



Pedigree Analysis - Kristen Manning

Lean Mean Machine's sire Zoustar is out of a mare bred on a 6 X 4 cross of the classy broodmare Magic Symbol via her sons, the full brothers Biscay and Star Of Heaven. Zoustar has been picking well with extra Biscay strains (ten stakes winners with a 72.4% winners-to-runners strike rate)... Lean Mean Machine being one of those stakes winners with Biscay's grandson Zephyr Zing being Falvelon's dam sire.

Further Biscay looks good for Lean Mean Machine and it is also worth seeking out the rarer strains of Magic Symbol - such as Jevington, Tattenham and Bletchway.

Zoustar's sire Northern Meteor is bred on a 6 X 4 cross of his own fourth dam Rough Shod II, fourth dam of Encosta de Lago's sire Fairy King. This internationally prolific family has well and truly proven its worth as a line-breeding force, making strains of its members Sadler's Wells, Thatching and Nureyev highly desirable for Lean Mean Machine.

Of the 43 Zoustar runners out of mares carrying a Sadler's Wells strain 33 (an impressive 76.7%) are winners with four (9.3%) of those (including the Gr.1 sprinter Zoutori) being stakes winners.

Of the Sadler's Wells line the most interesting prospects for Lean Mean Machine are daughters/granddaughters of Scenic (his third dam sire Mossborough hails from the family of Encosta de Lago's dam sire Star Way) and his sons Universal Prince and Blevic (descendants of the influential matriarch Marchetta who is a strong influence in Lean Mean Machine's pedigree), Tobougg (out of a granddaughter of Majestic Prince from the Boudoir II family of His Majesty and Crowned Prince - both of whom feature in Lean Mean Machine), Artie Schiller (also out of a granddaughter of Majestic Prince plus he is a member of the same prolific Frizette family as Mr Prospector to whom Northern Meteor is line-bred 4 X 3) and Medaglia d'Oro (his dam sire Bailjumper is a Frizette descendant).

The Galileo branch is also good for Lean Mean Machine with that great stallion's third dam sire Espresso hailing from the same Gibside Fairy family as Bletchingly, Danzig and War Dog (all in Lean Mean Machine) whilst Espresso's sire Acropolis (from the Marchetta family) is a full brother to Alycidon who appears in Alannon.

The most suitable members of the Galileo line for Lean Mean Machine are daughters/granddaughters of Adelaide (carries a strain of Rough Shod's son Ridan), Rip Van Winkle (bred on a 4 X 4 cross of Rough Shod II's granddaughter Special), Teofilo (his grandam is by Majestic Light and he is a descendant of the famed matriarch Chelandry who is a strong influence in Lean Mean Machine) and his son Kermadec (out of a mare bred on a 6 X 6 cross of the terrific mare Sans Tares whose son Wilkes is 4 X 3 in Zoustar's grandam Meteor Mist) and New Approach (out of a granddaughter of Lorenzaccio who hails from Northern Meteor's family).

In regards to Sans Tares - look for strains of her son Worden II and her great grandson Le Fabuleux as well as her half-brother Norseman.

Zoustar has not fared quite as well with Nureyev as with Sadler's Wells though still 31 winners from 52 runners including the Hong Kong stakes winner Healthy Happy. Surprisingly Zoustar has had only one runner out of a mare with Thatching - the recent smart debut winner Zoumon.

Smart Missile mares are of great interest, his grandam Explosive (great granddaughter of Rough Shod II) being Northern Meteor's dam. Other members of this family to have stood in Australia include Headwater, Fiorente, Tate Gallery, Perugino (sire of Marchetta descendant Testa Rossa), Geiger Counter, Yeats, Dusty Boots, Jade Robbery and Dreamscape.

Look also for strains of Lt Stevens, Lorenzaccio, Topsider, Ridan and Val de Loir.

Northern Meteor is a son of Encosta de Lago whose grandam Rolls is also the dam of Flying Spur. Zoustar has sired two Group winners (The Astrologist and Sun City) out of Flying Spur mares whilst the triple Group winner Mizzy is out of a mare by his son Magnus.

Other Flying Spur stallions whose daughters match up well with Lean Mean Machine are Casino Prince (his dam sire Last Tycoon is by Try My Best who hails from the same Best In Show family as Zoustar's dam sire Redoute's Choice), Krupt (bred on a 3 X 3 cross of Rolls' dam Grand Luxe), Shaft (Last Tycoon is his second dam sire) and Jet Spur (his wonderful third dam Summoned is the dam of Falvelon's sire Alannon).

