



PRIME DISPATCH

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Wonderful photo of Savoureux winning at Canterbury

She resumes in Group 3 Triscay Stakes on Saturday at Royal Randwick

We have another full week ahead with the Inglis Classic Sale starting on Saturday night in Sydney. This has been a good sale for us over the years with Savoureux being one of the best horses we have purchased from the Classic. Other very good Prime Thoroughbreds horses to come from this sale include Under Command and Maha Chakri. I head to Sydney on Thursday to commence inspections.

The catalogue looks very promising and I am hoping to purchase two yearlings from the sale. This is the last year the Classic Sale will be held at Newmarket with next year's sale moving to Warwick Farm where Inglis are building a world class sales complex. I hope it works well for them.

GOGGIN FAMILY

Charlie Goggin informed on Friday that he has decided to retire from full time training to give him more time to travel and spend time with his family. Firstly, Charlie and then in partnership with his daughter Luella have been a very important part of Prime Thoroughbreds for over a decade with the first two horses I sent him being Greenmount Belle and Looking For Action in 2006. Since then we have won over 100 races together.

Our last runner with Them Goggin is likely to be Husson's Kiss in the Tasmanian Oaks on 19 February. Tough Vic is set to run on the same day and Bella Venus on Magic Millions night.

I can't thank the Goggin family more for the great results they have given us over the years. I will certainly miss not speaking as often with Charlie who took a keen interest in all our horses and while not interfering would make comments from time to time on things he may have observed with one of our runners.

I wish Charlie, Lindy, Luella and the entire Goggin family all the very best for the future. They have been an absolute pleasure to work with.

We had too many winners to name them all but some memorable ones were Too Many Reds, Huiskes, Rose Of Scotland, Captain Chaos, Commands Gold, Greenmount Belle, Rumeron and Bavarian Belle.

I have appointed Stuart Gandy as Prime Thoroughbreds Tasmanian trainer. He is a highly talented young man who is probably best known as the trainer of many of the Gee Gee horses. I am planning to purchase a yearling for Stuart at the upcoming sales. We will have a function to formally thank Charlie and his family and to introduce Stuart to our clients in due course.

TASMANIAN RACING

It is no secret Tasmanian Racing has had its fair share of challenges to deal with in recent years. I have been impressed with the no nonsense approach taken by the staff at Tas Racing to the issues at hand.

At the Hobart Cup meeting I sat with Sam Steven, the Marketing Manager of Tas Racing who briefed me on the ongoing initiatives the Company have been implementing. The biggest issue confronting Tas Racing is growing new income streams. During the past

two years wagering on Tasmanian Racing has grown by 30% which has seen income from race field's legislation grow to about \$12,000,000 per year.

It is amazing how small things such as interviews put out on twitter before each race can help raise the awareness of the product and in turn turnover. In my opinion Tas Racing are amongst the best at promoting their product through the digital world.

One of the biggest challenges facing the Board of Tas Racing is when and how to upgrade the track in Hobart. The money is available to replace the track but the worry is the drop off in wagering turnover that could occur with the only track in the south of the state closed for up to 12 months and the impact it would have on The Tasmanian Racing Club.

I've been of the opinion for a few years that we need an all-weather track as well as a turf track in Hobart. Perhaps the all-weather track could be built and then the grass could then be replaced. Hobart is well suited to night racing and lights should be installed at the same time.

EVEREST

I hope Racing NSW and the ATC get the \$10,000,000 Everest sprint off the ground. What an amazing purse and great concept.

I was surprised at the reception the race got in segments of the Victorian press. Anything that promotes our industry in a positive light should be supported. I only wish I had a sprinter good enough to run in it. Perhaps we have!!!



Raido being aimed towards the \$500,000 Provincial Final

OUR YEARLINGS

Our yearling purchases from Magic Millions have been very well received with the All To Hard and I Am Invincible fillies fully subscribed. Here we have them.



Sebring / Queen Hazel filly – Kris Lees

10% shares \$31,500 5% shares \$15,750

25% remaining

This filly rated very highly as a type and this is backed up with a terrific pedigree. She is closely related to Criterion and comes from a great two year old family. I couldn't have been happier when I secured her. She has a wonderful hindquarter, deep girth and is a lovely walker. She is an attractive looking filly which is positive. The progeny of Sebring can be a bit common looking but that isn't the case with this filly.

I love buying out of families where Oaks fillies appear on the page and in this case we have a Canadian Oaks winner and Champion Three Year Old in Canada as the third dam. Queen Hazel (USA) was a two year old winner in the USA and also Group 3 placed. She has had one foal to race with it winning twice I 2016 and being metropolitan placed.

Queen Hazel is a ½ sister to the stakes performer Flying Jazz the winner of six races. The dam line here is good with the first three dams having 19 to race for 16 individual winners with a number of black type performers on the page. She has been well bred with an unraced two year old filly by Smart Missile and a foal by Sebring following this filly. In 2016 on the strength of this foal she went back to Sebring and is believed to be in foal. This reads very well.

