



# PRIME DISPATCH

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## Hussy's Glow as a yearling

### Stakes placed in the Listed Gold Sovereign Stakes

We have had quite an amazing run since the last edition of Prime Dispatch. Hussy's Glow, a \$17,000 purchase from the 2015 Adelaide Magic Millions Sale ran a terrific 2<sup>nd</sup> in the TTC Gold Sovereign Stakes, Tasmania's premier 2 year old race. This certainly enhanced her value and she is currently the highest ranked yearling to come out of last year's Adelaide sale. She heads to Adelaide for the \$200,000 Magic Millions Adelaide Two Year Old Classic which we won last year with Atalanta Miss.

Winners, winners, winners!!! The ball really started rolling at Newcastle on Tuesday when Lomazzo put it together demolishing a highly credentialled maiden field in very fast time. He was a

\$40,000 Magic Millions purchase from the Yarraman Park draft and while we shouldn't get too carried away with a maiden win he was very, very impressive. Well done to Tony McEvoy getting the horse to settle in his races and Jeff Penza kept his mind on the job.

On Wednesday Makeadane headed to Warwick Farm where he had to overcome a very difficult barrier draw but was up to the task destroying his opponents with a sustained display running fast sectionals throughout the race. Great ride from Christain Reith and a superb training performance from John Thompson.

On Thursday we headed to Pakenham with Atalanta Miss and she didn't let us down running a terrific 2<sup>nd</sup> in an Adelaide Magic Millions sponsored race. She won the 2015 Adelaide Magic Millions Classic for two year olds. She is very popular with her owners and may well have a better record if not for poor barrier draws and bad luck in running. Patrick Payne has done a sterling job with her.

On top of these great wins we had three of our two years olds trial or jump out in the past week with Isthmian winning by a country mile at Cessnock, Flying Jess winning by 6 lengths at Caulfield and Husson Boots winning by two at Deagon. In the next couple of weeks we should see Invincible Al running, Hussy's Glow in the \$200,000 Magic Millions Classic in Adelaide, Isthmian running in a Metropolitan grade two year old at Gosford on St Patrick's Day, Flying Jess at Moonee Valley on 14 March and Husson Boots at Ipswich on 16 March 2016.

I'm thrilled with the team we have assembled over the past four or five years and I am very confident we have the best team of horses of any syndication company in Australia. Our horse keep getting to the races and keep winning races.

### **ON THE TRACK**

The next week is important for many of our runners with Savoureux heading the charge at Randwick on Saturday in the Group 3 Wenona Girl Stakes. She is in the best shape of her career reeling off better sectionals by .8 of a second than Winx for her final 600m a couple of weeks ago at Randwick.

Also on Saturday we have the high class stakes winning mare Hijack Hussy running at Flemington. This is her first run for Darren Weir. We decided to move her to Darren after the Queensland Winter Carnival due to Eagle Farm being closed. She is anything but a Doomben horse and needs plenty of ground to unleash her great sprint.

Tomorrow we have Invincible Me running at Donald, Hazy Blur resumes at Gosford on Saturday and Bella Venus has to overcome a tricky gate in Hobart on Sunday. There are some nice chances amongst these runners.

Our team will take on a whole new demension with the two years olds stepping out. To say I'm excited is an understatement.

### **YEARLINGS OF THE WEEK**

#### **LIKE TO RACE A FILLY CLOSELY RELATED TO FIRST SEAL**

I was thrilled for John Thompson when First Seal ran a race record to win at Rosehill on Saturday. She is a super mare and had almost 12 months off after a bad hoof injury looked like finishing her career. On Saturday she was brilliant.

First Seal has met Winx on seven occasions, three times in trials and four times in races and Winx has never beaten her. Draw your own conclusions but if she gets back to her best First Seal may well be the best mare in Australia.



**Sebring – A Quiet Shandy John Moloney to train**

**Close relation to *FIRST SEAL***

#### **The filly**

The moment I saw this filly I thought I was looking at Unchain My Heart at a similar age. They are very similar with this filly having a touch more scope. She was reared at Edinburgh Park by Ian Smith who bred Silent Witness. She has a strong hindquarter, attractive head and gets around nicely. Her temperament is good and she had no issues when vetted.

It is hard to predict when she will get to the races but she is forward enough to suggest she may get up

and going as a two year old and she is by Sebring who gets runners at all ages and distances from precocious two year olds through to Melbourne Cup horses.

I am expecting that she will get better with age which her pedigree suggests will be the case.

### **Sebring**

Sebring is one of our very best sires and currently 5<sup>th</sup> on the National Sires List. He is the sire of Criterion, one of the best horses in Australia. Sebring won a Golden Slipper and sired Australian Horse Of The Year in Dissident. It is impossible to fault him as a sire.

He possesses a very strong female line which in my opinion is a characteristic most of the best stallions have. Sebring's sire More Than Ready has done a remarkable job in Australia and is still in great demand.

### **A Quiet Shandy**

A Quiet Shandy is a metropolitan winner and full sister to the Listed and Group 1 winner Becerra. Becerra was placed in the Queensland Oaks and is out of a Scenic mare. If you look down the page we see A Quiet Shout out of a well related Al Maher mare out of a Scenic Mare out of a Best Western mare out of a Tattenham mare.

This pedigree page which sees ***First Seal***, Episode, Macquarie Prince, Book Of Keels and of course Becerra listed suggests to me we may have a classic filly at three.

Our filly was in the wrong sale and would have been better placed in the Inglis Easter Sale where the buyers are looking for classic three year old fillies.

I couldn't recommend a filly more highly and look forward to her getting to the track. She is ideally suited to racing in Victoria where there are far more races on offer for horses that get over ground than in the other states.

