

ALLIGATOR BLOOD who appears to have become the "poster boy for inbreeding to Rolls" enjoying a sensational 2022 with the capture of three Group One fixtures

# INBREEDING TO ROLLS is on a roll

Crossing the male and female strains of Flying Spur with those of Encosta De Lago has been a recipe for success in 2022.

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When a Horse of the Year, in foal to, arguably, the Horse of the Century, gets snatched from a world-renowned Kentucky nursery it tends to make for a big story. Veteran devotees of the thoroughbred might remember the state-wide hunt during the second half of 1977 for the great Northern Dancer mare Fanfreluche. The search's happy ending allowed for the continuation of her successful new clan. A case in point is one of Fanfreluche's most influential granddaughters, Rolls, who would spread the family's sire blood when shipped to Australasia. As dam and grandam to champion sires, Flying Spur and Encosta De Lago respectively, Rolls now appears in both top and bottom halves of domestic pedigrees. In 2022 on

an overall basis, the limited number of individuals with pedigrees demonstrating this specific inbreeding pattern enjoyed a truly banner year.

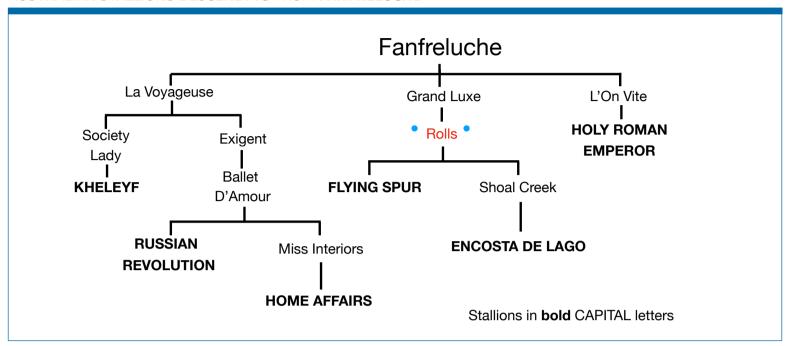
An unraced daughter of breed-shaper Mr. Prospector, Rolls, like her famous grandam, was bred at Kentucky's legendary Claiborne Farm. Her non-stakes winning full brother Lode was exported to South American where he became a leading sire in Argentina. Rolls' three-time stakes winning dam Grand Luxe was a half-sister to a trio of Canadian champions L'Enjoleur, by Buckpasser, La Voyageuse, by Tentam, and Medaille d'Or, by Secretariat, all out of Fanfreluche, Canada's 1970 Horse of the Year and America's three year-old champion filly. Further back, Rolls'

extended family was developed by premier Canadian horseman E.P. Taylor who bred her third and fourth dams.

In 1986, two year-old Rolls was exported to New Zealand's Ra Ora Stud. In June of 1988, she was acquired by John Messara's Arrowfield Stud in the Hunter Valley where she foaled the Star Way (GB) filly Shoal Creek, future dam of champion sire Encosta de Lago. In 1992, she delivered Flying Spur, a colt from the second crop of the great foundation stallion Danehill. Sent to the 1994 Inglis Easter Yearling Sale, the colt fetched \$160,000 by trainer Lee Freedman for a group of owners headed by Arrowfield whose black and yellow diamond silks he toted during his 20-start racing career.

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### AUSTRALIAN STALLIONS DESCENDING FROM FANFRELUCHE



Since her arrival in the mid-1980s, the Rolls' female family has been relatively quiet since she and her daughter Shoal Creek each produced Group One winners who became Champion Australian stallions, subsequently becoming influential sire-of-sires and broodmare sire-of-sires. The only other Group winners issued by the Rolls branch of Fanfreluche has been a daughter and granddaughter of Ballincrea Lady, by Bletchingly, a half-sister to Shoal Creek and Flying Spur. Rolls died in 1994.

