

AMARINA FARM



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Sales News

The sales season has finally hit a lull with nothing to report in this section. All the mares purchased at auction recently are home and settled in well and we look with anticipation to their performance in the breeding arena.

Racing & Trials

Trials

The fortnight kicked off to a good start with **Call To Ransom (Red Ransom x Rich Resource)** winning her trial over 1000m at Belmont on the 6th of July. The 2yo filly is out of the Yarradale Stud mare Rich Resource who is in foal to Elusive Quality. The Anabaa x Rich Resource yearling colt was eventually knocked down to Anthony Cummings for \$200,000 at this years Easter Yearling Sale.

Possibly the most photographed un-raced horse in the world (well definitely Australia) came up trumps again. **The Opera House (Zabeel x Carmina Burma)** came from behind to win her trial at Gosford yesterday over 900m. In his usual media savvy fashion, purchaser and part owner John Singleton indicated his faith in the rare coloured filly by entertaining the idea that she might be his next G1 winner.

Races

8/7- In the 3rd race at Randwick there were two runners of note. **Truth On Toe** (Flying Spur x **Trewornan**) ran second following some decent trial form. This is the half to the Snitzel filly sold by Amarina at this year's Easter Yearling Sale. **More Valour's (More Than Ready x Valourina)** performance suggested she may need more practice after running very greenly in the same race. Valourina is part of the SF Bloodstock broodmare band.



Rich Resource



Bringing the weanlings in for handling

10/7- **Dansearch** (Danehill Dancer x **Insearch**) made a successful race-day debut in the 2yo race at Bairnsdale. Looking everything like the winner, he just got beaten on the line. Felix Burns and Steve Morando would have to be encouraged by this run as they have the half sister by Choisir in the paddock at Amarina at the moment.

15/7- Following her trial win, **Call To Ransom** began the second campaign of her career with a 5th at Belmont over 1200m.

At Canterbury **Altered Boy** (Danehill Dancer x **Floridays**) alerted everyone of his return to racing after 2 months holiday by winning the 8th over 1100m. Altered Boy spelled on Amarina, and his half brother, by Tale of The Cat, has gone to the breakers. Both are owned by Kerry Pooley.

17/7- **Monte Rocket** (**Hussonet** x **Glitzy Guru**) looks like he is coming into great form after taking out the third race at Bathurst over 1300m. The 4yo gelding out of regular Amarina resident Glitzy Guru is obviously enjoying winter more than most of us as his last 3 starts have been on heavy tracks. Glitzy Guru is owned by Coral View Lodge.

18/7- **Pacino** (**Bianconi** x **Yarra Dreaming**) continued his extremely consistent form when finishing 3rd at Caulfield in race 3. He has run in the top three in his last five starts. This is great for the family of Amarina based mare It's You (x Celtic Swing) who is in foal to Snitzel.

The owners of **Hollaback** (**Fusaichi Pegasus** x **Lady Mulan**), who has returned to Amarina since being passed in at the Easter Broodmare sale, would not have been disappointed when watching her half sister Miss Mushu (x Encosta De Lago) run third in the 2yo race at Rosehill. Hollaback is another mare in foal to Arrowfield stallion Snitzel.

19/7- The only run on Sunday deserving a mention was that of debutant **Merryvale** (**Zabeel** x **Spottswoode**) which took place at Seymour. The 2yo filly managed to finish 4th over 1200m. The Wood Nook Farm bred mare Spottswoode is a G3 winner in New Zealand and is also the dam of the Tale of The Cat colt sold under the Amarina banner for \$200,000 at this years Magic

Million Yearling Sale. **Zingara** (also out of Spottswoode) recently returned to Amarina for the season in foal to Rock of Gibraltar.

General Farm News

The mares all lined up for their pre-season preg-test, with exceptional results. It is always good to start off knowing everything is still where it should be. It is also that time of year when owners make the difficult decision regarding which stallion will match their mare in order to produce the future champion of the track.

The weanlings have had their last lot of handling and will now be left alone as the staff focus on mares and foals. The barns are being emptied and cleaned out, and straw boxes being laid in preparation for foaling. The early mares have been moved into the foaling paddocks so they can be closely monitored.

Everyone is going mad in the gardens fighting the recent growth due to the rain and preparing the grounds for Spring (as optimistic as that sounds).

All the best,

Staff at Amarina Farm

