



PRIME DISPATCH

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One of our former stars Under Command after winning a

One Day Event in Tasmania recently

I am always pleased to see our retired horses being well looked after and got quite a thrill when Leuella Meaburn sent me a photo of Under Command with a blue ribbon around his neck after he won a One Day Event in Tasmania recently. He was foaled in 2001 and was quite a racehorse winning \$335,955 in stakes money with his best performance being 3rd in the Group 1 Caulfield Guineas. I saw him a few months ago and he is in terrific shape.

These horses give us terrific pleasure when they are racing and to be able to see them being so well cared for after they leave the track sends a very positive message to the people who oppose our industry.

CHRISTMAS HAS ARRIVED

It certainly is hard to believe Christmas is almost upon us and we are only a couple of weeks from heading to the Gold Coast for the Magic Millions.

On behalf of Maree and my family I would like to wish you and your loved ones all the best for the festive season and let's hope 2016 brings you plenty of joy.

One of the tough things about being in any business I suppose is that you lose clients and friends as the years go by. This is certainly the case in our business and our thoughts are with those of you that have lost loved ones this year. Christmas can be a tough time for people in this situation.

The office is now officially closed until 12/1/16 although information will still be forwarded through on your horse's progress during the break.

ON THE TRACK

We have an important week coming up with the abandonment of the Flemington meeting tomorrow causing only a slight disruption to our plans. Depending on the weather Maldicion may resume at either Bendigo or Benalla. Savoureux is set to run at Rosehill with this run likely to bring her to her peak.

On Wednesday Makeadane and Reneged head to Warwick Farm with Tye Angland booked to ride.

On Boxing Day we have Atalanta Miss, Awasita and Husson Eagle likely to run at Royal Randwick and Annaman heading to the Gold Coast. Bella Venus is set to run at Devonport on 27/12/15.

I will be updating our runners through Mistable during the holiday break.

THE PEOPLE'S CUP

I watched the documentary 'The People's Cup' on Racing.com and I highly recommend it. The story is about Darren Weir and Michelle Payne and I must say I got a thrill to see Michelle riding Under Command in a race at Flemington over a decade ago about 9 minutes into the documentary.

Everything about this year's Melbourne Cup was terrific. I spoke with Chauncey Morris from Aushorse a couple of years ago and he told me Australians had spent about \$70 million in the previous year purchasing international stayers trying to buy a Melbourne Cup winner. As I understand it Prince Of Penzance cost just \$60,000 and Darren Weir trained him from day one. He developed him as a stayer and deserves all the credit for his success.

MAGIC MILLIONS RACEDAY

It will be too late to call me on the week of Magic Millions hoping to get a ticket. They will be like finding hen's teeth. If you are planning to head up for the Magic Millions and want to enjoy the day get in touch with the Gold Coast Turf Club and book your tickets or lunch packages. Check out the link:

<http://www.gctc.com.au/event/2016-jeep-magic-millions/january-2016/406>

At this stage we are hoping to have four runners on the day with Husson Eagle, Awasita, Atalanta Miss and Naranja being aimed at races.



Husson Eagle as a yearling



I Am Invincible filly out of Belle Amici 2014

Darren Weir to train in Victoria

10 shares @ \$10,500

The filly pictured above is a terrific filly by the outstanding young sire I Am Invincible from the well related Catbird mare Belle Amici. I have inspected her four times at Yarraman Park since May and was keen to purchase her. She is a very good type of filly with a good hindquarter, great conformation and an attractive head.

She vetted out without any issues and was reared at Yarraman Park one of Australia's most well respected boutique nurseries.

The filly is an October foal and will be broken in in February/ March of 2016 with a view to giving her every chance to run as a two year old. **She comes from a very precocious family with Belle Amici's ½ brother Restless winning as a two year old and being stakes placed as well.** He was placed in six of his seven starts as a two year old and went on to win 10 races including four at Group or stakes level and \$578,305 in stakes money.

The first three dams have had 17 to race with 15 individual winners which is exceptional. To me this looks Belle Amici's best mating.

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 2nd 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 2nd season list standing in Australia to break the half century. At the completion of the 2014/15 Season he was 3rd 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 2nd 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.

Belle Amici

As I wrote earlier Belle Amici 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.**

Belle Amici is out of the outstanding race mare Let's Hurry the winner of 8 races including three at Group 2 level and one at Group 3 level. She was also placed twice at Group 1 level and was 4th in the VRC Oaks and SAJC Goodwood Handicap. All seven of her foals to race were winners.

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.

It should be remembered he stood for only **\$11,000** in his first season and while he was a standout as a type didn't get the 'A' grade mares many of the other first season sires received. This has now changed and I am expecting his progeny which pass the vet to be out of our reach in next year's yearling sales.

I am thrilled to have this filly join our team and look forward to her wearing our colours.