Winner of six races from twenty starts including the Group One Golden Slipper (over Octagonal), Australian Guineas and All-Aged Stakes, Flying Spur retired to stud at Arrowfield in 1996. For the next three years to follow, he also shuttled to Ireland for the Northern Hemispheric breeding season. The sire of more than 1,500 foals, Flying Spur got 99 stakes winners, fourteen of which were at top level (Gr1). His accolades at stud included 1999/2000 Champion First Season Sire and later, Leading Australian Sire of two year-olds and Champion Australian Sire, both in 2006/07. He was pensioned in 2012 having provided seventeen Australian crops. Flying Spur was most likely the fourth best sire son of Danehill (behind Redoute's Choice, Fastnet Rock and Exceed And Excel). Of the 170 stallions listed in Blueblood's STALLIONS 2022, ten carry the blood of Flying Spur (three in tail-male).

Inbreeding to Rolls' dam, grandam and great grandam had already been successfully tried with Flying Spur. The small sample of RFs included Group 2 winner French Braids (Fanfreluche 4X3) as well as Group 3 winners Bliss Street (5X4 to Ciboulette) and Full of Spirit (Fanfreluche 4X5). Flying Spur's son Krupt had Grand Luxe as his third dam and was, therefore, inbred 3X3 to Grand Luxe in Formula

One fashion. Capture of the 2008 Todman Slipper Trial Stakes (GR2) in his third start helped made Krupt a favorite for the the Golden Slipper, only to be scratched on the morning of the race by a hoof abscess. He was retired soon thereafter and has sired Gr3 Li'l Contra.

Casino Prince (22 SWs) and Magnus (27 SWs) have, in turn, been Flying Spur's two best sons at stud by a large margin. Both have proven effective with the blood of Encosta De Lago. Among his dozen Group stakes winners, Casino Prince has sired the Rolls RF Sookie (see Table 1) who became the dam of multiple Group 1 winner Shadow Hero. Similarly, among his fifteen Group winners, Magnus has sired Group 3

winner Rio Del Mar out of an Encosta De Lago mare.

Casino Prince's best son, Australia's 2012/13
Three Year-Old Champion All Too Hard,
has in turn become Flying Spur's best
grandson at stud with fifteen Group
Winners from seven crops of racing age.
Among these is All Too Hard's premier
offspring, Alligator Blood, who appears to
have become the "poster boy for inbreeding
to Rolls" enjoying a sensational 2022 with
the capture of three Group One fixtures.
In his latest start, the six year-old bay
gelding out of an Encosta De Lago mare
led throughout over the 1600m of the
Champions Mile at Flemington confirming
his status as one of Australia's best milers.

# ROLLS (USA), Chestnut filly, 1984

Native Danser	4i
Native Pancer	41.
	14a
Geisha	23b
Raise a Native	5f
Case Ace Teddy	2n
Raise You Sweetheart	1k
Lady Glory American Flag	7
MR. PROSPECTOR	8f
B 1970 Nasrullah	4r
Nashua Mumtaz Begum	9c
Segula	17b
Gold Digger — Seknmet	3m
Count Fleet Reigh Count	2e
Quickly	6a
Sequence Bull Dog	16a
Miss Dogwood Myrtlewood	13c
Royal Charger	9c
Sir Gaylord Turn-to Source Sucree	1w
Princequillo	1b
Sir Ivor Somethingroyal Imperatrice	2s
Mahmoud	9c
Mr. Trouble Motto	13b
Pharamond	6e
GRAND LUXE Athenia Salaminia	8g
B 1974 Nearctic	4r
Northern Dancer  Northern Dancer	14c
Northern Dancer Natalma Native Dancer	5f
Fanfreluche — Nataima Almahmoud	2d
Flares	17b
Chop Chop Sceptical	2m
Windfields	11c
Windy Answer Reply	14g

14g

Alligator Blood has indeed become a bit of a "cult" horse, especially on social media, with his appropriately fierce name to go with a career, both colorful and checkered, all at the highest of class levels. The disqualified winner of a spectacular 2020 \$2 million Magic Millions Guineas, Alligator Blood had to overcome serious back injury later that year to reach this, his finest season. His recent exploits, in fact, make him the richest (\$6,734,250) scion of the Flying Spur male line. Word is a venture to 2023 Royal Ascot could be in The Alligator's sights.

