



SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE



Feeding the staff breakfast L-R: Kim, David and Emily

The August wrap-up!

Dear valued clients and friends,

August winds blew little fortune our way, as far as winners. None the less all horses performed as well as we hoped. But unfortunately we have to contend with the fact that if you do not possess a champion, the Jockey takes up a huge part of the scenario. I went into the jockey knocking game, but I will say a lot more prize money would have accumulated during the last month if only!

We did manage a lovely weekend away in the Hunter. Attending Widden Stud Stallion parade, then Kitchwin Hills and Coolmore on Sunday, my choice of Stallions would

be “Se bring” or “Encostadelargo”. Wade also purchased Billet’s full sister on behalf of Mark Goodwin. Her name is “Walenore” in foal to “Murtajill” purchased for \$6000.00. I know Mark Goodwin is looking for easy to get along with Partners. Walenore was sold for \$160,000.00 as a yearling, she won two metropolitan races, one as a two year old. Anyone interested should contact us for more information, and then I will put you onto Mark.

We also attended, along with Rhonda and Ray Goodwin and Peter and Paula Peters, who are all part owners in Black Pirate, the final judging of the inaugural Inglis Equine Art competition. It was held in

the old historical barn at the Inglis sale yards. What a wonderful night it was, I’m sure it will turn into one of the most looked forward to events of the year. The Inglis family as usual, were splendid hosts, providing only the best cuisine, wines champagne and beer. Unfortunately the magnificent painting of Pirate did not win—it did however win our hearts. Susan Farrell, the artist was more than pleased with it making the final thirty, chosen from over two hundred entries.

An extremely heavy track put away our chances at Nowra on the 2/8 with EYES MAGIC and AUSBRED ROYAL. Both were travelling like winners until they had to stretch out in

the glue pot! Unfortunately Ausbred Royal has been plagued with foot problems from then on.



Coolmore Stud Sunday 28/8 this is "Henry The Navigator"

All seems to be on track for this Thursday at Wyong 1/9. We can only hope her good work will be a true guide to her performance. EYES MAGIC ran very well his next start, running fourth at Hawkesbury. Wide all the way he boxed on gamely; he will either race this coming Thursday at Wyong, or Next Saturday at Hawkesbury 3/9.

BILLET had his final run at Canterbury on the 6/8. Whilst it wasn't a bad run, running sixth and not being beaten too far, it certainly wasn't him at his best. He's out for four weeks, enjoying his new friend bubbles. Summer will prove a better time for him to race, here's hoping for an early Christmas present!

FREDDY did not disappoint in his first effort this past month at Gosford 2100. Coming back from his unlucky 3rd place over the 2400m, I suggested to our jockey, he may run a little fresh, so if they start to crawl, let him drift to the front. Instead he sat wide, allowing Freddy to over race and pull himself into the ground. His ride at Newcastle over the 2300 on the 27/8

began with us being happy that he settled Freddy back and tucked in with cover. However, it was a sit and sprint, when he should have gone for it beginning from the last 600m he didn't, even when the two behind him went around him, he sat like he was glued to the ground. In the straight it was the worst display of riding I have seen, well maybe not, but one of them, that's for sure. FREDDY may race next Saturday 3/9 at Hawkesbury or the following Saturday at Kembla, both races are 2000m. We will have apprentice Sam Clipperton on board and go to the front!

AUSBRED GOLD found the company a little tough at Canterbury on the tenth. She had also lightened off a little too much, so we've given her a freshen up. Aiming to put the weight back on and clear her mind ready for her comeback in September.

MADAM MEDUSA & AUSBRED OPERA, had a lovely trial after behaving themselves extremely well in the barriers and jumping along with all their new found friends, they



Widden Stud Stallion parade, left to right- Nichole, Sandy Toni, Dor, Josh Wade.

proceeded to run around together asking each other "what are we supposed to do"?

Our jockeys being the only ones we could get (due to a Children's Hospital charity

run and races at Nowra) sat quietly and earned their money easily without much effort on their part. Both fillies are one hundred times better than how they performed. They have also been through a long education program. A short spell and you will see them both returning to perform at their best. October the 1st will kick this off.

BORN TO THE MANOR was a little disappointing at Newcastle over the 1400m on the 6/8. Then Wade probably over reacted putting her in an 1100m at Bathurst in her next start, 26/8. It was actually a very good try hard effort, but anyone could see it was too short; perhaps she should have been afforded another go over the 1400. She will race, either Saturday 10/9 Kembla 1600m or Goulburn.

All other horses, including our pre-trainers Black Pirate, Shades of Green, Ausbred Benz and Cleo's Gift are all doing well and set this month for fast work. Trials or jump outs will be on their agenda toward the end of the month.

Horses to come into work 1/9 are The God's Own gelding, Lady Green and Hamburg has returned already pre trained and will race this Saturday at Hawkesbury over 1000m, we expect him to go very well.

Please remember Ausbred Benz still has lease shares available. Contact me or Chris Lawlor for his amazing offer of leasing, including, Chris not taking his one third of prize money which is customary for the owner to do so. This horse is a real athlete, wonderful disposition and almost ready to run. So get in quick for great fun with a great company.

Also if you want the excitement of breeding your own horse, feel free to discuss with us, or Mark Goodwin the options of this magnificent mare ready to foal in September.

NEXT OPEN DAY: SUNDAY 2ND OCTOBER 2011

Sending rainbows,

Wade and Dor.



TOP - LEST WE FORGET - RELATIVES OF THE LIGHT HORSEMEN, CARRYING ON THE MEMORIES AT THE AUSTRALIANA VILLAGE



BELOW - BILLET SPELLING WITH HIS NEW FRIEND BUBBLES.

WICKY WACKY FARM NEWS



I will be travelling to Melbourne in September reading at schools and at last meeting in person, Roland Perry. For those of you who are not familiar with his work I suggest you buy his latest book "The Australian Light Horse" it gives an amazing insight into not only the historic battles, but adds the face and heart to the brave men that fought this never to be forgotten War. Taking you into its trenches, humour, love of the horse and the urgent need for them to get this war over with, showing the guts and cunning, found in every Australian Light Horseman. His other work includes great biographies of Bradman and Shane Warne. He has written documentaries, The

Programming of the President, Strike Swiftly, The Raising of Galleon's Ghost, etc. He is one of the best authors Australia has to offer. So I'm lucky to have him as a mentor of sorts.

I shall return in plenty of time to enjoy your company and cater for you on the first Sunday in October. Everyone is welcome friends, family, dogs on leads. Please let me know a week before how many will attend.

CONTACT US

Here at Windermere Farm we love your feedback. If you have any questions about your horse's training or the newsletter, don't hesitate to get in contact.

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