

# SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

## RETIREMENT FOR SACRED JOURNEY

Dear valued clients and friends,

We hope you're all well, happy and enjoying autumn with the shedding of colourful leaves and warm sunshine, unlike our stifling Summer.

Though the Farm has already experienced its first early morning frost, obviously a warning that winter is on our door step. None the less we aim to have an open day on the first Sunday in July 2/7. As most of you would know this aint so bad, with fires blazing in the barn, hot soups, delectable cakes and a wee dram, it's a nice way to spend a Sunday. So, put a ring around the date and we will endeavour to make your day a very pleasant one! I shall remind you in due course.

More jump outs and trials than racing this month, however we did bring home a winner!

We also shared disappointments, especially with our darling SACRED JOURNEY, bleeding from both nostrils at Bathurst on the 25<sup>th</sup>. Chunk as we call him has been a bundle of joy throughout his racing career, with only a few hiccups. We paid \$7000 for him at Scone yearling sales seven years ago and he's accumulated \$120,000. I'm sure this amount would have seen him pay his way, plus some nice celebrations. Chunk is now rising 8 and by the time he has finished his 3-month ban, plus another 3 to have him ready to race, we decided at age 9, he would rather make someone a great riding horse. Meanwhile he will live at Sandy's lovely boutique property, where he will no doubt be spoilt with love and devotion.



*Sacred Journey probably won't miss his job at Christmas. He was the only horse in the stable who would put up with all the shenanigans.  
God bless him*

TOO CHIC, raced at Hawkesbury on the 9th, and for the first time, she tied up during the race. She is prone to this condition, but we have most times kept it successfully at bay. She is well on the mend and will race again in June.





*Let us not forget to congratulate Wade on his second in a row success with the best jam - Hawkesbury Show 2017. Money for jam?????*



*Avoca Beach was the perfect place for a fun day with fourth granddaughter Izzy*

VENCEDORA, has had excuses, first he choked down last month, since then we have conquered the problem, now he needs rain and more rain! We will wait, and meantime treat him with all that is allowed for him to do his best. It certainly doesn't help when you travel to Bathurst where the track reading was a slow 6 then find out on arrival they made a mistake, it was a good 3, maybe 2.

The star we needed to cheer us up, shone brightly in her first start back this prep at Hawkesbury, 18/5.

OUR ANNIVERSAIRE, fought like a tiger after being pushed and shoved all the way down the straight, not forgetting the home turn where she lost her footing and near fell. She battled to the line and ran 2<sup>nd</sup> by a nose. I'm sure she knew how unlucky she was, because on the 30<sup>th</sup>, back on home soil, she dazzled us with her will to win and she succeeded to WIN in great style beating stiff competition, even her jockey Jean Van Overmere, was not confident before the start, however, he changed his mind at the finish, ha-ha.



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*My cousin Betty up from Melbourne backed the wrong horse at Hawkesbury last Tuesday*

LEGISTATION, had his first two starts back at Hawkesbury and on both occasions his chances of placing and or winning were completely foiled with bad luck. We sigh and move on knowing this horse will have his chance again. It's a real shame to see him out of luck, it must be third time lucky I reckon!

All horses are well and moving closer to trial and race. Unfortunately, we had to put Trade Star out for a spell when he pulled up shin sore after his very impressive trial. Patience is a virtue and we must remember, his half-sister Our Anniversaire, had her share of shin soreness, before she excelled.

