



ACROBAT/LOVEYAMADLY filly (Born 26/10/25)

From the Stable

Action a plenty is coming out of the Cranbourne stables right now with horses gearing up for races towards the end of the year and into 2026. **FORT OF DREAMS** debuted at Moe recently and earned a pass mark for his first up effort finishing 5th beaten 3.8L. An immature gelding who is still finding his way, **FORT OF DREAMS** found himself in an awkward spot three back along the fence after missing the start slightly off a quick speed. The pleasing thing about his first up effort was that he settled amongst the field and finished off nicely in the straight suggesting that he will be suited to an increase in distance and that 1400 metres will not be beyond him in time. The good news is that he pulled up well and can train on and we anticipate (as I suppose like many horses over Christmas) that there will be plenty of nominations going in for **FORT OF DREAMS** given the abundance of meetings that there are over the Christmas/New Year period but Yarra Glen on Monday 29th December over 1200 metres is an appealing race and will be the first main race option for him provided that we secure a nice draw which is all important.

Our staying Tarzino gelding **ZINOVATION** is one of three horses that have recently transferred down from Wangaratta after his respective pretraining preparation and this guy is flying and looks to have come back in better shape, particularly mentally. **ZINOVATION** can be a bit silly at times

at the track and has a few tricks up his sleeve however the last couple of weeks have seen him faultless in his attitude and his work out on the track is much improved and he seems to be doing his work a lot easier than previous, which has come with time and a bit of maturity. **ZINOVATION** was desperately unlucky not to have ticked off the maiden in his previous preparation having run two seconds at Geelong and a third at Cranbourne but having come back so well to date this preparation, he is expected to tick off that box early on this time around. He is scheduled to trial in the next couple of weeks and will be back at the races mid-January. For the record **ZINOVATION** has had 5 starts for 2 second and a third for \$16,155 in prizemoney with plenty of upside ahead and is definitely a horse worth following into the New Year once he gets past 2000 metres!

Our 4YO homebred gelding **FLAVIUS** is one of those three mentioned above that has also transitioned down from Wangaratta recently and is certainly looking to improve this preparation. He has come down in outstanding shape and is carrying a lot more body weight than previously which in the main can be attributed to him having two gelding operations after the original one proved unsuccessful. As a consequence, **FLAVIUS** lost body shape and things didn't quite work out for him after that. It is anticipated that although stronger in appearance, **FLAVIUS** will be kept to



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sprinting distances this time around as against pushing him out in trip where clearly that didn't seem to work with the horse in his last racing preparation. He will be trialling in January and racing shortly after that in what we hope will result in much improved race performances. Another of our homebreds in **LOVEYAMORE** is finally getting going after what could only be described as a bit of a horror prep to date. Very immature mentally, this filly had been subsequently held back, and it is only now that as a 3YO that she has finally seen the Cranbourne training centre. A couple of minor hiccups incurring slight injuries have also curtailed her current educational program, however with those issues now resolved, she has had a couple of clear weeks now and is improving at every gallop that she has had. Clearly, **LOVEYAMORE** is still work in progress but is currently nice and settled and is bombproof on the ground within the stable and is progressing and heading in the right direction out on the track. Whilst she would not be expected to make the races this time in, the groundwork has, and is being continued to be laid for next time where all going well, she should be making a smooth transition to race day. **LOVEYAMORE** will continue on down at Cranbourne for as long as progress is being made and whilst she is in a frame of mind in order to accept the work given to her, but should she show any signs of training off she will be immediately spelled!

A couple of two-year-olds who have both seen Cranbourne in each of their last preparations

include **METRE BY MITA** and **KAN CORNER QUICKLY** and are both ready to resume pretraining early on into the New Year. **METRE BY MITA** showed nice ability in his first campaign at Cranbourne and his prep ended prematurely when pharyngitis (which is a throat issue that primarily affects young horses) became present. He is currently being treated with ongoing antibiotics in order to curb that issue and we took the opportunity of also gelding him at the same time that he was out spelling, as he is a lovely big strong muscular individual and the gelding will assist in taking the weight off his knees when Mick and Michael start to become serious with him next year. **METRE BY MITA** will be scoped at the end of this month and should he be clear of pharyngitis his pretraining preparation will commence immediately. **KAN CORNER QUICKLY** is a lovely **STAY INSIDE** colt that unfortunately injured himself a couple of months ago when getting cast in his box. A subsequent successful operation and a bit of time to heal will see this guy scheduled to resume work at the end of January and with the progeny of **STAY INSIDE** having kicked off his very first 2YO season in such grand style having had 3 runners to grace the track for 2 winners including the GROUP 3 Arrowfield Breeders Plate winner in **INCOGNITO** and Adelaide Metropolitan winner **INHABIT** it does look very promising for our colt **KAN CORNER QUICKLY** who we think is a lovely colt moving forward!



