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SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE



Dear valued clients and friends,

We wish you all the best in 2017. Filled with all the trimmings; good health, wealth and most of all happiness.

For those of you who do not know, Wade has been in Hospital, with meningitis, viral pneumonia and a broken foot, thanks to a lively Sacred Journey. He is on the mend, but still tires easily. You may be pleased to know when hallucinating due to high temps, all he was worried about was his horses. He threw orders at the nurses to nominate, ride and wash the horse down properly. And to top it all off, our long-time friend and client, Tom Sewell was in the next bed hearing this. Almost everything has a funny side. PS. they were both in ICU. Tom is also home and well.





Poor Peppi, he usually sits on Wades lap every morning and enjoys a cup of tea. But Wade was in hospital.

Another month of racing, was filled with seconds and fourths, plus tales to tell, which I will keep short, lest I get the guitar out to chorus me in the blues.

ROVING EYE and BLUE SWAN, had their final try at breaking their maiden this preparation at Gosford on 1/12. Both ran 5th in their respective races, (well not far off 4th?). No excuses, only knowing they were ready for a spell.

JEWEL OF HONOR, took on a speedy crew over 1000 meters at Hawkesbury on 4/12. She relayed to us through running, they were just too bloody quick, 'not fare really,' she said.



SACRED JOURNEY also raced that day and ran an honest 2nd. He fought on courageously, leaving us a little hoarse with the cheering. To Kembla we journeyed Sacred, where once again he ran 2nd over 1400. Why not give him a go over 1600 at Gosford, 29/12? This is where I need my guitar! The young apprentice, decided he needed a breather to get the 1600. This was at a crucial time and when Sacred was bowling along well in front after getting to the lead from the outside barrier, (8), he had them off the bit. BUT no, our young rider thought he needed company, he eased Sacred so they could catch him – and they did. Oops there went the opportunity to have them chasing him into the straight. Sacred ran 4th, he would not have won, but should have run another second or third. Needless to say, young Mr Hayward, did not listen to instructions!!!



OUR ANNIVERSAIRY, protected from the sun and flies, enjoys her new day-time paddock.

A return to Hawkesbury on 11/12, gave OUR ANNIVERSAIRY another chance to improve on her debut. She almost did, but maintained her good form by running 2nd once again. Annie will partake once more at Kembla, 3/1, before going out to spell.



Xmas Eve at Arunga Polo Club



Mmm Santa's pony looks familiar???
Is it Sox's?? [Click here to watch video](#)

VENCEDORA raced in an open field of toughened bush horses and a couple of smart city horses, to put in a good effort over 1400 at Bathurst on 12/12. He ran a close – yes, you guessed it 4th! We studied the weather map and found the lowest BM at Orange on 27/12. As we all know the weather forecast can be deceiving, Veni needed the predicted rain, instead he felt the hard track and shortened stride in the home straight. Lessons learnt will be put in place. Firstly, Veni will only race at coastal tracks, place shock tamers on his tootsies and give him a non-swabbing, legal, but excellent drug to help with concussion – more often! If this does not prove viable, he will be given a let up, to wait for our usual, wet Autumns.



We had a mini cyclone rip through the farm, destroying numerous sheds and trees falling on fences, plus leaving us without electricity for 38 hrs.

ROMAN PRINCESS, alias Matilda, barrier trialled at Hawkesbury 19/12. As young talented horses sometimes do, she got lost in the big field and what's it all about Alfie???? Luckily her owner, namely, Mark Goodwin has witnessed her above average talent in track gallops. So, she will have one more trial before going out to mature into the staying filly she is bred to be.

Talented youngsters 99% ready to trial on 15/1 are, TRADES STAR and SHADOW, (race name unknown?). Kindergarten, is the longest and most testing time for youngsters, so much to learn and get right, before hitting the big time. We trust our patience and education will pay off and we will be pleased with their effort come the 15th.

All horses, spelling and pre training are in fine order and all is well on Windermere farm.

Sending rainbows.

Cheers
Dor & Wade



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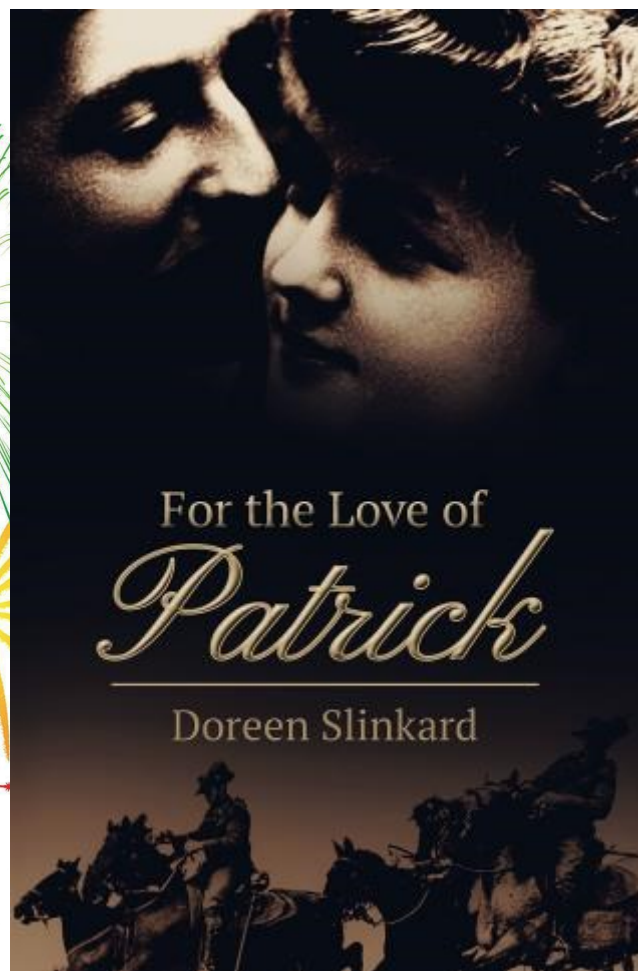
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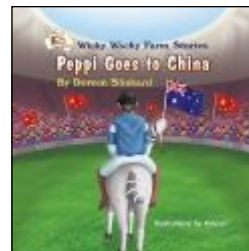
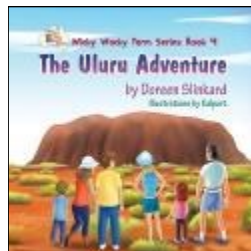
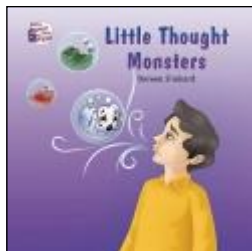
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