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Atlantic Jewel

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Welcome to TBNSW Update for Summer 2011/12



President's Report

This year, 2012, promises to be a decisive one in charting a course toward a prosperous future for the racing and thoroughbred breeding industries in NSW.

By the time you read this, the Gold Coast Magic Millions Yearling Sale will have concluded and results there will provide a guide to the markets for the sales to follow around Australia and New Zealand.

Overseas sales results in the final months of 2011 were encouraging considering economic conditions in the northern hemisphere and Australia's healthier economy gives us reason for optimism regarding the likely strength of our bloodstock markets in 2012.

We await the results of two vital court cases – the appeal by corporate bookmakers against the favourable original result for Racing NSW in the Race Fields Legislation matter and the judgement in the Artificial Insemination case which is expected around mid-year.

If the appeal is dismissed in the Race Fields Legislation case it will instantly and in the long term provide a great injection of funds into NSW racing enabling prizemoney increases and major improvements to infrastructure.

Rejection of Bruce Mc Hugh's case to allow Artificial Insemination in thoroughbred breeding in Australia and preserve the status quo will provide certainty and allow us to conduct business as usual but should the case be lost it would

create turmoil and uncertainty with bloodstock values almost certainly declining.

In December a new board was appointed at Racing NSW and we congratulate our colleague John Messara AM on being named as Chairman. John is well qualified for the role in terms of his personal qualities, knowledge and industry experience and we look forward to him making a difference.

FUNCTIONS AND SPONSORSHIPS

Last year's successful Catch Up function for vendors and prospective buyers is again being held at the Inglis Classic Yearling Sale and our sponsors' raceday will this year be held at a metropolitan Saturday meeting at Canterbury on January 28.

Importantly, we have decided to again hold a Breeding Awards Dinner at Scone in late August during the weekend when many of you will be attending the stallion parades in the Hunter.

Date will be Saturday, August 25 so please mark this in your diaries. We hope you will be able to attend and enjoy. Booking applications will be sent out with the Winter issue of Update in July.

NEW CEO FOR TBA/AUSHORSE MARKETING

Former Keeneland executive Chauncey Morris in December took up his dual appointment as chief executive of Thoroughbred Breeders Australia and of Aushorse, the national industry's marketing arm.

We extend a warm welcome to Chauncey and his young family and wish him great success in his important roles.

Chauncey will be attending all the major auctions in 2012 so you should have the opportunity to meet him and discuss how he may be able to assist you.

WEBSITE IMPROVEMENTS

We have begun a program to improve and update our website (www.tbnsw.com.au) to make it more useful for members and I would also suggest you look at the Thoroughbred Breeders Australia website (www.tbaus.com) for up-to-date national sires' tables and stakes race results from Australia and overseas.

Result of members' draw for "Great Thoroughbred Sires of the World"

Due to a printer's error, the winner's name was left out of spring issue of Update.

The lucky winner was Dr. Kay McKinnon of Dubbo.

***"I am delighted to report the lucky member whose name was drawn was:
Dr. Kay McKinnon of Dubbo"***

Best of luck with your breeding, racing and sales activities in 2012.

Trevor Lobb

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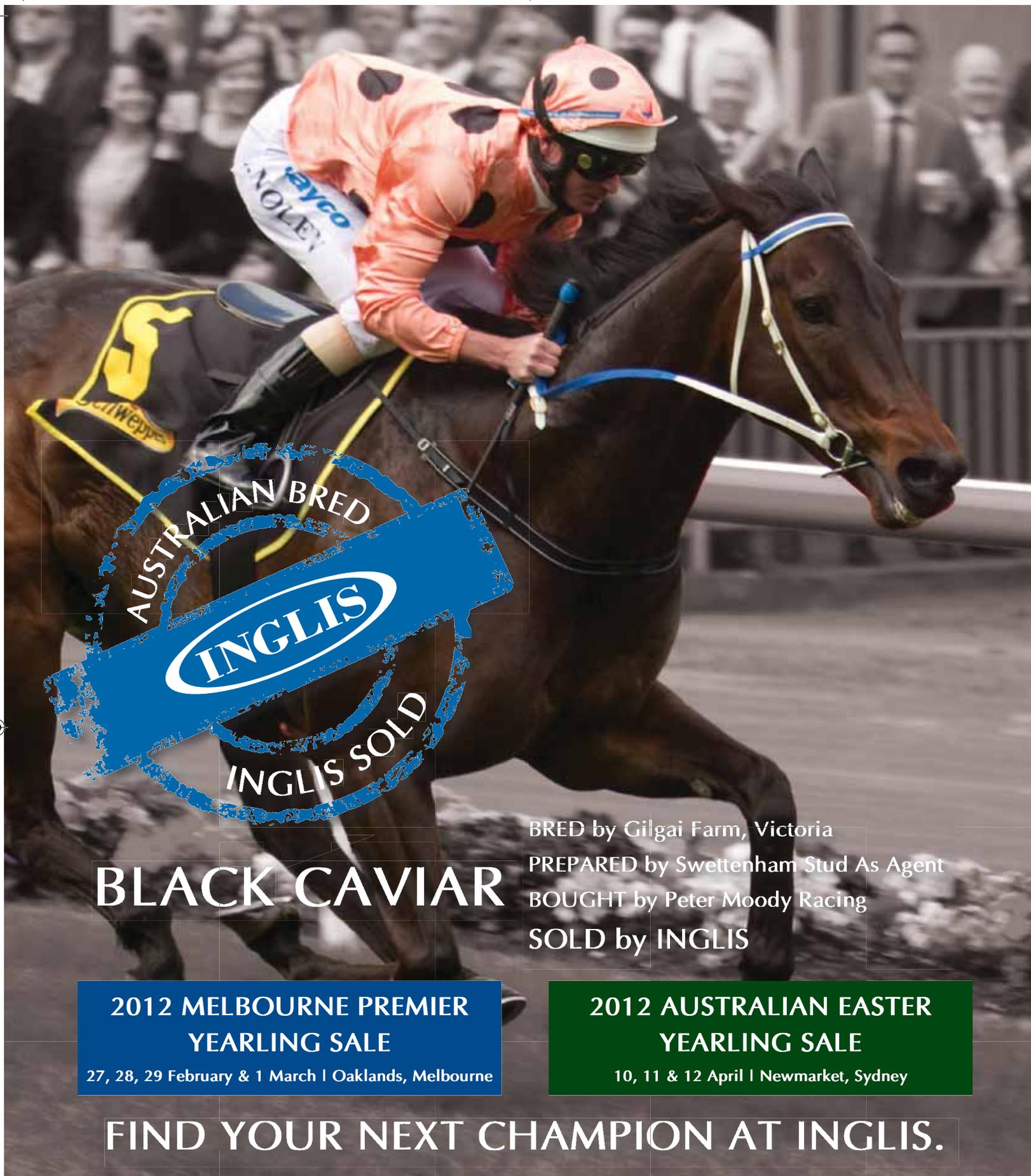
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Timeform Australia's review of the Melbourne Spring Carnival

By Gary Crispe/Alex Steedman



Black Caviar

The 2011 Melbourne Spring Carnival should be remembered for many years to come with a host of highly rated Timeform performances from gallopers across varying age groups and distance ranges spearheaded by none other than Black Caviar:

The Spring racing carnival in Melbourne is arguably when our industry receives the most attention nationally on a mainstream level each year. Media coverage increases as does the interest throughout the general

public in what is taking place at Moonee Valley, Caulfield and Flemington each week, of course with emphasis on the first Tuesday of November.

While the above mentioned parties may not have the same passion as we do for the racing industry, their newfound interest, albeit potentially brief, was justified as they witnessed quite a show during the 2011 Melbourne Spring Carnival filled with star performers.

The showpiece of the 2011 Melbourne Spring Carnival was of course Black Caviar and her captivating performances are exactly what this industry needs in order to entice new fans.

We were privileged to see Black Caviar race on three occasions during the spring and with high expectations placed upon her, the superstar mare did not disappoint an ever growing army of followers.

Black Caviar resumed on October 8 in search of recording consecutive successes in the Group

2 Schillaci Stakes (1000m) and more importantly stretching her unbeaten career record to 14.

Racegoers who flocked to Caulfield to witness another "Caviar moment" were not disappointed with Black Caviar sailing away from seven rivals to win under a hold by over four lengths.

While she shared a 14 race winning run with Phar Lap, Black Caviar still had other Australian greats in her sights in that regard. Bernborough and Carbine lay another win ahead on 15 and then Ajax on 18.

However Black Caviar's 14 straight wins were special in their own right. She holds the record for the most consecutive wins by a mare on Australian soil and hers remains the only unbeaten 14 start career winning streak whereas those ahead of her registered their consecutive wins at various stages during their careers.

The middle leg of her brief spring campaign was the Group 2

Schweppes Stakes (1200m) and her performance was even more impressive from a Timeform perspective.

Those watching were left in awe once again as the mare disposed of her rivals in what looked like no more than a track gallop which was subsequently awarded a Timeform figure of 135.

