



Amarina Farm Newsletter.

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Sales News

The Easter yearlings are now in Sydney ready for inspection. The prep has gone well and now it's just a matter of selling them. Video and photo footage is on the Amarina website (www.amarinafarm.com.au) available for viewing. The sales begin on the 5th of April and finish on the 7th.

The mares entered for the Inglis Broodmare Sale will arrive on the 11th and will be available for inspection on the 12th. Lot 185 is **Dynamic Lass** (Redoute's Choice x Dynamic Love). She is a half to **Excellent Dancer** (x Exceed & Excel) who won at Cranbourne on Sunday March 22nd. Dynamic Lass has won 3 from fourteen starts up to the distance of 1100m. The dam, **Dynamic Love** was a Group 2 winner, and has had three named foals, and has a Fastnet Rock weanling. Dynamic Lass is being offered as a Racing and Breeding Proposition.



Zabeel x Smarts



Encosta De Lago x Sixty Seconds

Runners

Wed 18/3

In the Group 3 Newmarket Handicap there were two runners of note. The winner, **Solo Flyer** (Belong to Me x Fly the Flag), is out of a $\frac{3}{4}$ sister to the Graham De Gruchy owned **Mocha**. Fly the Flag is basically bred to be kiwi royalty being by super sire Sir Tristram, and out of the Japan Cup heroine Horlicks. Mocha is in foal to Holy Roman Emperor this season.

Walking or Dancing (Favelon x Young Vic) put in a gallant effort to finish third backing up from his run a week previous.

At Balaklava **You're On** (Exceed and Excel x Yoren), who was sold for \$90,000 at the 2007 Magic Millions, took out the second race over 1050m.

Sat 21/3

The saving grace of the day was **Gallica** (Redoute's Choice x Swing Queen) who stamped her authority in the Schweppes Oaks at Morphettville. Always looking the likely winner, Gallica rewarded her owner, Rob Harding, with his second G1 win. She will now be aimed at the Vinery Stakes on Golden Slipper Day, and then the Australian Oaks on April 18.

Brava Fortune (Falbrav x **Fortune Streak**) ran third in the Listed race at Ascot. The Yarradale bred and sold filly made her move late to run on well. Fortune Streak has an Exceed and Excel weanling and is in foal to the Darley stallion again this season.

The final placing of the day went to **True Diehard** (Lion Hunter x **Mecapo**) who ran second in a small field at Mount Isa.

The rest of the days racing fitted into the average category.

Sun 22/3

At Cranbourne there was a 100% strike rate, very rare I would imagine. **Excellent Dancer** (Exceed & Excel x Dynamic Love) won the second race convincingly. The David Hayes trained 3-year-old gelding is a half to Dynamic Lass (x Redoute's Choice) who is entered in the Broodmare sale under the Amarina banner.

The success continued when **Grecian Choice** (Redoute's Choice x Aphrodite) continued his huge campaign by winning the 7th. This horse defines consistency by placing in the top three in all of his last 9 starts. Runnymede must be carrying high hopes for the half-sister by Snitzel after Grecian Choice's performance.

Over in Hong Kong **Big Profit** (Howbaddouwantit x Fairdale Lass) looked hugely promising in the last race over 1400m. He couldn't quite finish it off though and ran a very good second place, paying \$23. There was a few of us regretting not having a punt. The Fairdale owned colt out of a full sister to Big Profit (**Howmuchyacharging**) arrives in Sydney on Monday to be offered at the Easter yearling Sales.

25/3

At Warwick Farm **Absent Friends** (Dehere x **Lady Mulan**) won over 1600m. The four year-old gelding, trained by Gary Portelli, is a half to **Hollaback** who is entered in the Easter Broodmare sale. Hollaback was mentioned in last weeks newsletter as one of the nicer maiden mares on offer from the Amarina draft.

Also at Warrick Farm, **Altered Boy** (Danhill Dancer x **Floridays**) ran second over 1400m. His half brother, owned by Kerry Pooley, went to the breakers this week.

26/3

A full sister to the Redoute's Choice x **Stella Cadente** filly sold at this years Magic Millions for \$200,000 won at Ballarat. This is the first win for the David Hayes three year-old filly **Starfish**, from nine starts.

28/3

This was not the best day for horses representing Amarina with a handful of horses running but nothing finishing better than third. However, across the Tasman was another matter. **The Heckler** (Lucky Owners x Comedy Café) who was sold by Amarina as a weanling, proved to be too big, too strong for the rest of the field in the Group 1 Sires Produce Stakes. Winning in dominant style, proving how tough he is, The Heckler gave trainers Murry and Bjorn Baker another Black Type win.

29/3

At Kyneton **Beast of the East** (Flying Spur x Newgirlintown) finished 3rd over 1469m. Passed in by Amarina at the 2007 Classic sale, this is her third start and her second placing.

General Farm News

The staff accommodation is finished and looking very flash. The irrigator's are still working overtime since the weather is still middle of summerish and the grass needs help to grow. The paddocks are still in the process of being prepared for sewing. The weanlings have started to be handled again for further education and a wee reminder of what they learnt last time. The St Patrick's day bowling fundraiser was a great day, even if the bowling skills were substandard. There were some great items up for auction, and Sue Anderson is now the proud owner of a beautiful photographic book about Hunter Valley horse studs.



Tony Parry Makes a comeback



Craig shows his style with the big whip.



Edinglassie import Mick Talty



William bowls a good one.

Hope to see you at the sales if you are in the area.

The team at Amarina