There are not too many better sires in Australia than Sebring. He is very versatile and gets high class two year olds as well as very good staying horses. This season he is sitting 8th on the National Sire's List, 4th on the Two Year Old List and 6th on the Three Year Old List.

I'm really looking forward to this filly getting to the races. She is nominated for the rich Magic Millions race series and will be paid up for the lucrative BOBS Scheme. Kris Lees who is sitting 6th on the National Trainer's Title is the right man to train the filly.

It certainly would be nice to have her at the Gold Coast in January 2018 but given the strength of her pedigree and type of filly she is I wouldn't be surprised to see her really step up as the three year old.



The Championships are coming!!!



Sizzling /Senro Kisaki filly - Patrick Payne

10% shares \$17,500 5% shares \$8,750

25% remaining

I really liked what I saw in a number of the progeny of Sizzling at this sale. To me it is a no brainer that he will be a success at stud. He was a terrific racehorse and precocious two year old from the most dominant sire line in Australia for the past 20 years out of a 'black type' mare by one of the greatest sprinters of the modern generation in General Nediym.

Sizzling's pedigree page is very strong with a host of very good horses down the page. In fact it couldn't be any stronger with both the 2nd and 3rd dams being superior producers.

I love the General Nediym (1st dam), Alzao stakes winner (2nd Dam) and Without Fear stakes producer (3rd dam) down the page. Eastate Label, the 3rd dam was a very high class producer also throwing the outstanding two year old filly Loving Cup.

I must say I had a bit to do with both sides of this pedigree with Sizzling's sire Snitzel being out of Snippet's Lass. Both General Nediym and Snippet's Lass were trained by Bill Mitchell when I was

his Racing Manager. They were both high class racehorses with Snippet's Lass being one of the toughest mares I have had anything to do with.

As for Senro Kisasi our promising filly and last start winner Husson's Kiss is out of Senro Kisasi which is also the dam of the highly progressive Hong Kong galloper Victory Marvel, a two time winner in Hong Kong this season. Husson's Kiss now heads to the 1000 Guineas in Launceston and then onto the Listed Strutt Stakes on Hobart Cup Day and Tasmanian Oaks. This is only Senro Kisasi's 4th foal.

This filly is much stronger than Husson's Kiss was at the same age (pictured below). Senro Kisasi is out of a Danehill Dancer mare. Danehill Dancer has gradually moved up the broodmare sire's list and is now 14th on the list which is a very good effort considering he was 39th four years ago. As a type this filly is faultless and I really like the mating of Sizzling over Senro Kisasi. This filly was bred by Ian Smith who bred the Champion sprinter Silent Witness as well as many other fine gallopers.

This was a really tough sale with many of the yearlings struggling with the oppressive conditions. This filly didn't miss a beat and handled everything with ease. She has been paid up for the rich Magic Million Series and is strong enough to perhaps get to the Gold Coast in 2018 but should train on to be at her best at three and older. I love this filly.



Husson's Kiss as a yearling!!!

Heading towards the Tasmanian Oaks!!!



Smart Missile / Devoirs filly – Darren Weir

10% shares \$14,900 5% shares \$7,450

50% remaining

If there was one yearling I was always going to purchase at this sale it was this one. I know the family very well and have two fillies closely related to this impressive Smart Missile filly. The first is Strike For Victory who like this filly is by Smart Missile Australia's Champion First Season Sire of 2015/16 season. Strike For Victory is probably the fastest two year old I have ever had. She has amazing talent but her attitude has let her down although this is improving.

The second filly I have from the family is Honolulu Lass out of Devoirs dam Velasco. Patrick Payne trains her and has a big opinion of her. She should race in the next six weeks. A Smart Missile colt out of Velasco named Debellatio was an impressive Trial winner at Lark Hill in WA recently and makes his debut at Ascot on Saturday and looks to have plenty of talent.

Devoirs was a good racehorse and Stakes winner. I was offered her first foal Edge Away as a weanling but felt she was too small. She is a Sydney Metropolitan winner.

This filly was reared at Yarraman Park whose reputation for rearing tough horses with good bone and a strong constitution has soared in recent years. I've written many times that it is more important where a foal is raised than who its parents are. This is certainly the case with Yarraman Park.

Progeny reared at Yarraman Park did a remarkable job during the recent Magic Millions Gold Coast Carnival where the highlight was the win by the Yarraman reared Houtzen. Other horses from the farm to perform well on the day were I Am Zelady which was 2nd in the \$1 million Mares Race and Madeenaty 3rd in the Two Year Old race as well.

I have been a strong supporter of Smart Missile since I first inspected his yearlings and have three very nice three year old fillies by him that have raced with The Wasp and Strike For Victory being very impressive winners and Chastity Strikes being placed before needing a spell after contracting a virus. He was Champion first Season Sire in his year in Australia and s leading Second Season Sire as I write this.

I am thrilled to have this filly in our team and should thrive under Darren Weir's training. The filly will be paid up for the rich Magic Millions Series and looks a real runner to me.



Lomazzo as a yearling, check out the brand!!!

Aimed towards the \$500,000 Provincial Final at Randwick!!!