



PRIME DISPATCH

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Chalmers 3yo by Mossman out of Nephtys
Has now won 3 of his 9 starts and looks to have a very bright future!!!

I was really pleased with Chalmers win in Newcastle. He is one of two colts I purchased in 2016 and he has been very well handled by Kris Lees. His win was full of merit. He carried 61.5kg from the outside gate and was never closer than three wide but was able to run over the top of his opposition in the straight to score a big win. He does look a horse of the future. Andrew Gibbons has been doing a good job for us for years and his ride in this race was as good as you are likely to see. Chalmers is ready to head to Sydney with him likely to start on 2 June at Rosehill.

We had mixed results on Saturday with Lady Husson our first starter in Perth missing the start and never really getting into the race. I felt sorry for her. She was all at sea and kept changing legs. I must say she has a big stride and will now head out for a break. I'm looking forward to her next preparation.

Congratulations to those people and horses inducted into the Australian Racing Hall Of Fame. These people and horses deserve to be recognised by the industry and it is nice to see positive news about these participants.

Perth Visit

I really enjoyed my few days in Perth and given the excellent stakes money on offer and restricted fields I am planning to syndicate two horses with Dan Morton next year.

I am looking at arranging a tour to Perth for our clients who may not have been to Perth or would be interested in visiting again. The following would be the likely program:

Wednesday 14 November – fly to Perth Cocktail Party at Intercontinental Hotel

Thursday – River cruise and lunch at Sandalford Estate in the Swan Valley

Friday – Visit to studs with lunch at Gold Front Stud

Saturday – Ascot Races

Sunday – Free to do your own thing

Monday 19 November - fly home

I intend getting a package deal from the Intercontinental including breakfast (beautiful hotel in central Perth)

This visit would be a real eye opener for our clients who are interested in racing horses in Perth. I will forward out more details over the next couple of months as I firm up arrangements.

Want A Nice Mare?

We have some very nice mares being sold at the Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale on the Gold Coast on 29 May.

Flying Jess and Savoureux are two mares who really kept our flag flying over the past couple of years and these two top shelf race mares go under the hammer at the Gold Coast. They did a great job for us winning \$1,813,165 on the track and should be well found at the sale. These two mares only cost \$125,000 to purchase with Flying Jess coming from the Gold Coast January Yearling sale for \$60,000 and Savoureux fetching just \$65,000 from the Inglis Classic Sale.

Munjai who is a $\frac{3}{4}$ sister to Whittington will also be sold at this sale. The Wasp will be offered on the Inglis Online Auction Site and again has a good pedigree being a $\frac{3}{4}$ sister to the Goodwood winner Lone Rock.

For most of our owners racing is a hobby and it is nice to think that you could get a good return once your horse's racing career is completed. Unfortunately, all horse's careers come to an end.

A Week Of Contrasts!!!

What a crazy week it has been. The news out of Margaret River of the family murdered in an apparent murder/ suicide was horrific and highlighted the need for more to be done to help those affected by depression. It is a terrible disease and one that causes so much grief in our community. The long term effect on the family and community can't be measured but it will be considerable. I remember a similar event in Toowoomba when I was growing up when a father murdered his wife and several of their children. It affected a lot of people.

I used to walk past their home every day going to school with some of the children murdered that night were friends with some of my brothers and sisters. It was terrible and to this day over 40 years on the house hasn't been lived in or changed. I can quite vividly remember members of that family and was speaking with my brother about it after the news of the murders came through from WA.

It seems we get reports almost weekly of shootings at schools and colleges in the United States. I find it hard to comprehend how these events could occur. There's no doubt drugs are being consumed more regularly than in the past with the long-term effects of this usage causing a lot of the issues we are facing as a community. You only have to go to any mental health institution to see relatively young people residing there whose lives have been destroyed by the damage done to their brains using these substances.

But then the good news story of the week. A Royal Wedding might not be everyone's cup of tea but it certainly put a smile on many people's faces and was a highlight. Everyone needs to have something to smile about and I hope the young couple have a great life together. They both seem like pretty decent people.

The Everest

Racing NSW and the Australian Turf Club did a great job in pulling together The Everest which was first run at Randwick in October last year. It was a great race showcasing our sprinters and just how good they are, but I wonder how much better the race could be.

I'd like to see the race changed to be more expansive with the field of sixteen contest the 1200m race run under the weight for age scale at Randwick made up as follows:

Racing NSW, RVL, TRSA, Queensland Racing and RWWA would each hold a slot and be able to select their best sprinter to run in the race (five slots).

William Inglis and Son, Magic Millions and NZ Breeding would each hold a slot and select a horse sold at one of their sales to represent their company (three slots).

The ATC would hold a slot as host of the race and select a horse to represent it (one slot).

