

SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

WE HOPE YOU HAD A HAPPY FATHERS DAY!

Dear valued clients and friends,

We trust you are all well and enjoying the warm sunshine we here in Sydney have been blessed with this past month.

August brings us the date we always look forward to and that's having a weekend away to enjoy the Hunter Valley Stallion parades. The horse Studs there, put on a regal show, with not a blade of grass out of place they are a wonder to behold. Daffodils and pansies everywhere caught our eye, sitting in neat rows around a variety of trees dancing in the breeze. The finest cuisine was offered to the guests, not to mention the champagne! Of course we were blessed with the weather and so enjoyed the whole amazing scenario.



Our visit to Scone included viewing the magnificent stallions at the amazing property of Coolmore. This included the Champion Piero. This will be his first season at Stud and my predictions are he will tip the richter scale in producing champions.

It seems it was not that long ago we cheered on the mighty Piero. Well—here he is at Coolmore-- looking almost statuesque in his magnificence. He's yet to let down into Stallion mode and will do so I'm sure, after serving his first book of over one hundred, group and stakes winning mares.

Widden Stud offered a stunning show of Stallions. Sadly they lost their mighty Northern Meteor with Colic not long ago. It was a crying shame for the industry and of course, the well liked and respected Antony Thompson and his lovely wife Kate. Out of their Stallion line up, I was personally impressed with Nicconi; he had that great length of stride walking cat like, low to the ground relaxed and slinking along. Luckily for us, Ross Daisley decided to keep his Nicconi filly to race. She has just returned to us after being joined up by Mitch Newman, who was duly impressed with her attitude and athleticism.



Happy to be at Widden Stud on such a beautiful day are left to right, Ross & Marietta Daisley, Sandy Batchelor and Wade. Ross has a very lovely and athletic 2yr old filly by Nicconi and a recently born filly by Sebring. Both Stallions stand at the historical Widden.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY



We had our common sense and patience rewarded on the Monday morning after returning home, 26th. Vencedora excelled in his trial. While still a little hesitant to be loaded in the barriers, once in, he stood like a gentleman and jumped in front to share the lead until he received a bump rounding the turn. Josh Adams kept him balanced and in the race without knocking him around much. He was beat three lengths by some very smart group placed three year olds. He's now out to spell for eight weeks.



*Chin up Vencedora... the trial on Monday will be a breeze!!
(Margaret and Vencedora)*

SACRED JOURNEY started on the 1st at Gosford, disappointing us once again ON HEAVY GOING. He pulled up well and so we backed him up at Hawkesbury on the 8th. He suffered a bad ride in any body's language. Tom Berry scrubbed him to lead by 4 to five lengths OVER 1400. Unnecessary to say the least, needless to say he was run down in a smart field to be beaten 4 lengths. Off to Bathurst on the 28th for another crack over the 1400mts on A

SLOW TRACK, where Jeff Penza rode him very well, giving him every chance after settling him and reporting he would have gone better if he hadn't faltered badly, on a heavy patch of ground. But he got going again to run home well for a respectable 3rd. There was no excuse not to have a go at and 1800 mt race at Hawkesbury on the 31st, especially after Jeff had said give him a go over further, he said "he just wants to settle, not stop." as Wade had implied to him before the race. SO we backed him up for the first time this preparation on a DRY TRACK----- for the ultimate outcome----- a sizzling WIN!! Four and a half lengths to the second horse in class record time-----we will now find another race over the same distance or even longer, before sending him out for a spell.



*Celebrations after Sacred Journeys win..
Sandy, Doreen, John and Therese.*

AUSBRED BENZ raced at Kembla on the 3rd over a mile and had no luck. Clare Nutman who rode him begged Wade to give her another chance on him. So what do you do when a pretty young girl begs you for something? You agree---- we trialled him on the 26th to be ready for a crack at the 1800mt race at the Saturday Hawkesbury meeting 31st. He was bucking his brand off and we thought we may get the obvious quinella, Benz then Sacred.

