logan appeared in the December 2014 Harnessed (Belle Logan and Bonny Logan).

The family of Black Betty faded out in North America but prospered in New Zealand through Bonilene (3rd dam Black Betty) and her daughters, led by Bonny Logan, Bon Rey, Bonny Drusus, Bonny Norval and St Helena. Tracing back to Bonilene are double millionaire, three time Australian Harness Horse of Year/Grand Circuit Pacing champion Westburn Grant, NZ Cup winners Adorian/Lookaway and top race mares Hyperstat/Gina Rosa.

Admiration commenced racing at two winning the Timaru Nursery Stakes and twice placed from three starts including third in the Sapling Stakes. Unplaced at three, two placings at four, two further wins came as a five-year-old at Cheviot and Hutt Park. Twice placed at six, she retired to the broodmare paddock the winner of three races.

ADMIRATION'S MALE PROGENY INCLUDED:

Achates, which won 5 races in NZ before his export to Australia. As a three-year-old, he won at Marlborough and twice at Nelson. Two wins as a four-year-old came in the Louisson Memorial at Nelson and the Geraldine Cup, and was placed second in the Nelson and Marlborough Cups. Placed at a five- and six-year-old he went to Australia during 1959/60 season and was a winner at Wyong in July 1961.

Admiral Way, won the York Cup at Cunderdin, WA and became a sire of 30 winners including Haddock (ID heat) and damsire (48 winners) of Earth Station (Aust Pacing C/S).

Admire won eight races in NZ (2:06.4) before his export to USA in late 1967 (2:04.0US). Wins at Geraldine and Oamaru as a three-year-old, unraced as a four-year-old, 3 wins as a five-year-old— entral Otago Hcp, Kurow Cup (April 1966) and Timaru Presidents Hcp. A second win in the Kurow Cup (August 1966) and Addington together with second placings in the Rangiora Cup, Easter Cup qualifier and third in the Southland Invitation Stakes saw Admire compete at the top level as a six-year-old. His final NZ win came in the Hannon Memorial before his move to the USA.

Chief Wonder, born in Australia didn't race until he was a five-year-old. He won 15 races over the next six seasons including a heat of the Tasmanian Pacing C/S at Hobart (second in another heat, unplaced in final) and Terang Winter Cup.

ADMIRATION'S FILLIES WHICH BRED ON INCLUDE:

Adoration, winner of five including four on end with 2 wins on both days of Nelson's 1956 Winter meeting. Her fifth win came at New Brighton as a five-year-old. She was the dam of:

- Louie Lopez, NSW SW and Riverina Derby
 - Taiko News, dam of Milson Edition (WA 4/5 C/S, ht Aust Pacing C/S)
 - Tama Trees, granddam of Adrenalin (Southland Oaks), 3rd dam of Thomas Sharp (Northern Southland Autumn Cup)
 - Tasman, NZ Railway Hcp Trot (Forbury Park)
- Esteem, an eight-win mare

commenced with a win as a four-year-old at Westland RC followed closely by success in the Epsom Stakes—four at Alexandra Park. As a five-year-old, her three wins were at Timaru, New Brighton and Addington. As a six-year-old a second place in the Methven Cup was followed by victory on Show Day in the Hayward Hcp. Unplaced as a seven-year-old, her final two victories were as an eight-year-old in the Spring Hcp on NZ Cup Day and Smithson Hcp at Addington. Esteem was not bred from.

MIRASTORM, A WINNER IN AUSTRALIA WAS THE DAM OF:

- Acutron, dam of several mainly Tasmanian winners
- Cover Up, TAS 3yo C/S
- Shy, won one of four starts as a 5yo at Cambridge and was the dam of:
- Carmen Jones, VIC Her Ladyship - 4m
- Charm, dam of Armbro Free (Cup day Canterbury Hcp, Hutchinson FFA)
- Devotion, dam of Captain Devotion (NSW Breeders Plate - 2)
- Shy Castle, dam of Frosty Castle (NSW Star Trek series), Lincoln Castle (Gloucester Park FFA)
- Timid, dam of Big Chase (Cambridge Gold Cup - 3/4), Armadene (NSW Golden Easter Egg - 3f); granddam of Bronski Beat (WA Easter Cup, VIC Laidlaw/Hamilton/Yarra Valley Pacers/Maryborough Cups); 4th dam of Sharp Bret (VIC The O'Keefe), Jake Pastime (NSW Breeders Plate - 2, Bathurst Gold Chalice - 3c)

Zany, top class mare won ten races. Unplaced in two two-year-old starts, as a three-year-old she completed two wins at Greymouth and in the NZ Oaks, also placing third in the Champion Stakes (Ashburton). Three wins at Forbury and another at Alexandra Park resulted during her four-year-old career. Zany's one win as a five-year-old came in the Ashburton Cup with a second in the Dunedin Cup. At six she won the CPTC's HH Wardrop Hcp and third in

the Wellington Cup. Her final season of racing resulted in victory in the National Hcp at Addington and New Brighton's Esplande Hcp.

