Widden Whinnies

News from the Valley of Champions

Inglis Classic Yearling Sale

Another *Classical* draft from the Valley Of Champions!

A glorious history has made Widden Stud into one of the most respected Australian thoroughbred stud farms in the world, but when the yearling sale season is upon us, buyers are really only interested in results.

The 2016 Inglis Classic Yearling Sale on February 6, 7 and 8 in Sydney is a source of great opportunity for the canny investor and past Widden Stud drafts have yielded more than their share of success.

One of the early horses to put champion trainer Chris Waller on the map was his 2008 AJC Doncaster Handicap winner Triple Honour, plucked from the Widden draft at Inglis Classic for \$50,000.

Popular trainer Tim Martin tasted Group I success with his Inglis Classic Widden purchase Typhoon Zed, while Mark Kavanagh won over \$3.2 million with his multiple Group I winner Whobegotyou, a modest \$19,500 purchase for his owner Lawrence Eales.

Other more recent success stories from the Widden Stud draft include Group winners Budriguez and Cavalry Rose as well as Lady Sniper, a \$20,000 purchase by Boomer Bloodstock who recently won the \$250,000 Inglis Sprint at Randwick.

Nicconi filly Concealer, A \$35,000 purchase for McEvoy Mitchell Racing, was a brilliant winner on debut of the Group III VRC Emirates Airlines Plate at Flemington during Cup Week and obviously has a bright future.

"She's such an imposing filly. She's the pick of my 2yo's heading towards the Blue Diamond", said Trainer Tony McEvoy earlier this month.

Inglis Classic is about variety and value with no draft illustrating that sentiment more than the Widden Stud draft.

Widden Stud have put the polish on a diverse selection of 41 young-





\$20,000 Boomer Bloodstock purchase in 2014, LADY SNIPER

sters by a wide range of sires with pedigrees covering the full spectrum from sprinting to staying and everything in between.

Widden's Antony Thompson describes the draft provides another fantastic opportunity for buyers to find genuine quality for realistic value.

"Almost every stakes winner Widden has sold at Classic has been purchased for less than \$100,000."

"Our draft this year features a number of yearlings that were accepted in either of the two major sales that surround Classic and I'll think buyers will find obvious quality in the Widden draft."

Inglis Classic will also highlight 14 lots by Widden's exciting young sire YOUR SONG, the most dominant son of Champion sire & emerging sire of sires Fastnet Rock.

"He was a freakishly fast sprinter

who dominated the older sprinters at Group One level. History says that Group One winning sprinters by Champion stallions generally succeed so we're confident as to his chances given the appearance of his stock. Eye-catching, strong types that move well much like their sire. His progeny were in terrific demand earlier this year on the Gold Coast averaging almost \$100,000 - over 4x his 2013 service fee."

Visit us at Stable Three to secure your next champion from the biggest and best draft at Inglis Class. Our draft this year features a number of yearlings that were accepted in either of the two major sales that surround Classic. Antony Thompson







Snitzel x Kennilworth, by Viscount

Second foal of metro placed winner from the family of Champion Sprinter and leading sire Testa Rossa, a sixtime Group I winner of \$3million.





Nicconi x Kuitpo Crystal, by Southern Halo

Third foal of a daughter of Chilean Oaks winner Crystal Clear from a prolific South American Black Type family. Dam is by legendary South American sire Southern Halo, the sire of More Than Ready.





Your Song x Mabkhara, by Anabaa (USA)

Third foal of a half-sister to Group III placed Lucky Eight Eight from the family of Group I winner Rewaaya tracing back to the Easy Date family that has also produced Golden Slipper winner Forensics and leading sires Not a Single Doubt and Snippets.





Excelebration (IRE) x Miss Coolum, by Lujain (USA)

Third foal of a juvenile winning halfsister to Group I VRC Melbourne Cup and Australian Cup winner Shocking. From the first crop of Champion Miler Excelebration.