The Group 1 Patinack Farm Classic down Flemington's straight six was Black Caviar's seventh Group 1 success and her 16th consecutive win.

Black Caviar once again was unextended to the post yet recorded a final 600m of 32.78 seconds.

Peter Moody's stable star continues to close in on the record set by Ajax who sits atop of the list for the most consecutive wins (18) on metropolitan tracks in Australian racing history.

The Bel Esprit mare could have gotten within one of this figure if she had contested the Group 1 Winterbottom Stakes (1200m) over at Ascot in Western Australia however these plans were abandoned with a view towards her next campaign.

Peter Moody and connections will now give racing fans on the world stage to witness the captivating speed of Black Caviar with a Royal Ascot trip later this year their main target.

The highly rated performances did not stop with Black Caviar as both older and younger horses came to the fore with new peak Timeform rated performances.

Of the three-year-old brigade it was Sepoy, Helmet and boom filly Atlantic Jewel who stood the tallest.

Astute horseman Peter Snowden enjoyed a clean sweep of last season's juvenile events and while Benfica claimed the final leg in the form of the Group 1 T.J. Smith Stakes (1600m) at Eagle Farm, Sepoy and Helmet spearheaded the attack.

All eyes were on the pair watching to see if they could each go on with the job as three-year-olds and further maximise their stallion prospects.





Timeform Australia's review of the Melbourne Spring Carnival



Mosheen

Sepoy was the first of the duo to resume and hit the ground running with clinical wins in the Listed Vain Stakes (1100m) and Group 2 Danehill Stakes (1200m) respectively.

The Elusive Quality colt then had his first tilt at Open weight for age company when contesting the Group 1 Manikato Stakes (1200m) at Moonee Valley on September 30.

On a slow racing surface, Sepoy ran to a Timeform rating of 128 with a performance belonging only to class gallopers of his age.

Having claimed the Blue Diamond Stakes/Golden Slipper double as a juvenile, Sepoy delivered a resounding endorsement of the superiority he displayed during that season with another emphatic win.

Sepoy made the step up to Open weight for age company look easy, comfortably accounting for Sydney's pin up mare More Joyous

and a host of additional Group winners.

He was subsequently awarded a Timeform rating of 128p which makes him the highest rated winner of the Manikato Stakes in the past 25 years.

This figure was further franked when he hit a new peak Timeform rating of 129 during his victory in the Group 2 Caulfield Sprint (1100m) where the speedy type carried 2.5kg above weight for age.

Sepoy's latest campaign was a staggered one with the colt actually commencing his preparation back in June.

Signs Sepoy was at the end of his campaign were apparent when lining up against fellow three-year-olds in the Group 1 Coolmore Stud Stakes (1200m).

The colt ran eight pounds below his best however was determined in holding off a challenge from the

fast finishing Foxwedge to record a sixth straight win.

Following a successful spring, Sepoy boasts 10 wins from 11 starts. His only minor blemish was when runner up behind Smart Missile in the Group 2 Todman Stakes (1200m) on a heavy track as a juvenile.

Stablemate Helmet became a dual Group 1 winner on raw ability alone as a juvenile taking out the Sires' Produce Stakes (1400m) and Champagne Stakes (1600m) during the 2011 Sydney autumn.

After a pair of placings in Sydney to commence his spring campaign, Helmet showed some newfound maturity when cruising away for an easy 3.5 length victory in the Group 3 Caulfield Guineas Prelude (1400m).

Trainer Peter Snowden no doubt breathed a sigh of relief upon seeing the performance with the Exceed And Excel colt having been known for shying at things and shifting abruptly in the straight as a juvenile.

Helmet proved the effort wasn't just a one off during the 2011 renewal of the Group 1 Caulfield Guineas (1600m).

The event lived up to pre race expectations when Helmet battled hard to hold off all challengers to record the fastest ever running of the Caulfield Guineas.

The now three time Group 1 winner stopped the clock at 1.35:36, shaving 0.07 seconds of the previous race record held by Helenus set in 2002.

Importantly Helmet showed he had indeed put his "trademark" waywardness behind him with strong performance from the front.

Some of the very best three-year-olds have won the Caulfield Guineas and Helmet's effort rates with the best of them.

The merit of Helmet's win was assessed at 127, making him the highest rated winner of the Caulfield Guineas in the last 25 years, eclipsing such quality winners as Starspangledbanner (123), Redoute's Choice (125), Weekend Hussler (126).

Whobegotyou (126) and Our Maizcay (126).

Helmet didn't handle the pressure of the Group 1 Cox Plate (2040m) at his next start but still showed enough in his spring campaign to warrant a campaign throughout Dubai and Great Britain during 2012 with stablemate Sepoy.

Mark Kavanagh-trained Atlantic Jewel was crowned the champion three-year-old filly in the intermediate distance category when the International Federation of Horse Authorities issued its rankings earlier this month.

The fillies maiden race campaign started humbly with a debut win at Ballarat and from there gathered rapid momentum.

Atlantic Jewel showed great potential rising through the grades and became a Group 1 winner at just her fourth career start when winning the Thousand Guineas (1600m) assessed at 122.

Her overall race time of 1:35.86 was the second fastest time ever recorded in the feature since the race was first run in 1946. Only Arborea in 1993 has recorded a faster winning Thousand Guineas race time.

In addition, the three length winning margin registered by Atlantic Jewel was the largest in the last 25 years.

It isn't often a Group 1 performance as convincing as that is overshadowed, however it was her win in the Group 2 Wakeful Stakes (2000m) which left racing fans wanting more.

Stepping up to the 2000m on her way towards a VRC Oaks tilt, Atlantic Jewel was breathtaking, winning by seven lengths.

The daughter of Fastnet Rock can lay claim to being the highest rated Spring three-year-old filly in the last 40 years thanks to a Timeform rating yielded in the Wakeful Stakes of 128.

Atlantic Jewel was at unbackable odds for the Group 1 VRC Oaks four days later but injury prevented the filly from taking her place in the field.





Timeform Australia's review of the Melbourne Spring Carnival



Boom sire Fastnet Rock in his racing days

Mosheen who had been soundly beaten by Atlantic Jewel in the Group 1 Thousand Guineas ended up taking the Group 1 VRC Oaks by nine lengths underlying the merit of Atlantic Jewel's performances. Mosheen returned a rating of 124 in winning the VRC Oaks and is the second highest rated three-year-old filly this season to date.

While not quite recording such imposing Timeform figures as the aforementioned three we looked closely at, honourable mentions must be given to narrow Caulfield Guineas runner-up Manawanui (126) and Victoria Derby (2500m) winner Sangster (119).

As mentioned earlier, media coverage increases during the Melbourne Spring Carnival as does the interest throughout the general public in what is going on at Caulfield, Moonee Valley and Flemington each week.

The overall consensus was the 2011 Caulfield Cup (2400m) was a weak renewal and figures from the event reflect this.

Nothing can be taken away from the winner Southern Speed however who joined a select group of mares such as Ethereal, Arctic Scent, Mannerism and Let's Elope as the fifth of her sex to win the Caulfield Cup since 1990 and just the third galloper in 30 years to win a Caulfield Cup without ever having previously raced over 2400m.

The post race analysis suggested a Timeform rating of 118 for Southern Speed, a figure equal to her previous best master rating achieved in the Underwood Stakes when runner up to Lion Tamer.

Members of the fairer sex made a habit of upstaging the boys during the spring.

This charge was of course spearheaded by Black Caviar although in a spring without the champion mare the spotlight would have been on Atlantic Jewel, Southern Speed and Cox Plate winner Pinker Pinker.

Aided by a superb Craig Williams ride, Pinker Pinker saved many lengths approaching the home turn railing through as other riders elected to get off the fence.

When a run presented itself around the home turn, the Reset mare pounced and subsequently recorded her first Group 1 success coming quickly on top of her fighting second in the Group 1 Epsom Handicap (1600m) the start prior.

The Timeform rating of 122 which the four-year-old ran to was five pounds higher than her previous master figure achieved when the mare nearly raided Sydney's feature mile event earlier that month.

Pinker Pinker and Southern Speed will likely contest weight for age events during the Sydney autumn with Pinker Pinker's trainer Greg Eurell also contemplating a trip to Hong Kong for the lucrative QEII Cup (2000m) in late April.

The 2011 renewal of the Melbourne Cup (3200m) arguably typified why it will always be 'the race that stops a nation'.

Whether they be bred or trained, international gallopers converged on the Cup in record numbers.

What unfolded was one of the closest ever finishes to a Melbourne Cup with there being minutes of deliberation before Mikel Delzangles-trained Dunaden got the judge's nod over British raider Red Cadeaux.

Dunaden ran to a Timeform rating of 123 in the Cup, right on the five-year winning average for the race and a pound improvement on his Geelong Cup winning effort.

Mikel Delzangles decision to embark on a Melbourne Cup campaign with the consistent stayer was provoked by the winner of the 2010 Cup renewal in American.

