

## CROWN BROMAC IMPRESSIVE IN 3YO DEBUT

Last season's smart West Australian two year old **Crown Bromac** returned to the racetrack last night with an emphatic effort that saw him home 8 metres ahead of his nearest rival.

The **McArdle** colt raced only three times as a juvenile winning both of his first two starts in sub 2:00 marks, before bad luck in the **Western Crown Classic Final** saw him running his race with a flat tyre after an early race collision and then being caught three wide, sticking on well for sixth in the race for the finishing line.

He had previously been impressive in winning his heat of the **Western Crown Classic**.

Last night he paced the 2130 metres in 2:35.7 at Gloucester Park, rating a slick 1:57.7 after being first out of the gate and never being headed.

He started second favourite to the smart juvenile of last season - **James Matthew** who ended his two year old term with the impressive stats of 11 starts for 10 wins, a second and earnings of over \$212,000. His three year old term had seen him return mid December and win back to back starts before finishing sixth at Gloucester Park on New Years Eve.

**Crown Bromac** may not have had the pre race statistics to match **James Matthew**, but he was coming off a 1:59.4 trial victory at Byford last Sunday and has certainly started his three year old season in an emphatic way.

The three year old has a way to go yet before he becomes either his dam's fastest or richest offspring, as he is a half brother to the former fastest pacer ever produced in New Zealand in **Attorney General**, a **Falcon Seelster** stallion who won 9 races in New Zealand before adding another 11 in North America.

**Crown Bromac**'s dam is the North American bred mare **Classic Blue Jeans**, a daughter of champion sire **Camluck** and the **Albatross** mare **Oh Please**.

To date **Classic Blue Jeans** has produced 9 live foals for six to have made it to the track to date with four having taken sub 2:00 records, **Attorney General**'s record breaking 1:48.4 obviously being the fastest.

**Classic Blue Jeans** is a half sister to another fleet New Zealand bred pacer in **Falcon's Blue Jean** who won in 1:51.8 in the US while taking a lifetime record of 28 wins and over \$440,000 in stakes.

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This is the North American family of **Maggie Gaines** and responsible for, among many others, the **1997 US Pacer of the Year, World Champion** and **Triple Crown winner Western Dreamer**. Winner of 27 races and over \$1.8 million in earnings, **Western Dreamer** was almost unbeatable at three winning such races as the **Little Brown Jug, Cane Pace, Messenger Stakes, Oliver Wendell Holmes**, etc. He then returned at four and was named **US Season's Champion** while winning races the likes of the **US Pacing Championship** and **Battle of Lake Erie**.

Worth noting is that **Crown Bromac** has a half brother in **Cullen Bromac** (c, **Christian Cullen**) going through the sales ring at Karaka on February 14th and two close relations in **Coltrane Bromac** (c, out of half sister **Crown Defender** and by **Falcon Seelster**) and **Ooh La La Bromac** (f, **Falcon Seelster – Oh Please**) going through the ring in Christchurch at the Premier Yearling Sales a few days later.