The major sales company in England, Ireland and France would each hold a slot and select a horse to represent them (three slots).

The Hong Kong Jockey Club and JRA would hold slots and select a horse to represent them (two slots).

Racing NSW would hold two wild card entries into the race with these not allocated until 14 days before the race (two slots).

Using this model, the makeup of the field would probably see 10 Australian and six international sprinters contest the race.

The marketing opportunities this format would throw up would be enormous with the local sprinters representing each state, the sales companies and ATC competing against the overseas visitors guaranteeing wide international exposure.

The biggest point of difference The Everest has over the Melbourne Cup for instance is we have a good number of local horses that could well win the race. This is important and would guarantee the long-term success of this race. This isn't to down play the Melbourne Cup but it has almost become impossible for a locally bred horse to win the great race.

On The Track

I am waiting to confirm our runners during the next week, but this should give you a guide. Reneged, Black and Tan and perhaps Casa De Lago are nominated to run Saturday at Randwick and Sandown. It would be nice to get some rain in Sydney. Hussy's Glow, Invincible Al and Honolulu Lass are set to run at Ballarat tomorrow with all three expected to take improvement from this run.

Addocarr is set to make his debut at Ipswich next Wednesday. He is an exciting colt by Sizzling and I am hoping to be able to get up to Ipswich to watch him. This will depend on my commitments at the National Sale.

Chalmers is set to run at Rosehill on Saturday week.

Yearlings

The response to our yearlings has been terrific. The two yearlings I have shares remaining in are the Shooting To Win filly and Deep Field filly. I am getting very good feedback on the progeny of Shooting To Win and our filly is a cracking type who has done a treat since I purchased her. I will be heading up to Washpool Lodge later in the month and will put her into pretraining for two weeks before she heads to John Moloney. I highly recommend the daughter from the first crop of Shooting To Win, a Caulfield Guineas winner.

I am continuing to work through our yearling promotions and can see the light at the end of the tunnel. There are not too many shares remaining. Have a look at these.

New South Wales



Deep Field filly out of Cattalo 10% shares \$8,900 (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 her.

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

[Victoria](#)



Shooting To Win / Miss Fidler filly 2016
\$17,500 per 10% share (5% shares available @ \$8,750)

In December I was doing my pre-sale inspections in the Hunter Valley and visited Fernrigg Farm. I was very impressed with the way their yearlings were presented and this filly particularly caught my eye. She is a very attractive looking horse and gets around very well. I marked her reasonably highly at the time and was pleasantly surprised just how well she had done since I first saw her a month earlier.

Let's look more closely at why I purchased her.

The filly

The filly vetted out without any issues and has clear x-rays. Dr Tim Roberts, one of Australia's leading vets does most of my sales inspections and is also a very good judge of a yearling. He has provided a detailed report which is included in the Product Disclosure Statement.

She is a nice sized filly and very attractive. She has a nice length of rein and stands over good ground. She has a great shoulder and is strong through the neck and has a nice girth. She is nice and strong behind which is important.

I believe this filly should run at but that she will develop into a really lovely three and four years old.

The filly has a superb pedigree and is related to some very good horses. This is a family that seems to throw up outstanding gallopers in each generation.

In many ways as a type she reminds me of Hidden Wonder, a very good mare I syndicated a few years ago.

Shooting To Win

Shooting to Win has all the ingredients to make a successful sire. Firstly, he comes from an outstanding family and is out of one of the very best mares at stud in Australia. His sire Northern Meteor looked like being a super star but died prematurely which was a massive loss to the Australian breeding industry.

Secondly, he is an outstanding looking horse. He has terrific conformation and is as good a type as you are likely to see.

Thirdly, he was a very good racehorse with his time in winning the Caulfield Guineas being quicker than Redoute's Choice and Lonhro. He is one of only three horses to win the Stan Fox Stakes / Caulfield Guineas double, the other two being Kenwood Melody and Lonhro.

Fourthly, he has quite several very nice yearlings and they look like racehorses.

Miss Fidler

Miss Fidler has an outstanding pedigree and comes from a family that continually produces high class gallopers. She herself is a ½ sister to the Group 1 winner Hurtle Myrtle, the winner of the VRC Myer Classic.

Miss Fidler is out of a Royal Academy mare which I love. Two horses that come to mind that I syndicated out of Royal academy mares are Husson Eagle and Raido. He is the brood mare sire of a remarkable 189 stakes winners including the high class Australian bred Group 1 winners Fastnet Rock and Heart of Dreams.

Miss Fidler is only a young mare and has a 2yo brother by Medaglia d'Oro and is believed to be in foal to Choisir.

Thanks for the memories!!!



Flying Jess



Savooureux