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**Japery coming back after winning at Sale
Ridden by 'The Demon' Billie Egan!!!**

Japery's win at Sale was a great advertisement for Patrick Payne's training ability. The horse ran in the \$500,000 Inglis Banner on Cox Plate Day but was thinking more about the girls at the track than the race. He was charging through the bridle and not concentrating on his trade. He was eventually gelded but we were a bit worried he hadn't changed his habits.

Patrick has done a lot of work on him and felt he was starting to get his act together and settling in his work. He was perfect on Tuesday aided by a superb ride from Bill Egan, the hottest rider in Australia at present.

I got a lot of satisfaction from the win and Patrick was chuffed when I spoke with him after the race. Patrick is a master horseman and one of the very best jockeys to have graced the Australian turf. We are lucky to have him in charge of our Victorian team. His strike rate is second to none in Australia which is remarkable given the average purchase price of the horses he trains.

It will be interesting to see the final make up of the Victorian Spring Carnival. I'd like to see the carnival put back one month. It will give the industry a bit of air and ensure it gets the coverage in the media it deserves. There are many issues to be worked through with the main stakeholders working through them.

Our team has been really going well. Fituese lines up for her 8th and final race for the season on Saturday. If she wins, she is almost certain to be crowned the NSW Racing BOBS Horse of the Year. This would be a great achievement for a filly by a first season sire I purchased at the 2018 Perth Magic Millions Sale for just \$55,000. She was easily the most difficult yearling I had to syndicate that year. Congratulations to the owners who had the faith to buy into her.

To put her results and Rubisaki's as well in perspective you need to look at the \$274,542,500 invested in yearlings at the Gold Coast Magic Millions and Inglis Easter Yearling Sale in 2018 for an average purchase price of \$265,514. The combined purchase price of Fituese and Rubisaki was just \$140,000.

Rubisaki has won more races than any other yearling sold at the 2018 Inglis Easter and Classic Yearling Sales. She is the 2nd highest earning filly from these sales. Only Alligator Blood has won more races than her from the Magic Millions and Inglis Sales from that year with his performances under a cloud at present.

Fituese is one of only five stakes winners to come out of the 2018 Perth Magic Millions Sale and second on the winners list with five wins from seven starts.

I as I wrote earlier, I was thrilled with Japery's win. I'm expecting our 2yo team to fire over the next two months with more winners to come. We have always looked after our yearlings while they are maturing and I see little sense in pushing them too early.

It was great to see Chalmers return to town and run so well at Canterbury. He is at his best on soft tracks and his performances were severely hampered during the drought.

Our other runners over the next week are Almerheri resuming at Rosehill if she gains a start and Illecebrous resuming at Cessnock. Addocarr looks like heading to Toowoomba but needs to lift.

We have a dozen horses having serious gallops at Kyneton with Patrick Payne on Friday. Plenty of runners should come from this group of horses.

A BIT GOING ON

The coverage given to a leading Queensland trainer claiming cheating was rife in the state was out of line. There may be issues up North but broadcasting his opinions in the media isn't the way to fix the problem. All he has done is bring the industry in the Sunshine State into disrepute at a time when it doesn't need this sort of publicity. I hope he has hard evidence to back up his claims. If not, he could be in a lot of trouble.

The Fred Best Classic at Doomben on Saturday is a terrific race, probably the best of the Carnival. It will be interesting to see if the Rubisaki form continues to hold up with Subpoenaed well in the market.

The betting turnover during the SA Carnival was extraordinary with reports it was up 80%. It was a great Carnival. Let's hope Queensland can mirror the remarkable figures coming out of Adelaide.

I hope the officials in other states put out their figures. They will be very interesting and I expect very strong.

Racing is having a great run during the Coronavirus crisis. Well done to the officials and participants who have done a great job keeping the show rolling.

I know a lot of people in Tasmania have been anything but impressed with the State Government's treatment of the racing industry. I believe they deserved better from their leaders.

One positive during the crisis has been the cross benchers at all levels of Government seem to have gone missing. Let's hope it stays that way.

The Government statistics tell us we have 27 people in Australia with Coronavirus in hospital with five in ICU. Each of these five people have 900 ventilators available to them.

Sadly, 103 Australians have been recorded as having died from the disease although many of these had other serious health issues. Overall, these figures suggest to me we are going pretty well. The NZ figures are also very good.

On a more humorous note I offer the following.

The Queensland and Tasmanian Premiers should be issued a set of coloured counting cubes so important in teaching our most junior primary school student's basic mathematics. This should help them comprehend the figures they are being asked to make decisions on.

