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Golden Script won at Sandown!!!
Our 3rd Magic Millions 2017 purchase to win from just four to race!!!

I must say I was thrilled when **Golden Script** scored a strong win at Sandown today. She was expected to win but that doesn't always mean they do. She has been superbly handled by Darren Weir and Ben Allen rode her confidently. She is our 3rd individual 2yo winner for the season joining the Magic Millions duo **Zizzis** and **Our Long Sali**. Added to these three good filly's achievements we have had **Everard** placed at Randwick and Canterbury. These four fillies were purchased from Magic Million's Sales. We have only had five of our 13 juveniles race.

This is an exciting crop of horses and indications are this group of young horses could be as good or better than the 2013 team. This crop of 13 all won with four winning at group or stakes level.

Provided Golden Script comes through her run without any issues she will head to the \$300,000 VOBIS 2 YO Sires on 21 April at Caulfield. This is shaping as a big day with Husson Eagle and Flying Jess down to run in the Bel Esprit Stakes and Anniversary Vase. These are the final hit outs

before these two very good horses head to Adelaide for the Goodwood Handicap and Queen Of The South Stakes.

We also had **Can't Catch Her** run competitively in a barrier trial at Gosford on Tuesday and provided she comes through the trial without any issues she may head to the races shortly. She is a $\frac{3}{4}$ sister to **Unchain My Heart** who was such a good staying mare.

Zizzis is nominated for Mornington on Monday with Patrick Payne yet to decide whether he runs her there or gives her a trial prior to the Group 3 Breeder's Stakes at Morphettville on 28 April. The form around her is exceptional. **Zizzis** is by **Sizzling** who had another winner at Sandown today. He looks the real deal to me. He is a very promising young sire and another son of **Snitzel** doing a good job at stud.

Our Long Sali is set to resume on Sunday in Hobart and will have two runs before the Tasmanian Sire's Produce Stakes on 13 May. She rounded out her preparation for her return with a strong barrier trial win in Hobart on Tuesday.

We have a few more youngsters going through our system but our policy is for them not to head to the races until they are ready.

Earlier today **Our Netbank** lead all the way to record an overdue win. She had been the bridesmaid on too many occasions. Hopefully she can go on with the job now. I purchased her from the Adelaide Magic Millions Sale in 2016. It has been a happy hunting ground for us over the years.



Our Netbank as a yearling. She was a standout as a type in the 2016 Adelaide Magic Millions Sale!!!

On The Track

The Wasp is set to resume on Friday at Port Macquarie and normally runs very well fresh. We didn't have much joy last weekend with Raido not handling the Toowoomba track and Black And Tan getting no favours from the bad barrier draw in Adelaide. I won't comment on the ride.

Sales

The Inglis Easter Yearling Sale has delivered everything the market expected. The overall quality of the yearlings was very good. The first day's results were amazing with the average in excess of \$379,000. This makes our yearling purchases look great value and I'm pleased I decided to buy early this year. I've only ever purchased a couple of yearlings at the Easter Sale but it is always a pleasure to inspect some of the outstanding yearlings on offer.

The main catalogue grossed \$116,056,500 which is the 2nd best on record and continued the strong run of sales conducted in Australia this year.

My focus is now squarely on **Savoureux**, **Shine On Anna** and **Husson Boots** which will be sold at the Inglis complex over the next few days. Good luck to the owners of these three mares.

Savoureux is a member of one of our best crops of horses. In 2013 I purchased 13 yearlings with all going on to win and four being stakes winners or **30.76%** stakes winners to named foals.

These 13 horses cost \$633,500 as yearlings and have returned just over \$2.9 million with hopefully plenty more to come. It will be interesting to see what Savoureux sells for. I would be surprised if she didn't bring in excess of \$300,000.

As a Group and Listed winner, she should be well found particularly on the back of the strong yearling sale results.