The Alain de Royer Dupre-trained stayer again converged on Flemington and while not being able to record back to back successes, undoubtedly won further fans as he gallantly finished fourth under a 58kg impost.

American was one of the last runners at the turn and the way he stormed home to finish just behind the leading pair warranted a new career peak Timeform figure of 129.

Australia's staying ranks will be noticeably bolstered with the connections of American transferring the gelding to the care of David Hayes.

The trainer intends on aiming his newly acquired stable star toward Group 1 weight for age events such as the Australian Cup (2000m) at Flemington followed by the Ranvet Stakes and a grand final of The BMW (2400m) at Rosehill on Golden Slipper Day.

Dunaden went from strength to strength during his Southern Hemisphere campaign.

After claiming the Geelong Cup and Melbourne Cup double, the Nicobar entire hit new heights when winning the Group 1 Hong Kong Vase (2400m) last month.

Yet another narrow win yielded a new career peak Timeform figure of 124 and gave jockey Craig Williams a lucrative consolation prize after losing the mount on Melbourne Cup day due to suspension.

While the Caulfield Cup, Cox Plate and Melbourne Cup are obviously the jewels in the crown of the 2011 Melbourne Spring Carnival, another handful of Group 1 winners rate well enough to warrant mention.

Rivals chased in vain as Descarado became a dual Group 1 winner with success in the Caulfield Stakes (2000m). Unfortunately a minor leg ailment prevented him from taking any further part during the spring so his preparation concluded with a performance assessed at 124.

Lion Tamer asserted himself as a leading Cups contender when winning the Underwood Stakes (1800m) with a performance rated 124, five pounds superior to that of his 2010 Victoria Derby success.

Unfortunately for connections of Lion Tamer, the Storming Home entire was humanely euthanised after seriously injuring a hind leg during the running of the Cox Plate.

December Draw recorded a new peak Timeform figure of 121 and a maiden Group 1 win in the Turnbull Stakes (2000m). Fingers are crossed the Mark Kavanagh-trained galloper can make a successful return to racing after sustaining a leg injury in the Caulfield Cup.

The Mike Moroney-trained Glass Harmonium ran to 123 and further enhanced his stallion prospects when winning the Mackinnon Stakes (2000m) at Flemington.

Something similar could be said for comeback galloper Toorak Toff who added a Rupert Clarke Stakes (1400m) win rated 123 to go alongside his Golden Rose success the season prior.

It is only a matter of weeks before the Sydney Autumn Carnival kicks into full gear and we can only hope it produces performances of the calibre we witnessed during the spring in Melbourne.





2011/2012 Australian Timeform Ratings

As at January 12, 2012

Timeform Ratings - 2yo

Rank	Horse	PR	TFE
1	Raceway 2G More Than Ready (USA)-Claws (AUS) (Flying Spur (AUS)) MS GAI WATERHOUSE	\$42,000	114+
2	Driefontein 2F Fastnet Rock (AUS)-Follow Gold (AUS) (Export Price (FR)) MS GAI WATERHOUSE	\$138,000	113
3	Cambiaso 2C More Than Ready (USA)-Flying Alpha (AUS) (Flying Spur (AUS)) DANNY O'BRIEN	\$60,000	112
	Hussousa 2F Husson (ARG)-Petousa (AUS) (Redoute's Choice (AUS)) JOHN P THOMPSON	\$60,000	112
	Sizzling 2C Snitzel (AUS)-Admirelle (AUS) (General Nedyim (AUS)) KELSO WOOD	\$82,000	112
6	Pierro 2C Lonhro (AUS)-Miss Right Note (IRE) (Daylami (IRE)) MS GAI WATERHOUSE	\$60,000	110
7	Amorino 2C Snitzel (AUS)-Steal My Love (AUS) (Marauding (NZ)) GERALD RYAN	\$84,000	109
	Hidden Warrior 2G Hidden Dragon (AUS)-Marcovette (AUS) (St. Covet (AUS)) PAUL PERRY	\$61,000	109
	Jimando 2C Commands (AUS)-Finko (IRE) (Carlefon (USA)) TONY MC EVOY	\$60,000	109
	Maximus Moonard 2C Fomalhaut (USA)-Still The One (AUS) (Perugino (USA)) TONY MC EVOY	\$60,000	109
	Real Stolle 2F Elusive Quality (USA)-Lemon Ruski (AUS) (Desert King (IRE)) JOHN P THOMPSON	\$92,500	109
	Snipzu 2F Snippetson (AUS)-Pilgrim (AUS) (Danehill (USA)) LIAM BIRCHLEY	\$109,000	109
13	Andre Roo Hoo 2C Written Tycoon (AUS)-Solar Song (AUS) (Flying Spur (AUS)) ROBBIE LAING	\$36,000	108
	De Shamekh 2C Encosta De Lago (AUS)-Shamekha (AUS) (Secret Savings (USA)) MS GAI WATERHOUSE	\$50,000	108
	Discreet 2F Show A Heart (AUS)-Lady Danzero (AUS) (Danzero (AUS)) KELLY SCHWEIDA	\$74,000	108
	Faustus 2C More Than Ready (USA)-Living Hell (AUS) (Danehill (USA)) JOHN O'SHEA	\$42,000	108
	Napatap 2C Patapan (USA)-Priscilla (NZ) (Manitari (IRE)) P HARRIS	\$33,600	108
	Noogoora Burr 2G Royal Academy (USA)-Azalea (AUS) (Marscay (AUS)) DAVID LAWLOR	\$99,000	108
	Sweet Little Lies 2F Elusive Quality (USA)-Borobudur (AUS) (Strategic (AUS)) MATHEW ELLERTON & SIMON ZAHRA	\$42,700	108
20	Diamond Earth 2F Cholsir (AUS)-Face Of The Earth (AUS) (Strategic (AUS)) ANTHONY CUMMINGS	\$297,000	107
	Swipeline 2C Sequalo (AUS)-Encapsulate (AUS) (Encosta De Lago (AUS)) TONY MC EVOY	\$20,000	107

Timeform Ratings - 3yo

Rank	Horse	PR	TFE
1	Sepoy 3C Elusive Quality (USA)-Watchful (AUS) (Danehill (USA)) PETER SNOWDEN	\$930,000	129+
2	Atlantic Jewel 3F Fastnet Rock (AUS)-Regard (AUS) (Zabeel (NZ)) MARK KAVANAGH	\$572,200	128+
3	Helmet 3C Exceed And Excel (AUS)-Accessories (GB) (Singapore (IRE)) PETER SNOWDEN	\$917,500	127
4	Manawanui 3G Oratorio (IRE)-Lady Ramlap (AUS) (Flamie (NZ)) R T LEEMON	\$1,155,000	126
5	Mosheen 3F Fastnet Rock (AUS)-Sumetra (NZ) (Stavinsky (USA)) ROBERT SMERDON	\$876,500	124
	Smart Missile 3C Fastnet Rock (AUS)-Comical Smile (USA) (Comic Strip (USA)) ANTHONY CUMMINGS	\$300,000	124
7	Streama 3F Stratum (AUS)-Pensanso (AUS) (Sovereign Red (NZ)) G H WALTER	\$462,500	122+
8	Foxwedge 3C Fastnet Rock (AUS)-Forest Native (USA) (Forest Wildcat (USA)) JOHN O'SHEA	\$345,000	120
9	Induna 3g Elusive Quality (USA)-Cansera (NZ) (Danehill (USA)) PETER SNOWDEN	\$352,800	119
	Sangster 3G Savabeel (AUS)-Quinta Special (IRE) (Spectrum (IRE)) TRENT BUSUTTIN	\$1,002,000	119
11	Darci Be Good 3C Darci Bratma (NZ)-You Can't Say That (AUS) (Futachi Pegasus (USA)) BEDE MURRAY	\$237,000	118
	Doctor Doom 3G Domesday (AUS)-Orcym (AUS) (Open (USA)) G H WALTER	\$305,000	118
	Huegill 3C More Than Ready (USA)-Trust Antonio (SAF) (National Assembly (CAN)) PETER MOODY	\$119,600	118?
	Strike The Stars 3G Savabeel (AUS)-Ambitious (NZ) (Last Tycoon (IRE)) ANTHONY CUMMINGS	\$158,800	118
15	Golden Archer 3C Rock Of Gibraltar (IRE)-Vennetta (NZ) (Pins (AUS)) PETER MOODY	\$93,000	117
	Masthead 3C Written Tycoon (AUS)-Balsamico (AUS) (Redoute's Choice (AUS)) ANTHONY FREEDMAN	\$92,200	117
	Sabrage 3C Charge Forward (AUS)-Galroff (NZ) (Maroof (USA)) MICHAEL MORONEY	\$233,600	117
18	Isopach 3G Magic Albert (AUS)-Curvaceous (AUS) (Zabeel (NZ)) JOHN P THOMPSON	\$133,500	116
	Karuta Queen 3F Not A Single Doubt (AUS)-Cast Queen (AUS) (Final Card (AUS)) NEVILLE LAYT	\$222,700	116
	Zabeelonaire 3C Zabeel (NZ)-Kisumu (AUS) (Carnegie (IRE)) LEON CORSTENS	\$92,200	116?

