

A Winning Debut - Proisir wins in GREAT STYLE after missing the kick by five...

Proisir made an impressive winning race debut as an August 1 three-year-old, taking out a \$35,000 maiden (1200m) at Hawkesbury. Missing the start by five lengths, Proisir finished with a decisive two length victory.

"I think Proisir's a very promising horse"

- Nash Rawiller

"Nothing really went right for him today apart from probably a little bit of a break on the corner which helped him get into the race... He took full advantage of that and gee he was exciting the last two hundred."



Second Start - Proisir waves multiple Group 1 winner Norzita goodbye...

Following his eye-catching debut, **Proisir** started a \$1.70 favourite next-up in the \$85,000 TVN Jockeys Trust Handicap (1400m) at Rosehill.

Carrying 58kgs and the outside draw, **Proisir** flew the gates to cross quickly and set a hot tempo. Controlling the race out in front, he coasted home to beat home second-placed and subsequent dual Group 1 winner **Norzita** (56.5kg) by 2.3 lengths.

"Proisir's a very, very exciting horse... they don't often do that."

- Gai Waterhouse

"He hasn't started for 31 days, he had to start from the outside gate and use quite a bit of petrol to get over there and take control of the race. When he came around the turn he just kicked again."



Nash Rawiller was (again) taken with Proisir's performance, confident there was a ton of improvement ahead. **"He is a lovely horse but he is still very raw... He relaxed beautifully today. I wouldn't rule out the Spring Champion Stakes but he will definitely be a better horse in the autumn."**

Third Start - Proisir gaps them in the Spring Stakes...

Proisir stepped to three-year-old stakes company, starting as red hot \$1.30 favourite in the **Gr.3 Spring Stakes** (1600m) at Newcastle.

Leading from barrier one he turned the mile contest into a procession, unleashing a lethal turn of foot to explode away by 5.8 lengths. Proisir's winning margin was the biggest since the race's inception in 1984.



"He's so exciting. I got goose bumps after that," said Waterhouse

"This is always a great race and a great indicator of good horses and he just toyed with his rivals today, just toyed with them, and he won like the short-priced favourite he was.

"He goes to the Spring Champion and then we'll take him down to Melbourne. He's just so exciting."

"I think you saw an unbelievable animal here today," said Rawiller

"He's a very exciting colt. He couldn't have been any more impressive than what he has been in his three starts. He made his own luck, travelled comfortably and what was impressive was his last furlong.

"We've just let him be happy at home and haven't really tightened the screw yet. He's really going places this horse!"

Fourth Start – Two unbeaten colts go head to head in the Group 1 Spring Champion...

"IT WAS A GREAT RACE! Two great colts fighting it out like that." - Murray Baker

Three emphatic wins saw **Proisir** step from the 1600m up to 2000m three weeks later in the **Gr.1 Spring Champion Stakes**. His main rival, Murray Baker's unbeaten colt **It's A Dundee** had two weeks prior won impressively the **Gr.3 Gloaming Stakes** (1800m) at Randwick.



A slow getaway saw **Proisir** shuffled back, and settling second-last ahead of **It's A Dundee**. Coming to the home turn rival jockey James McDonald whipped **It's A Dundee** around the outside momentarily pocketing **Proisir**, but when the field had topped the rise **Proisir** had burst clear.



From in front **Proisir** and Rawiller looked set to race away with the Group 1 but **It's A Dundee** and McDonald were warming to their task.

Proisir had sprinted the better, but **It's A Dundee**'s stamina shone through in the finish, reeling in **Proisir** by a short neck to score.

Gai Waterhouse, thrilled with **Proisir**'s effort, was gracious in defeat:

"Full marks to the winner, he was just too good."

"Perhaps the race was run to suit **It's A Dundee** but I'm not looking for excuses... They beat the rest of the field by five lengths that tells you something.

Proisir's performance had Waterhouse convinced that the colt deserved his chance next in the **Gr.1 Cox Plate** (2040m). **Proisir would become the first horse in history to attempt the Cox Plate in his first prep**, and less than three full months since his first career race start on August 1.

Fifth Start - THE COX PLATE at three, less than three months since his debut!

The raw and untapped **Proisir** was clearly the most inexperienced horse in the **Gr.1 Cox Plate** field featuring **10 GROUP ONE WINNERS**. The enormity of Proisir's challenge was not lost on Waterhouse, she adamant he was worthy of the opportunity.

"You can't take too lightly the young up-and-coming **Proisir**," said Waterhouse.
"He's literally come from nowhere and it's his first preparation.
"I swear, he's changed so much in one preparation.
He's muscled up - he's become very masculine - he's so big and strong."

Proisir's Cox Plate performance fully justified Waterhouse's confidence in her colt...

Working hard from the gates with Craig Newitt aboard **Proisir** ran up four wide early before making the front, then bravely attempted to lead all the way despite been pressured by **Ethiopa**.

Still fighting down the Moonee Valley home straight, Proisir finished six-lengths from winner **Ocean Park**, two-lengths separating **Proisir** and third placed **Pierro**.



"He went alright... He just got attacked!
In 12 months he'll make the grade." - Craig Newitt

"We did a bit of work around the first turn and as soon as we turned the half mile he pulled the bat on Ethiopa and poured the pressure on."

Sixth Start – An exciting autumn ahead for Proisir

Taking a well-earned break after the Cox Plate, **Proisir** resumed as a March three-year-old in the **Gr.2 Hobartville Stakes** (1400m), contested at Rosehill on an unsuitably heavy track.

With Hugh Bowman up riding **Proisir** raced in second spot one-off the rails three lengths from the leader, and fought on for a sound first-up third behind **Pierro** and **Rebel Dane**, with **It's a Dundee** and **Proverb** finishing behind him.

"Proisir's got the breeding and the constitution to be a topline thoroughbred
– He gives me a good feel." - Hugh Bowman, pre-race Hobartville Stakes

"He felt good but the conditions just voided his acceleration, which is
his main weapon." - Hugh Bowman, post-race

Seventh Start - Proisir and It's A Dundee distance another Group 1 field



At his second autumn start **Proisir** lined up in another top field, contesting the \$500,000 **Gr.1 Randwick Guineas** (1600m).

Raced over 1600m, at the winning post **It's A Dundee** had **Proisir's** measure by just a half-length, with **Tatra** coming in third over three lengths further back, followed behind by top-liners **Rebel Dane**, **Sacred Falls**, **Proverb** and **Ferlax**.

Proisir had again proven himself as one of the few three-year-olds that season capable of mixing it with It's A Dundeel – Baker's star galloper retired to stud the following season as a six-time Group One winner.

Considered very much as still on the improve... following the Randwick Guineas, **Proisir** was to have raced in the **Gr.2 Ajax Stakes** at Rosehill, and he was well fancied in futures betting for the **Gr.1 Doncaster Handicap**. A training injury prior forced the talented colt to the sideline and later brought about his retirement to stud.

PROISIR: 'Rated' by the best in the business.