Rolls is a granddaughter of Northern Dancer's outstanding daughter Fanfreluche, in turn daughter of the influential Ciboulette. This family is a proven high class line-breeding force, one which can also be found in Snaadee, Brazen Beau, Family Ties, Night Shift, Archregent, Kheleyf and Holy Roman Emperor.

Northern Meteor's dam sire Fappiano is a descendant of, and line-bred to, the great mare Plucky Liege (dam of Bull Dog who is 5 X 5 X 6 in Fappiano). Fappiano combines nicely (69 stakes winners including eight Gr.1 winners) with Ogygian with the two stallions having the same grandam, the Gr.3 winning classy broodmare Grand Splendor.

Other strains of this branch of the Plucky Liege (also dam of Admiral Drake, Bois Roussel and Sir Gallahad III) family can be found via Quiet American and Honour And Glory.

Ogygian is most easily found in this part of the world as the dam sire of Street Boss and Johannesburg who hails from the same Knight's Daughter branch of the prolific Feola/Aloe family as Lean Mean Machine's fourth dam sire Brauner.

Other descendants of Feola and Aloe include Tell (sire of Pompeii Court), Deep Impact, Atan, Gone West, Tentam, Known Fact, Round Table, Doutelle, Aureole, Kingstone, Tale Of The Cat, Nashwan, Unfuwain, Voodoo Rhythm, True Hero, Lion Cavern, Dance Spell, Pulpit, Above Suspicion, Imperialist, Robellino, Song Of Tara, Hemingway, Balestrini, Red Tony, Alcide and Marju (son of Last Tycoon).

Lean Mean Machine's great grandsire Encosta de Lago is out of a mare by Star Way who has always combined well with his relation (a fellow descendant of the legendary mare Selene) Sir Tristram who appears in the pedigrees of seven of Zoustar's stakes winners.

Star Way's sire Star Appeal is bred on a 6 X 7 cross of the influential Catnip via her descendant Neckar and her daughter Nogara, dam of Niccolo dell'Arca. Nogara also produced one of the stallion greats in Nearco. Catnip's granddaughter Nella da Gubbio is the great grandam of Novalis, dam sire of Zoustar's second dam sire Star Shower.

Nearco is the most prolific member of this family but other strains can be found - such as Fortino, Navarro, Raimondo and Pinturischio (second dam sire of Piccolo and third dam sire of Casino Prince).

As already mentioned, Zoustar's dam sire Redoute's Choice hails from the same family as Try My Best - the Best In Show family which has also been well represented by Spinning World, El Gran Senor, Umatilla, Hurricane Sky, Dr Johnson, Thewayyouare, Gielgud, Xaar, Masterclass, Good Journey, Denon, Domesday and Al Maher (all four of Zoustar's runners out of his daughters are winners including the stakes winners Madam Rouge and Zouzarella).

Best In Show is a descendant of Torpenhow, ancestress of another great broodmare in Flaming Page, dam of Redoute's Choice's second dam sire Nijinsky II. Strains of Nijinsky's 3/4 brothers The Minstrel and Far North are highly desirable.

Redoute's Choice is by Danehill who hails from the same Natalma/Almahmoud family as his grandsire Northern Dancer - one which has also produced Machiavellian and Halo - as well as El Moxie, Gleam Machine, Nuclear Freeze, Arctic Tern, Eagle Eyed, Catrail, Youthful Legs, Diatribe, Orpen and Exit To Nowhere.

Whilst Danehill generally underperforms as a line-breeding subject, Zoustar's statistics with the cross are sound - 67.9% winners-to-runners with 14 stakes winners (8.3%) including the multiple Gr.1 winner Sunlight.

Danehill's dam sire His Majesty hails from a family always worth line-breeding to and Lean Machine is a good example with Alannon's dam sire Crowned Prince also a member. Further strains are definitely worth seeking - such as Graustark, Whiskey Road, Our Poetic Prince and Majestic Prince.

Lean Mean Machine's dam sire Falvelon is by Alannon whose dam Summoned is a worthy line-breeding subject. She is also the dam of Zeditave and Legal Opinion and third dam of Jet Spur.

Summoned is a descendant of the great Chelandry who is a strong influence in Lean Mean Machine's pedigree, appearing also via her descendants Heroic, Wrack, Never Say Die, Truculent, Clairon, Blockbuster and Magpie. Chelandry has had a number of descendants stand at stud in Australia - including I Am Invincible, Teofilo, Anabaa, High Chaparral, O'Lonhro, Zoffany, Dissident, Gold Carat, Jetball, Marwina, Marechal and Bellotto.