Timeform Ratings - 4yo

Rank	Horse	PR	TFE
1	Jimmy Choux 4H Thorn Park (AUS)-Cierzo (NZ) (Centaine (AUS)) JOHN BARY	\$837,500	126
2	Lion Tamer 4H Storming Home (GB)-Lioness (NZ) (Generous (IRE)) M BAKER	\$228,000	124
	Rekindled Interest 4G Redoute's Choice (AUS)-Rekindled Affair (IRE) (Rainbow Quest (USA)) J T CONLAN	\$538,500	124
	Sincero 4G Umattilla (NZ)-Yours As Always (AUS) (Prego (IRE)) STEPHEN FARLEY	\$320,000	124
5	ilovethiscity 4H Magic Albert (AUS)-Kensington Rose (NZ) (Kenfair (NZ)) GRAHAME BEGG	\$107,000	123
	Playing God 4H Blackfriars (AUS)-Dolly Will Do (AUS) (Rublon (AUS)) NEVILLE PARNHAM	\$391,200	123
	Toorak Toff 4H Show A Heart (AUS)-Orong (AUS) (Grand Lodge (USA)) RICK HORE-LACY	\$237,500	123
8	Pinker Pinker 4M Reset (AUS)-Miss Marion (AUS) (Success Express (USA)) GREG EURELL	\$2,059,100	122
	Secret Admirer 4M Dubawi (IRE)-Secret Illusion (AUS) (Secret Savings (USA)) GRAHAME BEGG	\$553,700	122
10	Midas Touch 4H Galileo (IRE)-Approach (GB) (Darshaan (GB)) ROBERT HICKMOTT	\$78,500	121
11	At First Sight 4H Galileo (IRE)-Healing Music (FR) (Bering (GB)) ROBERT HICKMOTT	\$189,500	119p
	Buffering 4G Mossman (AUS)-Action Annie (AUS) (Anabaa (USA)) ROBERT HEATHCOTE	\$296,500	119
	Decision Time 4G Foreplay (AUS)-Daunting Thought (AUS) (Just Awesome (AUS)) CLARRY CONNERS	\$79,000	119
14	King's Rose 4M Redoute's Choice (AUS)-Nureyev's Girl (AUS) (Nureyev (USA)) PETER MOODY	\$583,000	118
	Southern Speed 4M Southern Image (USA)-Golden Eagle (NZ) (Zabeel (NZ)) LEON MACDONALD & ANDREW GLUYAS	\$1,639,500	118
16	Lights Of Heaven 4M Zabeel (NZ)-I'm In Heaven (NZ) (Volksraad (GB)) PETER MOODY	\$79,500	117
	Luckygray 4h Bradbury's Luck (AUS)-Damah Lady (AUS) (Mukadamah (USA)) GINO POLETTI	\$764,700	117
	Shamrock 4M O'reilly (NZ)-Bohemian Blues (NZ) (Blues Traveller (IRE)) DANNY O'BRIEN	\$14,000	117
19	He's Remarkable 4H Pentire (GB)-Axiom (NZ) (Zabeel (NZ)) R JAMES	\$307,100	116
	Rain Affair 4G Commands (AUS)-I Believe (AUS) (Octagonal (NZ)) JOSEPH PRIDE	\$135,000	116
	Red Tracer 4M Dane Shadow (AUS)-Kisma (AUS) (Snippets (AUS)) CHRIS WALLER	\$130,000	116
	Shootoff 4h Duelled (AUS)-Athens (NZ) (Zabeel (NZ)) GRAEME ROGERSON	\$70,000	116
	Stirling Grove 4G Mossman (AUS)-Kalamata (AUS) (Desert Prince (IRE)) RICHARD JOLLY	\$60,900	116?

Timeform Ratings - 5yo+

Rank	Horse	PR	TFE
1	Black Caviar 5M Bel Esprit (AUS)-Helsing (AUS) (Desert Sun (GB)) PETER MOODY	\$900,000	135+
2	Americain 7H Dynaformer (USA)-America (IRE) (Arazi (USA)) A DE ROYER DUPRE	\$648,100	129
3	Descarado 5G High Chaparral (IRE)-Karama Lady (NZ) (Lord Ballina (AUS)) MS GAI WATERHOUSE	\$240,000	124
4	Dunaden 6H Nicobar (GB)-La Marlia (FR) (Kaldouneves (FR)) M DEL ZANGLIS	\$5,185,700	123
	Glass Harmonium 6H Verglas (IRE)-Spring Symphony (IRE) (Darshaan (GB)) MICHAEL MORONEY	\$759,700	123
	Love Conquers All 5H Mossman (AUS)-She's A Meanie (AUS) (Prince Salien (AUS)) MICHAEL & WAYNE & JOHN HAWKES	\$240,000	123
	Trusting 5H Tale Of The Cat (USA)-Legible (NZ) (Zabeel (NZ)) JOHN P THOMPSON	\$232,500	123
	Wall Street 7G Montjeu (IRE)-Villa Wanda (GB) (Grand Lodge (USA)) JEFF LYNDIS	\$175,700	123
9	Littorio 7G Bellotto (USA)-Our Centasea (AUS) (Centaine (AUS)) NIGEL BLACKISTON	\$180,000	122
	Mufhasa 7G Pentire (GB)-Sheila Cheval (NZ) (Mi Preferido (USA)) STEPHEN MCKEE	\$507,700	122
11	December Draw 6G Medecis (GB)-New York (IRE) (Danzero (AUS)) MARK KAVANAGH	\$430,300	121
	Heart Of Dreams 6G Show A Heart (AUS)-Academy Of Dreams (AUS) (Royal Academy (USA)) MICK PRICE	\$43,000	121
	Mourayan 6H Alhaarth (IRE)-Mouramara (IRE) (Kahyasi (IRE)) ROBERT HICKMOTT	\$349,000	121
	Pinwheel 6G Lonhro (AUS)-Quilt (AUS) (Danehill (USA)) PETER SNOWDEN	\$138,700	121
	Red Cadeaux 6G Cadeaux Genereux (GB)-Artisia (IRE) (Peintre Celebre (USA)) ED DUNLOP	\$1,232,900	121
	Triple Elegance 5G Mossman (AUS)-Mary Machree (AUS) (Quest For Fame (GB)) CHRIS WALLER	\$40,200	121
17	Albert The Fat 7G Magic Albert (AUS)-Alema (AUS) (Bureaucracy (NZ)) CHRIS WALLER	\$672,500	120
	Alcopop 7G Jeune (GB)-Iola Of Luck (AUS) (Blevic (AUS)) JAKE STEPHENS	\$106,300	120
	Hold It Harvey 7G King Cugat (USA)-Daly Charm (AUS) (Best Western (AUS)) TERRI RAE	\$97,100	120
	Lucas Cranach 5H Mamool (IRE)-Lots Of Love (GER) (Java Gold (USA)) ANTHONY FREEDMAN	\$540,000	120
	More Joyous 5M More Than Ready (USA)-Sunday Joy (AUS) (Sunday Silence (USA)) MS GAI WATERHOUSE	\$163,000	120
	Red Ruler 7G Viking Ruler (AUS)-Ransom Bay (USA) (Red Ransom (USA)) J G SARGENT	\$47,700	120
	Temple Of Boom 5G Piccolo (GB)-Temple Spirit (AUS) (Special Dane (AUS)) TONY GOLLAN	\$271,000	120
	Waratah's Secret 5G Oratorio (AUS)-Blissfully (NZ) (Zabeel (NZ)) DAVID HARRISON	\$196,200	120
	Whobegotyou 6G Street Cry (IRE)-Temple Of Peace (JPN) (Carnegie (IRE)) MARK KAVANAGH	\$147,000	120P
	Woorim 6G Show A Heart (AUS)-Wabble (AUS) (Canadian Silver (CAN)) ROBERT HEATHCOTE	\$220,400	120

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Q&A

Why are Australian breeders not producing more stayers ?

Horses bred and trained in the Northern Hemisphere have won the past two Melbourne Cups prompting widespread debate among Australian racing and breeding enthusiasts as to why Australian breeds are not holding their own in our top grade distance races. In the 2011 Melbourne Cup only two of the runners were locally bred and since 2000 the only winners have been Shocking (2009) and Viewed (2008).

Caroline Searcy asked some prominent breeders and trainers for their thoughts on what are the problems in producing and buying potential stayers in this country :

Q. Is it the mare owner, the stallion farm, race programming, the buyers or trainers who are responsible for the fact we don't seem to breed more stayers in Australia ?

A. John Messara (principal, Arrowfield Stud)

I believe buyers in Australia are reluctant to purchase potential stayers because of the substantial costs of developing them to maturity – three or four years is a long time to keep paying out before you even know if your horse is competitive. Most yearlings that look like later-maturing types are therefore discounted to allow for those additional costs and risks.