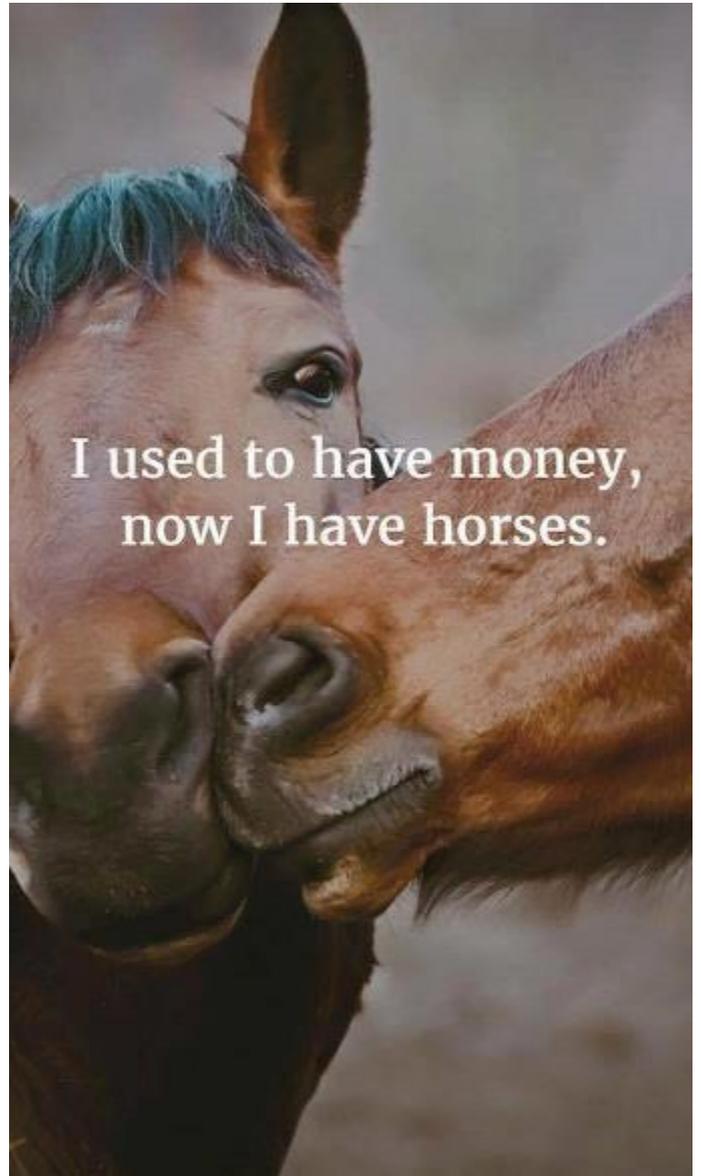
JEWELL OF HONOUR, also showed talent in her trial and will be ready to shine in a chosen race this month.

Sending rainbows.

Cheers  
Dor & Wade



**OPEN DAY**  
**Sunday 2nd July**



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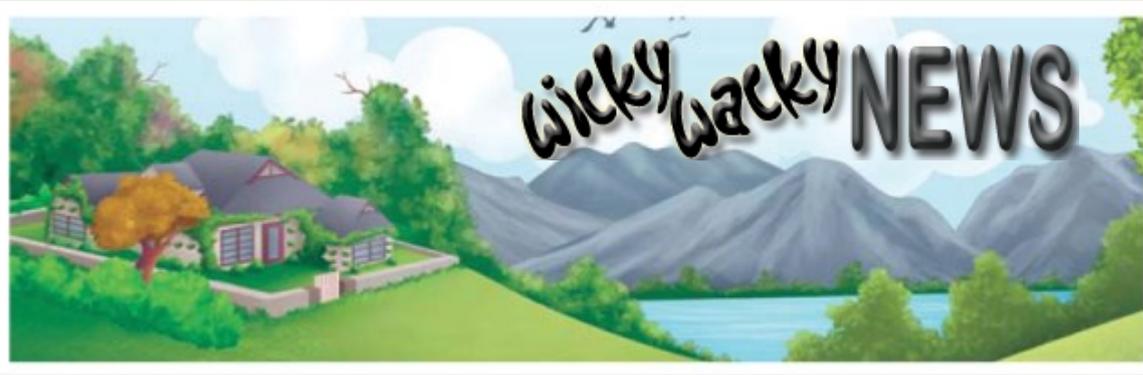
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I'm off to Brisbane in August for my second Romance Writers conference. I can't tell you how much I enjoy this and not because of the obvious, food and champers, no, we get to meet reps from most publishing companies, hear inspiring talks from all facets of the book business. Can't wait!

