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ESCAPING THE DANEHILL/DANZIG DILEMMA



Pondering the worsening conundrum of the Danzig/Danehill saturation of pedigrees, breeding authority **JANE HENNING** looks for a way out of the corner breeders find themselves in.

There's no doubting the predominating success of the Danzig/Danehill line in Australasia. Danehill alone was an amazing progenitor and now his sons, which include Redoute's Choice, Danzero, Commands, Danehill Dancer, Flying Spur and the latest kid on the block, Fastnet Rock, continue to haunt the Leading Sires lists and the cream of these are now producing sire-sons of their own.

None of this is 'new news' – there is plenty of comment on the success of this branch of the Northern Dancer line and stud farms at all

“A minimum of 47% of the foals born in 2010 will have Danehill somewhere in their pedigrees...”

levels have in general rushed to seek out and install what they hope will be the next Danehill line star stallion in their barns.

The Australian Stud Book records that Danehill produced 1,188 live foals in Australia during his lifetime and, as is the pyramidal way with reproduction, at the end of the 2009 breeding season his sons, grandsons and a great grandson covered 8,284 mares, which is about 36% of the total broodmare population.

His daughters and tail male granddaughters made up 11% of the broodmare population in this same season, which doesn't even include

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