## **First Seal Back to Best**

*Tara Madgwick - Saturday, 20 February 2016*

A former sparring partner of Winx, who she beat to win the Group I ATC Flight Stakes in 2014, quality Fastnet Rock mare First Seal was back to her very best when scoring a barnstorming win in the Group II ATC Millie Fox Stakes at Rosehill on Saturday.

Sidelined through injury during the spring carnival, her trainer John Thompson has been forced to be patient in the extreme and his efforts are paying off.



More than 10 months since her last official race start, First Seal swept down the outside under the 58kg top weight to claim a three-quarter length victory in the 1300 metre sprint over Telepathic.

With Blake Shinn back in the saddle for the first time since a narrow defeat in the Group I ATC Coolmore Classic last March, First Seal displayed the turn of speed reminiscent of her three-year-old season.

"It's such a relief," Thompson said.

"Blake and I sat down and had a chat about an hour before the race and I just said don't panic just ride her to hit the line, we know she'll improve off the back of this run.

"And I've got to say I was worried at the 800 (metres), I didn't think we'd be that far back but they we're getting along and she got it done – it was a good effort."

A \$700,000 NZB Premier purchase from the Curraghmore Stud draft for the late Bart Cummings, First Seal runs for a powerful group of owners that includes China Horse Club, Raffles Thoroughbred Racing and Think Big Stud.

First Seal has the overall record of five wins and five seconds from 12 starts with prizemoney topping \$940,000.

Bred by Raffles Dancers, First Seal is a three-quarter sister to Group II STC Tulloch Stakes winner Book of Kells and is the seventh winner for Episode, who won both the Group I SAJC Australasian Oaks and South Australian Oaks as well as finishing second in the Queensland Oaks.

**I AM INVINCIBLE FILLY OUT OF VERY WELL RELATED CATBIRD MARE**  
**CATBIRD DAM SIRE OF CATKINS**



**I AM Invincible – Cathead Kris Lees to train**

**The filly**

I inspected this filly in October at Yarraman Park and was delighted with her as I watched her progress towards the Magic Millions Sale at the Gold Coast. She is very athletic, not too big and typical of the progeny of her sire. They ooze class and were very well received at the sale where they averaged over \$200,000.

This filly may well run as a two year old and I am paying her up for the Magic Millions Series. I love the filly as a type and look forward to her racing.

**I Am Invincible**

I Am Invincible was Australia's Leading First season Sire in 2013/14 Season by both stakes money and individual winners. In fact in his first season he gapped the opposition with as many winners as the next three sires on the list. In his second season he continued the good work finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> to Medaglia d'Oro for the stakes earnings. Medaglia d'Oro figures were somewhat distorted with him having the Golden Slipper winner which accounted for over half his stakes earnings. Once again I Am Invincible had the most individual winners in this year.

55.1% of I Am Invincible's runners won during the season with him being the only sire in the top 10 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> season list standing in Australia to break the half century. At the completion of the 2014/15 Season he was 3<sup>rd</sup> to Fastnet Rock and Street Cry on the National 3 Year Old List with both these sires having far stronger books of mares than I Am Invincible.

I Am Invincible's duel Group 1 winning son Brazen Beau has been purchased by Darley and is standing this season at a service fee of \$44,000. He was also placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Group 1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes at Royal Ascot.

I Am invincible had his service fee raised to \$55,000 this breeding season and was fully booked out in a matter of days and Yarraman Park are already taking bookings for next season.

### **Cathead**

Cathead comes from a very good female line that sees the Champion galloper Mahogany on the page. She has had one to race with him winning 5 races.

As I wrote earlier Cathead is well related and by the Golden Slipper winner Catbird. Catbird was a very well bred horse with a particularly strong female line. Catbird's stud career was cut short but he did a good job at stud and he is proving to be a very capable broodmare sire with the horses of the Group and Stakes of the calibre of **Hawkspur, Catkins, Mystic Prince, Lady Royale, Atacama, Real Charm, Pinch River, Silversands and Entisaar** coming from his daughters.

One of the strong characteristics of I Am Invincible is that he crosses well with almost any sire line and he has in most cases upgraded the performance of the mares he has served. **In fact there is no particular sire line that stands out with his 15 stakes performers to date being represented by 14 different broodmare sires.**

**10 shares @ \$15,000 each (5% shares available)**

**I AM INVINCIBLE FILLY OUT OF WELL RELATED MARE**  
**DARREN WEIR TO TRAIN**



The filly pictured above is a terrific filly by the outstanding young sire I Am Invincible from the well related mare Light Waves. I rated her as equal or better than the other I Am Invincible fillies in the sale that fetched \$145,000 and \$155,000. She is a very good type of filly with a good hindquarter, great conformation and a attractive head. She is very deep in the girth which I really like.

She vetted out without any issues and was offered by Middlebrook Valley Lodge in the Hunter Valley. The filly is Super VOBIS eligible and will be paid up for the rich scheme.

The filly is an October foal and will be broken in in March with a view to giving her every chance to run as a two year old.

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## **Light Waves**

Light Waves is by the Woodman sire Way Of Light who stood briefly in Australia. Woodman's daughters have done a remarkable job in Australia with the Champion sire being the broodmare sire for Miss Finland, Mamool, Lad Of The Manor, Hurtle Myrtle, Herculian Prince, Éclair Choice, Rothesay and Firebolt to name a few. In all Woodman is the broodmare sire to 200 stakes winners.

Light Waves has had just the one foal race which is a winner. Her family includes some very good gallopers including Doctor Doom, Cymbals, Kingwin and Ombra Della Sera. I am thrilled to have this filly join our team and look forward to her wearing our colours.

**10 shares @ \$9,900 each (5% shares available)**



Makeadane – now a Sydney winner