My first Novel, 'For the Love of Patrick', will hopefully hit the book shelves in September - early October. I will be pitching my fourth novel, a comedy of sorts, nothing to do with, FTLOP, at the conference.

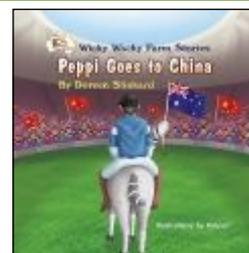
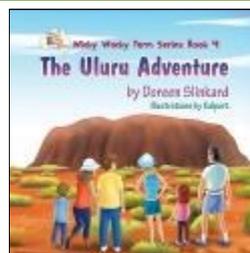
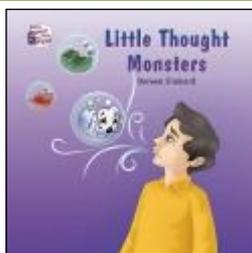
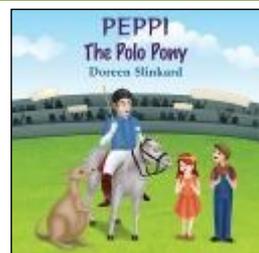
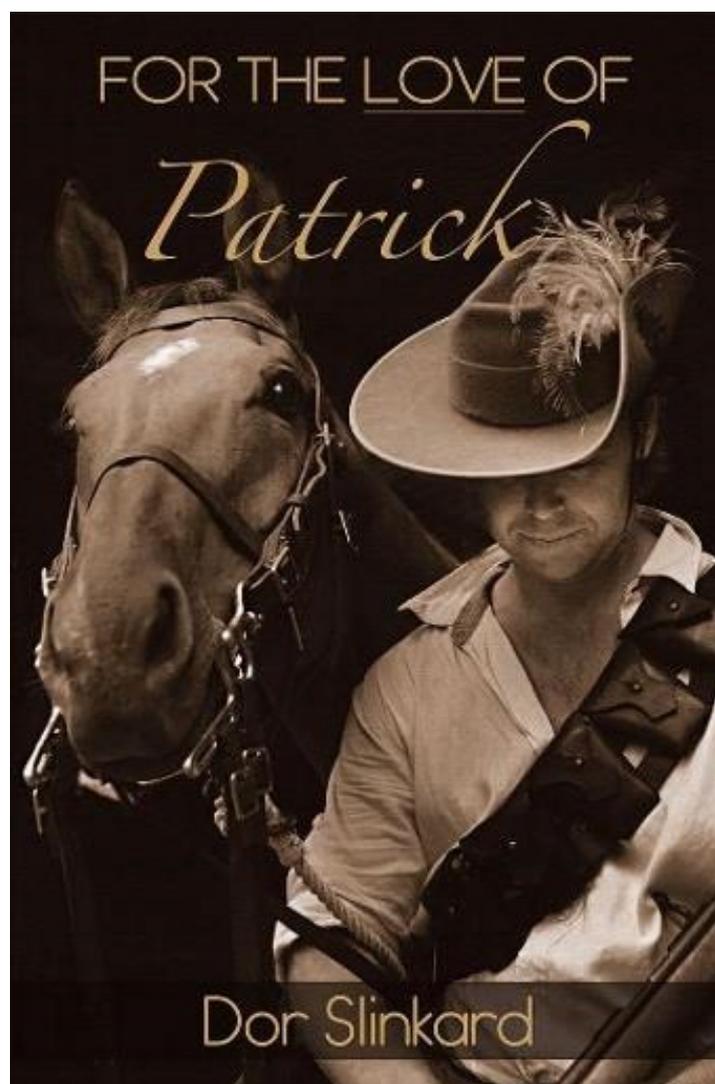
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