



PRIME DISPATCH

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Savoureux – Debut Winner

I was thrilled with the win by Savoureux on debut on Tuesday at Cessnock. She has displayed well above average ability from the day Kris put a saddle on her and had been better than her opposition in all her gallops leading into her first start. You may ask the question, why Cessnock for her debut? Well it is simple. It is important for horses to learn how to win and be competitive when they race. It is also important for owners to experience the thrill of watching their horse win a race. Horses are creatures of habit and for her to go to Cessnock and have a dominant win in class record time was a better result than going to Rosehill on Saturday against seasoned two year olds and running a 'nice' 4th or 5th and puts a lot more money in the bank.

When Bill Mitchell and I set up Prime Thoroughbreds we made a decision that we would buy nice types of horses that may be a bit more difficult to syndicate than inexpensive ones by the 'sexy' sires of the time that had problems but would be easier to sell.

Bill's experience had shown him time and time again that it was the better types of horses that did the job for him rather than the well-bred ones that were poor types or had issues. We have continued to follow this rule since day one and this Nadeem filly is another successful example of this approach. At the time of purchase I wrote of her *'This is a good filly. I purchased the filly from the Inglis Classic Sale where I rated her as the best filly in the sale as a type.'*

Savoureux is having a month off before being prepared for a light preparation in November and will be aimed at the three year old filly's classic races during the Sydney Autumn Carnival. Well done to Kris Lees on his management and perfect placement for the filly. The \$9.20 was an amazing price about her. Her full brother Slivovitz is running at Rosehill on Saturday.

Savoureux was the 8th individual two year old to run from our team of thirteen. They look a really good crop of young horses with the likes of Hijack Hussy, Husson Eagle, Raido, Rumeron, Bella Venus and Makeadane all winning stakes money from their limited opportunities. I don't push my trainers to over extend their two year olds but where possible it is nice to see them get to the races and have at least one start for experience. Before the end of the season we should see ten of the two year olds race. We have two year olds by Husson, I Am Invincible, Magic Albert, Nicconi and Shamardal still to get to the track. Historically only about 20% of any foal crop gets to the races so we are well above the industry average which I would expect to be the case.

It is a case of what might have been with the two most expensive yearlings I purchased having died before we could get them to the track. Unfortunately that is a part of racing but frustrating as I had very high hopes for the Duporth filly and Myboycharlie colt which we lost.

ON THE TRACK

After a quiet week that saw us step out our 597th winner in Savoureux we have quite a bit happening over the next week. Tomorrow Poussin resumes at Geelong on the synthetic track. This track has been a winner for Victorian racing during the winter months and a new synthetic track is due to open next year at Tynong which is the new home of the Pakenham Racing Club.

On Saturday Hail Maher is set to run at Morphettville. Hopefully it isn't too wet in Adelaide. Heavy rain has fallen across southern Australia with winter wet tracks the norm at present. On Monday we have Invincible Me set debuting at Echuca with Sanosuke is also running at the meeting. Oeuvre is heading to Muswellbrook on Monday. Terra Amata is scheduled to have her first start in NSW on Thursday at Grafton. Beau Jez and Taring Me Up are down to run at Eagle Farm on Wednesday. We also have a few horses barrier trialling.

GRAFTON CARNIVAL

I will be attending the Grafton Carnival where we will be setting up a display highlighting our company. This is a great Carnival and a massive event for the Grafton district. The three day carnival will see millions of dollars injected into the local economy which is a terrific result for all concerned.

These multi day carnivals are the way ahead but need to be well organized with plenty of activities for the visitors to participate in. The Tasmanian Racing Club has a great opportunity in February to put its Carnival back on track now that it has gone to a two day format. The Carnival will be run in tandem with the Wooden Boat Festival and Regatta which creates a terrific weekend for visitors and locals alike.

Warnambool, Launceston and Scone are my other favourite Carnivals to attend.

ACCOUNTS

The financial year ends on Monday and I would appreciate any owners who have not paid their May accounts to do so before close of business on 30 June.

It is important you include your name or client id when paying the account through with internet banking. It takes a lot of time to try and decipher who is paying what at times which is annoying.

TASMANIAN SUMMER RACING CARNIVAL

I have pasted a press report from CEO of Tasracing Eliot Forbes which gives details of the Tasmanian Summer Racing Carnival. Tasracing has under Eliot's guidance taken huge leaps forward over the past two years with the 2015 racing schedule looking much better balanced.

I am keen to continue to strongly support the industry in Tasmania through Prime Thoroughbreds syndications. I have as usual been very pleased with the job Charlie and Leuella and their staff do for us. It is very much a team effort and while we have gone through a consolidation period in Tasmania over the past 12 months we have some very nice young horses on our books with Charlie and Leuella and look forward to a positive season ahead.

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BETFAIR 2015 TASMANIAN SUMMER RACING CARNIVAL

The Betfair Tasmanian Summer Racing Carnival (TSRC) feature race schedule has been confirmed for 2015.

Chief executive Eliot Forbes said the grid was finalised by Tasracing after a post carnival review and consultation with the Tasmanian Racing Club (TRC), the Tasmanian Turf Club (TTC) and the Thoroughbred Advisory Network.

“The changes we have initiated were done with a view to increase public engagement with the carnival’s feature race days,” he said.

“We have also taken account of the need to maximise field sizes and increase interstate participation which will ultimately deliver better commercial outcomes for the Tasmanian thoroughbred industry through wagering performance.”