An outstanding broodmare sire, Flying Spur's daughters have already foaled well over one hundred stakes winners. This includes a growing number of stallions led by his late grandson Sebring, by More Than Ready. The 2008 Golden Slipper winner has already sired at least 75 stakes winners from a total of ten crops (2010-19) and has been within the top ten leading Australian sires since 2024/15. For good reason, the Widden Stud stallion was provided with a healthy supply of broodmares carrying the blood of Encosta De Lago. In all, 102 of Sebring's foals were out of these Encosta De Lagoline mares and, so far, a very good clip of seven (7%) have become Group winners (see Table 1).

This was highlighted in 2022 by Sebring's top performer, his brown daughter Fangirl, a recent finalist for Australian three year-

## **ALLIGATOR BLOOD**, Bay gelding, 2016

			D I. II (IICA)	Danzig	7a
	Casino Prince —	1 Flying Spur —	Danehill (USA)	Razyana	2d
			Rolls (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
				Grand Luxe	4g
			Last Tycoon (IRE)	Try My Best	8f
		Lady Canol		Mill Princess	8c
		Lady Capel —	Kew Gardens (FR)	Kenmare (FR)	1m
ALL TOO HARD				Garden Green	21a
B 2009			Green Desert	Danzig	7a
B 2003		Desert Sun (GB)	Green Desert	Foreign Courier	Am.
		Descre sur (db)	Solar	Hotfoot	1w
	Helsinge ———		Julai	L'Anguissola	10b
	Heisinge —		Snippets	Lunchtime (GB)	7f
		- II	Shippers	Easy Date	20a
		Scandinavia —	Song of Norway	Vain	A10
				Love Song (DEN)	1р
	Encosta de Lago ———	Fairy King (USA) —	Northern Dancer	Nearctic	14c
				Natalma	2d
			Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason	19b
				Special	5h
			Star Way (GB)	Star Appeal	5d
		1 Shoal Creek —		New Way	6e
		1 Shoar creek	Rolls (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
LAKE SUPERIOR				Grand Luxe	4g
B 2006			Roberto	Hail to Reason	4n
B 2000		Red Ransom (USA <del>)</del>		Bramalea	12c
		Red RailSolli (OSA)	Arabia	Damascus	8h
	Kylikwong —			Christmas Wind	6b
			Last Tycoon (IRE)	Try My Best	8f
		Tracy's Element —		Mill Princess	8c
			Princess Tracy (IRE)	Ahonoora (GB)	1m
				Princess Ru	8c

old filly honors. Another superior runner out of an Encosta De Lago mare, Fangirl's biggest victory came when scoring a richly deserved victory in the Group One \$500,000 ATC Vinery Stud Stakes (1850 m) at Newcastle on March 28th. Her year's resume also includes a win in the Group Two sprint, ATC Light Fingers Stakes as

well as a game second to Champion three year-old colt and Godolphin juggernaut Anamoe in the George Main Stakes (GR1) at Randwick. Last time out in late October, in the world's second richest turf race, the ten million dollar Golden Eagle Stakes run at 1500 meters, an unlucky Fangirl returned to top form when she came from near last



FANGIRL (Sebring - Little Surfer Girl by Encosta De Lago)

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to finish in a furious nose defeat to the gelding I Wish I Win in this new premier fixture for four year-olds.

Sebring's second brightest star in 2022 has been Sejardan, one of last season's best two year-olds when winning the Group III ATC Breeders Plate and then storming from last-to-first in the \$1 million Golden Gift. In March, he took the Todman Stakes (Gr2) at Randwick but was put away after a luckless, midfield finish in the Golden Slipper. Sejardan regained much of his previous form last time out in the Group 3 Red Anchor Stakes, a 1200m sprint at Moonee Valley in late October. As his pedigree illustrates, Sejardan's grandam was by Encosta De Lago. Thus the 4X5 inbreeding to Rolls.

