



PRIME DISPATCH

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Invincible Al wins at Flemington!!!
Nathan Punch's first Metropolitan winner and at Flemington!!!

Saturday's win by Invincible Al was a great thrill. The race was dedicated to outgoing Chief Steward Terry Bailey who I have a great deal of respect for. He had to deal with some very tough situations during his time in the top job but didn't back down when the going got rough. It doesn't get much worse than having someone fire shots into your home while you are there with your family.

I must say I wasn't sure if we had made the right call putting Nathan Punch on Invincible Al but Patrick Payne convinced me he was the right person to ride the horse and that his 3kg claim would make a big difference. Patrick was right and the emotion on the face of Nathan when he brought the horse back to scale was priceless. Patrick is a great judge of riders and puts a lot of thought into who he puts on. He generally gets it right which is all that really matters.

Over in Adelaide not much went right for Casa De Lago. She ran home nicely into 4th but after missing the start she was always going to struggle to win the race, particularly where the rail was positioned.

We are heading into the last week of the season and our horses have won 40 races this season.

Hopefully we can get a couple more wins on the board in the next seven days.

On The Track

We still have quite a few runners with the season quickly coming to an end. Five Star Gal is set to run today at Pakenham. Hopefully the meeting isn't abandoned due to the strong winds we encountered last week.

On Thursday we have Kissing Game and Almerheri running at Kembla Grange. A couple of good barriers would help our cause a lot.

Husson Eagle is down to run at Mildura in the Cup on Friday. Patrick has been keen to get him out in distance for some time and feels now is the right time. It will be interesting to see how he handles the step up to 1400m. He is closely related to some very good horses that have won up to 1600m including Wonderful World who won the Caulfield Guineas. One Invincible Cat may well start at Gosford on Friday.

Reneged is set to run at Rosehill on Saturday where he will be out to avenge his unlucky 3rd in the Grafton Cup. Blake Shinn has been booked for the ride.

Football

Things are really starting to hot up in both our major codes. In the NRL the final eight looks pretty set with the Storm heading up a tightly packed group of teams.

The Afl isn't as clear cut but with only a few rounds remaining time is running out for the sides in the lower half of the draw.

Well done to the Waratahs on their spirited win over the Highlanders. Let's hope they can progress through to the final. Australian Rugby has been in a dark place recently, but it is amazing what a win can do for a team or in this case a code. Good luck to them.

Patrick Payne

It doesn't hurt to remind our clients and those who receive this newsletter of the remarkable job Patrick Payne has done for us and the results he has achieved with a group of moderately priced horses.

Summary 2013 – 2017 Crops trained by Patrick Payne for Prime Thoroughbreds

In total the eight yearlings I purchased Patrick to have raced have won 25 races and \$1,888,331. The eight collectively were purchased for just \$459,500 (\$57,437.50 average purchase price) with six still in our racing team. The current value of these six horses is far greater than the combined purchase price of the eight to have raced. Seven of the eight I purchased Patrick to race have won.

I have been more than pleased with Patrick's handling of our yearlings and we have been building up a nice team of horses with him. We currently have fifteen with him including five yearlings and two weanlings. These seven winners include three Magic Millions winners in Husson Eagle, Atalanta Miss and Zizzis. As well as this three are stakes performers with Husson Eagle, Hussy's Glow and Casa De Lago earning 'black type'.

Patrick's honesty and passion are important traits I have been greatly impressed with. He is a very high-class trainer and incredible horseman who quietly gets about his business and has few peers when it comes to the business of training horses.



**Patrick Payne pictured with Husson Eagle – The first yearling I purchased him
Cost just \$42,500 Won \$1,009,768 – Runs in the Mildura Cup on Friday**

Weanlings

It is time to put our weanlings on the market. Over the years we have had tremendous success syndicating horses before Christmas. Most of these have been purchased as weanlings. Invincible AI was such a promotion. In my opinion these horses are offered at about \$30,000 below what they would have been had they been offered as yearlings next year. This has allowed our clients to become involved at a reasonable introductory rate.

Once again, I'm confident our selection processes give our owners the chance of having good success on the track. Some of the horses offered in this manner have included Believe 'n Achieve, Pitt Street, Holding, Invincible AI, Too Many Reds and Eramor. We normally only offer two or three horses at this time of the year. Last year I offered just the one filly which was the Star Witness filly out of Involve named Nussink. These three weanlings will head to Patrick Payne and Darren Weir. I hope you find them of interest.