Your Song x Mocks, by Exceed and Excel

First foal of well-bred daughter of champion sire Exceed and Excel. This filly is line bred to Danehill 3 x 3 and to outstanding producer Jood, third dam of her sire Your Song and second dam of Mocks.





Testa Rossa x Mosoru, by Black Minnaloushe (USA) First foal of a half-sister to Group III winner Cavalry Rose and is closely related to smart Sydney stakeswinner Testarhythm, who is also by <u>Testa Rossa</u>.





Sebring x My Girl Tess, by Redoute's Choice

First foal of a winning daughter of Group II winner Maze from the family of stakes-winners Barlinnie and Penitentiary as well as Group II winner Rangipo, who is a catalogue update.





Stratum x No Comment, by Danzero

Third foal of a metro winning full sister to Group III winner Hinting and half-sister to brilliantly fast Group II winner Lucky Secret.









Denman x Press the Button, by Encosta de Lago

From Group II STC Reisling Stakes winner Press the Button from the family of Golden Slipper winner Dark Eclipse and also Denman, the sire of this filly.





Star Witness x Queen for Ninedays (NZ), by O'Reilly First foal of metro placed winning daughter of Group III winner De Montfort, Has a double cross of

daughter of Group III winner De Montfort. Has a double cross of influential sires Last Tycoon and Pompeii Court.





Your Song x Queen of the East, by General Nediym

Half-sister to four winners inc. Bowie's Babe, who has won twice since the catalogue went to print. From the family of Epsom Derby winner and sire New Approach.





Snitzel x River Thames, by Fastnet Rock

Second foal of a daughter of champion sire Fastnet Rock from the family of champion racehorse Mahogany, 19 wins and \$3.6 million inc. Victoria Derby, AJC Derby, Lightning Stakes,twice.









Star Witness x Rock Princess, by Elvstroem

First foal of good Melbourne metro winner Rock Princess, a winner of \$240,506 in prizemoney and halfsister to Group I MRC Thousand Guineas winner Macedon Lady.





Sebring x Schiffer, by Snitzel Second foal of brilliant juvenile and Magic Millions 2YO Classic place-getter Schiffer from the family of Group I winners Sharvasti and Linton.





Charge Forward x Seriously, by Zeditave

Third foal of an unraced half-sister to stakes-winners Impressing Matters and Genuine Girl, the dam of Group III winner Destino. From the family of Group I ATC Golden Rose winner Exosphere.





Bullet Train (GB) x She Likes to Party, by Quest for Fame (GB)

Dam has had four foals to race all winners and is a half-sister to stakes-placed Flash Bash and Mega Me from Group III winner Party Time.









Stratum x Spoleto (USA), by Vindication

Second foal of winning half-sister to US Group I winner Things Change and to the dam of Group II winner Hero of Order. Big US Black Type family that features Group I winner and sire Harlan.





Stratum x Star Salute, by General Nediym

First foal of stakes-placed Star Salute, from the family of stakeswinners Be My Princess, Flying Princess and Group I winner St Clemens Belle.





Nicconi x Stellana, by Testa Rossa

Dam has had four foals to race all winners inc. good Melbourne metro winner Dayita, a winner of \$322,845 in prizemoney. From the family of stakes-winners Delgara and Inkster.





Your Song x Sunday's Girl, by Choisir

Second foal of a winning half-sister to Group I winner Rockabubble, the dam of Group III winner Rock Magic. From the family of Caulfield Guineas winner Chortle and Group II winner Unpretentious.









Excelebration (IRE) x Swiss Current (USA), by Swiss Yodeler

Half-brother to two winners from US stakes-winner Swiss Current, a grand-daughter of Group III winner Kapalua Butterfly.





Nicconi x Tango Amigo's, by Danehill Dancer (IRE)

Fourth foal of brilliant Flemington stakes-winner Tango Amigo's from the family of Group I Australasian Oaks winner Use the Space.





