



*What They're Saying cont.*

**Magic Millions Gerry Harvey:**

"I am very happy. Yes, the sale will definitely move [back] to January next year. Our good horses are selling as well as we could have hoped. We are in a tight financial position--sure we have a booming economy and good employment but there is a global credit crisis. If not for that our figures would be higher. We have to be extremely happy, and if it goes well on the first day it always carries on through the sale; plus, this was not an especially strong session [ in terms of having top horses in it]".

**John Messara, Aushorse:**

"It has started with a bang but we have still got a long way to go with a catalogue of 900. It is a case of wait and see now. The sale will go back at January, that is its rightful place, but so far so good."

**Trainer Gai Waterhouse:**

"I think the sale has inevitably been affected by EI with some Victorian horses staying south of the border and a lot of people having to make up their minds whether to spend at Inglis Easter or here. But there are some terrific horses here and Magic Millions have a way of making things work."

**Amanda Skiffington:**

"The horses are very well presented but the sale is slightly up and down because of the numbers in the catalogue, I think it would benefit them to have the sale graded. But the hospitality is second to none."



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**MISS MARY PAT**, 4, Service Stripe--Missadryannaatto, by Green Dancer  
 Foal born Feb. 6, a colt by Songandaprayer.  
 Will be bred back to English Channel.  
 Owned by James Scatuorchio.  
 Boarded at Taylor Made.  
 Accomplishments: MSW of \$102,863.

**FANTASTIC WAYS**, 20, Secretariat--Fantastic Girl, by Riva Ridge  
 Foal born Feb. 9, a colt by Mineshaft.  
 Will be bred back to Smarty Jones.  
 Owned by Jane and Frank Lyon.  
 Boarded at Summer Wind Farm.  
 Accomplishments: SW of \$168,250. Dam of Worldly Ways (GB) (Generous {Ire}), MGSW, \$503,540; Trial By Jury (Deputy Minister), GSW, \$352,004; Miss Fortune (Deputy Minister), GSW, \$545,899.



*In town for the Magic Millions sale and looking for some insider tips on where to dine? We've got you covered!*

**JANE HENNING, PEDIGREE DYNAMICS**

**SHUCK RESTAURANT, Main Beach**

**61 7 5528 4286**

**NORTHCLIFFE SURF CLUB, Surfers Paradise**

**61 7 5539 8091**

"Tedder Avenue is my favourite place to eat--there's a group of terrific restaurants all vying for your patronage and a festive feel with the fairy lights twinkling in the trees. Great restaurants include Shuck (great oysters), Domani's (try the lamb shanks) and Toast Cafe for a leisurely breakfast. The Northcliffe Surf Club is a great spot to watch the races and have a relaxing meal while others are fighting the crowds at the racecourse. The Isle of Capri has a couple of good boutiques, carrying designer stock at good prices. My favourite thing to do though, is take a big walk along the beach in the morning with the sand between my toes, before heading out to the sales for more footwork."

**VIN COX, VIN COX BLOODSTOCK**

**ARIA GC WINEBAR + RESTAURANT, Broadbeach**

**61 7 5570 6228**

**ROOM 81 SOFITEL AT THE GOLD COAST, Broadbeach**

**61 7 5592 2250**

Sofitel Broadbeach's newly opened Room 81 is a very cosmopolitan, polished cocktail bar and kitchen. "If you want the perfect surprise party, Room 81 is great," said Cox, who was the star guest at a recent surprise birthday party at the Broadbeach hotspot. Cox is also a fan of Aria. "Aria at Broadbeach is fantastic, the tempura is wonderful," he said. "It's modern and has an emphasis on regional produce." Cox is among many who bring their families to the Gold Coast. "Just hanging out at the beach--our boys are young enough we don't need to do the theme parks yet, we just put them on the beach and away they go," he said. Another Cox-recommended spot to relax after the sales is Watergate Lounge Bar in the Broadbeach dining precinct.

**RICK CONNOLLY, WOODLANDS STUD**

**GEORGE'S STEAK & SEAFOOD, Broadbeach**

**61 7 5570 1222**

"George's has really fresh, great seafood, and the people and the service are absolutely fantastic."