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Raido was our first metropolitan winner for 2017 at Canterbury and our last winning at the Gold Coast on 23 December 2017!!!

From time to time you watch a trainer use his skill and talent to do something a bit out of the ordinary and produce a result that may cause some surprise. Tony Gollan did that when Raido scored what was a class record winning victory at the Gold Coast. Raido had reached his level in Sydney but horses of his rating can be placed to advantage in Queensland so he was moved to Tony Gollan.

He had been disappointing and Tony was tearing his hair out trying to get him right. He changed a few things around and bingo the horse responded scoring a dominant win. Thank you to Tony and the owners for their patience. Raido was a \$40,000 Magic Millions Perth buy and has now won \$223,380 from his six wins.

We have had a wonderful couple of months with our December figures being exceptional with eight wins from 30 starters. This sees us having 26.6% winners to runners. A great month with some excellent wins. Pictured below are the winners since our last Dispatch was sent out.



Chalmers after winning at Taree on Christmas Eve. He is learning and improving. Nice training performance from Kris Lees and excellent ride Aaron Bullock!!!



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Makeadane running home to win at Newcastle on Boxing Day for John Thompson and Jeff Penza!!!



Hussy's Glow was our final winner for 2017 winning at Echuca on New Year's Eve for Patrick Payne and ridden by Tahlia Hope!!!



Casa De Lago was one of the nicest yearlings I inspected at the Sales Series in 2016 and this won't be her last win. Again Patrick Payne and Tahlia Hope!!!

ON THE TRACK

We have had plenty of runners recently and at this stage depending on barriers and track conditions we will have our first runner for 2018 at Taree on Thursday where Munjai steps out. She has her second crack at 1600m and looks nicely placed. She is a daughter of our Tasmanian Oaks winner Maha Chakri.

On Saturday we are likely to have three runners with Savoureux nominated at Warwick Farm, Raido at the Gold Coast and Casa De Lago at Kilmore. Casa De Lago is likely to head to Tasmania for the Strutt Stakes and Oaks and is being taken along steadily as we progress towards these 'black type' races over 2100m. Great Southern is nominated in several places with Darren Weir looking to select the 'best' option for him. He is running out of chances and needs to win.

We have plenty of horses barrier trialling or jumping out in the next week including Lomazzo, One Invincible Cat, Our Netbank, Not Surprising, Our Long Sali, Magic Anna and Ankara Lass.

I was thrilled with Everard's debut at Randwick on Saturday. She was in a tough race and she ran a great race for third in very strong company. I expect the winner of that race to nearly win the Magic Millions. We were close to getting a start in the \$2 Million Classic but Everard's day will come. She is as nice a filly as I have ever purchased.

Kissing Game ran into a good one at Randwick but did a good job finishing second. She is by Hinchinbrook and looks to have a very bright future.

A special mention for John Moloney who had his best year as a trainer in 2017 finishing the year off with a metropolitan double at Sandown on Saturday. John only has 25 in work and is a pleasure to deal with. His results for Prime Thoroughbreds have been exceptional.

As I sign off before the Magic Millions I must say I have been quite chuffed with the number of high profile trainers contacting me over the past few months to see if I would give them horses to train. I am happy to write I am more than pleased with the job our trainers and staffs are doing for us and won't be expanding to include any more trainers.

A couple more memories from the 2017 Magic Millions Day, it was quite a day!!!

The Magic Millions Carnival has a real buzz about it and I get the impression the yearlings will be expensive. I have decided to head to the Gold Coast earlier and will commence inspections on 5 December rather than 7 December as I had planned.



Flying Jess charging past the winning post with Tye Angland up and in doing so dented a few big egos!!!



The girls got on the front page of the Courier Mail for all the right reasons!!!