



**PEDIGREE DYNAMICS**

***MARES CAN FALL FOR TV HEART THROB***

Wattle Brae Stud's acquisition of the former New Zealand based sire T.V. Heart Throb (USA) provides a great outcross for many of the mares based in Queensland.

A son of Known Fact (also sire of champion sire, Warning) and the T.V. Lark mare, T.V. Vixen, he is free of commonly found lines such as Northern Dancer, Raise a Native and Star Kingdom. This stallion's pedigree also has some interesting features which can be exploited in matings.

Known Fact is inbred to the tough, sound horse War Relic. Damascus' sire, Sword Dancer has as his third dam Speed Boat, a full sister to War Relic. Mares carrying Damascus have further desirable attributes for T.V. Heart Throb. Damascus has two lines of Blue Larkspur, who is bred on a Black Toney / North Star cross. This pattern is replicated in Balladier, who appears twice in T.V. Heart Throb's pedigree 6f x 5m. He also has one line to Blue Larkspur on his sixth remove.

A Queensland based broodmare sire by Damascus is **CHARMANDE**. His dam Turkish Trousers also contributes a number of positive features for a mating with T.V. Heart Throb. She is a direct descendant of ALOE, who is also fifth dam of Known Fact. Turkish Trousers' second dam is a daughter of Nasrullah, who thereby provides a speed enhancing 'sex balance' for the son of Nasrullah prominent in T.V. Heart Throb – Indian Hemp (sire of T.V. Lark). Another line to Balladier reinforces the Black Toney / North Star nick, a total of which appears six times in this mating. In addition, Turkish Trousers' sire Bagdad traces to Miranda. This is beneficial for Indian Hemp in T.V. Larkspur, as he traces to the great PRETTY POLLY, who is a full sister to Miranda.

Incidentally, Pretty Polly is a descendant of BOADICEA, who has a total of 13 representatives in the pedigree of T.V. Heart Throb.

Another Queensland 'native' to provide compatible daughters for T.V. Heart Throb is the prolific winner getter, **CELESTIAL DANCER**. Here we can utilise a dynamic pattern – duplicating an influential ancestor up close, through both a son and a daughter. The ancestor in question is Intentionally, who appears in T.V. Heart Throb as his great grandsire, through Known Fact and In Reality. A very good two-year-old who raced successfully through to six years, Intentionally is present in Celestial Dancer through his sire Godswalk, whose dam is a daughter of Intentionally. Celestial Dancer's damsire is Nijinsky, who is also beneficial for T.V. Heart Throb. His dam is bred on a Bull Lea/ Menow cross, reversing the pattern present in Known Fact's damsire Tim Tam. T.V. Heart Throb is very strong in the CONCERTINA family and this is boosted by three lines to Bull Dog and one to his brother Sir Gallahad III in Celestial Dancer.

Although there are few Godswalk mares at stud nowadays, mares that have Godswalk as their second dams will also have a great start towards being compatible. Fellow son of Godswalk, **ST JUDE**, also looks good with T.V. Heart Throb. Through his dam he contributes Alcide, who is an ALOE family member, reinforcing fellow family member Known Fact.

Mares possessing Star Kingdom in their pedigrees have an advantage with T.V. Heart Throb, who provides a sex balance to the sire of Star Kingdom as he has a daughter of Stardust in his pedigree. Star Kingdom's grandson Bletchingly looks particularly good, as he provides more of the tough War Relic, through his son Relic. Relic is a relation of Blue Larkspur. Bletchingly's two lines of Fair Trial will go down well with T.V. Heart Throb, whose pedigree contains Tudor Minstrel and Nasrullah, fellow LADY JOSEPHINE family members who work well with Fair Trial.

Bletchingly's son **COSSACK WARRIOR** looks particularly good, as his dam Mary introduces two lines to ALOE, through descendants Alcide and Aureole. The untimely death of his son **BRAVE WARRIOR** is a great shame, as his progeny look very promising. As future broodmares, his daughters look exceptional with T.V. Heart Throb. Adding to the 'backlog of compatibility' offered by his sire and grandsire, Brave Warrior's dam, like Celestial Dancer's, is a daughter of Nijinsky. Her second damsire is Raise a Native – a close relation of Blue Larkspur – and her third damsire is Tim Tam, creating a 4m x 5m duplication. In all, Brave Warrior and T.V. Heart Throb share much of their genetic backgrounds.

The oldest of T.V. Heart Throb's Australian progeny are now yearlings and two will be offered in the final session of the Honda Magic Millions Sale. Gary and Phoebe Turkington are very diligent in their undertaking to provide the most compatible mares for their stallions, and these two yearlings are both out of mares whose pedigrees will give T.V. Heart Throb every chance.