

# STAPHANOS

GLOBAL BLOODLINES MEET CONSISTENT GROUP 1  
SUCCESS THIRD ONLY TO SAVABEEL AND SUPER SETH ON  
GROUP 1 STRIKE RATE (MAY 2025)



**PIGNAN**  
2YO G1 Winner

**MOVIN OUT**  
G1 NZ 1000 Guineas  
Placegetter



**THE ENTERTAINER**  
3YO Group Performer



**SASSY LASS**  
Group Placegetter



**JUST KICK**  
2YO Stakes Placegetter



**BASILINNA**  
G1 VRC Oaks Placegetter



**MEDATSU**  
2YO Stakes Placegetter



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## GR.1 MANAWATU SIRES PRODUCE STAKES PIGNAN

- BY DEEP IMPACT -The World's Leading Stallion by progeny earnings for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022
- BY DEEP IMPACT -His progeny have collectively earned more than one billion dollars and won over 400 stakes races.
- At his passing DEEP IMPACT had the highest advertised service fee in the world at \$540,000.
- STAPHANOS -Multiple Group One performer in Japan and Hong Kong.
- Ability - One of Japan's top ranked horses as a 3yo,4yo,5yo and 6yo winning in excess of NZ\$1m in each season.
- Class- Timeform Rated 123.
- Staphanos is the winner of \$NZ 6.2m - making him the highest stake earner at stud in New Zealand.
- Turn of Foot- Last 600m in 32.9 winning the Group Three Tokyo Fuji Stakes.
- Speed- Track record breaker in the Group Naruo Kinen running 1.57.6 over 2000m.
- Staphanos defeated Maurice in the Kyoto Shirayuri Stakes.
- Sire Of Group One Winner Pignan from his first crop.
- Sire of Multiple Stakes Horses from His First Crop

GROUP ONE

SON OF GLOBAL  
SIRE SENSATION  
DEEP IMPACT

RACE RECORD (in Hong Kong, Japan))						
Age	Ctry	Starts	1st	2nd	3rd	Stakes
2 years	JPN	3	1	1	-	¥8,100,000
3 years	JPN	7	3	-	1	¥97,823,000
4 years	JPN	2	-	1	-	¥76,194,000
"	HK	3	-	1	1	HK\$4,400,000
5 years	JPN	1	-	-	1	¥76,290,000
"	HK	4	-	1	1	HK\$2,500,000
6 years	JPN	1	-	-	-	¥76,192,000
"	HK	5	-	2	-	HK\$1,425,000
7 years	JPN	1	-	-	-	¥10,000,000
"	HK	4	-	-	-	-
		31	4	6	4	¥344,599,000 and HK\$8,325,000

**At 3 years:** Tokyo Saudi Arabia Royal Cup Fuji S., **Gr.3** (1600m), 2nd HKJC Queen Elizabeth II Cup, **Gr.1** (2000m), 3rd Hanshin Mainichi Hai, **Gr.3** (1800m).

**At 4 years:** 2nd Tokyo Tenno Sho (Autumn), **Gr.1** (2000m), 3rd Nakayama Kinen, **Gr.2** (1800m).

**At 5 years:** 2nd Hanshin Naruo Kinen, **Gr.3** (2000m), 3rd Hong Kong Cup, **Gr.1** (2000m), Tokyo Tenno Sho (Autumn), **Gr.1** (2000m).

**At 6 years:** 2nd Hanshin Osaka Hai, **Gr.1** (2000m), Nakayama Sankei Sho All Comers, **Gr.2**.

**Annual Timeform Ratings:** 114 (at 3), 122 (at 4), 122 (at 5), 123 (at 6).

**World Thoroughbred Ratings:** 118 (in 2015), 118 (in 2016), 118 (in 2017).

#### Stud Record

Retired to stud in New Zealand in 2019.

#### Progeny

**PIGNAN** (20f. Sepoy; Pins). 2 wins, 1100-1400m, NZ\$249,550, Manawatu Sires Produce, **Gr.1**, Manawatu RC Kernow Construction 2YO S., 3d Matamata Breeders S., **Gr.2**, WRC Wellesley S., **L**.

**BASILINNA** (20f. Shinko King; Kaapstad). 3 wins, 1600-2800m, A\$535,000, VRC Andrew Ramsden S., **L**, 2d VRC AV Kewney S., **Gr.2**, SAJC Port Adelaide Cup, **L**, 3d VRC Oaks, **Gr.1**, MRC Ethereal S., **Gr.3**.

