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Miss Divine Em is set to resume on Pakenham Cup Day in a 3yo Handicap 1000m!!!

\$42,000 Magic Millions National Weanling Sale purchase 4 starts 3 wins \$98,213 earnings!!!

It has been a crazy year and it got a bit crazier this week with South Australia having its first Covid-19 outbreak in months. The Premier of SA moved quickly to close the state down which hopefully will see the situation stabilised quickly. We need to get used to these outbreaks. This won't be the last. In Australia we have recorded one infection per 1000 residents which is pretty good compared with the USA with one infection recorded per 28 residents.

The Magic Millions Gold Coast Sale is less than eight weeks away with a record number of entries. 1,273 yearlings are catalogued with 962 in the main session. I love this week and have not only purchased some of our best horses through the sale but also have had great success on the race day winning the \$2million Magic Millions Guineas, \$1million Magic Millions Sprint and the Magic Millions Stayer's Cup. I am heading to the Hunter Valley on Tuesday to start inspections for the sale.

I will probably head back up on 7 December for a week. These inspections are vitally important this year with the chance of border closures hanging over the industry. I need to get as much done as possible prior to the sale.

I am planning to head to the Gold Coast on 9 January for the sale which starts on 12 January. Both Magic Millions and Inglis put together catalogues full of nice horses. It is up to us to sort them out. At this stage we will have our information tent set up for the week.

I'm not sure what to make of the Ready To Run Sales conducted over the past month. There were some strong individual lots sold but without the Asian money I'm not certain how the sales would have fared. The Magic Millions January and Inglis Classic Sale to be held in February are less reliant on overseas buyers which could play into our hands.

SIRE LISTS

It doesn't take long for the cream to rise to the top and this season is no different with the top 10 on the General Sires List having stood or are standing in the Hunter Valley.

The results of the first, second and third season sires will change quite a bit over the next few months. I constantly monitor these results. You can learn a lot from them if you do some research. They don't always portray the complete picture.

ON THE TRACK

We have the most horses in work I can remember which will see us having plenty of runners heading into Summer and the New Year. This weekend we have Invincible Al lining up at the Gold Coast and Vivilici resuming at Launceston.

Invincible Al will be freshened up after this run and have his next start at the Gold Coast on 9 January with Vivilici being aimed at the 3yo Filly's Classics in the Tasmanian Summer Carnival.

Other runners coming up include Illecebrous at Gosford, Miss Divine Em at Pakenham and Japery at Wangarratta. We will have more news on our other runners next week after several horses barrier trial.

Our 2yo team is coming along nicely. We may well have our first 2yo runners before the New Year. These are exciting times. Enjoy tomorrow's big meetings at Ballarat and Kembla Grange where our trainers are well represented particularly John Thompson with the favourite in 'The Gong'. You think they could have got a better name for a \$1million race.



Husson Eagle after winning the \$1million Magic Millions Sprint with Michelle Payne up!!!!



Flying Jess winning the \$2million Magic Millions Guineas with Tye Angland aboard!!!