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## BREEDING CAPITAL THINKING POSITIVE

Having wrapped up one investment scheme the brains behind Breeding Capital put their financial neck back on the block when buying a half-sister to Gr.1 Oaks third **Midnight Line** named **Thinking Positive** (Lot 1887).

A more apt name could not be imagined given the economic climate – many of Breeding Capital's investors have a background in the City – but the shrewdies who pilot the operation, namely William Sporborg and Simon Marsh, have some notable gains among their purchases.

The downturn in prices had an impact on their tax efficient first scheme, which clawed in 635,000gns when selling its final four mares on Tuesday, but three further opportunities to invest were fully subscribed and Thinking Positive could be destined for a fifth scheme.

Charlie Gordon-Watson, who buys for the project, paid 235,000gns for the six-year-old, who has an **Invincible Spirit** yearling to run next year and carried a **Montjeu** cover around the ring. Her dam, **Midnight Air**, won the Gr.3 May Hill Stakes and is a half-sister to the dam of **Jan Vermeer**, who was placed in this year's Gr.1 Irish Derby and Gr.1 Grand Prix de Paris.

As Sporborg said, the daughter of **Rainbow Quest** is "easy to mate" – her next home will be one of the farms owned by Lord and Lady Lloyd-Webber who board Breeding Capital's stock. She was offered yesterday from the Player family's Whatton Manor Stud.