

ENGHIEN'S DOMINANCE A BOOST FOR BROMAC LODGE



Ricky May has an armchair drive behind Enghien as he takes the New Zealand Trotting Derby at Addington, she then went on to win the Group One 2017 Breckon Farms Northern Trotting Derby at Auckland on 28 April.

The Bromac Lodge move into trot broodmares has had a further boost with the continued dominant form of star 3YO squaregaiter Enghien at Auckland on Friday, April 28.

The Group One 2017 Breckon Farms Northern Trotting Derby was a double filip for the Bromac Lodge broodmares, Go Girl Bromac (from the same family as Enghien) and Habibti Sadie (from a half-sister to Northern Derby runnerup Habibti Inta).

Three-win mare Go Girl Bromac (Dream Vacation-Groove Baby, by Britewell-Lilly The Pink) and the unraced Habibti Sadie (Pegasus Spur-Ten To One), are both in foal to star French-bred trot sire Love You (1:53.8), the outstanding sire of Enghien and Habibti Inta.

Enghien (3g Love You-Another Starlet, by Sundon from Lilly The Pink, TT, 1:57.9), extended his record for top Woodend beach trainers, Greg and Nina Hope, to 10 wins from 14 starts, for \$209,323 in stakes with his latest Derby win.

His only defeat in seven starts this term was first-up in the Hambletonian on February 4.

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Enghien, also winner of the Group One Paintlab Racing 4 Jonty New Zealand Trotting Derby at Addington on April 7, carried his winning run through both starts at Auckland, also winning his lead-up in the Group Two \$55,000 Lone Star Riccarton Sires Stakes 3YO Trotters Champs Mobile Trot on April 21.

He was voted last season's Two-Year-Old Trotter of the Year, and almost certainly will become NZ Three-Year-Old Trotter of the Year.

Lilly The Pink, the now defunct grand-dam of Enghien and Go Girl Bromac, was a top mare for the late Carl Middleton, winning 13 and placing 15 times for \$93,635 in stakes.

By Jazz Cosmos from an American-bred Nevele Pride mare, Lilly The Pink ran third to other star NZ squaregaiters, Diamond Field and her stablemate Fraggie Rock, in the 1994 Inter Dominion Trot Final at Harold Park, Sydney.

At stud, her best winner was the diminutive Jazz Legend who after winning his first three for Carl Middleton, continued to win another 19 races across the Tasman, retiring with \$223,912 in earnings.

Enghien again controlled the front end in the Northern Derby for top Mid-Canterbury reinsman Ricky May, with Habibti Inta, from three back on the markers, finishing stoutly to take second but 6 1/4 lengths from the runaway winner.

Habibti Inta's older sister and stablemate in the Paul Nairn stable, Habibti Ivy, won the 2017 Australasian Grand Circuit Trotting Master title on Friday night with her second at Auckland in the Group One Canam Rowe Cup.

Habibti Ivy, who has set three NZ records in five 5YO starts, is now the winner of eight of 15 lifetime starts for \$160,548.

Her half-brother Releven Dream (12 wins) furthered his good Queensland form with a second at Albion Park on Saturday night.

Habibti Ivy and Habibti Inta are also a brother and sister to top winning trot mare Habibti (1:56.5, 16 wins & \$352,775) and also last November's good NZ Cup week winner, Lothario (1:57.4, six wins from 37 starts for \$64,150).

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