

# SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE



## Farewell 2011

Dear friends and valued clients.

Whether it was good, bad or indifferent, the year 2011 has now past and we wish you now---- the best ever year in 2012, full of good health and many winners to put a smile on your face.

BLACK PIRATE began December on the first day of the month with a great second at Hawkesbury. Nathan Berry dismounted to say "this horse has class, he was only cantering, he hasn't got a clue yet what he's doing". Then the rain came, Nathan rode him again on the 11<sup>th</sup> back at Hawkesbury and confirmed with us what we already knew "he doesn't handle it, I could have run 3<sup>rd</sup> or definitely 4<sup>th</sup>, but I kept him safe and held him together. The form around Pirate is excellent. He's third emergency this Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> at Canterbury. If he does not receive a run, he will race at Kembla Saturday with Grant on board.

BILLET, began his campaign at Kembla, with a battle of the titans. I also had a battle with the stewards, after viewing the head on replay and

seeing this amazing war horse, stand up to being barged eight times from the turn all the way down the straight. I wanted the Stewards to reprimand at once, the young apprentice, which at no stage took any means to correct his mount from interfering with Billet. They just said "we view these things at the end of the day", too bloody late if you ask me, the kid will go on doing the same thing for the rest of the day, if not warned. I won't even waste time explaining why I would never use Chris O'Brian again.



### **Woo Bubbles !!!**

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SANTA DAVID GAVE THE KIDS A TREAT AT OUR OPEN DAY

Then BILLET showed them his class once again on the 28<sup>th</sup> by fighting off the third horse (a NZ horse supposed to win, Waller trained) to run a great second, last 600 in 33.22. This is not Billet's distance and obviously was the winners, (Gangsters choice by Stratum) they usually don't get any further in distance, let's hope not. There are plenty of races for Billet so I will nominate and decide. Keep him in your black book!!

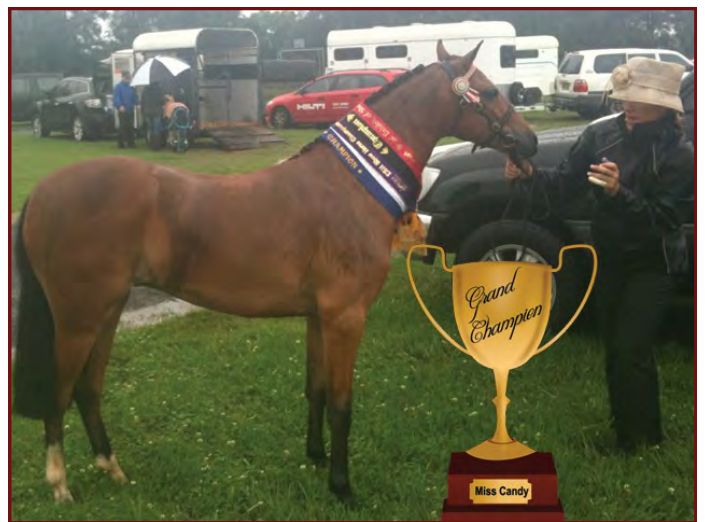
HAMBERG took us to lunch in the winning post restaurant on Boxing Day. Or should I say the very generous owner Tom Sewell. He didn't run a bad race only beaten 2-1/4 lengths after being on the pace all the way, we tried not to let it spoil the delicious lunch. He'll probably only have one more run before a well deserved spell. Any horse that wins two great races in one preparation deserves a cuddle and a paddock full of green grass.

TOGHA made us happy, with a great run first up at Kembla over 1000mts, nowhere near his distance. However in near record time he ran fourth beat just over a length.

AUSBRED GOLD our proud mummy put in a good effort her first start back at Kembla on the 28<sup>th</sup>, only beat two lengths. This was certainly a sign to give her a couple more starts, before her time runs out and legally we will have to

give her child support. Lots of races around for her and will keep you well informed as to her next start.

SMART AUSBRED finished the month with a disappointing, but none the less explainable performance. In our wisdom, Grant Buckley and I, decided to take his blinkers off after he galloped extremely well and relaxed without them on his final track morning before the race. HUGE mistake, also not having rings on a horse, that loves to throw his head up, which can encourage in turn for them to roll there tongue back and choke down. I have apologized to the owners for the error in judgment and will rectify to have him back in the winner's circle next start.