ZANY WAS THE DAM OF:

- Reporter, Marlborough Cup
- Stylish Eden, 3 rd dam of The Statesman (1:53.0US at Mohawk, among first 100 Aus bred 1:55.0 pacers)
- Zany Hanover, granddam of Tally Van Gold (QLD Qbred Breeders Classic - 4); 3rd dam of Partywiththedevil (WA Higgins Memorial)

Minor winners from Admiration included: Modest, two wins on the same day at Nelson while from other foals born in Australia: Craig Hanover, winner; Craigs Admire, four race winner; Newport Boy, five-race winner; Craig Junior, a winner at Wayville, Adelaide

Malabella (1951 Dorals Derby/Mala), NZ family of Krinas dam; 2:07.8, \$6,840; 5 wins; 7 foals, five were winners. Breeder of Malabella and all her foals: Nick Matyasevic, Christchurch.

Sire Dorals Derby left 63 winners standing in Victoria/South Australia with only Malabella of note. His broodmare credits are shown under Malabella below and also include Tail Light (VIC Oaks).

Non-winning dam Mala (placed at two) by NZ Cup winner Red Shadow left Princess Grace (Malabella's half sister), dam of open class pacer Vanadium (1:59.3US, Easter Cup, New Brighton Cup twice, Ashburton Flying Stakes, 2 ID heats). Princess Grace was granddam of Sun Seeker (Champion Stakes, Kaikoura Cup, National Hcp).

From the NZ family of Krinas dam (Grey Trap mare), an unnamed Rothschild mare, Krina, was a smart saddle mare (2:10.8, Addington; Nelson Cup) who produced eight winners : Mala, Rerekohua, Ngarimu, Air Spray, Lady Spray, Noel Simpson's Sprayman (Welcome/Sapling Stakes, ID heat), Son's

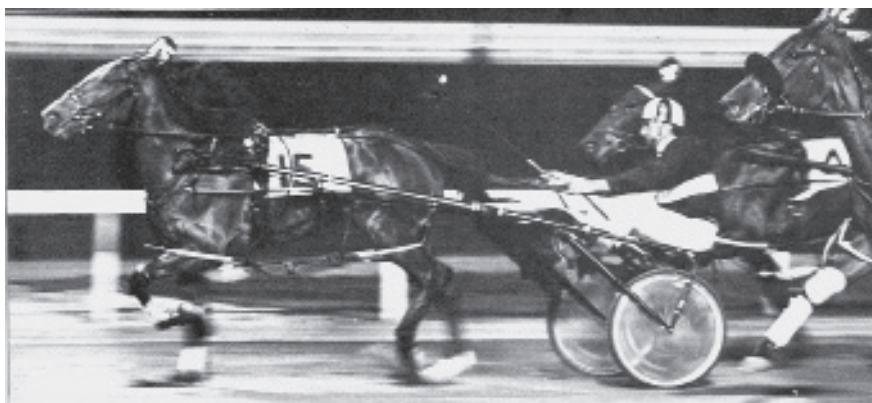
Gift and Stronghold. This family has bred on without leaving any champions aside from Malabella's descendants.

Unplaced as a two-year-old, Malabella's 2 wins as a three-year-old in the Riccarton Stakes and at FPTC with seconds in NZ Oaks, Champion/Cross Stakes and thirds in NZ Derby and NZ Pacing Stakes. She proved herself a top class three-year-old age group pacer. Her one win as a four-year-old came at New Brighton and as a five-year-old 2 wins at New Brighton and CPTC Islington Hcp. After 5 wins over three seasons, she began her broodmare career.

MALABELLA'S FILLIES INCLUDED:

Bellajily, the winner of nine NZ races before being exported to USA (6 wins) and then returned to NZ (served by Most Happy Fella) for breeding purposes by Jim Dalgety.. At two, she won her first start at Geraldine, followed by third in Welcome Stakes and fourth in the Sapling Stakes. Bellajily's only win at three was significant—NZ Derby against the boys on the first night of racing under lights at Addington (20 November 1963). She finished second in NZ Oaks and third in NZ Pacing Stakes in the same year. Five wins as a four-year-old included two wins at Addington and South Canterbury Hcp at Timaru. Bellajily's two five-year-old wins were at Forbury Park (DN Festival Cup consolation). A fourth in the Louisson Hcp at six resulted before venturing to North America (2:03.3US). On her return to NZ, she became the dam of:

- Jovial Jeanie (Most Happy Fella), born with a dropped hip which meant she could only race right legged and reason she was sent north to Roy and Barry Purdon to train. The winner of nine (first four on end, placed and then won next four in succession) including Franklin Cup, Patron FFA (all nine wins in one season: 14 starts, 9 wins, 1 placing, \$21,685); dam of Happy Hazel (Ladyship Stakes - 3f, GN