Unfortunately Benz travelled well until the last 200, where he'd run out of energy. He pulled up a little distressed and so the vet inspected him, suggesting we should have him scoped. This procedure will be done as well as along wash ASAP. Our theory is, he simply jarred up, as did many horses on the fast and hard track. He reacted sharply when feeling his shins after he'd cooled down. He has shown us before, after galloping the last 200mts of a race, on a shoe that had shifted with a nail imbedded in his sole, the pain factor causes him to suffer stressful breathing and agitation.



*How could you not love Benz!!
Lisa is the head of his fan club.*

BLACK PIRATE gave us a wonderful run for our money in July and it ended on the 8th/8 at Hawkesbury, where I told Anthony Cavallo to have him last as usual over the 1300mts. Keep in mind he was a certainty beat over the mile at Goulburn his previous start, so to drop back to 1300 was an ask. I am convinced, if they had of put the pace on in the beginning of the 1300, he would have rattled home from last on the turn to at least run a place. However, they went slow and then sprinted, end of story. Pirate is now having fun with his mates in the paddock and will return to work on the 1st of October.

FOOTY FAN raced only once this month in a well planned and an all out effort to win the Ted McCabe quality at Hawkesbury on cup day. After returning to scale, Clare was fuming, not only was she boxed in after settling second on the fence. She was then being hampered by the horse that sat on the outside of her. When she went to take the run in the straight the same horse and Jockey bumped her so hard she near fell. The little war horse that she is picked herself up and carried on to run Second. Such a shame for this little Trier!! She will race this coming Thursday the 5th at Wyong and then at Rosehill on the 14th.

The four girls who came into work together last month, SNIPAROSE, SHADE OF GREEN, AUSBRED CUTIE AND TOO CHIC, are all going really well. Sniparose, Chic and Cutie will trial mid month. We expect them to show a marked improvement as they have all done in their track work. They were to have a jump out on Monday; however there were not enough nominations.

Just come into work is, Josh's Golden Snake—Madame Medusa, gelding, named Red Regess. He's grown, has a great temperament, willing to work and learn. We wish Josh the very best of luck.

Tom Sewell's 2yr old colt by Strada, named Bedazzle, has also come into work and is a very impressive type to add to Tom's stable of winners.

Whilst Wade was at Grafton and won with Footy Fan, he secured another lovely Aussie Rules filly ----Belle Royal---- to train. She has settled in well after arriving from the very impressive spelling and foaling down property, 'Amarina Farm'. Craig Anderson the owner gave us the Royal tour and we were duly impressed. We wish our new owners to the stable every success.

We are planning an open day on Sunday the 20th of October. We would love everyone to come and enjoy a light lunch, plus meeting your fellow owners and giving your horse a carrot. A reminder will be given in the September newsletter.



Maurice our trainer say's Peggy's a natural. She is only 3 months old in this video and it was her first look at sheep, amazing!

[Click here to watch a video of Peggy herding sheep.](#)



[Click here to watch a video of the Sebring filly out of Choirsi, two days old.](#)

Good luck and good punting!!

Sending rainbows
Dor and Wade

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I recently payed a visit to Monique and Terry Robinson's home at Berry, Monique worked with us many years ago. Monique married Terry Robinson; of course you would all know Terry as being a great horseman come great horse trainer. We have remained close friends throughout the years and now they have Matilda, five and Thomas three, I took the trip to read at their preschool, plus the Berry public school. The immense pleasure it gives me to have a young captive audience, all sitting with inquisitive looks upon their dear little faces, is truly amazing.



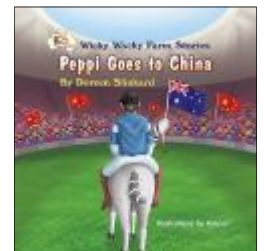
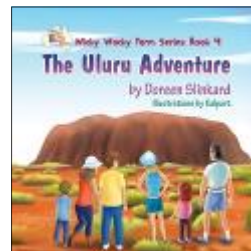
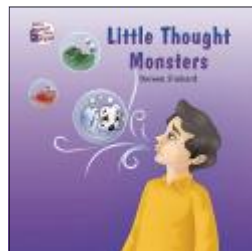
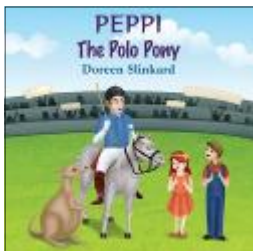
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