I did some figures on the sales I purchased the four stakes winners from and came up with some interesting facts. A total of named 2050 foals came from the Gold Coast (Hijack Hussy), Adelaide (Husson Eagle), Perth Magic Millions (Raido) and Inglis Classic Sales (Savoureux). 1281 of these were winners (62.5%). 79 won black type races or **3.85%** of the named foals.

The Championships

I really enjoyed the racing at Royal Randwick last Saturday where the Australian bred horses almost swept the floor winning nine of the ten races including the four Group 1 races on offer. Added to this they filled 25 of the 30 placings at this important meeting.

I am a great supporter of our local product and love to see the Australian bred horses performing so well.

Arrowfield Stud and Yarraman Park certainly deserve a special mention with their sires Snitzel and I Am Invincible winning half the races run at the meeting.

The Championships have been a wonderful initiative and have given the Sydney Autumn Carnival a real focus. The introduction of the Provincial and Country Championships was a master stroke and has raised the profile of the sport to levels never before witnessed in provincial and country NSW.

Yearlings

I was never really in the market to purchase a yearling at Easter. I had a couple of cracks but I knew the yearlings I liked were going to be out of my reach. It doesn't really matter with our figures being better than those of any sale in Australia. It doesn't matter where you buy your yearlings as long as they are nice horses. I couldn't be happier with the yearlings I purchased this year and I am sure we have some good racehorses joining our team.

Our yearlings are quickly filling up so don't sit back and wait to see what might be available in a month's time. They may be all fully syndicated by then. Here are some you should look at.

Victoria

More Winners – More Often – More Fun



Hinchinbrook filly out of Hidden Charge
Darren Weir – Ballarat – 10% shares \$6,900 (5% shares available)

I was really taken by this filly when I inspected her. She is very strong behind and has good scope to grow. I have had quite a bit to do with the progeny of Hinchinbrook having purchased Flying Jess, his highest earning filly. The best Hinchinbrook fillies seem to be the ones with good size, scope and

strength. This filly certainly has both these attributes. Another of our good Hinchinbrook fillies is Kissing Game which also is a strong athletic filly.

Dr Brett Warren who did my vet inspections at the Adelaide yearling sale was also very taken with this filly and as surprised as I was when I secured her for such a reasonable price.

Hinchinbrook

Hinchinbrook was destined to be a sire from the moment he was born at Yarraman Park. He was a strong impressive looking foal and has developed into a magnificent looking sire. He is a $\frac{3}{4}$ brother to Champion Australian Sire Snitzel but his deeds at stud have seen him come out of Snitzel's shadow to be a very highly regarded young horse in his own right.

Hinchinbrook, like many of the sprinters that raced in his era suffered at the hands of Black Caviar. Nevertheless, his racetrack achievements were very good. He won his first won starts before being the first colt home in the Golden Slipper. He won the Skyline Stakes and Canonbury Stakes. He was placed in the Group 1 ATC Sire's Produce Stakes and the Group 1 ATC All Aged Stakes. He proved his versatility when being placed in Melbourne in the Group 1 MVRC William Reid Stakes and the Group 1 MRC Oakleigh.

At stud he has excelled. He was the leading Champion First Season Sire in Australia in 2013/14 Season producing a Group 1 winner in his first crop. His performances at stud are better than they look when you consider he has only ever served reasonably small books of mares. The most foals he had in his first three seasons at stud was just 92. This is about half the number some of the other sires in the Hunter Valley have representing them.

Hidden Charges

Hidden Charges is a daughter of the very good race mare and producer Ain't Seen Nothin'. I love buying out of the daughters of high class race mares. In this case Hidden Charges which won three races and is by Charge Forward who is quickly establishing himself as a very high, class broodmare sire.

He has risen from 164 on the Australian Brood Mare List two years ago to 26th as I write this. After Estijaab won the Golden Slipper he stormed into 6th which would be an extraordinary performance for such a young horse. Runners out of Charge Forward's daughters include She Will Reign, Sunlight, Estijaab and Traces.