**Movin Out** (21f. Stravinsky; Grand Lodge). 2 wins, 1600m, A\$255,976, Mornington Guineas, 3d New Zealand One Thousand Guineas, **Gr.1**, BRC The Roses, **Gr.2**, 4th Queensland Oaks, **Gr.1**, ATC Phar Lap S., **Gr.2**.

**Sassy Lass** (20f. Keeper; Pyrus). 4 wins, 2000-2400m, NZ\$150,235, Waikato TR Don Looker H., BOP RC Armory H., Waikato TR OTL Group H., 2d Waikato Cup, **Gr.3**, 4th Marton Cup, **L**.

**The Entertainer** (20f. Stravinsky; Grand Lodge). 3 wins, 1350-1600m, NZ\$108,385, CJC Blue Star Taxis H., Discover Nue H., 3d WRC Desert Gold S., **Gr.3**.

**Medatsu** (20g. Mastercraftsman; Warning). 4 wins, 1500-2000m, A\$318,693, ATC Vale John Nicholson H., Jockeys Appreciation H., Jersey Day H., 3d Levin RC Ryder S., **L**.

**Just Kick** (22f. Flying Spur; Royal Applause). Placed, 3d VRC Anzac Day S., **L**.

Tsitsipas (21g. Generous; Pompeii Court). 3 wins, 1950-2500m, MVRC Western General Bodyworks H.

Special Sakura (21f. Per Incanto; O'Reilly). 2 wins, 1200m, Taranaki RC Energy Vets H.

Tokyo Hot Night (20f. Ocean Park; Pins). 2 wins, 1200-1400m, WRC Melbourne City Centre H.

Tokyo Fire (20f. Torrential; Bold Tropic). 1 win, 1800m, WATC MCA Polytrack P.

Turned Down (20g. O'Reilly; Zabeel). 3 wins, 1200-1250m, ATC Prague Yearlings H.

Tokyo Star (20f. Captain Rio; Almutawakel). 2 wins, 1100-1400m, 4th



SAJC Sires' Produce S., **Gr.3**.

Lady Sass (20f. General Nediym; Flying Spur). 2 wins, 1200m, 4th CJC War Decree S., **Gr.3**, Manawatu RC Eulogy S., **Gr.3**.

#### Male Line

**DEEP IMPACT**. Horse of the Year in Japan in 2005 & 2006. 12 wins-1 at 2, Japan Cup, **Gr.1**, Kyoto Takarazuka Kinen, **Gr.1**, Hanshin Daishoten, **Gr.2**, Tokyo Yushun, **L**, Nakayama Arima Kinen, **L**, Kyoto Kikuka Sho, **L**, Nakayama Satsuki Sho, **L**, Kyoto Tenno Sho (Spring), **L**, Hanshin Kobe Shimbun Hai, **L**.

Champion Sire in Japan 11 times. Champion Japan Sire by AEI in 2012. Leading Sire of 2YOs in Japan 11 times. Champion Broodmare Sire in Japan in 2023 & 2024. Sire of 205 stakes winners, 147 stakes placegetters, inc-

#### Progeny

**GENTILDONNA** (09f. Bertolini; Lyphard's Special). Horse of the Year in Japan in 2012 & 2014. 10 wins, 1600-2500m, Japan Cup, **Gr.1**-twice.

**GRAN ALEGRIA** (16f. Tapit; Marlin). Nakayama Sprinters S., **Gr.1**, Hanshin Oka Sho, **Gr.1**.

**FIEREMENT** (15c. Green Tune; Noir et Or). 5 wins, Kyoto Tenno Sho (Spring), **Gr.1**-twice.

**MIKKI ISLE** (11c. Rock Of Gibraltar; Nureyev). 8 wins, 1400-1600m, Tokyo NHK Mile Cup, **Gr.1**.

**REAL IMPACT** (08c. Meadowlake; In Reality). 5 wins, 1400-1600m, ATC George Ryder S., **Gr.1**.

**FANCY BLUE** (17f. Sadler's Wells; Darshaan). 4 wins, Chantilly Prix de Diane, **Gr.1**.

**AL AIN** (14c. Essence Of Dubai; Great Above). 5 wins, 1600-2000m, Hanshin Osaka Hai, **Gr.1**.

**MIKKI QUEEN** (12f. Gold Away; Procidia). 5 wins, Tokyo Yushun Himba, **Gr.1**.

**VERXINA** (09f. Machiavellian; Nureyev). 5 wins, 1600-2000m, Tokyo Victoria Mile, **Gr.1**-twice.

**WORLD PREMIERE** (16c. Acatenango; Be My Guest). 4 wins, Kyoto Kikuka Sho, **Gr.1**.

**VIVLOS** (13f. Machiavellian; Nureyev). 4 wins, 1800-2000m, Meydan Dubai Turf, **Gr.1**.

His sire sons inc Kizuna (42 SW), Saxon Warrior (14 SW), Satono Aladdin (11 SW), Mikki Isle (8 SW), Silver State (7 SW), Study of Man (6 SW), Real Impact (5 SW), etc.

