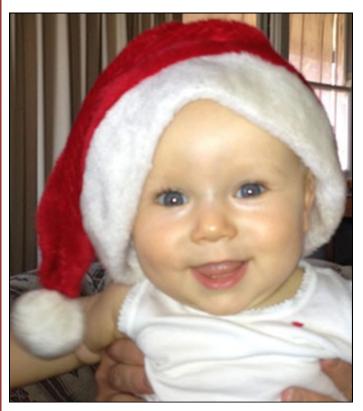


THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

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Dear valued clients and friends,

Please let me take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas. I must admit, since beginning to write our newsletter, I've given up sending Christmas cards, instead I phone friends who we don't see as often as we would like, due mainly to their living interstate. So to all of our interstate friends, I do hope you keep enjoying the newsletters and I look forward to catching up on the phone during the month of December.



Our God daughter Amanda's son Digby, born on Anzac day, is all set for his first Christmas!



Planet Green with her colt by King of Dane's.

Our breeding season continues, with our own mare Planet Green (mother of Shades of Green & Lady Green etc) giving birth to a magnificent colt by King of Dane's. Planet is getting on in years and harder to get into foal, so we took up the offer from our friend David Keegan, to let her live in a paddock with his Stallion for the 2011 breeding season. It worked!





Ray and Rhonda Goodwin, plus friends and associates, have joined together to race their yearling filly out of Walenore, who is Billets sister. For want of a better name to call her when she was born, we nick named her Wendy, I'm sure the syndicate will come up with something more flattering. She's furnishing into an impressive strong type and will make her owners and her dad Murtajill very proud, I'm sure. Her mum Walenore is now in foal to Roman Emperor, nothing less than a Melbourne Cup winner is expected from this mating!



"Wendy"

After waiting to fill the ownership of the Trotamondo colt, of whom we purchased at Scone last May. We have finally sent the registration papers to Racing NSW. It appears we have the name Vencedora, this means winner in Spanish. Trotamondo means traveller in Spanish, due to his mother being named Gypsy Violin. Both names I think are well thought out and thanks to my friend Margaret Mooney for searching out the perfect name, Vencedora and also joining us in the ownership. May we be blessed with only the very best of luck for him and his owners.

SHADE OF GREEN took us firstly to Rosehill on MC Day the 6th of November. Wade blames himself for giving the apprentice too many options and should have said. "Just tuck her in behind the seven horse field and come hurtling down the outside in the straight, end of story!" Young Anthony Allen was consequently out on a limb after being given another option to go to the front if need be. She sat wide all the way

until the last one hundred where she had had enough. One race to forget! And so we took her to Goulbourn on the 25th, not an easy field, probably due to it being their Cup day, this time the instructions were to tuck her in. She was shuffled back to last in the 1300mt race and held up in the straight which cost her second, she ran fourth being beaten by a 1/2 head for third and a head for second. She may run next Wednesday at Canterbury over the longer distance of 1550. Being that her sisters both won over 2000mts and how she prefers to settle in her races, this seems the obvious option, to keep going up in distance.

SACRED JOURNEY took a trip to Goulbourn on the 10th. He'd worked brilliantly and the big track promised to be the answer for him needing room to run. Well it doesn't matter how wide the track is it appears---- when the horse refuses to take a run through an opening you could drive a Mr Whippy ice cream truck through! In his defence he nearly fell twice before he was asked to take the run. This would contribute to his lack of confidence I'm sure. He pulled up without one drop of sweat on him and wouldn't have blown a candle out with his wind, he was beaten one length from the winner! Back to the drawing board!

Wade decided to put blinkers on him in a trial and hold him up as best we could. Patrick Murphy rode him and tried ever so hard to hold him back. He reported the horse was totally focused and switched on; and that he should have just let him run as they began slowly and then sprinted. This made it hard for Patrick to steady him early in the trial and then kick at the end. Patrick did take a sit in-between horses in the straight and didn't bother too much about trying to win the trial. We were going to take him to Goulbourn on Cup day, but there were a hundred well performed horses nominated in his race. We now have him set for the 1st at Hawkesbury, where he will be let race---- how and where he wants to be, IN BLINKERS. We know he's got it; we just need him to turn into a race horse.







Ladies day at Hawkesbury, or was it kids day? Grace and Emma with Nanny, the fashion on the field judge for the day.

HAMBERG raced on Ladies day the 8th at Hawkesbury. He sat behind the leaders, just off the pace. When peeling out on the turn, our Jockey said he was full of running and the next thing, the horse on the inside of him shifted out dramatically and gave Hamberg a hell of a shove. This caused a whip lash sensation to Hamburg's back. He still tried hard to run a decent race but after cooling off, he could hardly walk. Thank heavens for Ken Butler our Equine Chiropractor, he's worked on him ever since. Hamberg is now bucking around his yard and the riders report he's on track for Hawkesbury this Saturday the 1st.



God bless them, keeping the Light Horse memory alive at the polo 4/11/2012

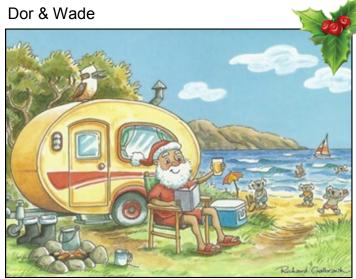
We only had the three to race this past month, our two year olds Sniparose and Too Chic both trialled well on the 16th at Hawkesbury and have now gone out for a spell. Of course Sniparose will be brought back to contend the Scone 2yr old race in May as will Sacred Journey, only he will take part all going well in the 3yr old Guineas. Vencedora is a chance at the Scone 2yr old, but more realistically he should make the 3yr old race.



Sandra, Wade and Emma

I will also take this opportunity to give our sincere condolences to Sandra our French connection track rider and her beautiful family, on the sad passing of Allan her father, after his long battle with cancer. I had the pleasure of meeting Sandra's family whilst I was in France last year. They were warm and gracious, in welcoming me into their home and showing me around the amazing city of Paris. Allan, a gentle family man and a credit to his country, for his services in Medicine, will be sadly missed.

GOOD LUCK & MERRY CHRISTMAS. Sending rainbows,



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I received an email from my friend Wang Longli in China on the 21st November. Longli has confirmed again that Blue Sky Publishing company will definitely be publishing ten Wicky Wacky Farm stories in one hard cover book. I pray the Chinese children will enjoy them. I now have two more stories to edit and bring the tally up to ten.

Did you know that Wicky Wacky Farms has a channel on YouTube? <u>Click here to go to the channel</u> and if you subscribe you will be notified when new video's are uploaded. Annie the calf is the latest addition to the channel.

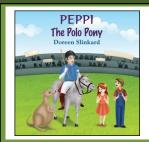
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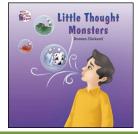


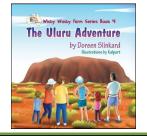


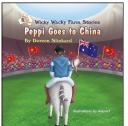












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