

George Moore

THE international buying bench maintained its strong presence on the second day of the Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale in Sydney yesterday.

All up, foreign buyers have now secured 57 yearlings for \$16,120,000.

Heading up the day two purchases was the Redoute's Choice colt from Clean Sweep, which went to Chantilly Bloodstock for \$750,000. The colt followed on from an \$850,000 Redoute's Choice-Special Harmony filly in the opening session for Chantilly.

UK buyer John Warren built on the \$675,000 he spent on an Encosta De Lago-Shamekha colt in the opening session when going

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to \$440,000 for a Bernardini filly.

Adrian Nicoll's BBA Ireland has secured four youngsters during the first two sessions, including a Fastnet Rock filly for \$360,000 today.

George Moore Bloodstock has also made its presence felt at the sale, with three purchases - colts by Fastnet Rock, Tale Of The Cat and Pins - for \$890,000.

"We have had a lot of luck with Australian horses and we have a good relationship with the stud masters down here," Moore said.

"We believe Admiration can be our next star up there. He has won five races and we're pretty sure he's a Group 1 horse. We bought him out of this sale two years ago (for \$625,000)."

Moore said star performer Happy Zero (also purchased out of the Easter Sale) is now back in Australia and is likely to race for the John, Wayne and Michael Hawkes stable this year.

He said the Easter sale had been very competitive, but was pleased with the three colts he has secured.

"The Fastnet Rocks are selling really well and this was a great striding horse," he said.

"The Tale of The Cat was cheap in my opinion. He's not your typical Tale Of The Cat, but John Hawkes told me he resembled Real Saga (Group 2 winning colt). He's a nice big horse, but well balanced too.

"The Pins colt is from the family of Starcraft. We went further than we expected for him, but Bart Cummings was the underbidder and that's always a good sign. We have actually had a few tussles with him recently. We beat him on a Shamardal at Magic Millions but then he beat us on another one later in the same sale."



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this Saturday's T.J. Smith Stakes (Gr 1, 1200m). "The facts and figures tell you the opposition can't beat her. That's it, plain and simple." This was the raw assessment of the man that knows the World's Highest Rated Racehorse best.

Later in the day and all eyes in the auction ring were focused on the unbeaten mare's well inspected yearling half-brother (Lot 277), write Katrina Partridge and Darryl Sherer. The mating of Helsinge (Desert Sun) with first season stallion Casino Prince (Flying Spur) has proven a marketing coup for Patinack Farm principal Nathan Tinkler, in whose colours Casino Prince won the Chipping Norton Stakes (Gr 1, 1600m) and at whose Hunter Valley Stud the son of champion stallion Flying Spur stands.

The colt entered the ring to an opening bid of \$200,000 that launched a protracted and gruelling duel between eventual purchasers Team Hawkes, aka John, Michael and Wayne, and



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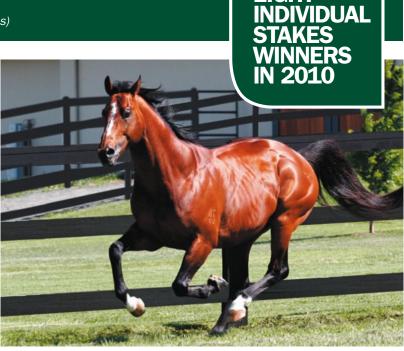
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