

TENNYSON BROMAC WINS ADDINGTON DEBUT



Tennyson Bromac (Natalie Rasmussen, outer) holds the sprint lane finish of stablemate Ohanzee (Mark Purdon), in the Clarkson Signs - The Complete Sign Studio Mobile Pace at Addington.

Leading trainer Mark Purdon, who brought up his 2000th NZ training win with Bettor Trix at Addington on Thursday October 12, brought up his 2001st win two races later with the Bromac Lodge-bred Tennyson Bromac.

This time it was Mark Purdon's Rolleston training partner Natalie Rasmussen driving Tennyson Bromac to hold out Mark, driving stablemate Ohanzee, in the Clarkson Signs - The Complete Sign Studio Mobile Pace.

Both three-year-olds were on debut but Tennyson Bromac, a colt by champion sire Bettor's Delight from Tallulah Bromac, an Artsplace half-sister to former good Purdon-trained fillies in Tatijana Bromac (1:54.2) and Te Amo Bromac (1:55.8), held by a head.

Natalie pressed on with "Tennyson", taking the lead from Ohanzee with a lap to run.

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They held by a head in a a 1:58 rate (1950m), with favourite Bright Diamond, who led early, then eased three back for trainer Gavin Smith, finishing on for third.

"Tennyson" quickened in front over his last 800m in 56.3s and the final 400m in 27.9s.

"They both haven't done a lot yet," Mark said of both Tennyson Bromac and Ohanzee.

"They wouldn't keep up with our top three-year-olds like Spankem and The Devils Own but it was only their first starts so they could get a bit better."



Tennyson Bromac, a colt by Bettor's Delight from Tallulah Bromac, with winning connections, from left Neville and Marie Lancaster, Glenys Kennard, Jenny and John Grainger.

Tennyson Bromac, a \$60,000 buy at the 2016 NZ Premier Yearling Sales, was purchased by Phil and Glenys Kennard, who now race him with other Allstars stable clients, Jenny Grainger, Marie and Neville Lancaster, and Rex Knowler.

He joins Turbo Bromac (six wins from 12 starts) as winners from Tallulah Bromac from her first two to race.

Tallulah Bromac, who qualified but was retired after only two starts, is not only a half-sister to big winners Tatijana Bromac (eight wins & \$215,578) and Te Amo Bromac (seven wins &

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\$215,578) and Te Amo Bromac (seven wins & \$147,252, third in NZ Oaks), she's also a half-sister to Tandias Bromac (1:53.7, 14 wins & \$A180,431) and minor winner, Tenacious Bromac.

Tandias Courage (1:53.6, US), the grand-dam of Tennyson Bromac, was the 2000 Australian 2YO Pacing Filly Of The Year, winning 23 races for \$265,237 in stakes.

Tandias Courage is a sister to Mother Courage, the 1999 Australian 3YO Filly of the Year and joint 2002 Australian Aged Pacing Mare of the Year, who won 30 races for \$462,520 in stakes.

Tallulah Bromac has subsequently left a Falcon Seelster colt, now two and is due to leave a brother or sister to Tennyson Bromac.

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