Also, Estijaab and Traces are by Snitzel who is a $\frac{3}{4}$ brother to Hinchinbrook. Everything indicates this filly should have a good future.

In my opinion this is easily the best mating Hidden Charges has had with her first three foals being by Equiano who has hardly set the world in fire at stud and the fourth foal had to be put down. This filly represents great value and heads to an outstanding trainer in Darren Weir.

West Australia



Sizzling / Belle D'Amour filly – Dan Morton to train
10% \$8,500 per share

I really liked the progeny of Sizzling at last year's sales and purchased two yearlings by him. The first was Zizzis who won on debut and backed this up by winning the Adelaide Magic Millions 2YO Classic. The second was a colt from the Adelaide Magic Millions Sale named Addocarr. He is trained by Tony Gollan and is back in work being prepared for the Brisbane Winter Carnival. He ran 2nd in his first barrier trial and looks to have plenty of ability.

I was the under bidder on a 3rd filly by Sizzling at the Magic Millions National Sale named Sizzling Belle out of Greenmount Belle, a mare we raced. She has won her first three starts and ran 2nd in Black Opal Stakes. Sizzling has started off well and looks to have a good future at stud.

The photo does do this filly justice. She is very athletic and a very attractive filly. She is a nice size and looks a runner to my eye. She is eligible for the Westspeed bonuses which is a great advantage when racing horses in WA.

The filly vetted out without any issues and has a great hindquarter and a good strong shoulder and deep girth. Her legs are very good. In fact, you couldn't fault her conformation.

I really liked what I saw in several the progeny of Sizzling at last year's sales. To me it is a no brainer that he will be a success at stud. He was a terrific racehorse and precocious two years 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. Estate Label, the 3rd dam was a very high-class producer also throwing the outstanding two years 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.

Sizzling has started out his stud career in great fashion and is currently 2nd on the Australian First Season List for winners behind only Spirit Of Boom.

Belle D'Amour is by the good sprinter Jet Spur. He has had a good start as a broodmare sire with 15 of his 26 runners winning. This is more than acceptable.

Belle D'Amour was a very good race filly and won the BRC Lancaster Stakes at two years old. This is only her 2nd foal with the first being a winner of one of his only two starts. There are also plenty of winners down the page including several 'black type' performers. Belle D'Amour's dam is by Military Plume which adds a lot to the page.



Zizzis winning the Adelaide Magic Millions

New South Wales



More than Ready (USA) / Riva del Mar filly 2016
\$13,000 per 10% share (5% shares available)

I was taken by this filly when I inspected her. She is very athletic and by a sire who just keeps getting stakes winners. More Than Ready is one of the world's great sires with an amazing 179 individual stakes winners to his credit. Compare this with Fastnet Rock's 129 stakes winners and you get an idea of just how good he is.

The filly

This filly is very much in the mould of many of the good More Than Ready fillies I have inspected. He stamps his progeny and right from his first crop in Australia from which I purchased Readymore he has consistently done a remarkable job.

I haven't been able to purchase many fillies by More Than Ready mainly because the ones I have liked to have been too expensive. It didn't take long for his progeny to escalate in price after they started racing.

This filly has excellent conformation and I must say is a very well-balanced athlete. Dr Tim Roberts who does most of my vet work at the sales really liked her and gave her a good rating.

I wouldn't be surprised to see her get up and going early and she will be paid up for the \$8 million Inglis Series of races as well as the BOBS Scheme.

More Than Ready

More than Ready is one of the greatest shuttle stallions to have visited our country. His progeny has won 1962 races in Australia and \$74,766,148 in stakes money. These are incredible figures. Worldwide he has won 4680 races with over \$190,000,000 in stakes earnings. Compare that with Fastnet Rock who has 2622 wins and just over \$140,000,000 in stakes earnings.