This discourages most breeders from breeding them and, in turn, deters most studs from standing staying stallions.

Look, for example, at the average prices for yearlings by champion sires Zabeel and Redoute's Choice at the New Zealand Premier Sale over the past 10 years. Zabeel is undoubtedly one of the world's best sires of classic and staying horses and the cream of his yearlings are mostly sold in New Zealand which is renowned as a source of these kinds of performers.

Yet, Zabeel's average price at the New Zealand Premier Sale, 2002 - 2011 was \$273,277, compared with \$472,868 for Redoute's Choice whose very best yearlings are generally offered at Australian sales. I suggest the difference is at least partly explained by the different aptitudes of the two stallions and the market's preference for earlier-maturing athletes.

Wayne Bedggood (Manager, Cressfield Stud)

I would query that Australians don't breed enough stayers. It is true we do not intentionally breed as many stayers as we should but if every horse was given a fair chance (i.e. given time and actually trained to stay) we would find that many of the pedigrees are more dour than we give them credit for. I believe that many of the horses bred to sprint and can't, are actually middle to long distance horses. Recently genealogy work would tend to support the theory there are fast, middle and long distance genes and fibres and that two "sprinters" can still produce one in two



John Messara

"middle distance" and one in four "stayers" if they are both really fast, "middle distance" gene horses.

This aside, we are all responsible for the focus on speed horses in Australia due to the need for a quick return on our investment. You are unlikely to race a two-year-old over distance, more likely waiting until the horse is a late three-year-old. This means an extra 12 to 18 months of costs without return, considerable sums in most instances, when you can hope to cover costs with an early two-year-old if it is quick.

Derek Field (Widden Stud)

Ultimately the breeders try to breed the product the marketplace wants so if there is insufficient demand in the yearling sale ring for stayers breeders will not be trying to produce them.

Chris Waller (champion Sydney trainer noted for buying tried stayers in UK)

It's a combination of everything I guess. The single biggest factor in my opinion is we don't like waiting two or three years to see if we have wasted our money. The trainer does not want a horse occupying a box for two or three years not knowing if ultimately it is going to fail, the breeder does not want to hang on to his/her mare for that period only to find out at the end that her progeny is



Derek Field

no good. The stallion owner's position may not be as bad but if they need to wait four or five years to see if the stallion's stock prove successful there will be less demand for and hype around the horse's stock during that period.

John O'Shea (prominent Sydney trainer)

Australia has few large owners like the Aga Khan who breed to race. It is not commercial to breed stayers to sell.

Q – We have seen some staying stallions standing at stud in Australia, even in recent times. Some well bred Australian Derby winners have struggled to find homes in recent years, such as the ill fated Empire's Choice, Roman Emperor and Rebel Raider, whereas it is much easier to place lesser performed sprinter/milers. How can we encourage farms to stand a potential sire of stayers ? Is it a viable economic exercise to stand a stallion with a staying pedigree and performance in NSW ?

A –John Messara

It is, at best, a marginal proposition to stand a staying stallion at stud in Australia. One option is to stand a dual purpose stallion who was essentially a miler but has the class to win over 2400m. This type of stallion can leave horses that don't take that long to





Q&A cont.



mature and have the versatility to win at staying distances. Arrowfield in the past stood a well bred out-and-out stayer, Ascot Gold Cup winner Gildoran, to offer breeders the opportunity of breeding a Cup horse. We received very little support for him, he covered only 122 mares in four seasons here.

Wayne Bedggood

We can't unless the progeny have a very good chance of making money in the sale ring or winning good prizemoney. At present people are disinclined to buy a stayer as previously mentioned so therefore the stallion must prove himself on the track over distance. Farms will generally choose shorter course horses because nominations are easier to sell. This is due to more certainty of return for the client in the sale ring and the fact that progeny will generally race earlier in their careers.

Derek Field

Staying stallions are not supported by broodmare owners in Australia as it is difficult to sell yearlings by Derby winners as opposed to Group One sprinter/milers. Previously New Zealand stood these types of horses and was always a producer of staying colts and fillies. Widden has previously stood stayers of the class of Helissio and Intergaze to give breeders the opportunity to produce staying horses but unfortunately we did not receive sufficient broodmare support to make it feasible.

Chris Waller

Not really my department as a trainer but I guess they are cheaper to buy but the key to standing a good staying stallion would be making sure they have good bloodlines. This way, if the stallion fails at least his daughters still have the good blood in them to carry through to a stud career.

John O'Shea

These sort of stallions are not commercial and don't compare to the likes of Darley's Authorized and New Approach.

Q -Is there likely to be an increase in demand for stayers at the sales or is the recent media and industry discussion not likely to result in any real action ?

A - John Messara

The discussion and debate is welcome, especially if it leads to effective action, but I don't expect vendors of staying types of yearlings at 2012 Australian sales will find it any easier to sell them than in previous years.

Wayne Bedggood

The more discussion the better as part of the problem is our mindset. As this mindset changes and people become more patient then sales will pick up.

Derek Field

Traditionally Australian trainers have purchased tried horses from New Zealand but at the moment there has been publicity about the purchase of European stayers. I do not believe this would make it any easier in breeding stayers for the yearling market.

Chris Waller

There is definitely more demand for stayers. It is, however, seasonal and there is no doubt everyone wants a stayer in the three months leading up to the Melbourne Cup and probably a month after. Perhaps a stayers' sale should evolve in Melbourne instead of a Ready To Run auction .

John O'Shea

Not necessarily. You've got to remember the likes of Dunaden were \$1500 yearlings. You won't be in the game very long if you are selling horses at the yearling sales that do not cover costs.



Dunaden returns after his narrow win in the 2011 Melbourne Cup

Q- We see Melbourne Cup winners who can win at much shorter distances, such as Jeune and Saintly, both successful in the Group One C.F Orr Stakes over 1400m. Does a stayer have to come from a stout family or is it more about how they are prepared when they are in work ?

A - John Messara

Breeding horses is an imprecise art and the flesh and blood individual is not always predicted by the paper pedigree ! Thankfully, good trainers work with what horses show them and so we see staying horses coming from a range of genetic backgrounds.

Wayne Bedggood

No, I don't believe they have to come from a staying family as I mentioned earlier. At Talaq was an example of a horse who could win over a variety of distances and at stud could throw sprinters. Unfortunately, though, because he mainly won over longer distances there was a perception he would throw stayers and he was not as well patronised as he would have been had he only won up to a mile. Obviously the way a horse is trained and tried plays a large part in their career. If the horse is not given a stayer's preparation and actually tested over ground, his potential will never be realised.

John O'Shea

There are no fixed rules as to what distance a horse should be capable of running over but I think it would be preferable to have a stout pedigree on the dam's side if you want a horse to race over ground.

Q - Trainers talk about race programming needing to provide a progression in distance for potential stayers. We may have small fields initially, however. Is this an important factor ? Should more staying races be programmed in NSW ? Is it likely they will be in the future ?

A - John Messara

Diversity should be an important aspect of our racing program. Firstly, staying races can add a lot of interest to a race meeting and offer options to a wider range of equine athletes, and secondly, they will make a broader range of Australian horses competitive in the international arena.

There are ways of encouraging more people to breed and buy stayers but they usually boil down to boosting returns to owners. There are efforts underway in this area and, if the demand for stayers grows as a result, then breeders will produce them.





Q&A cont.



Wayne Bedggood

As a participant in the breeding and racing industries I seriously hope these questions are taken on board by Racing NSW which does need to to program for stayers.If these races are not patronised by owners and trainers then we are not promoting the worth of the stayer properly to the industry, assuming there is adequate prizemoney on offer.

Chris Waller

We should be promoting more feature staying races for two-year-olds, e.g. races over 1600 to 1800m.This may help owners and breeders get a return earlier.Even non-black type races could be programmed as well for two-year-olds over those longer distances.It is not too bad at the moment but younger horses need a weight advantage similar to the weight-for-age scale. Our two-year-olds are so strong yet we have only one or two races a week.Three-year-olds are also very good and comprise a massive pool but again have only three or four races per week in Sydney.For older horses there are eight or 10 city races per week.

John O'Shea

Continuity of programming is

paramount.I think there is no doubting that the NSW staying ranks will improve over the next five years.Most staying horses need 10 runs before they get close to their best so if you haven't got them to win a Saturday race they must be in jeopardy of the owner running out of patience.

Q – Do you think there are some trainers who don't know how to manage stayers ?

A – John Messara

There are always trainers who build their initial reputations with stayers, just as there are trainers who succeed early in their careers with two-year-olds, or fillies or sprinters.That success often attracts owners who want to race those kinds of horses and sometimes this can limit a trainer's experience with horses in other categories.That said, good trainers don't waste talent however it is packaged.

John O'Shea

It is definitely an art.