More Winners – More Often – More Fun



Sizzling filly out of Distant Symphony 201
Patrick Payne To Train 10% shares \$8,500 (5% \$4,250)

If there is a young sire in Australia that has grabbed my attention it is Sizzling. I was very active at last year's sales series and purchased two yearlings and was the under bidder on a third. These horses have displayed great potential already with Zizzis winning twice from three starts including a big win in the 2018 Adelaide Magic Millions 2YO Classic where she trounced a very good field.

The other yearling that I purchased was Addocarr who has been placed at one of his two starts. Unfortunately, he pulled up with mucus in his throat when scoped after a below expectation run at his second start. Interestingly another colt by Sizzling named The Fire Trap won the Bruce McLachlan Classic at the Sunshine Coast recently won his maiden the day Addocarr had his first start. The Fire Trap's winning time that day was slower than Addocarr's heat. Addocarr has been gelded and has displayed great promise. The Fire Trap has since won in Sydney.

I was the under bidder on a 3rd yearling which races under the name Sizzling Belle. She is a beautiful filly, is a city winner and was placed in the Listed Black Opal Stakes. The one that got away.

Sizzling

I really liked what I saw in many of the progeny of Sizzling at last year's sales. To me it is a no brainer that he will be a success at stud. He was a terrific racehorse and precocious two years old from the most dominant sire line in Australia for the past 20 years out of a 'black type' mare by one of the greatest sprinters of the modern generation in General Nediym.

Sizzling's pedigree page is very strong with a host of very good horses down the page. In fact, it couldn't be any stronger with both the 2nd and 3rd dams being superior producers. I love General Nediym (1st dam), Alzao stakes winner (2nd Dam) and Without Fear stakes producer (3rd dam) down the page.

Estate Label, the 3rd dam was a very high-class producer also throwing the outstanding two years old filly Loving Cup. I must say I had a bit to do with both sides of this pedigree with Sizzling's sire Snitzel being out of Snippet's Lass. Both General Nediym and Snippet's Lass were trained by Bill Mitchell when I was his Racing Manager.

They were both high class racehorses with Snippet's Lass being one of the toughest mares I have had anything to do with. Sizzling has started out his stud career in great fashion and is currently 3rd on the Australian First Season List.

Distant Symphony

Distant Symphony has done a good job with four winners to her credit including the stakes winner Mystic Master. Her results are better than they look because she really hasn't been too a top sire with this mating being the best she has had in my opinion.

Distant Symphony has a nice record being a ½ sister to the Group 1 winner **Rostova**. She is by Distant Music who has done a remarkable job at stud with seven stakes winners from limited chances. His best is **Bella Martini** by Stratum with two stakes wins to her credit. This reads very well to me. Other well-known horses out of Distant Music mares to race here include **Miss Promiscuity**, Upbeat, Meteoroid and Volcanic General.

All in all, this filly represents great value and heads to an outstanding trainer who has done a remarkable job for us.

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Super One filly out of Manhattan Angel – 2017
Darren Weir – Ballarat 10% shares \$ %7,500 (5% shares \$3,750)

I doubt if we have a more exciting sire hit our breeding scene in recent years than I Am Invincible. He has done a remarkable job at stud and while his oldest progeny is only six, he already has three sons at stud in Brazen Beau, Hellbent and Super One. This is a big achievement with these young sires standing at Darley, Yarraman Park and Newgate Farm, three of our highest profile studs.

I went to Cranbourne to inspect Super One when he had his first start in Australia and was very impressed with him. He was a strong athletic horse. I have been very impressed by his progeny and was thrilled when I found this filly at the Magic Millions National Sale. It has been interesting just how many people commented to me after I purchased her on what a good type she was.

Super One

Super One was a very good looking yearling and precocious two years old being unbeaten in four starts in Singapore. One of the greatest assets a sire can have is speed and Super One possessed that in abundance.

He is by the hottest sire in Australia at present in I Am Invincible who is currently ranked second on the Australian Sire's List and the Leading Sire of 2yo winners in Australia.

