

SENDING RAINBOWS



THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

The Windermere Farm July Wrap Up



God's own colt and Black Pirate having an early morning warm up on a cold July Morning.

Dear valued clients and friends,

Rain rain go away!!! We wouldn't mind if we had a stable full of mud runners. We actually have some horses that JUST handle it, but not relish it. I could think of a few horses in the past that I would like to clone. Never mind, we battled on, but it aint easy!

On 3rd of July we had a nice break away, staying overnight at Mudgee. The cheer squad for Smart Ausbred & Ausbred Royal were Fran and Gary, part owners in both horses. And of course our ever cheerful and generous friends and clients Chris and Lynn Lawlor.

Smart started the ball rolling with a game leading all the way, second. We were pleased with his run considering there was an odds on in the race, that proved the bookies right. ROYAL had no luck in her first start back, wide from go to woe, but she hung on to only be beaten by two

lengths. A good effort we thought and Grant agreed then added, "she should of won". Then the main attraction was the five hundred card game that evening. Slinkard-Lawlor—female—male— mixed doubles. I can't remember who won, as I had too many ports and laughed too much.

The 7th at Hawkesbury, we saw a great run by our muddy Millie (Born to the Manor) she settled back over the 1200m and trained it home to run a close 3rd, another filly to want more ground. Unfortunately on the same day, Miss Arianna bled from both nostrils and was retired. She has gone to a lovely young lady who competes in three day eventing. So hopefully, we'll get some good pics down the track.

The 13th at Warwick farm was not only the coldest day on record for many years, but also a dismal day all round, with Billet being scratched at the barriers due to kicking out and slicing himself around the coronet band.

The 15th picked us up a little, as Royal ran at Wyong and was in a photo for first, beaten a whisker. A great run over 1350m, we will keep increasing the distance, as we are sure she will at least be a middle distance contender.

The 16th we almost witnessed a miracle. At long last, after the tongue tie and drop cross over nose band was applied to Freddy, he ran a bottler. Considering he was asked to settle in a slow run race, and then be held up when last into the straight, he managed to run home in 35.25 over the last six hundred in the 2000m maiden. Hallelujah!!!

We now have a race horse, after so many setbacks and problems, let's hope this coming Saturday the 30th, he continues his good form with a win or a place over the 2400 back at Kembla.

On the 20th, Ausbred Gold was to race at Canterbury but it was called off, guess why?

We all prayed and waited to see if the skies would clear for Hawkesbury on the 24th. God was good and they went ahead with the meeting on a heavy eight. Eyes Magic had his first run back this prep over 1000m, he travelled on the fence, the worst part of the track to run 4th, with a great start. Then the disappointment of the month was Billet. Thirty five days since he raced, was a little too long for the good doing big fella. I'm not really making excuses, but there were plenty for his lack of fitness, plus as I've said before, he just gets through it. So a mixture of events left him wanting at the end. Muddy Millie said I'm out of here I've seen enough mud to last me a life time. Patrick Murphy returned to speak on her behalf. "SHE HATES IT"! Ausbred Gold finally got her 1st run in for the month and ran a cracking 4th, getting back over the 1500m (far too short for her) but a good lead up to this Saturday the 30th at Rosehill over the 1900m.

Jump-outs were called off this last Monday at Hawkesbury. So the trials for Madam Medusa and Ausbred Oprah at Hawkesbury on the 8th/8 will be their first challenge.

Horses returning to work 1st of August are, Hamburg, Black Pirate, Aubred Benz. We will have room for Cleo's Gift sometime through the month.

A bit of trivia, Black Pirate has had a portrait done by Susan Farrell; Susan entered the painting in the Inglis art competition and was selected for the final judging on the 11th of August. We have been invited, along with the owners, to a cocktail evening for the final judging. What a treat for us all.

I have nominated Billet for this coming Wednesday the 3rd at Canterbury and also the next day at Hawkesbury. Because of being balloted out on the 24^{th,} Smart Ausbred should receive a run in the 1000m 3yr-old maiden. Yes, they will all be a year older on the 1st. I'm leaning towards Hawkesbury 1800m for Billet, so with a bit of luck we might get a double.

Sending Rainbows,

Wade and Dor.



Above: Fran and Gary are giving instructions to the wrong jockey! Their horse is Smart Ausbred.

Top right: Peter and Paula Peters, part owners of Black Pirate

Right: Josh loves Milly in the mud (born to the manor)

Far Right: Sandra and David have done a great job on getting smart to gallop in a straight line





WICKY WACKY FARMS UPDATE

Not much to report this month after my mega journey around the bush to read the Wicky Wacky Farm series.

I've been too busy with the horses. I would like to encourage you to visit my website and pass it on to friends, as it helps get my web above the last million line. www.doreenslinkardauthor.com.a <u>u</u>

Although I must admit, I have started an adult fiction novel, set in Adelaide beginning in 1890, a very interesting period in politics and the women's movement.

This takes up a small part, but the main characters are two boys and their life journey, from being left at the same orphanage, one as a baby the other four years later.

Susan Farrell's artistic depiction of Black Pirate which will exhibit at the Inglis Equine Art Prize on August 11th.

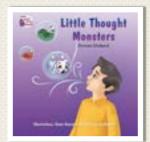
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LULU'S NEW PONY



LITTLE THOUGHT MONSTERS

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