Chris Waller

Everyone can train a stayer.It just comes back to who is prepared to give them time and not put a horse under too much pressure too early.In my opinion, taking a horse that

needs time to an early two-year-old trial can be detrimental to the horse.These sorts of horses need longer spells and need to be forgotten.Our natural instinct – me included – is to try to get the horse to show something for the owners to keep them happy.You trial them and they run poorly,next thing we trial them again with blinkers and they trial well.We spell them, they come back and trial well again so we go to the races.They run poorly, so again we put them under more pressure to perform and they usually respond with a third or fourth.By this time they can be pushed too hard and the improvement in some horses never changes.

Q – What is required to encourage owners to want to race more staying type horses ? It is well known that the financial rewards are there for horses which race well over distance and come back season after season.

A – John Messara

Yes, the financial rewards are there for owners who persevere with a staying type which turns out to have talent and avoids career-halting injuries.Where support may be needed is during that long development

phase – for example, a program of well funded “novice stayer” races for younger horses not ready to take on established stayers but needing the chance to compete for good prizemoney that will help pay for their education.

Chris Waller

I don't think prizemoney is the complete answer, sure it would help, but just helping a stayer be competitive earlier in it's career would be helpful and obviously breeders need black type status to reward them.Keep promoting the stayers as I am sure once people have some luck and the experience with a stayer they will always want one.The Melbourne Cup is a great example of this as it is basically the same owners and trainers competing each year – they get hooked on it !

John O'Shea

Minimising costs would help.

Q – Will the current trend of buying tried horses continue or do you think it will be short-lived now the Europeans are more aware of the Aussie interest in their horses ?

A – John Messara

This trend seems to confirm



Darley's Epsom Derby winner Authorized shuttles to NSW





Q&A cont.



that Australian owners and trainers are more concerned about reducing or eliminating the development costs for stayers and increasing their chances of having a major Cup runner sooner rather than later. I'd expect that trend to continue as long as prices for tried horses in Europe are comparable to buying a nice yearling here.

Wayne Bedggood

The above questions are linked as people need to spend less on getting stayers to the races as they are able to in Europe, for example. To buy an already tried and proven stayer from overseas is a great way to eliminate a lot of the risks and costs involved. As our trainers become more accustomed to the need for stayers and the methods required to get them over ground then we will see the stock coming from within Australia and New Zealand. I remember going overseas and seeing horses having their first start over 2000m and winning first up without a trial, something that would never happen in Australia, but why not?

Chris Waller

I think it will be short-lived – the value is not as good as it was three or four years ago and clearly greater demand is the reason for this. Also, we are now competing for the same horses with a lot more racing countries, some like Hong Kong and Singapore with no breeding industries.

John O'Shea

I'm sure it will continue especially if we get significant increases in prizemoney.



Rebel Raider wins the 2008 Victoria Derby.

Q – Is there really a problem with stamina in Australian pedigrees or has the recent success of overseas horses in the Melbourne Cup come about for other reasons such as the high attrition rate among local stayers leading up to last year's event ?

A – John Messara

Perhaps we need to take a longer term view to regain our perspective on this issue. Only nine winners of the last 42 Melbourne Cups and 17 of the last 42 Caulfield Cup winners were bred in Australia, so if we have a problem with top class stamina in Australian pedigrees it is a problem we've had for a long time.

Wayne Bedggood

Certainly there are more people breeding and racing to win the Golden Slipper, Blue Diamond or Magic Millions than there are for the Melbourne Cup. If the

horse can stay after winning as a juvenile it is then seen as a bonus but more of an afterthought than a plan. I do feel, however, that we will turn this situation around quickly as it is not in our nature to be beaten at anything, especially not in racing !

Chris Waller

I am not a breeding wizard but I think for the way we race we need sharp pedigrees and I would not be too concerned about this.

John O'Shea

There is no doubting the Australian thoroughbred of today is lacking stamina in pedigrees. Hopefully, that will improve in the future.

Q – As a trainer, do you go to the sales specifically looking for horses to win over 2400m or longer ?

A – Chris Waller

Never, A 1600 – 2000m. horse, yes.

John O'Shea

No.

Q – Most owners seem to want a quick return rather than waiting years to see if a horse can win a race. Is there any way they can be encouraged to have more patience in this expensive game when some of the richest Australian races are over longer distances ?

A – Chris Waller

Just by promoting the stayer which I think has been happening much better over the past few months and again by giving them more opportunities. Owners love winning, trainers and breeders are the same !



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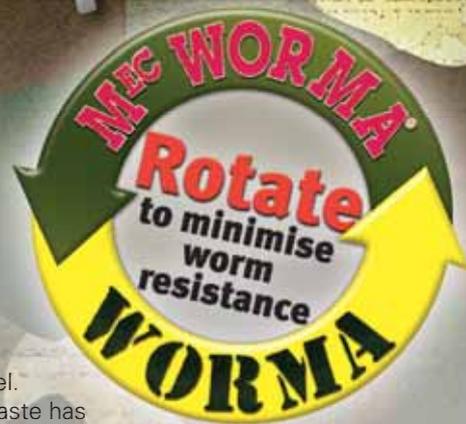


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 Scenic (RE) - Lovers Knot (NZ) (Khozaam (USA))
 Trainer: Bart Cummings (Randwick)

Form	Profile	Rating	Wgt	GRPW	Features	Wins	Siblings
Result 10L 9th of 11	20 Feb 2010	CAUL	OR 6	\$201,000	PURE BLONDE ST GEORGE STAKES (62)	0	
14 days STEVE ARNOLD (11) 50.0/59.0							
1st - 0.2L LA ROCKET - STEPHEN BASTER 59.0, 2nd - 0.2L HEART OF DREAMS - CRAIG HEWITT 59.0							
Result 6.5L 6th of 9	6 Feb 2010	CAUL	OR 7	\$402,000	C.F. ORR STAKES (G1) OPEN	0	
14 days STEVE ARNOLD (8) 59.0/59.0 \$8,000							
1st - 1.8L TYPHOON TRACY - LUKE HOLEN 57.0, 2nd - 1.8L HEART OF DREAMS - CRAIG HEWITT							
3 months							
Result 4.5L 7th of 23	3 Nov 2009	FLEM	OR 7	\$5,650,000	EMIRATES MELBOURNE CUP (G1) OPEN	0	
3 days BRAD RAWILLER (8) 58.0/59.0 \$116,000 Checked early on. Struck interference near 140m							
1st - 0.8L SHOCKING - COREY BROWN 51.0, 2nd - 0.8L CRIME SCENE - KERRIN MC EVROY							
Result 2.5L 3rd of 11	31 Oct 2009	FLEM	OR 5	\$752,500	MACKENNON STAKES (G1) OPEN	0	
14 days BRAD RAWILLER (7) 59.0/59.0 \$87,500							
1st - 2L SCENIC SHOT - SHANE SCRIVEN 59.0, 2nd - 2L MISTY							
Result 2.5L 1st of 18	17 Oct 2009	CAUL	OR 8	\$2,555,000	BMW CAULFIELD	0	
14 days BRAD RAWILLER (13) 57.0/57.0 \$1,500,000							
2nd - 2.3L ROMAN EMPEROR - HUGH BOWMAN 54.0, 3rd -							
Result 3L 7th of 15	3 Oct 2009	CAUL	OR 5	\$502,000	TURNBULL STAKES	0	
14 days BRAD RAWILLER (13) 57.0/57.0 \$116,000							
1st - 0.1L EFFICIENT - NICHOLAS HALL 57.5, 2nd - 0.1L PREDATORY P							
Result 5.5L 10th of 12	10 Oct 2009	CAUL	OR 5	\$352,000	TURNBULL STAKES	0	
21 days BRAD RAWILLER (13) 57.0/57.0 \$116,000							
1st - 0.4L HEART OF DREAMS - CRAIG HEWITT 58.0, 2nd - 0.4L WHOBEG							
11th of 12							

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All Seasons	Wins	Places
2009/10	03	151
2008/09	04	153

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Total	227	14%	60	1632	156	\$11,404,000

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2009/10	03	14%	62	674	127	\$6,530,037	\$51,419	14%
2008/09	04	14%	56	662	112	\$4,006,042	\$35,768	13%
2007/08	36	14%	23	260	65	\$665,505	\$13,315	14%
2006/07	4	11%	4	36	13	\$62,414	\$7,100	11%

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AW	3	12%	2	26	26
SW	0	0%	0	7	7
TR	0	0%	0	1	1
ST	0	0%	0	2	2
OT	0	0%	0	0	0
OR	3	23%	2	2	2
OC	0	0%	0	0	0
OT	5	15%	0	0	0



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Some early history of thoroughbred breeding in NSW

By Les Young



Racing in NSW started officially with a meeting in Hyde Park, in the centre of the Sydney CBD, in October, 1810 but the starting date of thoroughbred breeding as we know it is a little harder to determine.

The first horses – a stallion, three mares and three yearlings – landed in Sydney with the First Fleet in January, 1788 with more arriving over the next 20 years but most, if not all, came from the Cape of Good Hope in South Africa and were not thoroughbreds.