RAIN, HAIL OR SNOW WOULDN'T STOP KIM FROM RECEIVING GRAND CHAMPION WITH HER BEAUTIFUL PONY "MISS CANDY"

Our trialers all went well on the 19th, MADAM MEDUSA, will go on from this to her debut at Kembla on the 7<sup>th</sup>. GODS OWN absolutely blitzed them and is now enjoying a holiday with his mates. He will resume to be prepared for Scone in May for the Inglis Classic. CLEO'S GIFT, had an unfortunate start to her trial, bashing into the barriers upon jumping she knocked two teeth out and therefore ran around behind them a little dazed, we pray she gets over it. Other than that incident there were smiles all round and we look forward to some future winners this month, January 2012.

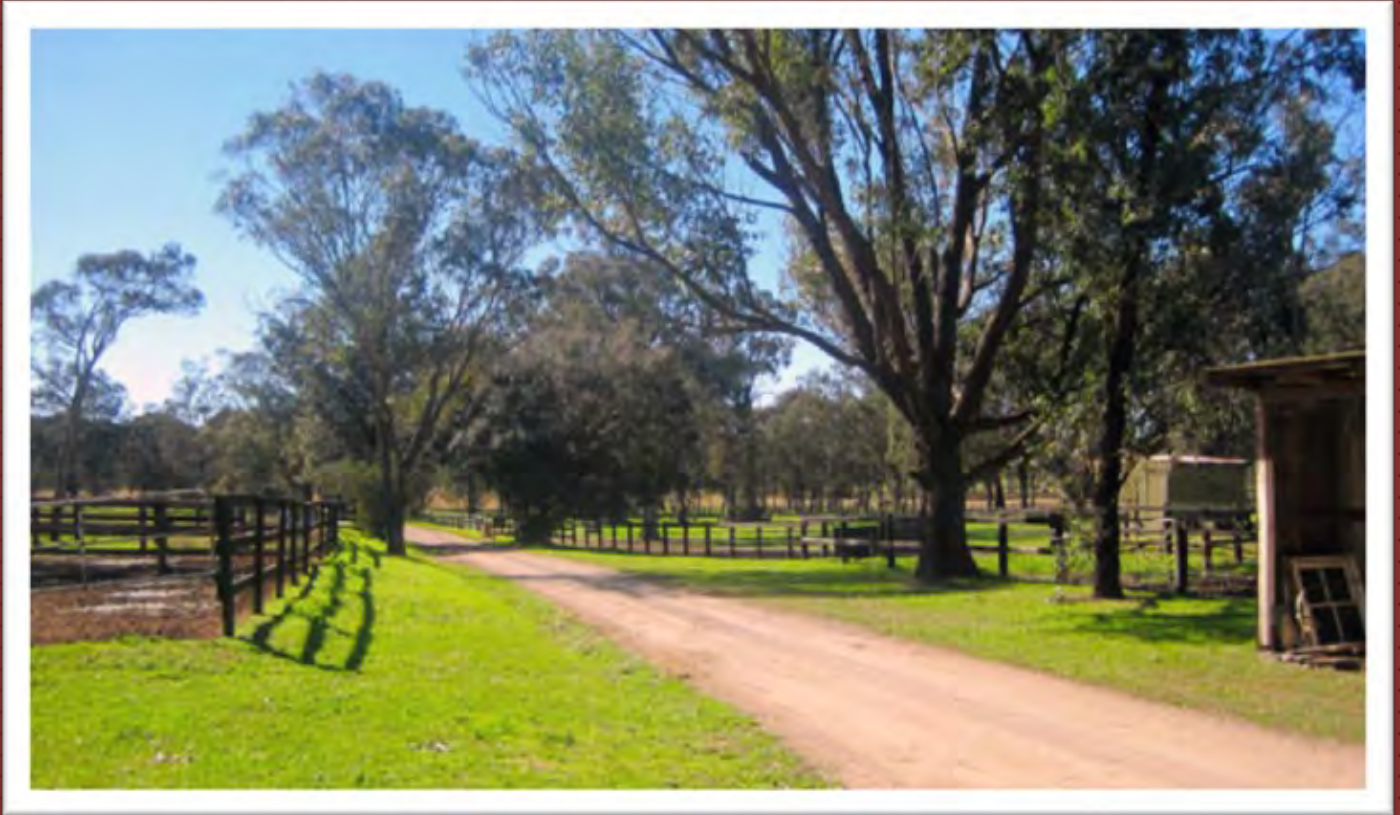
May you all be blessed with good health and good fortune!!

Sending rainbows,  
Dor & Wade





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I have put an ad in the local Gazette for the books this month, so keep an eye out for it.

Sales have been up online at and before Christmas, so the good word is slowly but surely being passed around.

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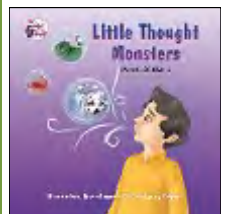
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LULU'S NEW PONY



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