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## Big week for Stembank

Foalings Australia-wide over the weekend usher in a big week for Vet Biotechnology's *Stembank* umbilical cord derived Stem Cell storage service.

Champion racemare PRIVATE STEER and Champion broodmare SURREALIST (dam of multiple Group One winner *Racing To Win*) have foaled at Coolmore, NEW YORK STYLE foaled at Chatsworth Park and Irish mare SIBERIE foaled at Lindsay Park. Their cord samples are on their way to the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science (IMVS) Adelaide for processing on what will be a busy Tuesday for Senior Scientist Rick Tocchetti and his team.

Ballarat Veterinary Practice will also undertake a *Regenicell* Bone Marrow aspiration today for a mature horse injured last week. The expensive and invasive *Regenicell* service is the last resort to save the racing careers of injured horses whose umbilical cord tissue has not been preserved at birth.

In the week ahead Vet Biotechnology is expecting to undertake Stem Cell banking from the foalings of Group One winner MON MEKKI (in foal to Elusive Quality), KOURNEROV (in foal to Barely a Moment), GIFT BOUQUET (in foal to Lonhro), PRAWN COCKTAIL (in foal to Encosta De Lago) and ROYAL MASK (in foal to Hussonet).

"Whilst these are some of the most valuable foals to be born this year, the majority of support for Stembank has come from the middle market" VBT General Manager David Bridgland said this morning "In addition to the now well documented therapeutic benefits, canny breeders are unlocking the marketing benefits of retaining this valuable resource and highlighting their vision at the yearling sales. The prospect of breakdown turning a promising racehorse into a \$500 hack can now be a thing of the past" David concluded.

Vet Biotechnology is the sole provider of Stem Cell therapies in Australia through their registered *Regenicell* and *Stembank* trade names.

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