Van Glory NI Oaks

Oaks, Nevele R Fillies, 3f Pacer of Year; dam of Imagine That, NZSS - 2/3f, GN Breeders, Queen of Hearts, Rangiora Classic, Kaikoura Cup, Renwick FFA, 4m Pacer of Year); 4th dam of Heza Thrill (1:51.7, Menangle Country series), Rathmore Lady (1:52.6)

- Krina Bella, 4 wins at two, Thames Debutante - 2f, 2f Pacer of Year; dam of Keep It Up (SA/Gawler Derbies, SA St Leger, Italian/West End Cups); granddam of Black Flash (NZ Breeders Produce - 2), Torbello (QLD Derby), The Chevalier (VIC Gammalite Marathon); 3rd dam of Apatchee (Nelson/Nelson Winter Cups), Code Red (Inangahua Grey Valley Cup, WA Marathon Hcp), Ohokas Bondy (WA Golden Slipper - 2, Caduceus Club Classic - 3, Western Gateway - 3, Nights of Thunder, 4/5YO C/S), Dancing Diamonds (American Ideal/Leonard Memorial Stakes - 2, NZ Yearling Sales - 2/3f)

Van Glory, like Bellajily by Van Dieman, won 11 races starting with 3 wins as a two-year-old (Addington; Hosking/Roydon Stakes at Hutt Park). Her most productive season as a three-year-old recording 5 wins (Otaki Cup, NZ Metropolitan C/S - 3, GN Oaks) as well as placings in NZ Derby (second) and thirds in GN Derby/NZ Oaks. Two placings at the NZ Cup carnival and a fourth in a Messenger heat were Van Glory's only rewards at four. As a five-

year-old, wins came at Alexandra Park (ARC Centennial Hcp - Invitational) and in the second running of NZ Breeders Stakes where Van Glory paced her quickest mile (1:59.6, Pacing mares mile record, among first 100 2:00 NZ pacers/NZ bred). Van Glory placed second in the New Brighton Cup and third in Adams Memorial. Her solitary win as a six-year-old was a heat of Easter Cup (second in another heat, fourth in the final). Third placings were recorded in Hutchinson FFA, Allan Matson Stakes, National Flying Pace and NZ Breeders Stakes. Unplaced at seven, Van Glory retired to be bred from. She was the dam of:

- Broncroft Castle, dam of Mon Poppy Day (WA/TAS Derbies, WA Golden Nugget, Christmas Gift, Mount Eden Sprint), Parthenon (WA Sales Classic - 2f, WA Oaks); granddam of Amongst Royalty (\$1½m, APG - 2f, Bathurst Gold Tiara - 2f, WA Sales Classic - 2f, WA Golden Girls Mile twice, Aust Pacing C/S Consolation, Aus 2f Pacer of Year); 3rd dam of Straittothehilton (WA Westbred Classic - 2f)
- Vain Franco, NZSBA Broodmare Excellence Award, dam of Under Cover Lover (\$864,923, 1:51.4US, 2f: NZSS, Delightful Lady Classic, 3f: Ladyship Stakes, Nevele R Fillies, NZSS, GN/NZ/NSW Oaks, Queen of Hearts, 2/3f and 4m Pacer of Year; granddam of millionaire (Betty)

Bettor Cover Lover (millionaire, NZSS - 2f, Jewels - 2f, VIC Oaks, Queen of Hearts twice, NZ Breeders Stakes), Exotic Lover (NZYSS - 2f); 3rd dam of Chachingchaching (NI Sales Graduate - 2)

- Vanessa Franco, granddam of All In Baby (WA Empress Stakes), Sir Mick Sloy (WA Caduceus Club Classic - 3)
- Vonnie Franco, dam of Wirrpunda (WA Champagne Classic - 2, WA Sales Classic 2/3c)

Traplanda, a non winning mare, dam of Imperial Grant (Gold Coast Derby).

MALABELLA'S MALE PROGENY INCLUDED:

Chief Eagle, recorded 2 Addington wins as a two- and three-year-old before departing for Australia where he won the Redcliffe Derby. A further four wins at four including Celebrity Stakes, 1 of 2 wins at Harold Park (2:02.7), Again successful in 4 races as a five-year-old (Harold Park (2), Moonee Valley), his final season as a five-year-old saw him placed.

Lord Garry, a three-win horse with his first 2 wins at Cambridge as a three-year-old. His four-year-old win was at Alexandra Park (Grey Lynn Hcp). Wee Mike, recorded 2 wins at Timaru and in the Rangiora Challenge Stakes). Michaelae had 3 wins as a five-year-old (Ashburton, Oamaru, Reefton).

Next Month: Spangled Queen/Snow Jane