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Sales News

The final yearling to go through the Melbourne sales was the **Lion Heart x Demarco Miss** colt under the Glentree Downs banner. He sold for \$48,000 to L Wilkinson from Victoria. Demarco Miss has a Ne Coupez filly weanling and is in foal to new Patinack stallion Husson.

At Adelaide the **Stratum x One Kiss** colt was sold for \$54,000. One Kiss is owned by Lucio Signore, she has a Fastnet Rock weanling filly and is in foal to Snitzel.

Easter yearlings leave in a fortnight. The parade season is in full swing, photos are on the website and sirecam footage should be available in a week or so. Last years million dollar baby, the **Encosta De Lago x Ylang Ylang** colt has now been named and will run under the title of Viva Ocho. There is a full sister being offered in this years draft.

The Broodmare sales start soon after the yearlings are finished, with a draft of 34 it should be a busy sale. There are two maiden mares that warrant a mention, the first is the Perrin Legal owned **Hollaback (Fusaichi Pegasus x Lady Mulan)**. She is a stunning individual who will let down into a lovely broodmare. A \$350,000 yearling, she had a win and two placings from five starts. The dam, Lady Mulan, was a Group 2 winner and multiple Group placed runner. Hollaback has tested positive to Arrowfield stallion Snitzel. Lot number 334 is **Miss Marielle (Encosta De Lago x Miss Vandal)**, also owned by Perrin Legal. She won four from 14 starts including 2 listed races, and was Group 2 placed. Miss Vandal won four including one at Group 3 level. Miss Marielle finished racing in October last year and is another who is letting down nicely.



This years Encosta De Lago x Ylang Ylang filly.



Hollaback, on offer at this years Broodmare sale.

The two entrants in the Scone Yearling Sale; Grandera x Sailing Orders and Spinning World x Kaanapali, will come in this week to start their prep.



Amarina Runners

Wednesday 4/3

Consistent performer **Grecian Choice (Redoute's Choice x Aphrodite)** lined up at Sandown and finished 3rd over 1400m. As usual he had a bit of bad luck, this time losing a plate during the race. The 3-year-old colt has now had 9 starts for 2 wins and 6 placings. He is the best performer from the Runnymede Holdings owned mare, who has a Snitzel filly weanling, and is in foal to Strada. Both Strada and Redoute's Choice are by Danehill, and Snitzel is by Redoute's Choice, leaving a strong Northern Dancer connection in the pedigree of Aphrodite's latest progeny.

At Ipswich **Classic Victor (Fusaichi Pegasus x Born Priceless)** ran second over 1350m. The Yarradale owned Born Priceless has an Exceed and Excel weanling colt and is in foal to Elusive Quality.

Saturday 7/3

It's fair to say we had great weekend with a lot of runners of interest finishing in the money.

Flemington

Rostova (Testa Rossa x Space Talk) kicked off the day winning the Group 2 Sires Produce Stakes over 1400m. This was a huge effort to prove skeptics wrong after her average run in the Blue Diamond. This is another boost for the Anabaa x Rich Resource colt entered in the Easter sales.

In the following race, the Group 2 Kewney Stakes **Gallica (Redoute's Choice x Swing Queen)** was given a brilliant hands and heels ride by Damien Oliver. Gallica, who is now aiming for the Oaks, has cemented her place in the Amarina Hall of Fame since been sold for \$250,000 at the 2007 Magic Millions.

In races 7 and 8 the family of mare **Recooperate (General Nediym x Nicola Lass)** put in an enormous effort. Recooperate is owned by Lindsay Park Racing, Peter Devitt, and Les Gordon. Peter Devitt and Les Gordon bred her and her two half brothers **Niconero** (x Danzero) and **Nicconi** (x Bianconi). Nicconi finished 4th in the Group 1 Cadbury Guineas, and Niconero went wide and stormed home to take out the Group 1 Australian Cup. He is now Danzero's leading accumulator of Group 1 wins. Recooperate is in foal to Fastnet Rock.



Born Priceless and Exceed and Excel colt.



The well bred Re cooperate.

Mount Isa

True Diehard (Lion Hunter x Mecapo) went out as favorite but only managed to come second over 900m. Mecapo is owned by Denis Ryan and is in foal to Librettist this season.