I noted the NZ Prime Minister on shaky ground at a press conference during the week. The Kiwi economy has taken a massive hit during this crisis. It seems to me the more Jacinta smiles the worse it gets, the worse it gets, the more she smiles. I don't quite get it. It is time to bring back John Key. He was an outstanding Prime Minister.



Rubisaki winning the \$1 million Inglis Sprint
Bill Egan's best ride?

YEARLINGS

This week I'm highlighting the Pierro filly out Burnished, a very well-bred mare. This filly will be trained by Kris Lees who has been our main NSW trainer for 15 years.

I loved this filly when I saw her at Armidale Stud in Tasmania and was determined to secure her provided, she vetted out without any issues. She is a star.

PIERRO / BURNISHED FILLY



Pierro / Burnished filly 2018 - Kris Lees to Train - 10% Shares \$17,500 5% shares \$8,750

Pierro is doing a remarkable job at stud with him siring 203 individual winners with 23 of these going on to be stakes winners. Only the best sires convert better than 10% of their winners into stakes winners.

Pierro is currently 2nd on the Australian Sires List right on Snitzel's tail and well ahead of I Am Invincible given we are heading into the end of the season.

Pierro was a very good racehorse winning the Golden Slipper amongst his 11 wins. Six of these were 2yo wins. He was an incredibly tough horse and has passed this trait onto his progeny. He has sired some outstanding horses including the ATC Derby winner Levendi as well as the Group 1 winners Pierata, Arcadia Queen, Shadow Hero, Pinot, Regal Power and Furore.

This filly is out of the very well-bred mare Burnished the dam of two metropolitan winners from as

many to race. This includes our smart filly Golden Script which was placed 2nd in the \$300,00 VOBIS Sires.

Burnished is by More Than Ready who sits 6th on the Australian Broodmare List with Bivouac his best performer this season. The cross with More Than Ready mares mated to Pierro sees 80% winners to runners and 20% stakes winners to runners.

Burnished is out of the Blue Diamond winner Sleek Chassis with the family offering the Group 1 winners Marble Halls and Amphritite.

It is difficult to find a fault with this filly. She is a very athletic and rated highly by Bill and James Mitchell and Dr Tim Roberts. These are excellent judges. She was reared at Armidale Stud, one of our best and she has a double cross to legendary broodmare Eight Carat.

I've got to say there is a lot to like about this filly. Most importantly, she is an athlete. She is currently being broken in with the breaker Shane Stockdale being very pleased with her.

I have paid her up for the Inglis Series of races. Pierro has done a remarkable job and gets sprinters and stayers.



TASMANIA

NEEDS FURTHER / REMEMBER THEM COLT

I have shares available in a cracking Needs Further colt to be trained by Adam. He is Magic Millions paid up as well as eligible for Tasmanian Breeding Bonuses.



Needs Further colt out of Remember Them 2018 - Adam Trinder to train

5% shares \$4,125

This picture tells the story. I have been inspecting the progeny of Needs Further for four years and this is the best colt I have inspected by the exciting young sire. He is an outstanding type of horse and from the moment I saw him I was determined to secure him. In my opinion he was the best colt in the 2020 Tasmanian Magic Millions Sale.

He is a superb athlete, light on his feet with a nice hindquarter and excellent conformation. He vetted out without any issues. The colt was reared at Armidale Stud which is a great start. Good horses I have purchased from Armidale in the past include Our Long Sali, Golden Script and our exciting 2yo Needs Further filly Vivilici.

Needs Further has done a remarkable job at stud with his biggest crop of yearlings being just 63. From this modest number he finished 9th on the Australian 3yo Sires List. He has sired the Group 1 winner Mystic Journey as well as the good sprinter Bold Star who recently won the Listed VRC Kensington Stakes. He also has the stakes horses Mystical Pursuit, Our Long Sali, Deroche and Pateena Arena.

I doubt if a better credentialed mare than Remember Them has been to Needs Further. She is by the Champion Sire Elusive Quality. He is best known in Australia as the dam sires of Shooting To Win, Deep Field and Guelph.

Remember Them is a ½ sister to the Stakes horses Highclere and Sunny Skies. She is out of the Multiple Stakes winner Showery. Further down the page is the NZ Oaks winner Natter. Good horses in the pedigree are the Group 1 winners Trap For Fools, Linc The Leopard and Old Money.

Remember Them's two earlier foals are deceased. She is believed to be in foal to Needs Further.

I'm thrilled to have secured this colt and I can't wait for his racing career to start. He looks like a 2yo to me.



Our Long Sali winning the Tasmanian Magic Millions 2YO Classic!!!