



Mossman is Expressing His Heritage

While the two year old racing season is not much more than a twinkle in the eye at the time of writing, debuting sire Mossman has made an early impression, with a couple of his progeny impressing at the trials in Sydney. Segments, a colt out of Madam Curie (by Bletchingly) and Amuse, a filly out of Hold That Smile (by Haulpak) look like early race winners for Mossman.

Although on the surface the product of an outcross, Mossman has several desirable line breeding attributes which stand him in good stead as a sire.

He traces in direct tail female descent to Alassio (5th dam), a three quarter sister to Royal Charger. He is therefore a member of the prepotent LADY JOSEPHINE (9) family. The remainder of Mossman's pedigree sees only a solitary line to both Mahmoud and Fair Trial, so there is plenty of scope for reinforcement. **Royal Charger, Test Case, Nasrullah**, plus more **Fair Trial, Mahmoud, Nizami, Jambo**, daughters of **Nediym, Danewin, Octagonal** and **Kaapstad** are some desirable reinforcements in mares.

Mossman is also linebred to the PARAFFIN (1) family through Speak John, Twig Moss and a duplication of Clarion. This family is reinforced by such members as **Rory's Jester, Dignitas, Kenmare, Admiral's Walk, Ahonoora, Mummy's Pet, Arch Sculptor, Whistler, Case Ace, Bold Reasoning, Never Say Die, Zeditave, Ideal Planet, Darling Boy, Shirley Heights, Spoiled Lad, Zoffany** and **Bellotto**.

The PRETTY POLLY (14) family is also a great 'hook' for mare owners to use in matings with Mossman. In his pedigree, Donatello II (twice), Nearctic, Luthier and Great Nephew all trace to her. More **Nearctic** (ie **Northern Dancer**), **County, Dieu D'Or, Maizcay, Indian Hemp, Romantic, Supreme Court, Arctic Explorer, Foxbridge, Marsayas, Vienna** and **St. Paddy** among others, can reinforce this line.

Alycidon, Great Nephew and High Hat in his pedigree carry crosses similar to **Nearctic** (Hyperion with the PRETTY POLLY) adding weight to the case for more of this individual in matings for him.

Klairon (twice) and Alycidon in Mossman's dam are members of the MARCHETTA (1) family. **Turn-to, Sayani, Acropolis, Agricola, My Babu, Imperial Prince** and **Irish River** are examples of what would be desirable in a mare to boost this line.

The SANDAL (2) family has Challenger II (twice) plus buildups of Sundridge and Sainfoin. **Solar Bear** (in Marceau), **Rancho Ruler, Groucho, Acecay, Strategic** and **Clang** are other interesting family members.

Bold Ruler and War Admiral work very well with Prince John and Eight Thirty which are present in Mossman's grandsire, Hold Your Peace.

Harking back to the two precocious Mossman two year olds, they both support the reinforcement of these families in matings.

Segments carries LADY JOSEPHINE family members Fair Trial (twice), Royal Charger and Mahmoud and MARCHETTA family members Turn-to and My Babu.

Amused's dam reinforces the PARAFFIN family for Mossman by contributing Dignitas and a duplication of Panorama. Amused also has PRETTY POLLY family members Donatello II and Foxbridge present through her dam. Like Segments, she also carries individuals from the LADY JOSEPHINE family (Nasrullah, Jambo, Nizami and Fair Trial) and MARCHETTA family member Alycidon.

Mares by **Telesto** (NZ) look particularly appealing with Mossman. Like Danewin, Commands, Viscount, Octagonal and Kaapstad, Telesto traces to Tessa Gillian, a half sister to both Royal Charger and Alassio, the latter being Mossman's 5th dam.

Telesto's damsire is Bletchingly (also damsire of Segments). His second dam Great Klaire is bred on a Great Nephew / Klairon cross, which is also present in Mossman's second dam, Off Shore. Another line to Klairon is also present in Telesto's sire, Star Way. Selene (dam of Hyperion) and Donatello II (a PRETTY POLLY family member) are present in Star Way's second dam, reinforcing this cluster which appears three times in Mossman's pedigree via Alycidon, Great Nephew and High Hat.