Some of his best to have raced in Australia include Sebring, Samaready, More Joyous, Carry on Cutie, Phelan Ready and Perfectly Ready just to name a few. More Than Ready has consistently been a top 20 sire in Australia for the past 15 years.

The biggest impact More Than Ready may have on our industry is as a great broodmare sire. He is currently 9th on the broodmare list and is the youngest sire represented which is a great pointer to the future.

Riva Del Mar

Riva Del Mar is by the champion sire Shamardal out of the highly credentialed Zabeel mare More Chickens. This is a great female line with two Oaks winners on the page. One of these is Faint Perfume by Shamardal which shows just how well the cross works with this family.

I love buying yearlings out of families where an Oaks winner is up on the page. It is interesting that our latest Stakes Horse Casa De Lago also has two Oaks winners on her page.

Make no bones about it, the Oaks winners are the very best fillies of their year and the families they come from almost always go forward and produce very good gallopers.

This is her first foal which I also really like. Once again many of the better gallopers I have been associated with over the years are first foals.

Stop Press

More Than Ready averages \$282,143 at Easter with the top priced being a filly for \$400,000!!!



Deep Field filly out of Cattalo 10% shares \$8,500 (5% shares available)
John Thompson - Randwick

I have been inspecting the progeny of Deep Field at this year's sales but the ones I have liked were bringing more than I was prepared to spend. I found this filly is the Perth Magic Millions Sale and valued her at \$80,000. I managed to secure her for \$50,000 which was a bargain.

She is a very attractive filly. She is well grown and has a great hindquarter. She is also BOBS qualified which is a great advantage and as a result I will send her to John Thompson to train.

The progeny of Deep Field averaged \$219,231 at this year's Gold Coast Magic Millions Sale only behind I Am Invincible, Snitzel and Fastnet Rock on averages which gives you an idea of just how well his progeny were received.

I have had very good success buying out of the Perth Magic Millions. I have only purchased four yearlings with the three to race all being winners. **Raido is the best of these and won the Listed Goldmarket Handicap at the Gold Coast recently breaking the race record. This followed on from his December win when he broke the Class record for 900m at the same track.**

The other two winners I purchased were Invincible Me which has won five races and Maldicion who won just the one race but had good ability running in the Tasmanian Oaks. Unfortunately, she injured a tendon which finished her career. These three horses collectively cost \$150,000 to purchase and have won 13 races and \$385,233 with two still racing.

The 4th is a Husson filly, now two years old named Lady Husson trained by Dan Morton that should get to the races in late April.

Deep Field

Deep Field was a very fast horse five races including two at Group 2 level, a Listed race and he was placed 3rd in the VRC Lightning Stakes. He has a superb pedigree being by the ill-fated Northern Meteor who looked like being a super star but died prematurely leaving three sire sons including Australia's Leading 2YO Sire this season in Zoustar as well as the highly credentialed Shooting To Win and Eurozone who looks like making a name for himself at stud.

Most good sires have a strong female line and that is certainly the case here with Deep Field being out of the very good race mare Listen Here. She is also the dam of the Caulfield Guineas winner, Shooting To Win.

Cattalo

Cattalo is by the Danehill line horse Tiger Hill who has been a great success as a broodmare sire. Most of his best results are overseas with his best performed runner here being Almandin, the 2016 Melbourne Cup winner.

This is only her third foal. The 2nd foal is a Sizzling colt trained by Lee Curtis who has a very good opinion of him.

The 2nd dam is by Marscay and was a 2yo Sydney winner. She has had six to race for five winners including the stakes placed Toqique which was also placed 4th in the AJC Randwick Guineas.

The 3rd dam is the Champion mare Mannerism the dam of the Moonee Valley Oaks and the Group 3 winner and sire Manner Hill.

I was thrilled to purchase this filly and look forward to her wearing our colours.

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