Perhaps the first importation of a stallion of significance in terms of racing was an English-bred horse by the name of Rockingham who arrived here in 1799 via South Africa. In October, 1802 another notable early stallion, Northumberland, arrived with an English mare, the first to come direct from the mother country. At around this time a quality stallion named Washington was brought from America.

Arabs from Persia, brought in from India, further strengthened the number and quality of horses being bred in NSW for all purposes in the early 1800s.

Captain John Piper, after whom the exclusive Sydney suburb is named, has the distinction of importing the first English thoroughbred of known pedigree, an eight-year-old stallion named Wellington (Kill Devil – Flirtilla, by Conductor) who began stud duties in 1814 but seems to have left little of note.

What we would regard as thoroughbreds from England and Ireland started to arrive in increasing numbers in the 1820s through to the 1830s, horses such as Steeltrap, The Baron, Bay Camerton, Peter Finn, Skeleton, Theorem, Rous' Emigrant, Toss, Trumpet and Whisker.

After this, for racing purposes, thoroughbreds began to dominate the horses of Arab origin although mares with Arab blood still had a part to play.

Ultimately some of these early colonial female families, 19 in total, not traceable to a mare in the General (English) Stud Book, were accepted into the Australian Stud Book with a number still thriving today.

For example, the Steeltrap mare Matilda became the dam of one of the first NSW-bred racing stars, Jorrock (1833), a part Arab.

A later top local performer and sire, Cossack (1847) was a pure thoroughbred, sired by Australian-bred Sir Hercules and tracing to Manto, the first imported thoroughbred mare now known by name, who arrived in NSW in 1825.

This 1822-foaled daughter of Soothsayer was to found a prolific family of winners, still thriving today at top level in both Australia and New Zealand.

Manto's direct descendants include literally hundreds of outstanding racehorses, among them a number of sires of note such as Trenton, Nightmarch, High Caste and more recently Rancher and globetrotter Strawberry Road. Young Victorian sire Written Tycoon is another tracing to Manto.

New Zealand's renowned "Belle" family members all trace back to Manto as do performers like Dance Hero, Grand Arnee, Heat of the Moment, Sir Slick, Tie The Knot and numerous other racing stars.

The new colony's food needs were supplied by farms in what is now Sydney suburbia and similarly, the early NSW breeders had their stud farms in areas around the city, Parramatta, Rosehill, Windsor and Richmond and later established in the Hunter Valley, Tocal, Bylong, Mudgee, Dubbo, Widden Valley (where Widden was settled in 1867), Carcoar, Orange, Bathurst, Grafton and other parts of the state.

Today it is hard to imagine that early thoroughbred stallions in NSW stood at such inner city locations as George Street, York Street, Bligh Street as well as inner Sydney suburbs like Annandale and further out at Homebush, Parramatta, Doonside, Toongabbie, Prospect, Liverpool and Camden.

Sir Hercules, mentioned earlier, was probably the first NSW-bred sire to found a recognised male line via Yattendon, Chester and Abercorn (by Chester) who was exported to England while Yattendon's unbeaten son Grand Flaneur (1877) left a son named Merman (1892), winner in England of the Ascot Gold Cup in 1900.

Chester (1874), a true champion racehorse, was bred at Fernhill Stud at Mulgoa at the foot of the

Blue Mountains. He came into the ownership of the Hon. James White who at one time owned the now famous Edinglassie and Segenhoe (now Vinery) properties in the Hunter and Kirkham Stud, operating until recent years, near Camden.

Grand Flaneur, mentioned above, started his stud career at Hobartville near Richmond, another historic property established around 1816 and still producing thoroughbreds for prominent owner/breeder Grahame Mapp.

Yattendon (1861), bred at Ramornie near Grafton, won the first Sydney Cup in 1866 and apart from the sons mentioned above has the distinction of leaving two Australian foundation mares, Black Swan and Yatterina.

A famous early Australian racehorse, the well named Archer (1856, by imported William Tell), winner of the first two Melbourne Cups in 1861 and 1862, was bred in the Braidwood area of NSW.

His sire William Tell (1843) was a son of the great English sire Touchstone and when retired to stud in NSW he commanded a fee of 5 guineas and was restricted to 50 mares – how things change in 160-odd years!

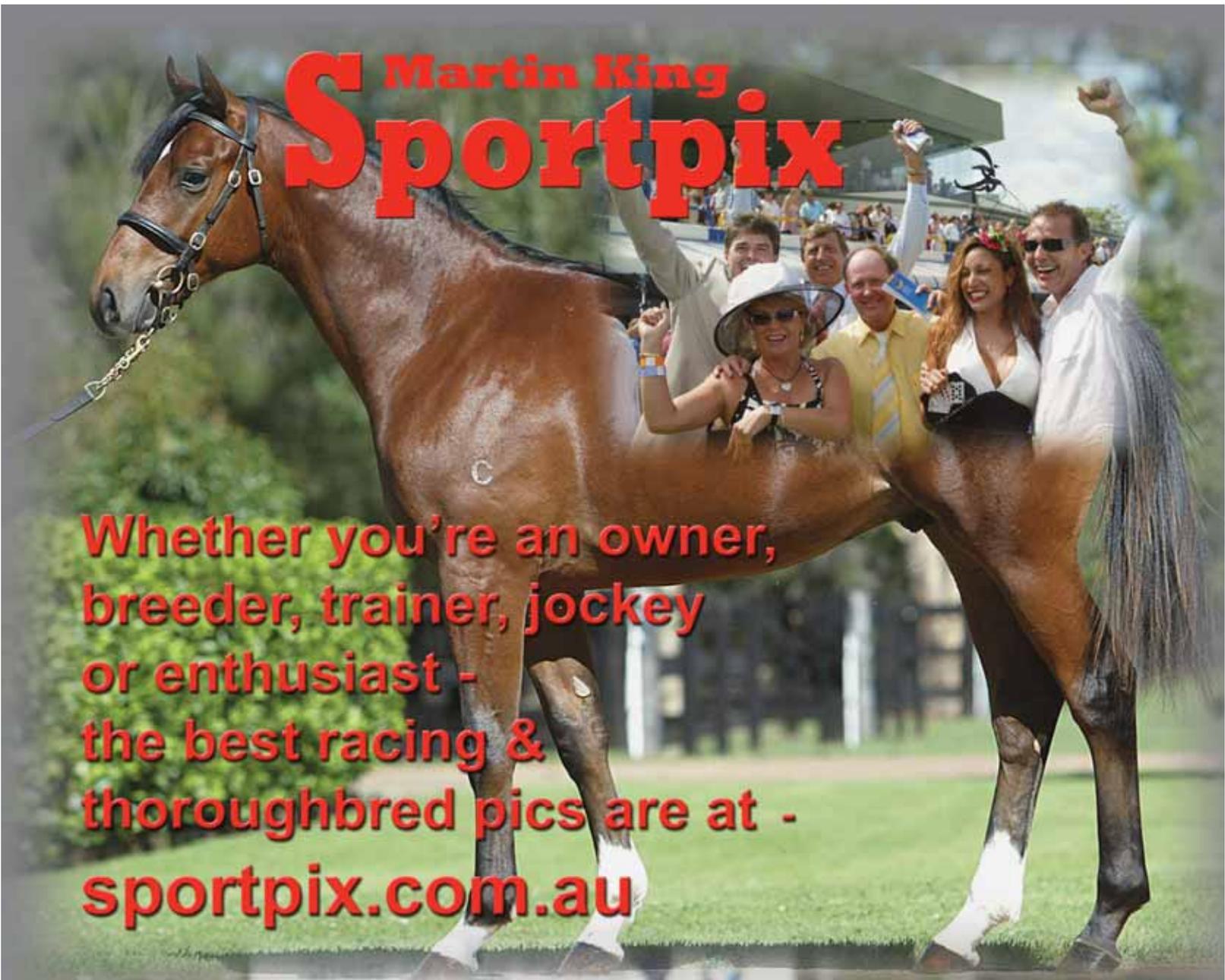
The strong early thoroughbred influence in horse breeding in NSW also played a decisive role in the development of an almost unique breed of horse named the waler in recognition of its origin. Walers earned fame for their feats as mounts for Australian Light Horse Regiments in the Boer War and World War I.

The waler, in turn, was derived from early Australian stockhorses and again NSW was at the forefront in establishing this breed of horse so important in working stock.

What is fascinating is to realise the degree to which the economic and social history of early NSW is also tied in to the breeding of thoroughbreds by our pioneer families.

If you are interested in learning more may I recommend you read "Horsemen of the First Frontier" (1788-1900) and "The Serpents Legacy" by Keith R. Binney.