Two additional daughters of Sebring out of Encosta De Lago-line mares won impressively in listed stakes action in 2022. In May, Dynasties beat soon-to-be Group 1 winner Gypsy Goddess in the Gold Coast Bracelet. In September, Meg added a much deserved stakes win to her record when she landed the Mona Lisa Stakes at Wyong. Sebring's male line suffered a blow when after three seasons at stud, his richest son, Criterion had to be retired in 2018 on account of fertility issues. His sire sons currently include 2014/15 Horse of the Year Dissident (5 SWs), Ringerdingding, Sebring Sun and Widden Stud's Supido. Interestingly, the latter's first black-type winner, Buenos Noches, is a three year-old home-bred colt who overcame difficulty to take the Listed VRC Poseidon stakes (1100m) at Flemington in mid-September becoming the first stakes-winning grandson of Sebring out of a Encosta De Lago-line mare. In 2022, Buenos Noches was also second in the Danehill Stakes (Gr2) and third to In Secret in the VRC Coolmore Stud Stakes (Gr1).

Flying Spur's close relative and fruitful cross-mate, Encosta de Lago (1993) was, by far, the best sire son of Sadlers Wells (USA) full brother, Fairy King who visited Australia from Ireland in 1992 and 1996, and left about a hundred individuals, with Group 1 winning sprinter/miler Encosta de Lago easily the best of the lot. Encosta De Lago started his stud career in 1997 at Blue Gum Farm in Victoria but his success led to his transfer to Coolmore Australia where he stood from 2003 until his pension in 2014. He died in 2018, the same year as Flying Spur. A remarkably consistent producer of the highest quality of runners, he was Australian champion sire for the 2007/08 and 2008/09 seasons as well as second on four other occasions. From 1,626 foals, he sired 115 stakes winners, 26 of them at Group One level. A true Australian breedshaper, Encosta de Lago has more recently become one of the country's two dominant broodmare sires earning titles in 2015/16, 2016/07 and 2021/22 as well as second to Redoute's Choice in the three intervening seasons.

### SEJARDAN, Bay colt, 2019

	More Than Ready (USA)	Southern Halo —	Halo	Hail to Reason	4n
			Halo	Cosmah	2d
			Northern Sea	Northern Dancer	2d
				Sea Saga	16g
		Woodman's Girl -	Woodman (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
				Playmate	1s
			Becky be Good	Naskra	Зе
SEBRING				Good Landing	1s
Ch 2005			Danehill (USA)	Danzig	7a
C11 2003		1 Flying Spur		Razyana	2d
		,	Rolls (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
	Purespeed ————		Kolis (OSA)	Grand Luxe	4g
	rurespeed		Luskin Star	Kaoru Star	31
		Landon Manadan	Euskin Stai	Promising	2e
		Lady Moulin –	Willowy	Better Boy (IRE)	2n
			vviiiowy	Far Vista	6с
	Hinchinbrook ——	Fastnet Rock _	Danehill (USA)	Danzig	7a
				Razyana	2d
			Piccadilly Circus	Royal Academy (USA)	8c
				Gatana	2f
		Snippets' Lass —	Snippets	Lunchtime (GB)	7f
				Easy Date	20a
			Snow Finch (IRE)	Storm Bird	<b>4</b> j
MISS AMAJARDAN B 2013				A Realgirl	2c
	Jahre	Encosta de Lago  –	Fairy King (USA)	Northern Dancer	2d
				Fairy Bridge	5h
			1 Shoal Creek	Star Way (GB)	6e
				Rolls (USA)	4g
		Whatever –	Danzero	Danehill (USA)	2d
				Confidentially	13b
			Procrastinate	Jade Hunter (USA)	22a
				Reigntaine	C7