Key outcomes for the 2015 carnival are:

- TRC Betfair Hobart Cup moves from a Sunday to Monday 9 February (Regatta Day public holiday).
- TRC Tasmanian Derby and TRC Bow Mistress Trophy to Friday twilight 6 February from the preceding Sunday.
- TRC Hobart Guineas Day to Sunday 25 January, a week later than in 2013, to accommodate flow into Tasmanian Derby day.
- Tasmanian Guineas moves from TTC to TRC on Sunday 11 January to accommodate progression into Tasmanian Derby day.
- TRC Winzenberg Trophy and TRC Alexandra Plate to be run on Friday twilight meeting 19 December in lieu of traditional Sunday fixture.
- TRC Goodwood Handicap and 2YO Debutante to Sunday 16 November from Sunday 20 October in 2013 to facilitate desired program coordination into TTC Newmarket Handicap.
- TTC Tasmanian Oaks from Wednesday 18 February to Sunday 22 February placing it between Wednesday meetings for TTC Vamos Stks and TTC Launceston Cup.
- TTC Night Cup from Wednesday 11 February to Wednesday 18 February to bolster Vamos Stakes meeting.
- Tasmanian Stakes WFA from TRC to TTC Wednesday 31 December, to allow progression for WFA horses towards the feature cups.

Tasmanian Turf Club chair Alison Archer said she was pleased that the club was a part of “this wonderful summer carnival of racing which will see a statewide season with racing in both Hobart and Launceston complementing the other.

“From the club’s perspective, we are extremely pleased Tasracing has seen fit to incorporate a Sunday race meeting, Oaks Day, in between Armidale Vamos Stakes Eve and Betfair Launceston Cup day on the last Wednesday in February,” she said.

Tasmanian Racing Club chief executive officer Mike Wisby said the club believed the changes were positive.

“I am confident that the Friday Derby and the Monday Hobart Cup scenario will be attractive to locals and interstate visitors alike,” he said.

“We are very much looking forward to a successful Tasmanian Summer Racing Carnival.”

Dr Forbes said Tasracing welcomed the move of the TRC Betfair Hobart Cup to the Regatta Day public holiday as this provided greater scope for the national media to showcase the race meeting as the feature event on that day.

“During our consultation, both the TRC and the TTC advised that they were keen to see mini-carnivals within the major carnival that would build excitement and help promote the race days to a Tasmanian audience,” he said.

“The Friday twilight derby meeting leading into a Monday Hobart Cup and three feature race days in seven days finishing with the Launceston Cup will achieve that.

“Further, wherever possible, we have worked to ensure there is no clash that may result in compromised Sky coverage of TSRC race days.”

The Betfair TSRC extends unofficially from early November, with the running of the TRC Goodwood Handicap and culminates on TTC Betfair Launceston Cup Day, at the end of February.

Thirty seven feature races are run during the carnival, comprising 12 listed races and four Group 3 races for a combined stakes pool of \$2.6 million.

The Tasmanian Summer Racing Carnival serves as an important focus for Tasmanian racing. More than 56,000 patrons attend thoroughbred racing events each year. Racing patrons spend \$10.6 million across the three codes of racing, 35 per cent of which is spent off-course with fashion, retail and accommodation the main beneficiaries.

YEARLING OF THE WEEK

This week I will highlight the More Than Ready filly out of the very well related Encosta De Lago mare Rose Of Sharon. At \$8,500 per 10% share she represents amazing value. 1/2 shares are only \$4,250 each. John Thompson will train the filly. This filly has been very well received which isn't surprising.

It isn't often you get a chance to buy into a filly by one of the best stallions out of one of the daughters of one of the best broodmare sires in Australia that vetted out without any issues and passed all our checks and balances.

The Filly

This is a good filly. She has an excellent pedigree and is a nice type. She is typical of many of the fillies thrown by the stallion. Medium sized and as a November foal there is plenty of scope for her to continue to develop. She has a wonderful attitude and gets around very well. She walks well and vetted out without any issues.

The filly was grown out at one of our best farms in Baramul Stud.

Not only does she offer her owners the opportunity to race a top class filly but also she has the potential to be a very valuable brood mare should she win a nice race.



Pictured above is a gorgeous running type of filly by the prolific sire of stakes winners More Than Ready. The filly looks like a runner to me and will be paid up for the Magic Millions Series.

More Than Ready

More Than Ready has just about done it all as a sire. He is a member of a rare group of horses that sire in excess of 100 stakes winners. He has sired a Derby winner, Golden Slipper winner, in excess of 50 Group winners. He is the sire of the champion mare More Joyous, Group 1 winning mares Samaready and Carry On Cutie. He has sired Magic Millions winners as well. One of his biggest selling points is that he has one of the best conversion rates of winners to stakes winners in Australia.

Added to these impressive figures he is now starting to make a big name as a broodmare sire with the Group 1 winners Miracles Of Life, Rebel Dane and Atlante being out of his daughters.

If our filly could win a decent race she would be worth a lot of money. She is the best pedigreed filly I have purchased.

Rose Of Sharon

Rose Of Sharon comes from one of the very best families in the stud book and she was stakes placed four times including in the Group 1 Queensland Oaks. She is by the very good broodmare sire Encosta de Lago and a half-sister to the dual Group 1 winner Lotteria. The 2nd dam, Rose Reward is by the champion broodmare sire Sir Tristram and was one of the best looking two year olds I have ever inspected. The 3rd dam is by Zamazaan.

Rose Of Sharon has been well bred with the four year old and two year old half by Redoute's Choice and a weanling by Fasntet Rock. To help Lotteria has had the best matings as well.

Syndicate Details

I am more than pleased to have secured her and she will head to John Thompson to be trained. 10 shares @ \$8,500 each (1/2 shares @ \$4,250 each).



Terra Amata's excited owners after winning the Carbine Club Plate in Hobart last year.