



PRIME DISPATCH

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Miss De Vega (Lope De Vega / Blonde Mafia 2012)

Pictured above is the most expensive yearling I have purchased. She came out of this year's Gold Coast Magic Millions January Sale and cost \$165,000. She is by the exciting first season sire Lope de Vega out of the highly rated Redoute's Choice mare Blonde Mafia. Tony McEvoy gets the filly to train and after I inspected her recently at Washpool Lodge was very pleased that I had decided to purchase her. She is a terrific filly. The filly has been named Miss De Vega. Good luck to her and her owners.

I am in the process of getting quite a few of our yearlings named and I will be posting these on Stablesmart.com as they come through. Naming horses is sometimes the most frustrating job I have to do as many names are not available for a number of reasons and the Registrar Of Racing is very careful with the names allocated in these days where we need to be so very correct!!!

MAGIC ALBERT

I was pleased to read today that Magic Albert had his 100th winner for the season. He has been a great winner producer since he started at stud and is an important member of the strong Yarraman Park stallion roster. This is the 5th year in a row he has achieved the feat and is 11th on the Winner List in Australia which is a very good effort considering over 700 stallions stand here. He has more individual winners than Testa Rossa, Redoute's Choice, Snippetson, Show A Heart, Sequalo, Flying Spur, Al Maher and Mossman just to name a few which have less winners than him this season!!!

Interestingly, this bloodline has done a great job for us and been amongst our most successful sire lines going back to our first Zeditave purchase, the good race mare Calming. The four best Magic Albert progeny I purchased were all stakes horses and the combined purchase price of the four was just \$130,000. Too Many Reds, I Am Magic, Greenmount Belle and Hotel Casino won a combined 37 races from 165 starts with \$923,964 in stakes money.

It might pay you to have a close look at the Magic Albert's I have on offer.

SHANE THOMAS

I received the sad news on Tuesday that Shane Thomas, the son of Kevin and Pauline Thomas from Washpool Lodge had suddenly passed away earlier in the week. This was unexpected and at 37 years of age Shane was too young to have his life taken by a cerebral aneurysm.

I have been associated with the Thomas family for 18 years and have really enjoyed my dealings with the whole family. Kevin broke in the first yearling I purchased from Magic Millions in January 1998.

Over the years many of our clients have visited Washpool Lodge and always left with a positive view to how well their horses were being cared for. I have several yearlings at the farm and will visit on 11 July. We will not put them back into work until then to give Kevin and Pauline a bit of breathing space.

I will be forwarding on condolences on behalf of Prime Thoroughbreds but do respect the families need to be left alone for a few days.

ON THE TRACK

We have a weekend off which isn't a bad thing. It isn't very often we don't have any runners. On Tuesday Savoureux steps out for her debut race at Cessnock although she has continued our recent poor run of barriers getting the outside draw in a field of 14. She is a full sister to Kris Lees smart stayer Slivovitz and ½ sister to Maraska.

In other news Terra Amata looks set to resume at the Grafton Carnival in the Sir James Kirby Quality. This mare started her career in Tasmania with Charlie Goggin and she was transferred to Kris Lees to give her more options. She may well head back to Tasmania for a crack at the Group 3 mares races, the Bow Mistress and Vamos Stakes in February. She was very competitive in those races this year.

Husson Eagle returned to Patrick Payne's stable today to be prepared for the Spring Carnival. It will be here before we know it. Hijack Hussey is back in work with Tony Gollan. We have had quite a few horses' trial or jump out in the past couple of weeks including Terra Amata, Oeuvre, Funny As, Invincible Me, Poussin and Rumeron.

I must say the weather across Southern Australia has been dreadful with the conditions in Melbourne over the past few days as bad as I can remember.

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.

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 duel 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. Hopefully we get another happy snap in NSW in the coming weeks!!!