## FANGIRL, Bay or Brown filly, 2018

	More Than Ready (USA)	Southern Halo —	Halo	Hail to Reason	4n
				5 Cosmah	2d
		Southern Haio	Northern Sea	Northern Dancer	2d
				Sea Saga	16g
		Woodman's Girl —	Woodman (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
				Playmate	1s
			Becky be Good	Naskra	3е
SEBRING				Good Landing	1s
Ch 2005			Danehill (USA)	Danzig	7a
C11 2003		1 Flying Spur -		Razyana	2d
		111ym8 5pai	Rolls (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
	Purespeed ————		ROIIS (USA)	Grand Luxe	4g
	Fulespeed		Luskin Star	Kaoru Star	31
			LUSKIII Stai	Promising	2e
		Lady Moulin —	Willowy	Better Boy (IRE)	2n
				Far Vista	6с
	Encosta de Lago ——	Fairy King (USA)	Northern Dancer	Nearctic	14c
				5 Natalma	2d
			3 Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason	19b
				Special	5h
		1 Shoal Creek —	Star Way (GB)	Star Appeal	5d
				New Way	6e
			Rolls (USA)	Mr. Prospector	13c
B 2006				Grand Luxe	4g
	Special Harmony ——	Spinning World (USA)	3 Nureyev	Northern Dancer	2d
				Special	5h
			Imperfect Circle	Riverman	10a
				Aviance	8f
		Marooned Lady —	Marooned (GB)	Mill Reef	22d
				Short Rations	8d
			Wildwood Lady	Haulpak	2b
				Picapago	6b

Of the 170 stallions listed in Blueblood's STALLIONS 2022, fourteen carry the blood of Encosta De Lago, nine in tail-male line. The overall male line was significantly diminished when one of Encosta De Lago's most brilliant sons, Northern Meteor, died of colic soon after becoming the leading Australian First Season Sire of 2012-2013. His three crops yielded 24 stakes winners, six of them Group One winners. Northern Meteor sired a total of sixteen foals out of Flying Spur-line mares. Two became stakes winners including his daughter Speak Fondly, winner of the 2015 ATC Flight Stakes-out of a Flying Spur mare.

Despite his premature passing, Northern Meteor appears to be the most likely torch carrier of the Encosta De Lago line. His best son at stud, Zoustar (33 SWs) has served as a worthy replacement at Widden Stud with continuing exceptional results with Flying Spur-line mares. From 48 such foals, he has had five stakes winners, three of them Group winners (see Table 1) including Mizzy who won four Group events highlighted by the 2021 STC Canterbury Stakes (Gr1) at Randwick. As of the time of this writing, the most recent Rolls RF Group winner is The Astrologist who stormed to victory in the inaugural

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running of the \$1.5 million Group 3 Gold Rush at Ascot on Saturday, December 10th. The four year-old gelded son of Zoustar out of a Flying Spur mare placed in a pair of Group 1 sprint handicaps earlier in the year.

Northern Meteor's sire son Deep Field (24 SWs) has been a bit slow to get off the mark with Flying Spur blood, but did break through with a black-type winner in 2022 when his son Aysar took the listed Chatauqua Stakes at Moonee Valley in early September. In 2020, Aysar was considered a leading spring three year-old when runner-up in the Caulfield Guineas (Gr1).

Deep Field's Group One winning full brother Shooting To Win (8 SWs) sired his first Group One winner in 2022 when Mascarpone, a late-developing, ultraconsistent New Zealand-bred sprinter led all the way to win the WFA Classic (NZ-Gr1) at Otaki in late February. It was his second Group stakes victory. He also collected three Gr1 placings, two of them in January and mid-February of 2022. Soon thereafter, he suffered a suspensory injury. There is hope, however, the six-year old chestnut gelding can make a comeback when and if he is fully healed.

Encosta De Lago's sons at stud also include Manhattan Rain (16 SWs), Needs Further (6 SWs) and Rubick (7 SWs). Additionally, Australian stallions out of daughters of Encosta De Lago are now beginning to produce runners providing him with opportunities to express his influence as a broodmare sire-of-sires.

At the present, there have been 610 total individuals of racing age, almost entirely based in the Antipodes, demonstrating the duplication of complementary strains of Rolls within five generations (the Rasmussen Factor criterion)-seventeen of them (Table 1) have become Group winners (6 Gr1, 6 Gr2 and 5 Gr3) or 2.8%.

According to noted pedigree analyst Bill Oppenheim, over the last thirty plus years, the percentage of international Grade/ Group One and Two winners has been in the ballpark of 0.80% (eight-tenths of one percent) of total named foals. Since there have been six Group One winners and six Group Two winners, the math is: Gr1+Gr2=6+6=12/610=2.0%, therefore 2.0/0.8=2.5. This indicates Rolls RFs have, so far, outperformed their opportunities by two and one-half times. This is a very good result, particularly given the relatively large sample size.