BAY FILLY
Foaled 14th October, 2014

Sire:	Invincible Spirit	Green Desert	Danzig
I AM INVINCIBLE	Rafha	Foreign Courier
2004	Cannarelle	Canny Lad	Kris
	Catbird	Countess Pedrille	Eljazzi
Dam:	Danehill	Blethingly
BELLE AMICI	Fitting	Jesmond Lass
2002	Let's Hurry	Vite Cheval	Zoffany
		Nigretta Miss	Sister Pedrille
			Danzig
			Razyana
			Marscay
			Corn
			Vice Regal
			Vite Fillette
			Grey Ghost
			Lady Hurry (23-a)

By **I AM INVINCIBLE (AUS)** (B. 2004 - Stud 2010) Stakes-winner; won 5 races and \$270,050 inc. SAJC D.C. McKay S. [G3], MRC Sir John Monash S. [L]; **sire of 9 SWs (1 G1)** Brazen Beau, Look to the Stars, Massive Millennium, Super One, Fuld's Bet, Illustrious Lad, The Justice League, Leeds, Bassillique and **SP** Tetsuko, Silent Whisper, Mine Two, Convincible, Band on the Run, Miss Antaeus, Uratta Belle; also winners Hellbent, I Am the General, Most Important, Comprendre, Invincible Jules, Invincible Man, Abu Dhabi, Lexgetreddy, etc.

1st DAM

BELLE AMICI, by Catbird. **1 win** at 1400 m. in Australia. Half-sister to **RESTLESS**. Dam of 5 living foals. Her fourth foal is a 2 YO, 2 raced, both winners-.

ALIEN (2008 g by Elusive Quality (USA)). **5 wins** at 1200, 1300 m. and \$112,296. in Malaysia.

CAMARADA (2010 g by Bernardini (USA)). **2 wins** at 1200 m. in Australia.

2nd DAM

LET'S HURRY, by Vite Cheval (NZ). **8 wins** at 1200, 1400 m. and \$485,710. Won AJC Expressway S. [G2], AJC Surround S. [G2], QTC Sir Byrne Hart S. [G2], VRC Great Western S. [G3]. 2nd VATC Vic-Health Cup [G1], STC Winfield Classic [G1], QTC Sir Byrne Hart S. [G2], AJC T.L. Baillieu H. [L]. 3rd Tattersalls Club (nsw) Tramway H. [G3], VATC Tristarc S. [L]. 4th VRC VRC Oaks [G1], AJC Champagne S. [G1], SAJC Goodwood H. [G1], VRC Edward Manifold S. [G2], STC Tea Rose S. [G2]. Half-sister to **Girl's Best Friend**. Dam of 9 named foals, 7 raced, all winners inc.-.

RESTLESS (g by Thunder Gulch (USA)). **10 wins** 1200 to 2020 m. and \$578,305. Won BTC Carnival Cup [G3], AJC Japan Racing Association Plate [L], STC Sky High Quality S. [L], STC Parramatta Quality Cup [L]. 2nd AJC Craven Plate [G3], BTC Labour Day Cup [G3], AJC Australia Day Cup [L], AJC Carbine Club S. [L]. 3rd Gold Coast TC Prime Minister's Cup [G2], STC N.E. Manion Quality Cup [G3], AJC T.L. Baillieu H. [L], STC Frank Underwood Quality Cup [L]. 4th BTC Chairman's H. [G3].

WIZAWAY. **5 wins** 1300 to 2200 m. Won WATC racingjobs.com.au H., WATC Call Tab to Bet 132 369 H. 3rd WATC Racing Radio 1206Am Handicap.

SUPERIOR ECHO. **2 wins** at 1400, 1630 m. Won BTC Play Station Three-Years-Old Class 3 H.

3rd DAM

NIGRETТА MISS, by Grey Ghost (GB). **6 wins** at 1000, 1100 m. in Australia. Dam of 10 foals, 8 raced, 6 winners inc.-.

LET'S HURRY (f by Vite Cheval (NZ)). **8 wins**. See above.

Girl's Best Friend (c by Diamond Joe (GB)). **4 wins** 1200 to 2020 m. Won VATC H R Way Welter H., VRC Trivalve H., MVRC Happy Valley H. 3rd VATC Wallace S. [L], VATC Dandenong H.

EXPORETTA. **4 wins** 1200 to 1614 m. Won MVRC Coca Cola H., VRC Show Ego H. Producer.

ACADEMY LASS. **2 wins** at 1200, 1400 m. Won VATC The Park S., VATC Sturt H. 2nd VATC Sapphire H., VRC Rainbird H. 3rd VATC Grange H., VRC Pago Pago Plate. Dam of 6 winners inc.---

ANOTHER WOMBY. **3 wins** at 1118, 1200 m. and \$79,310. Won MVRC MVRC Plate. 2nd MRC Hickmans of Melbourne H. 3rd MRC Din San Nurseries H. Producer.

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Blazing Arch (g by Archway (IRE)). **7 wins** 1600 to 2100 m. and \$108,195. Won STC Special Conditions H., STC Truscott's Toyota Superfecta, STC Special Conditions H. 3rd STC W.J. McKell Quality Cup [L], STC Class 6 Cup, STC On Course Tours Superfecta, STC Clipsal H.



Awasita as a yearling