#### Maternal Grandsire

**KUROFUNE**. Top of The 2001 International 3YO Classification (mile).

Champion Dirt Horse in Japan in 2001. 6 wins-2 at 2, Japan Cup Dirt, **L**, Tokyo NHK Mile Cup, **L**, Musashino S., **L**, Hanshin Mainichi Hai, **L**, 3d Hanshin Kobe Shimbun Hai, **L**, Radio Tampa Hai Sansai S., **L**

Second on Japan Sire List in 2011, third in 2010. Sire of the winners of over \$399 million, 37 stakes winners, 50 stakes placegetters.

Maternal Grandsire of the winners of over \$353 million - 35 stakes winners - 6 Group One winners inc **VELA AZUL**, **NORMCORE**, **EMBROIDERY**, **STUNNING ROSE**, **CHRONO GENESIS**, **LEI PAPALE**, **JUN BLOSSOM**, **PRADARIA**, **GAIA FORCE**, **BREAKUP**, **HAYAYAKKO**, **LION LION**, **SHINING LEI**, **BENZINI**, **THROUGH SEVEN SEAS**, **MOZU NAGAREBOSHI**, **PASSING THROUGH**, **GEMPACHI LUCIFER**, **ADMIRE MIYABI**, etc.

#### Female Line

##### 1st Dam

**KOKOSHNIK**, by Kurofune. 3 wins at 1700m, 1800m in Japan. Sister to **GOLDEN HIND** Dam of ten named foals, all raced, eight winners, inc-

**STAPHANOS** (c. by Deep Impact). Subject horse

**Finift** (f. by Deep Impact). Winner at 2, 2d Tokyo Daily Hai Queen Cup, **Gr.3**. Producer.

##### 2nd Dam

**GOLD TIARA**, by Seeking The Gold. 9 wins-3 at 2-from 1400m to 1800m, ¥248,925,000, Morioka Mile Championship Nambu Hai, **L**, Hanshin Procyon S., **L**, Nagoya Kakitsubata Kinen, **L**, Hanshin Sirius S., **L**, Nakayama Unicorn S., **L**, Hanshin Galaxy S., 2d Tokyo February S., **L**, 3d Kyoto Heian S., **L**, Funabashi Kashiwa Kinen, **L**. Dam of 14 named foals, all raced, 10 winners, inc-

**GOLDEN HIND** (Kurofune). 6 wins from 1700m to 3000m, ¥93,631,000, Kyoto Manyo S., **L**, Sapporo Nikkei Open, **L**.

Empress Tiara. Raced twice. Dam of-

**JUN BLOSSOM** (World Ace). 5 wins-1 at 2- from 1600m to 2000m, ¥202,238,000, Tokyo Fuji S., **Gr.2**, 2d Kyoto Yomiuri Milers Cup, **Gr.2**, 3d Niigata Sekiya Kinen, **Gr.3**.

**Red Regnant** (Lord Kanaloa). 4 wins-2 at 2- from 1400m to 1600m, Tokyo Tamagawa S., 2d Nakayama Anemone S., **L**. Producer.

##### 3rd Dam

**BRIGHT TIARA**, by Chief's Crown. Winner at 2 in U.S.A. Sister to CHIEF HONCHO Dam of 10 foals, 9 to race, 7 winners, inc-

**POET'S VOICE** (Dubawi). 4 wins-2 at 2-at 7f, 8f, Ascot Queen Elizabeth II S., **Gr.1**, Doncaster Champagne S., **Gr.2**, Goodwood Celebration Mile, **Gr.2**, 2d Meydan Jebel Hatta S., **Gr.2**, Salisbury Sovereign S., **Gr.3**, 3d Newmarket Joel S., **Gr.2**. Sire.