This current season, there are around fifty sophomore Rolls RFs but only roughly a dozen juveniles inbred to Rolls. This slowdown in the latter is probably related



ENCOSTA DE LAGO

## MASCARPONE, Chestnut gelding, 2016

			F-i (LICA)	3 Northern Dancer	2d
	Northern Meteor —	Encosta de Lago	Fairy King (USA)	Fairy Bridge	5h
			1 Shoal Creek	Star Way (GB)	6e
				Rolls (USA)	4g
	Northern Meteor —		Fappiano	Mr. Prospector	13c
	E	F		Killaloe	16a
		Explosive (USA) ——	Scuff	Forli	3b
SHOOTING TO WIN				Moccasin	5h
Ch 2011			ConsiMost	Mr. Prospector	13c
CITZOTT		Elusive Quality (USA)	Gone West	Secrettame	2f
		Elasive quality (05/1)	Touch of Greatness	Hero's Honor	1s
	Listen Here ———		louch of Greatness	Ivory Wand	13c
	LISTERFICIE		Military Divers	Sir Tristram (IRE)	6e
	Announce		Military Plume	Ultraviolet	10d
		Announce	Theme Song	Sackford (USA)	20
				Cotehele House (GB)	9с
			Dannia		
			Dennin	3 Northern Dancer	2d
		Danehill (USA)	Danzig	3 <b>Northern Dancer</b> Pas de Nom	2d 7a
		Danehill (USA) —			
	1 Flying Spur	Danehill (USA)	Danzig Razyana	Pas de Nom	7a
	1 Flying Spur —	Danehill (USA) —	Razyana	Pas de Nom His Majesty	7a 4d
	1 Flying Spur —			Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu	7a 4d 2d
	1 Flying Spur —	Danehill (USA)  Rolls (USA)	Razyana Mr. Prospector	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native	7a 4d 2d 8f
FROMAGE	1 Flying Spur —		Razyana	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c
	1 Flying Spur —		Razyana Mr. Prospector Grand Luxe	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g
FROMAGE Ch 2007	1 Flying Spur —	Rolls (USA)	Razyana Mr. Prospector	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor Fanfreluche Roberto Sharp Queen	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g 4g
	1 Flying Spur —		Razyana  Mr. Prospector  Grand Luxe  Kris S	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor Fanfreluche Roberto	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g 4g 12c
		Rolls (USA)	Razyana Mr. Prospector Grand Luxe	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor Fanfreluche Roberto Sharp Queen	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g 4g 12c 10a
	1 Flying Spur — Rocotto —	Rolls (USA)	Razyana  Mr. Prospector  Grand Luxe  Kris S  Anytime Ms.	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor Fanfreluche Roberto Sharp Queen Aurelius	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g 4g 12c 10a 19c
		Rolls (USA)  Brocco (USA)	Razyana  Mr. Prospector  Grand Luxe  Kris S	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor Fanfreluche Roberto Sharp Queen Aurelius Hold Hands	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g 4g 12c 10a 19c 3
		Rolls (USA)	Razyana  Mr. Prospector  Grand Luxe  Kris S  Anytime Ms.	Pas de Nom His Majesty 3 Spring Adieu Raise a Native Gold Digger Sir Ivor Fanfreluche Roberto Sharp Queen Aurelius Hold Hands Mr. Prospector	7a 4d 2d 8f 13c 8g 4g 12c 10a 19c 3

