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# SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

## HAPPY FATHERS DAY!

Dear valued clients and friends,

We wish you all a happy Father's Day, Sunday 4/9.

For those gentlemen who own shares in Vencedora, Legistation, Too Chic, we certainly hope they make your Father's Day a little brighter, after racing Saturday 3/9, when having their chance at winning, yet again at Hawkesbury.

It seems we are beginning to make a habit of producing two winners each month. We wish our team could all win, but that's racing!

VENCEDORA excited his owners at Wyong, 5/8, when he took the lead in a strong BM 65, over 1300 and kept it going to the line; winning to the sound of thunderous cheers. I was home and could hear the roar! Good on you who kept the faith and backed Veni accordingly. It was a toss-up where to run him next. He was nominated in three different places, this can put a spanner in the works, as tuning a horse for a particular race,



*Vencedora at Wyong 5/8 - Race 7*

is a much needed procedure. We chose after much deliberation, to take on the stiff opposition at Hawkesbury, BM 70, 18/8. As usual Veni had no trouble leading over the 1400, but when the challenge was on in the home straight, the field gave him no room and Veni was duly bumped, or smashed into the fence.

Veni competes as much with his mind as he does with physical ability and being almost knocked down cost him more than a few lengths. We forgive him and now he will have another go in a BM 70, Saturday 3/9.



SACRED JOURNEY showed he'd had enough this time in at Bathurst, 8/8. He is in the paddock by day, and in a stable by night, being well and truly spoiled for one month. He deserves it, such a beautiful natured horse.

The eighteenth of August at Hawkesbury, Wade saddled up another two runners.

STRADAZZLE, who had raced only once this time in - 1300mt. So, to back him up over 1800, sent the punters doubting our choice. Stradazzle duly started at a big price and began the race tailed off last, which I'm sure pleased the punters who didn't back him. However, we knew better, this is the way Dazzle loves to race. When Clare Nutman dismounted after her perfect ride in the winner's stall! She said, 'he needs further!' Why? So he can win by more than two lengths, like he just did?



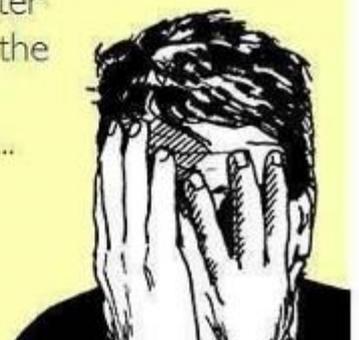
*Stradazzle 18/8 - Hawkesbury Race 3*

MAJOR STRESS, I'm sure felt a little stressed, also at Hawkesbury, when racing behind some very fine sprinters in a race too short for him. He will do much better when up in distance.



ROVING EYE, after running a sloggingly good third at Hawkesbury – heavy 10 - 2100mts, late July, could not find another long maiden. NO option but to take him to Kembla 13/8 in a 1600mt. When seeing how the race was run - slow start then a sprint home, we forgave him his effort. Ah yes! A suitable race was found at Newcastle 27/8, over 2100. Wade and Sandy headed off early morning, snug in the horse truck, along with Rove, Socks, the pony and of course the driver, Terry. Thinking Rove was racing on a soft six, put a smile on their face until they heard the news! 60mls of rain had fallen on Newcastle race track during the night, which had turned the surface to a heavy ten – some said a heavy twelve. Rove tried his heart out to run third. He was definitely unlucky during the race and unlucky the track was not too his liking. Next time for sure!!

My wife and daughter just drove off with the checkbook and an empty horse trailer... that can't be good.



THE BLUE SWAN, had little chance when held up against her wishes in a 1300mt race at Kembla, the same day as Rove. She will have another crack on Thursday 8/9 at Hawkesbury. Allow her to run as she wants, and Sawn will prove her true ability - we're sure.

LEGISTATION, also raced at Kembla. He was a certainty beat! I bet you've heard that before? Well he was, after being trapped like a caged lion during the slowly run race. When the sprint for home was on he received a jagged passage which gave him no chance at the final 80 mts mark. However, he sprung wings it seemed, and ran a magnificent third! 'What a great run.' Every one said, I say, 'it should have been a great win!' That's racing.

TOO CHIC hadn't made it to the races until 23/8, when she ran over 1600 on an extremely heavy, ploughed up track at Warwick Farm. Needless to say the distance and the track gave her little fortuitous. She will have a better chance at Hawkesbury next Saturday 3/9 over 2100. We hope so, if the weather isn't as predicted.

