SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE



TRICK OR TREAT?

Dear valued clients and friends.

The rain has avoided us in October, which isn't good for our racing, especially with a mob of young horses with bones still to strengthen.

I suppose the hot weather does make it great for the Melbourne Cup carnival. Never mind, we'll just pray for a little rain here.

I say all of the above, because, from the races at Hawkesbury on the 12th and then the trials on the 13th. The tracks have been like bitumen. And the horses we've raced have all been three year olds and so jarred up to some extent.

We began our racing for the month on the 4th, when BELLE RULER made her début at Hawkesbury. Drawing the number one ally unfortunately went against her at the start. She missed the kick and got squeezed. Eventually she gathered momentum and ran on to finish fourth- not too far away.

Since that start, Belle seemed to improve on all domains; her attitude, her eating habits and her work. So it was off to Bathurst on the 31st for what we hoped would be a win. The track (unlike Bathurst, which is usually flooded) was rock hard and consequently for the little filly, who has had several bouts of shin soreness-she felt it badly. Grant said he could hear her saying ouch! I think I'll be the culprit who floods Bathurst next time.







I'm the scariest ghouly of them all!

I may as well stay at Bathurst, because AUSBRED CUTIE also raced on the same day. She was lucky NOT to fall after knuckling over at the start. She made an attempt at racing into it, but once again her young limbs, felt the pinch.

Monday the 13th we trialled at Hawkesbury, VENCEDORA, AUSBRED LACE, AUSBRED CUTIE AND ROVING EYE; all horses performed well. I may add the track was slightly rain affected. We came away happy and looking forward to racing the same team at Hawkesbury the following Thursday.



ROVING EYE made his debut into racing there with a pleasing effort. VECEDORA was ridden badly and I won't go into that, I will only say; Next Thursday the 6th, at Hawkesbury, with a different rider; I'm sure Veni be ridden correctly and turn the tables, especially after working so well since then.



Sandy and Roving Eye click here to watch video

AUSBRED LACE did not look comfortable throughout and has shown, after X-raying her knees, she has what is common in young horses, and that is, what the vets call remodelling. She may after having some help with the problem, race at Kembla on the 15th. AUSBRED CUTIE ran OK, we were not unhappy and as I've said, we were looking forward to her racing at Bathurst on the 31st. Murphy's Law strikes again!

TOO CHIC, after her two prior wins and a short let up, ran a bottler at Randwick (Kenso track) on the 22nd, over 1800mts. She was absolutely tailed off at the start; 5 lengths behind the second last horse. She rounded them on the turn and charged home to run a length fourth. CHIC will attempt to win the Provincial Stayers Cup final on the 6th at Hawkesbury-Ladies Day. It coincides with Oaks day in Melbourne. It's a great day, so please come and help us cheer her on! Also, let us not forget, VENCIDORA and ROVING EYE on the same day





Black Pirates Treatment click here to watch video

BLACK PIRATE has had a bit of a setback, but we're working hard and expect to have him 100% fit for Kembla on the 15th. Not to fear, the Black Pirate will strike again!

Into their first month back are, SNIPAROSE and the CONGRATS FILLY. Both fillies are doing extremely well. AUSBRED SKY has gone to Paul Blackman, who concentrates entirely on barrier horses, so far so good.

SACRED JOURNEY will come back into work this coming Monday the 3rd. He's done very well and seems eager to return. This, I say, because whenever he sees us, he stands at the gate and whinnies. No it's not because he wants a feed, he just misses the attention! And he'll get plenty this time in.

Sending rainbows, Dor & Wade

Peggy's Corner



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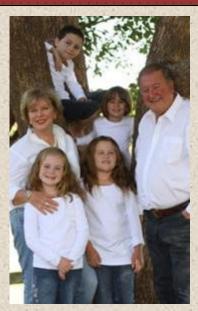
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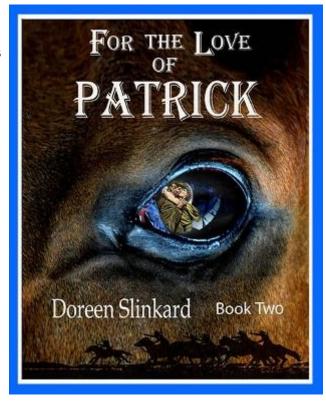




I'm working all hours trying to get my manuscript finite's. 'For the Love of Patrick'- not 'Patrick's Horses Women and War'- that names been voted out.

It seems I'm writing in the fashion, so it's a race before Christmas, for my agent to have it on the desk of a publisher! I'll do it, yes I will- with the help of my great literary friend Denise. She feels sorry for me; I don't care what she feels as long as she's willing to help. Because God knows I need it.



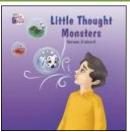


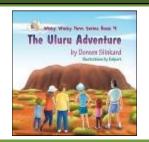
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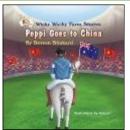
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