Helmet x The Fairy's Kiss, by Elusive Quality (USA)

Second foal of Group III placed The Fairy's Kiss, a daughter of Group II winner Ballet Society. Bred on similar Exceed and Excel x Elusive Quality cross to multiple Group I winner Guelph.





Hinchinbrook x True Emotions, by Giant's Causeway (USA)

Fourth foal of metro winner True Emotions from the family of unbeaten superstar WA filly Perfect Reflection, winner of the Group I WATC Kingston Town Classic.









Snippetson x Will Fly, by Will Dancer (Fr)

Half-brother to Group II winner Sanziro and Group III winner Flying Object from multiple Group III winner Will Fly.





Krupt x Angels, Quest for Fame (GB)

Half-sister to Group II winner Text 'n' Hurley and dam has had five foals to race all winners with Chosen Angel, scoring at Gawler on debut after catalogue went to print.







Denman x Assertive Eagle, by Danewin

First foal of Group II placed stakeswinner Assertive Eagle, a half-sister to stakes-winner Impressive Eagle and Soaressa, the dam of Group III winner Thermal Current.





Magnus x Bella Laguna, by Encosta de Lago

Third foal of a three-quarter sister to Group II winner Hanks from the family of Champion 2YO and successful sire Dehere.









Your Song x Bring Kisses, by Sebring

First foal of a half-sister to Group I MRC Blue Diamond winner Undoubtedly, Group II winner Regal Kiss and Group III winner Toorak Thunder. Bred on highly successful Fastnet Rock x More Than Ready cross.





Excelebration (IRE) x Canny Dancer, by Canny Lad

Half-brother to smart metro performers Pagoreni and Foxy Commander from the family of Group I winners Dodge and Tenor.





Swift Alliance x Dal Dal, by Encosta de Lago

Third foal of a metro winning threequarter sister to Group I ATC Flight Stakes winner Speak Fondly and half-sister to Group II winner Wild and Proud from the family of Golden Slipper winner Bounding Away.





Star Witness x Dollhouse, by Snitzel

First foal of speedy metro winning three-quarter sister to Group II winner Unpretentious, from the family of Group I winner Rockabubble.









Choisir x Donya Nene, by Royal Academy (USA)

Half-sister to three winners from a half-sister to Group winners King Ivor, Snake Eyes and Linney Head.





Choisir x Doubtful Choice, by Redoute's Choice

Half-sister to two winners from a metro placed winning full sister to freakishly good Group II ATC Silver Slipper winner Amelia's Dream, from the family of Group I winner Grand Zulu.





Sebring x Dream 'n' Believe, by Shamardal (USA)

Third foal of an unraced daughter of leading sire Shamardal from the family of Group winners King Ivor, Snake Eyes and Linney Head.





So You Think x Ellicorsam, by Fimiston

Half-sister to stakes-placed El Doute from Group I SAJC Swettenham Stud Stakes winner Ellicorsam, who has had three foals to race and all are winners.









Star Witness x Exceed and Excite, by Exceed and Excel

First foal of a speedy metro winning half-sister to Group I winner Choice Bro from the family of stakeswinners Cargo Cult, Pressing and Immortality.





Exceed and Excel x Gabrieli, by Red Ransom (USA)

Half-brother to Group III placed Tariana, a winner of \$287,220 in prizemoney and dam has had four foals to race all winners. Bred on the same cross as smart Melbourne stakes-winner Reparations.





Your Song x Ganda, by Encosta de Lago

Half-brother to this season's classy Group III placed filly Tempt Me Not from a daughter of dual Group I winner Tempest Morn.





Stratum x Gypsy Frolic, by Bluebird (USA)

Full brother to stakes-placed Celebration Girl from a half-sister to Group III winner Vestey from the family of Group I VRC Myer Classic winner Bonaria.





Please feel free to join us in the Widden marquee, Barn 3 at Newmarket from February 2nd.