Look also for strains of Tudor Melody, Manihi, Traghetto, Forty Niner, Knightly Manner and Shadeed.

Lean Mean Machine's second dam sire Prince Salieri is by Salieri whose fifth dam Cos (known as "The Flying Cos") is also fourth dam of Better Boy who is easily found in local pedigrees. Strains of her Gr.1 son Rustom Pasha also pop up on occasions.

Lean Mean Machine's Gr.1 winning grandam She's A Meanie can be duplicated as she also produced the consistent Queensland stallion Love Conquers All.

As already mentioned the Marchetta family is strong in Lean Mean Machine who has strains of Cagire II, Turn-To, Klairon, My Babu and Alycidon.

Look for strains of the latter's siblings Acropolis, Agricola and Borealis as well as for Marco Polo II, Sayani, Ambiorix, Hotfoot, Imperial Prince, Bustino, Alvaro, Cheraw, Blevic, Universal Prince, Irish River, Stunning, Hayil and Testa Rossa.

Lean Mean Machine's grandsire Northern Meteor carries a 4 X 3 cross of Mr Prospector who has always picked up well with members of his own family, that which descends from Frizette. Her other descendants include Elusive Quality, Roan Rocket (dam sire of Rory's Jester), Lomond, Seattle Slew, Roy, Shecky Greene, Seattle Dancer, Bold Native, Bahri, Bahhare, Tourbillon, Djeddah, Bismark II, Baldric, Half Iced, Sing Sing, Jugah, Artie Schiller, Prince True, Mukaddamah, Twenty Four Karat, Darshaan, Daliapour, Tiger, Straight As A Die, Heart Of Darkness, Gold And Ivory, Sunrise County and Bailjumper.

Lean Mean Machine is bred on a 7 X 7 cross of the Kentucky Oaks heroine Lalun via her sons Bold Reason and Never Bend. Nice to have further strains of either whilst noting that Lalun's fourth dam Sunshot is also ancestress of Brookfield, Wolver Hollow, Grand Chaudiere (dam sire of Snippets), Shinko Forest, New Approach, Alfred Nobel, Windsor Lad, Solferino, Frontal, No Robbery, Supernatural, Our Babu, King Of The Tudors, Niccolo Polo and No Faith.

La Troienne is another mare of note in Lean Mean Machine's pedigree - appearing through her descendants Buckpasser, Mr Busher and Bimelech whilst her close relation Pardal is in Alannon.

La Troienne has had plenty of influence in this part of the world with her descendants including More Than Ready, Woodman, Rhythm, Caerleon, Forest Glow, Air de France, Belong To Me, Yamanin Vital, Monashee Mountain, Hula Chief, Noble Bijou and Congrats.

Look also for strains of Hero's Honor, The Axe II, Francis S, Great Captain, Cohoes, Tropical Breeze, Easy Goer, Chem, Go For Gin, Pleasant Tap, Mogami, Benefit Performer, Polish Navy, Hitting Away, Sea Hero, Al Ameen, Kimberley Mine, Busher, Hook Money, Make Tracks, Nasty And Bold, Daring Young Man, Bold And Brave, Smarty Jones, Naevus, Beau Brummel, Private Account, Poker and Jet Action.

Members of the Red Ransom line are nice for Lean Mean Machine - that stallion hailing from the same family as Prince Salieri's second dam sire Showdown. Other members of this Democratie family include Benfica and Mussorgsky. Interesting to note that Zoustar's best runner Sunlight is out of a mare by Red Ransom's son Charge Forward.

Phar Lap's dam Entreaty makes an appearance via Prince Salieri's dam sire Planet Kingdom. She is not an easy mare to duplicate but the WA based Gingerbread Man - whose dam sire Hurricane Sky is closely related to Redoute's Choice - is a descendant.

The Squaw II, grandam of Secretariat's rival Sham (sire of Lean Mean Machine's third dam sire Musical Phantasy) is also grandam of the terrific mare Pocahontas who can be found via strains of War Hawk, Alzao, Chieftain and Tom Rolfe.

The great matriarch Eulogy (ancestress of Zephyr Bay whose son Zephyr Zing is Falvelon's dam sire) is also ancestress of Dundee, Starspangledbanner, Elvstroem, Haradasun, Plush, Elounda Bay, Kingdom Bay and Red Tempo.