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Black Type Honour Roll

Congratulations to the NSW Breeders of Australian stakeswinners from from 3 October 2011 to 15 January 2012

Mr J N Allen			
Albert the Fat	Emirates Stakes	1	Magic Albert-Alemar (Bureaucracy)
Arrowfield Group Pty Ltd, Jungle Pocket Pty Ltd			
Hot Snitzel	Brian Crowley Stakes	Listed	Snitzel-Flames of Paris (Blushing Groom)
Arrowfield Pastoral Pty Ltd, Belford Productions			
Sabrage	Norman Robinson Stakes	3	Charge Forward-Galroof (Maroof)
Mr B Barnett			
Listen Son	Keith Noud Handicap	Listed	Big Jesse-Backstage Star (Regal Classic)
Bill Duncan Bloodstock Pty Ltd			
Punch On	Vo Rogue Plate	3	Tiger Hill-School Blue (Geiger Counter)
Bylong Park Thoroughbreds			
Mosheen	VRC Oaks	1	Fastnet Rock-Sumehra (Stravinsky)
Driefontein	BJ McLachlan Stakes	3	Fastnet Rock-Follow Gold (Export Price)
Skyerush	Belle of the Turf Stakes	Listed	Super Jet-Bally Aura (Bellotto)
Copabella Pty Ltd			
Combat Kitty	Lexus Hybrid Plate	Listed	General Nediym-Fondle (O'Reilly)
Darley			
Applegate	Emirates Airline Plate	Listed	Exceed and Excel-Klamath Falls (Storm Cat)
Galah	Gothic Stakes	Listed	Redoute's Choice-Rinky Dink (Distorted Humor)
Galah	Carbine Club Stakes	3	Redoute's Choice-Rinky Dink (Distorted Humor)
Helmet	Caulfield Guineas	1	Exceed and Excel-Accessories (Singspiel)
Induna	Geelong Classic	Listed	Elusive Quality-Camarena (Danehill)
Premardal	Jungle Dawn Classic	Listed	Shamardal-Prestigious (Rainbow Quest)
Sepoy	Caulfield Sprint	2	Elusive Quality-Watchful (Danehill)
Sepoy	Coolmore Stud Stakes	1	Elusive Quality-Watchful (Danehill)
Yulalona	Summer Cup	3	Dubai Destination-Klamath Falls (Storm Cat)
Encompass International Pty Ltd			
Proliferate	Myer Spring Fashion Stakes	Listed	More Than Ready-Grand Prospect (Flying Spur)
Mr G H Forbes			
Platelet	Thoroughbred Club Stakes	3	Strategic-Bloodline(Dracula)
Hamilton Stud NZ Ltd, Woodlawn Park			
Eight Till Late	WA Champion Fillies Stakes	3	Lonhro-Future Choice (Redoute's Choice)
Mr G Harvey			
Night War	Lee Steere Classic	3	General Nediym-Samar (Secret Savings)
Mr R Heyblok			
Vintedge	Matriarch Stakes	2	Flying Spur-Alternative Edge (Rory's Jester)
Hobartville Stud			
Hurtle Myrtle	Myer Classic	1	Dane Shadow-Ravenswood (Woodman)
News Alert	Razor Sharp Handicap	Listed	Danehill Dancer-Breaking News (Brief Truce)
Indian Pacific Bloodstock			
Real Stolle	Maribyrrong Plate	3	Elusive Quality-Lemon Ruski (Desert King)
Indian Pacific Bloodstock, Mr Peter Talty			
Wonderful Lass	Recognition Stakes	Listed	Catbird-Convent Girl (Snippets)
Mr R Kemister			
Monton	Festival Handicap	Listed	Catbird-Dynamic Flyer (Marauding)
Monton	Villiers Stakes	2	Catbird-Dynamic Flyer (Marauding)





Black Type Honour Roll cont.



	Koorinal Stud		
Balmont	The Nivison	Listed	Commands (Grail Queen-Lake Coniston)
	Milburn Creek Thoroughbred Stud		
Jimando	Debutants Stakes	Listed	Commands-Finko (Caerleon)
	Dr L Nutman		
Title	City Tattersalls Lightning	Listed	Honours List-Claudia (Al Jaasi)
	Orange Grove Thoroughbreds		
Gliding	Ethereal Stakes	Listed	Flying Spur-Marrego (Marscay)
	Mr W Palmer		
Manawanui	Mitchelton Wines Vase	2	Oratorio (Ire)-Lady Remlap (Filante)
	Patinack Farm		
Ron's Call	Fairetha Stakes	Listed	Magic Albert-Kooroora Blue (Red Ransom)
	Mr G J Perry		
Atlantic Jewel	One Thousand Guineas	1	Fastnet Rock-Regard (Zabeel)
Atlantic Jewel	Wakeful Stakes	2	Fastnet Rock-Regard (Zabeel)
	Mr C L Porch, Jennifer Porch		
Charm's Honour	Mode Plate	Listed	Strada-She's Got Charm (Bletcharm)
	Ramsey Pastoral Co Pty Ltd		
Torah	Essendon Jeep Stakes	Listed	Spinning World-Perisher Valley (Devil's Bag)
Karuta Queen	1300 Australia Stakes	3	Not A Single Doubt-Card Queen (Final Card)
	Rheinwood Pastoral Co, Pancho Pastoral Co		
Unchain My Heart	Bagot Handicap	Listed	Al Maher-Fly by Night (Prince of Birds)
	Mr L D Rhodes		
Ortensia	GH Mumm Stakes	Listed	Testa Rossa-Aerate's Pick (Picnicker)
Ortensia	Winterbottom Stakes	1	Testa Rossa-Aerate's Pick (Picnicker)
	Mr I K Smith		
Sister Madly	Salinger Stakes	2	Redoute's Choice-Jade Tiara (Bureaucracy)
	Mr J A Somers		
My Destiny	Lough Neagh Stakes	Listed	Stratum-Grand Story (Grand Lodge)
	Mr D W Storey, Mrs V G Storey		
Rain Affair	Carrington Stakes	Listed	Commands-I Believe (Octagonal)
	Strawberry Hill Stud		
More Joyous	Tristarc Stakes	2	More Than Ready-Sunday Joy (Sunday Silence)
Ironstein	Queen Elizabeth Stakes	3	Zabeel-Gentle Genius (Danehill)
	Torryburn Stud		
Under the Eiffel	Sandown Stakes	3	Mossman-Spire (Danehill)
	Mr B R Turton		
Straight Albert	Tattersalls Club Cup	Listed	Magic Albert-Sativa (Monongahela)
Straight Albert	Gosford Cup	Listed	Magic Albert-Sativa (Monongahela)
	Mr A E Vrisakis, Mr S Flynn, Mrs A Flynn		
Niwot	Lexus Stakes	3	Galileo-Too Darn Hot (Noble Bijou)
	Widden Stud Australia Pty Ltd, Rogers Partnership		
Noogoora Burr	Phelan Ready Stakes	Listed	Royal Academy-Azalea (Marscay)
	Woodlands Stud		
Lamasery	Melbourne Cup Day Plate	Listed	Commands-Verse (Quest for Fame)
Shannara	Yalumba Cup	Listed	Octagonal-Shadea (Straight Strike)
Soul	Kevin Heffernan Stakes	Listed	Commands-Marvilha (Night Shift)
	Wynyarra Stud Pty Ltd, 560758		
Galizani	City Tatt's Club Cup	Listed	Galileo-Zahani (Zabeel)
	Yarraman Park Stud Pty Ltd		
Facile Tigre	VRC Cup Day Sprint	Listed	Catbird-Cotton Bay (Zabaleta)





NSW-bred Stakeswinners overseas

Congratulations to the breeders of these international winners between 3rd October 2011 to 15 January 2012

		Grp/L *ICSC	Grp/L **Local	
Barnaby & Co Ltd				
Rock 'n' Pop	New Zealand Two Thousand Guineas	1	1	Fastnet Rock-Popsy (Sir Tristram)
Mr D P Bentata				
Gimmethgreenlight	Kenilworth Queen's Plate (South Africa)	1	1	More Than Ready-Yes She Can Cancan (Canny Lad)
Burst Pty Ltd, C Tidy				
Zac Influence	Singapore Turf Club Proinn Construct Stakes	L	3	Rock of Gibraltar-Kidman (Quest for Fame)
Dr F W P Cradock				
Always Certain	Singapore Turf Club Raffles Cup	L	Sgp-1	Not A Single Doubt-Akarana (Akaaber)
Darley				
Knight's Tour	ARC Great Northern Guineas (New Zealand)	2	2	Reset-Hestia (Machiavellian)
Dubai Gina	Kenilworth Sun Classique Handicap (South Africa)	L	L	Dubai Destination-Anemometer (Sunday Silence)
Mr W J Gleeson				
Planet Rock	New Zealand One Thousand Guineas	1	1	Fastnet Rock-Akris (Zabeel)
Planet Rock	ARC Eight Carat Classic (New Zealand)	2	2	Fastnet Rock-Akris (Zabeel)
Good Faith Partnership				
Mygoodgrace	CJC Valachi Downs Breeders' Stakes (New Zealand)	L	L	Royal Academy-Good Faith (Straight Strike)
Kia Ora Stud				
Igugu	Turffontein Ipi Tombe Challenge (South Africa)	2	2	Galileo-Zarinia (Intikhab)

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Vinery's More Than Ready, sire of recent South African Group One winner Gimmethgreenlight.





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