Super One has a good pedigree on his dam's side and is out of a Tale Of The Cat mare. Tale Of The Cat has been a wonderful broodmare sire with 158 stakes horses coming from his daughters. While most of those are overseas his best-known performers here are Snitty Kitty, Felines, Stampede, Adrift, Atomic and of course Super One.

Super One came back to Australia and won the Group DC McKay Stakes before going to stud. He wasn't over raced which I prefer and is a strong, attractive horse. It is important to note some of our very best studs took up shares in the horse when he was syndicated for stud.

Super One has 108 foals on the ground in his first crop and was again busy in his second season where he served a good book of mares. This is a very good sign.

Manhattan Angel

This is only Manhattan Angel's fourth foal. She has had two to race with both being winners and importantly both were metropolitan placed as 2yo. The 3rd foal was a cracking colt by The Factor which had to be put down after an accident.

Manhattan Angel comes from a good family that includes Pleasuring which won the SAJC Group 3 SA Fillies Classic and the Listed double of the TRC Strutt Stakes and TTC Tasmanian Oaks during her last preparation. She was also a closing 4th in the Group 1 SAJC Australasian Oaks.

I love buying out of winning families and this one has seen the first four dams have 32 to race for 26 individual winners including the Group or Listed performers Northern Drake, Seattle Ice, Profit Report and Triumphant Feeling.

Northern Drake was an outstanding galloper winning the VATC Group 1 Yalumba Stakes and was placed 2nd in the MVRC WS Cox Plate and Group 1 Mackinnon Stakes.

All in all, this filly represents great value and heads to an outstanding trainer. I'll be very surprised if she doesn't run at two and expect Super One to make it as a sire given the high-quality foals I have inspected.

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Epaulette colt out of Miss Piggy Ban
Patrick Payne - Victoria 10% Shares \$7,000 (5% \$3,500)

When I found out this colt was going to be offered in the Cornerstone Stud draft at the Magic Millions Weanling Sale I flew to Adelaide and inspected most of their weanlings with this colt being the only one I was interested in. At the sale I had one of my colleagues inspect the colt and I had him vetted and had a quick look at him prior to going into the ring. He is a lovely horse. He is very athletic and gets around well.

Dr Greg Nash who did my wet inspections at the sale was also very taken with him and as surprised as I was when I secured her for such a reasonable price. Sam Hayes from Cornerstone Stud was equally as surprised. It pays to keep your cards close to your chest at the sales.

Epaulette

I was really taken with the Epaulette's progeny at last year's sales and I have kept a close eye on his progress. He is currently 4th on the Australian First Season Sire's List behind three very good horses. It doesn't matter which way you look at Epaulette he is a high class horse. He was an excellent racehorse winning twice at two, he then raced at the highest level at three and again at four.

His two Group 1 wins came in the ATC Golden Rose and BRC Doomben 10,000 which are backed up with a Group 3 win as a juvenile in the Canberra RC Black Opal Stakes, 2nds in the Group 1 ATC TJ Smith Stakes, Group 2 ATC Todman Stakes and 3rd in the Group 1 MRC Caulfield Guineas. These results were achieved in some of our very best races.

He couldn't have done much more on the track. He also has a superb pedigree on his dam's side with his dam having four to race with all four Group 1 performers. Added to this he is by Commands who is a great levelling influence in a pedigree. In the main the foals by Commands have great attitudes with Under Command as good a natured horse as I have ever purchased.

Epaulette's performance to hold down 4th spot is further highlighted with him having two stakes winners already in good races.

This is what I wrote after I inspected Epaulette's first crop of yearlings. *'This is Epaulette's first crop of Australian yearlings. I'll be shocked if he doesn't make the grade.'*

Miss Piggy Bank

This is Miss Piggy Bank's fifth foal. She has had three to race with all three winning. I purchased the 3rd foal out of the mare named Our Netbank who has been very consistent. The previous foal has had three wins from just eight starts. He is named Pluckit. The first foal won 11 races. She was named Cash Register.

Miss Piggy Bank is well related winning twice and being stakes placed in the SAJC Hill Smith Stakes. She is by Secret Savings who did a great job here with his daughters throwing the Group 1 performers Samaready, Secret Admirer, Friends Of Ka Ying as well as Night War, Hellova Street, Santos and Secret Trail.

Added to this Miss Piggy Bank's second dam is by Royal Academy which puts a lot of polish into any pedigree.

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