TASSORT/BELLA AMORE filly (Born 18/8/25)





CAPITALIST/BELLA AMORE Colt
(Pictured here in June)



I AM INVINCIBLE/LOVEYAMADLY filly
(Pictured here in June)

Yearlings

Very exciting for our Syndicates to be selling at two of the major yearling sales next year and first up we have our Capitalist/Bella Amore colt scheduled to sell as Lot 93 which is on the first day of the Gold Coast Magic Millions sale in January. A lovely colt to be presented who is out of a full sister to our GROUP 3 winning **IMMORTAL LOVE** and is a three-quarter brother to our dual Stakes winning mare **I'MLOVIN'YA**. He is a very precocious type of colt with a great pedigree and is expected to be well found by astute buyers at a sale that perfectly suits those types of precocious running types as he is! Our second sale is our I Am Invincible/Loveyamadly filly scheduled to be selling at the prestigious Sydney Easter Sale late March and will prep up very well by Sledmere Stud who are the ultimate professionals at what they do. This filly is a strong forward type who is correct and will appeal as a filly that will hold plenty of residual value after her racing career is completed. Fingers crossed that we can get a result with both yearlings for a wonderful group of loyal clients who have stuck fast over an extended period of time!

Sales 2026

2026 offers another outstanding year for first crop stallions and established sires alike, and I am very keen to take part in the sales next year, in particular to purchase a likely 2YO type on the back of our Sydney Classic Syndicate from earlier this year. Personally, I believe the quality of next month's first crop stallions presents outstanding buying opportunities as buyers in general will be spread far and wide on different proven stallions throughout the sales next year and probably not focussing as much on the first crop stallions which then creates buying opportunities. Not sure which sale that we will be purchasing at **OR** the stallion that Mick and Michael will ultimately choose, however he has requested that given the quality of these first crop stallions and the success of the proven stallions we don't want to lock into one particular stallion which makes sense. If we are not successful at the Gold Coast Magic Millions Jan 13-18, opportunities then open up at the Sydney Classic Sales Feb 8-10, Melbourne Premier Sales March 1-3 and the Adelaide Magic Millions March 19-20. **I am putting together a Syndicate right now to purchase an early type of yearling capable of being at the races this time next year, so if there are any members that would like to put their name down with a % in mind please do not hesitate to shoot me an email OR give me a call and to discuss your requirements.**

First crop stallions like **ANAMOE, ARTORIUS, IN THE CONGO, JACQUINOT, BEST OF BORDEAUX,**



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DAUMIER etc ALL offer the credentials necessary to meet that criteria of producing an early **2YO type!!** This group were ALL outstanding gallopers in their own right and from the catalogues that I have already perused coming up at Gold Coast, Sydney Classic and Melbourne Premier, their drafts are of the highest quality and present great buying opportunities, so we are keen to get involved. Clearly, the pick of the first crop stallions are **ANAMOE** and **JACQUINOT**. **ANAMOE** was a Champion who won the GROUP 1 Sires Produce as a 2YO before winning two GROUP 1 wins as a 3YO and a further 6 GROUP 1 wins as a 4YO. **JACQUINOT** himself was a highly precocious 2YO before running 3rd in the MRC Blue Diamond. At three, **JACQUINOT** won the GROUP 1 Golden Rose AND Group 1 MRC C.F. ORR Stakes and has covered over 300 Mares in his first two seasons. With Mick having trained **JACQUINOT** himself, I am sure that he will be closely scrutinising his progeny and I am very excited to be having Mick in my corner when it comes to scrutinising yearlings from a stallion that he knows so well!

Obviously if Mick or Michael Kent Jnr cannot find the right type or are simply not impressed with what they see from the first crop stallions above, we will then select a Yearling from an established stallion e.g. Capitalist, Trapeze Artist, Alabama Express, Brazen Beau, Cosmic Force, Deep Field, Exceedance, Farnan, Grunt, Harry Angel, Ole Kirk, Russian Revolution, Spirit Of Boom, Tassort, Toronado, Stay Inside, Written By, The Autumn Sun, Dundee, Bivouac, Home Affairs etc as our specific aim for this next Syndicate first and foremost is to be attempting to be buying a lovely early **2YO type** for everyone!

Merry Christmas

With Christmas now upon us, I would like to take this opportunity of wishing all members and respective families a very Merry Xmas and safe New Year and a big thanks for all of the support throughout the year. We cannot provide the service or achieve the results without the support of the people who help form our syndicates and Lauren and I truly value this support and the long-time loyalty of our members. I am committed to working as hard as ever, as is Mick and Michael Kent who continues to bring a great deal of youthful enthusiasm to the team, and both remain committed having achieved outstanding results this year with **2 GROUP 1** victories throughout 2025 in Charm Stone who won the Manikato Stakes AND Globe who won the Might And Power at Caulfield over their Spring Carnival. Mick and Michael trained 30 Metropolitan winners for the 2024/25 racing season and 80 Country winners which keeps them well and truly cemented as one of the top trainers in the state AND where they have been for many years! Cranbourne is fast becoming a training center of excellence, and I certainly look forward in continuing on this journey with them over the course of my involvement with Mick and Michael Kent (Jnr) which now stretches to over 25 years!!



Merry Christmas
to All



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