**GOLD TIARA** (Seeking The Gold). 9 wins. See above

**QUEEN'S PARK** (Relaunch). 4 wins-2 at 2, Assiniboia Downs Jack Hardy S. Dam of-

**GEMSWICK PARK** (Speightstown). 3 wins-1 at 2-at 6f, Gulfstream Park Old Hat S., **Gr.3**, 3d Belmont Frizette S., **Gr.1**. Dam of-

**SCOTLAND** (Good Magic). 5 wins from 7f to 9f, \$555,560, Saratoga Curlin S., **L**.

Swan Nebula. 2 wins at 2, Doncaster Carrie Red Nursery H. Grandam of-

**SPORTING CHANCE** (Kodiac). 4 wins at 2, Maisons-Laffitte Prix Eclipse, **Gr.3**. Sire.

Best Boot. Winner at 8¼f in U.S.A. Grandam of-

**MOZU KATCHAN** (Harbinger). 4 wins from 1600m to 2200m, Kyoto Queen ElizabethIII Cup, **Gr.1**, 2d Tokyo Yushun Himba, **Gr.1**.

Patroness. Placed at 3 in France. Dam of-

**BLAIR HOUSE** (Pivotal). 4 wins from 1600m to 1800m, Meydan Jebel Hatta S., **Gr.1**, 2d MRC Caulfield S., **Gr.1**.

**FIRST CONQUEST** (Teofilo). 4 wins from 1600m to 2000m, Meydan Dubai Millennium S., **Gr.3**, 3d Meydan Singspiel S., **Gr.2**.

**KEY VICTORY** (Teofilo). 3 wins-1 at 2-from 1400m to 2000m, Newmarket S., **L**.

<b>DEEP IMPACT</b> (JPN) B. 2002 GW 12 wins f:1616 r:1431 w:1060 SW:157	SUNDAY SILENCE Br. 1986 GW 9 wins f:1441 r:1363 w:906 SW:168	HALO B. or Br. 1969	HAIL TO REASON	TURN-TO NOTHIRDCHANCE	1
			COSMAH	COSMIC BOMB	4
				ALMAHMOUD	14
				PROMISED LAND	2
		WISHING WELL B. 1975	UNDERSTANDING	PRETTY WAYS	14
			MOUNTAIN FLOWER	MONTPARNASSE	1
				EDELWEISS	19
				NORTHERN DANCER	3
	WIND IN HER HAIR B. 1991 GW 3 wins f:15 r:14 w:9 SW:4	ALZAO B. 1980	LYPHARD	GOOFED	2
			LADY REBECCA	SIR IVOR	17
				POCAHONTAS	8
		BURGHCLERE B. 1977	BUSTED	CREPELLO	9
			HIGHCLERE	SANS LE SOU	16
				QUEEN'S HUSSAR	2
				HIGHLIGHT	19
			DEPUTY MINISTER	VICE REGENT	2
	KUROFUNE Gr. 1998 SW 6 wins f:1759 r:1661 w:1173 SW:33	FRENCH DEPUTY Ch. 1992	MITTERAND	MINT COPY	10
				HOLD YOUR PEACE	10
		BLUE AVENUE R. or Gr. 1990	CLASSIC GO GO	LAREDO LASS	12
			ELIZA BLUE	PAGO PAGO	4
				CLASSIC PERFECTION	1
				ICECAPADE	5
				CORELLA	8
				RAISE A NATIVE	2
	GOLD TIARA Ch. 1996 SW 9 wins f:13 r:13 w:9 SW:1	SEEKING THE GOLD B. 1985	MR. PROSPECTOR	GOLD DIGGER	8
			CON GAME	BUCKPASSER	13
				BROADWAY	1
		BRIGHT TIARA Ch. 1989	CHIEF'S CROWN	DANZIG	5
			EXPRESSIVE DANCE	SIX CROWNS	7
				RIVA RIDGE	23
				EXCLUSIVE DANCER	1
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# STAPHANOS



## Sire Deep Impact

Japanese Horse Of The Year  
Champion Sire



## Broodmare Sire Kurofune

World Champion Miler  
Leading Broodmare Sire



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*Staphanos is a horse of substance, mixing toughness and a no-nonsense temperament in a career in which he raced and beat some of the best Japan had to offer. What a coup by Luigi Muollo and Novara Park to secure this stallion and what an incredible opportunity for New Zealand breeders to send mares to such a highly credentialed son of Deep Impact. He has the looks, pedigree and racetrack performances to be a hit at stud. He could be a real game changer and just the type of stallion New Zealand needs.*

**Michael Cox - Former South China Morning Post and now The Age racing writer.**

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