Randwick

Altered Boy (Danehill Dancer x Floridays) returned to racing in the second race but only managed to get fifth. We might forgive him though as he has just been gelded so may be a bit disillusioned about the world. Kerry Pooley owns the Tale of the Cat yearling who is a lovely strong colt.

In the 5th race **Walking Or Dancing (Falvelon x Young Vic)** put in a good effort for 3rd over 1200m. This is a half to the filly (x Zabeel) sold at last years Easter sale for \$130,000.

NZ

Winner of the Karaka Millions, **The Heckler (Lucky Owners x Comedy Café)** finished 4th in the Group 1 Ford Diamond Stakes, this was a good effort in a strong 2yo field. The Heckler is a great ambassador for the Amarina brand proving it can bring success on both sides of the Tasman.

The SF Bloodstock owned **Liatris (Rock of Gibraltar x Subterfuge)** lined up at Omaru and put in a good enough run for third to warrant a start in a listed fillies and mares race at Riccaton on the 21st of March.

Sun 8/3 Canberra

Zikmann (Fastnet Rock x Belle Feline), who was born at Amarina but retained to race, ran 3rd in the listed 2yo Black Opal Stakes. He was always looking promising and then stayed on to finish in the money. Belle Feline is owned by Illes Racing and Breeding and has a Fastnet Rock weanling colt.



Eucha

Excellent Dancer (Exceed and Excel x Dynamic Love) went wide after some interference which put him in a good spot but he failed to deliver in the final stages. A third placing wasn't a bad result though. Dynamic Love is owned by Perrin Legal, has a Fastnet Rock weanling filly and is in foal to Fastnet Rock.

Happy Valley 11/3

In Hong Kong **Vanquish Delight (Redoute's Choice x Let's Get Even)** won convincingly over 1650m. The three-year-old gelding was sold by Amarina at the 2007 Easter sales for \$275,000 to the Hong Kong Jockey club on behalf of Perrin Legal.

Sat 14/3

Scott Perrin kicked off his successful weekend with **Largo Lad (Encosta De Lago x Lady Marion)** taking out the 7th at Flemington. It was a smart ride by Chris Symons who went against the trend and saved ground by going on the rail instead of the favoured ground on the outer edge of the track. Paying \$10.80 this put a bit of pocket money in the wallets of those who backed it.

After being passed in at the 2008 Classic Sales **Just Pause (Lion Heart x Tamarron)** had her first start over 900m at Kembla Grange finishing third. This is a half to Linebacker who had his last start at the end of February.

There was another boost for the family of **Princess Pedrille**, owned by Ralph Johns, Malik Haidar, Carl Precious, Angela Speers, and Jason Bowden, when **Granzig** (Grand Lodge x Mamzelle Pedrille) won the Penong Cup.

Imananabaa (Anabaa x Iman) proved her move to Australia was not in vain by running second in the Listed race at Randwick. This was a reward for new owners SF Bloodstock, and adds further value to the Yarradale owned Rich Resource family.

Olanana (More Than Ready x Arkadina) gave Scott Perrin his second success for the day by winning the Group 2 at Randwick. This was her third win from five starts. Olanana is a half to the Al Maher colt who was sold for \$100,000 at the 2009 Easter sales.

Sun 15/3

At Benalla **Zupatwo (Flying Spur x Cotoletta)** had his first start back after a four month spell to finish 4th over 1206m. This was sold for \$150,000 at the 2007 Magic Millions.

The Glentree Downs bred **Spare A Dime (Encosta De Lago x Smidgin)** also ran at Benalla and finished second. Smidgin has produced three other winners, is in foal to Excellent Art, and has a Stratum weanling filly.

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The final success of the weekend was **Classic Victor (Fusaichi Pegasus x Born Pricless)** who finished third at the Sunshine Coast. A good effort after backing up from the previous weeks run.



Parade for Gai Waterhouse



The Encosta De Lago x Joolzy colt on offer at Easter from the family of Blue Diamond winner Sleek Chassis.

General Farm News

The mares from America have arrived and will go into the quarantine area until 3 weeks after they have foaled, in accordance with AQIS regulations. They are looking well and should blossom after a few weeks of good Amarina grass.

On St Patrick's Day team Amarina will be supporting the community effort to raise money for local girl Holly Arvidson by taking part in the bowling tournament in town. We haven't been practicing, the team hasn't been finalized, but we will put in a good effort and it should be a fun day.

Till next fortnight,

Happy breeding and racing,

Staff at Amarina Farm.



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