All horses spelling and pre-training are doing extremely well, including the Dane Shadow Filly, which long-time client and friend Michael Turner bred. Shadow we call her. She has the right attitude and is feather light on her feet, a long strider who definitely looks the goods.

Ross Daisley's Choirsirr filly, Jewel, has matured mentally and physically; she simply abounds talent.

MATILDA, bred by the Goodwin family, is a delight to train. However, she can play tricks on her rider, Paul, he says, 'she'll be worth it, don't worry.' Paul really likes her spunk and her long striding action.

We look forward to returning to work in September; Our Anniversaire, also Sacred Journey, our Dane Ruler and the new comer Lance, by Nicconi out of Tennessee Star; half-brother to Our Anniversaire.

Good luck and good punting!

Sending Rainbows,  
Dor and Wade



## Smurf's Corner



Here is Smurf with his new city friend who came and stayed for the weekend, Cody. He's a poodle Shinzo cross, so cute.

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I had a fabulous and productive time at the Romance Writers Australia Conference in Adelaide – Glenelg to be exact. I had three pitches with three publishing agents. My novel impressed two, who have taken the entire manuscript to read. I've hit first base!

My agent also confirmed, that a very small publishing company in the UK has offered a contract for the trilogy. I'm waiting to see where Hachette and Penguin Random House go with my manuscript?

I think the entire conference of eight hundred women romance writers gathered together, was covered in one sentence, given by the president. 'Welcome to your tribe ladies!' Friendliness reigned free, along with the feeling you would be supported in any way you needed. I cannot speak highly enough of the incredible organization that went into such a large and intricate conference. Well done ladies and some gentlemen, God bless them.

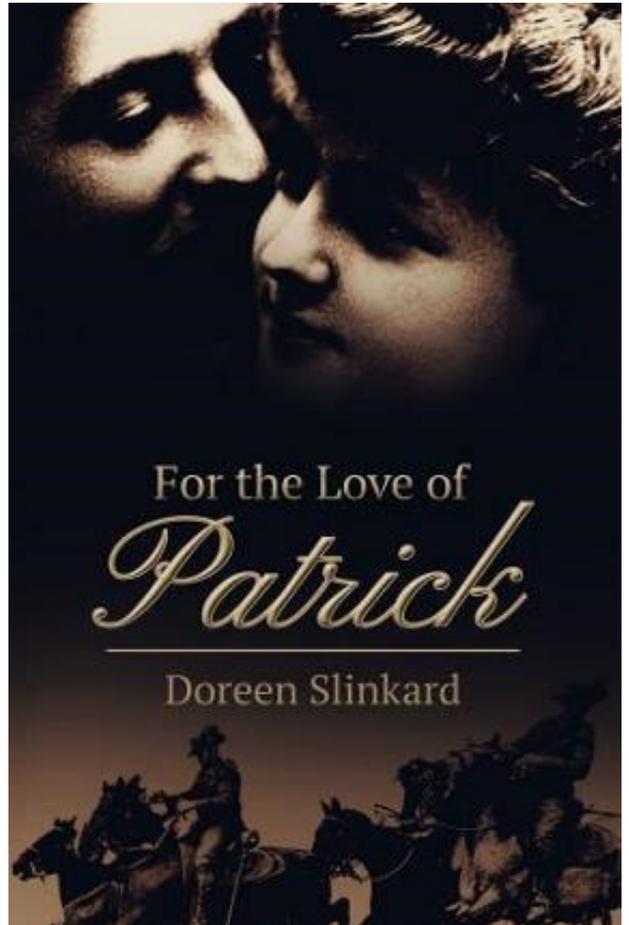
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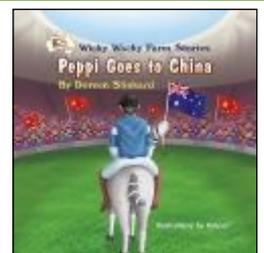
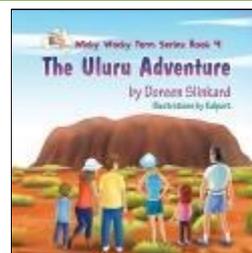
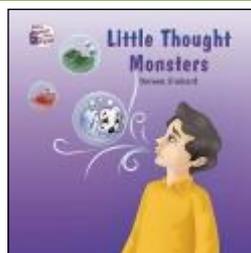
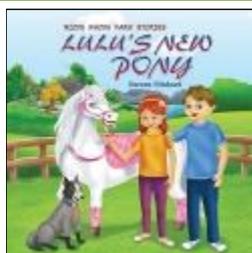
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