



PRIME DISPATCH

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Husson Eagle \$42,500 Magic Millions Purchase

\$913,218 in stakes earnings!!!

On Saturday we have three important runners at Eagle Farm and Canterbury. Husson Eagle takes his place in the \$100,000 Falvelon Stakes and Annaman runs in the Shoot Out Quality at Eagle Farm. Flying Jess has her final hit out for the \$2 million Magic Millions Three Year Old Guineas at Canterbury where she runs over 1200m. Hijack Hussy won't run again until Magic Millions race day on 14 January 2014.

Nominations close today for all other races on the Magic Millions card with the exception of the two and three year old races. We will be nominating Annaman, Hijack Hussy, Husson Boots, Husson Eagle, More Than A Rose and Naranja for races on the day. It will be interesting to see how the nominations come up. My gut feeling is that Husson Eagle, Flying Jess, Hijack Hussy, Annaman and Husson Boots will get a start with Naranja line ball and More Than a Rose unlikely to be high enough in the ratings.

ON THE TRACK

We had some good performances over the past few days with Invincible Al's run at Sandown being exceptional. He looks a really nice horse in the making and should have won by panels. It wasn't the rider's fault. She went for a gap that closed when the horse outside her rolled in and forced her to go back and around the field. He was beaten a lip in the photo with the leader which won, running 32.65 for the final 600. His time would have been exceptional.

Awasita is an honest mare and put in another good performance running 2nd at Randwick. She is in career best form and not far off another win. She has now won \$270,916 which is a great effort. Black type? Let's hope so.

Hussey's Glow ran very well for 2nd and covered ground in the run. She won't be long out of the winner's circle.

We had a frustrating day in Newcastle where the track favoured front runners with our horses getting back and having no hope the way the pattern of racing panned out. I thought Naranja's run was exceptional with the rider showing little initiative on the horse early in the race.

IMPORTANCE OF JOCKEYS

I would like to know how many hours I spent over the past year trying to get the best rider possible for our horses. The rider we are after may not be the ones leading the premiership but the one that would best suit our horse.

It can be a very frustrating exercise and while we normally get a good choice in NSW, Victoria and South Australia we struggle at times in Queensland.

We have had some ordinary rides on our Queensland based horses over the past 12 months. In my opinion the pool of jockeys available for selection in the Sunshine State is not good with the issue exacerbated on Saturdays where you have three meetings in South East Queensland. It is hard enough to get a rider of choice in Brisbane on a Saturday that alone at the Gold Coast and in Toowoomba. This is something Racing Queensland should look at.

Confidence is a big thing in racing and it isn't much use running three meetings if you don't have enough suitable riders available to ride at the meetings. I can see the situation getting worse with more riders lured to NSW where the stakes money is so lucrative at present.

For example a jockey gets \$840 (5%) for a winning ride at the provincials on Saturday in NSW compared with \$455 in Queensland. In NSW the 5% money at the provincials for running 2nd is \$292.50 compared with \$140 in Queensland.

It is a fact of life that jockeys rely heavily on the 5% of all stakes money earned by their mounts to make their salary up to a reasonable level and it is difficult to get riders to stick with a horse when they have better rides on offer. It simply comes down to dollars and cents with jockey loyalty generally relying on where the best earn is for them which is understandable.

Some owners find this difficult to accept when a rider jumps off their horse for another ride in the same race. I'm certain jockey managers have a lot to do with these decisions with some riders not knowing which horses they are on until acceptance time. It would be nice to be in the position Godolphin are in where they put the jockeys of their choice but have their riders on big retainers.

In all cases we do the best we can and believe me it is frustrating for all concerned but mostly for the trainers who may have spent months getting a horse into the 'right' race only to have its chances diminished by a poorly judged ride.

NOT A SINGLE DOUBT FILLY OUT OF SWEET TALKIN WOMAN

Over the years we have had terrific success purchasing horses privately from the paddock with Unchain My Heart, Holding, Too Many Reds, Believe 'n Achieve and our two nice three year olds Invincible Al and Isthmian being purchased in this manner and offered to our clients.

Recently I had the opportunity to purchase the Not A Single Doubt filly out of Sweet Talkin Woman from one of our clients. She is a nice filly typical of the progeny of Not A Single Doubt out of a well credentialed and performed mare Sweet Talkin Woman. This is her first foal.

I am offering her as a 10 share partnership @ \$6,900 each. This represents great value. I am waiting for Racing Victoria to approve the promotion and expect she will be snapped up quickly. She was reared at Yarraman Park Stud in the Hunter Valley.

If you are interested in receiving a information pack on her please contact me on 0433762700 or send me an email primethoroughbreds@hotmail.com. The filly goes to Patrick Payne who has done a wonderful job for us with horses such as Husson Eagle, Atalanta Miss, Invincible Al and Hussy's Glow.

Not A Single Doubt is one of Australia's best sires and currently 2nd on the sires list and Sweet Talkin Woman is by More Than Ready 11th on the mares list.



Annaman \$60,000 Magic Millions Purchase



Flying Jess \$60,000 Magic Millions Purchase



Naranja \$100,000 Magic Millions Purchase



Husson Boots as a yearling \$70,000 Magic Millions Purchase



Hijack Hussy \$62,500 Magic Millions Purchase



Awasita \$80,000 Magic Millions Purchase