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TABLE 1 - GROUP STAKES WINNERS WITH INBREEDING TO ROLLS

Individual	Sex/yr.foaled	Sire	Racing distinction(s)
AETHERO	g/2016	Sebring	Jockey Club Sprint (HK-Gr2)
ALLIGATOR BLOOD	g/2016	All Too Hard	VRC Aus. Guineas and Champions
			Mile (Gr1), MRC Underwood S (Gr1)
BELIEVE YOURSELF	f/2011	Sebring	Sweet Embrace S (Gr2)
CATCH A FIRE	f/2012	Sebring	MRC Angus Armanasco S (Gr2)
CLIFTON RED	f/2011	Sebring	VRC Breeders Stakes (Gr2)
DELAGO DELUXE	c/2008	Encosta De Lago	South African Champion 2YO; Gold
			Medallion (SAf-Gr1)
FANGIRL	f/2018	Sebring	ATC Vinery Stud Stakes (Gr1), ATC Light Fingers Stakes (Gr2)
MASCARPONE (NZ)	g/2016	Shooting To Win	WFA Classic (NZ-Gr1), Foxbridge Plate (NZ-Gr2)
MIZZY	f/2015	Zoustar	ATC Canterbury S (Gr1), ATC Sheraco S (Gr2), Golden Pendant S (Gr2
MOONOVERMANHATTAN	c/2011	Manhattan Rain	MVRC Mooney Valley Vase (Gr2), National Stakes (Gr3)
RIO DEL MAR	f/2016	Magnus	Gimcrack Stakes (Gr3)
SEABURGE	c/2013	Sebring	VRC Sires' Produce Stakes (Gr2)
SEJARDAN	c/2019	Sebring	ATC Todman S. (Gr2) and Breeders' Plate (Gr3), MVRC Red Anchor S (Gr3)
SOOKIE	f/2009	Casino Prince	BRC Glenlogan S (Gr3); dam of multiple Gr1 winner Shadow Hero
SPEAK FONDLY	f/2012	Northern Meteor	ATC Flight S (Gr1), ATC Magic Nights Stakes (Gr2), etc.
SUN CITY	c/2016	Zoustar	BRC B.J. McLachlan Stakes (Gr3)
THE ASTROLOGIST	g/2016	Zoustar	VRC Aurie's Star H. (Gr3), Gold Rush (Gr3), 2nd VRC Newmarket H (Gr1)



HOME AFFAIRS

to the death of Sebring who performed so well with Rolls blood. Presently, Rolls appears most often in the fourth generation of contemporary pedigrees, indicating we will be observing individuals with this inbreeding pattern within Rasmussen Factor criteria for another whole equine generation.

The Flying Spur/Encosta De Lago nick is reminiscent of the international power cross, Nureyev and Sadler's Wells. Each pair are out of a foundation mare and her daughter, all four scions of Northern Dancer. And, of course, Encosta De Lago's sire Fairy King was Sadler's Wells full brother.

Finally, it is worth noting there are a couple

of new and promising Australian sires who also descend from the key matriarch Fanfreluche creating opportunities for valuable more distant duplications of this superior female family (see Figure 1). Home Affairs, by I Am Invincible, retired this season to Coolmore Australia with a stud fee of \$110,000, the highest for a first season sire in Australian history. He is out of the Flying Spur mare Miss Interiors whose dam Ballet D'Amour (USA) was a great granddaughter of Fanfreluche imported to Australia. As such, Miss Interiors is 4X4 to Fanfreluche. Home Affairs biggest win in 2022 came in the mid-February VRC Lightning Stakes (Gr1) when he beat last season's Australian Horse of the Year Nature Strip. He seems ideal with the right Encosta De Lago-line mares. Miss Interiors is also a half-sister to Russian Revolution, by Snitzel, a dual Group One winner and Australian Leading First Season Sire for 2021/22. It is fitting the best offspring from his initial crop have Flying Spur and Encosta De Lago within the bottom half of their pedigrees including Group winners Revolutionary Miss (Fanfreluche 5X6) and Communist (Fanfreluche 5X7).

Three other stallions descending from Fanfreluche also spent time in Australia leaving their blood on the bottom half of some contemporary domestic pedigrees. Fanfreluche's grandson, Coolmore's Holy Roman Emperor stood his first four years at stud in Australia (2007-2010) as well as a few additional years later in his career. Night Shift, by Northern Dancer, became a Coolmore stallion in 1992 generating Australian foals through 2008 and Kheleyf, by Green Desert, left one shuttle crop when visiting in 2009.

In short, the aforementioned material represents another valuable addition to the breeders' toolbox: the crossing of complementary strains of the Fanfreluche family, particularly through her key Australasian branch, generated by her imported granddaughter Rolls. That's Rolls as in Rolls Royce.