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Johannesburg Colt For La Bella Dame



La Bella Dame

Congratulations indeed, to all La Bella Dame owners on being presented with a lovely bay/brown colt born late last month. The well grown and conformed colt is La Bella Dame's third foal and comes on top of her first foal, which was sold at Easter this year for \$160,000. Named Bel Spur this colt is currently being trained by John Hawkes and will obviously get every chance, while her second foal — the Flying Spur filly will be raced by the syndicate and will move into Mick's care sometime in January.

Johannesburg has had a cracking start to his stud career and is currently leading freshman sire in America via the successes of his

stakes winners Marcavelly, Scat Daddy and Hamood. He has also sired 12 winners in five different countries — America (5), Ireland (1), England (4), France (1) and Germany (1).

This colt has been insured for \$50,000 on behalf of the syndicate however if any member wishes to increase their individual cover they can contact Nicola Griffiths at William Inglis on (02) 9399 7999. All going well La Bella Dame is scheduled for a date with Choisir later in the month.

Member Wins Raffle!

For those kind enough to buy raffle tickets at our syndicate day in June to support my son's quest in raising money for his Under 14 Nationals in Tasmania it is refreshing to know that Libby Ewing actually won the Quad bike, which was first prize in the raffle. The bike was valued at \$3000, and I congratulate Libby for winning and believe that she is already in receipt of the bike. For the record, the money was raised and the boys placed 5th in Australia winning 7 out of 8 games missing out on semi finals only on percentage. The only game that they lost was against the eventual gold medallists North Sydney who beat them by only 12. Well done to the boys!





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From The Stable



Macedon Lodge pre-training facility

The last couple of months have been quiet for our horses with a lot going on behind the scenes, which should translate in a fair bit of action towards Christmas, and shortly after. **Ready Made Family** is set to make her return to the track in the upcoming days and looks to have come back well, so a win for her early this prep would be expected.

Last Waltz has returned back into Mick's looking in great shape and her aim this time in is to win in town and given that she will be ready late November when the fields start to drop away this is not an unrealistic aim. She has been a super consistent mare and deserves a city win.

Like Last Waltz, **Bella's Bro** also deserves the same and has just resumed pre-training at Macedon Lodge. All going well, he should be ready to race in the early part of next year. He will also get his chance and look for him to go out to the mile this time in.

Princess Carolina has had her spell and has resumed pre-training with an expected return to the racetrack late January. She disappointed at her first run at Mornington in June, but was terribly immature and should improve this time in.

Our two-year-olds have had mixed fortunes with our Bel Esprit 2YO **Belara** suffering a paddock injury, which has resulted in her being sidelined for up to six months, while our Royal Academy filly **Royal Charades** continues on with her education at Glenfern Park. A lovely filly that has continued to thrive and develop she will be taken along slowly and allowed to mature, without being pushed along for any of the early two-year-olds.

Super Choi our Choisir colt has had a short prep with Mick at Caulfield and has pleased in what he has shown to date. However Mick will wait a little longer for him to physically mature up a touch before putting him to the acid test next time in. The Choisir progeny have already shown that they have inherited their father's precociousness with Hurried Choice winning the recent Gimcrack Stakes in Sydney, and Choisism running an unlucky third in the Maribyrnong Trial at Flemington. This horse was flattened at the start by the \$450,000 Fusaichi Pegasus colt, who eventually won the race yet was used up to lead and held on bravely and on that performance, one that would think that Choisir's second stakes winner would not be far away.

Share For Sale

Members are advised that there is a share for sale in our More Than Ready now three-year-old Princess Carolina. While disappointing at her first run this filly is expected to improve this time in and if anyone is interested in getting involved please do not hesitate to contact Lauren or myself at your earliest convenience.