

SENDING RAINBOWS

THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

SPRING HAS SPRUNG!

Dear valued clients and friends,

Spring has sprung and we welcome the flourish of colourful blooms and budding new leaves on trees. Also, the new born foals that are set to be our next champion thoroughbreds.



*Filly by Verrazano out of Choisie
Ross Daisley breeds another cracker,
keeping the great stallion Choirsir, who
he bred, in the bloodline.*



All the best to you who have the heart and patience to breed these magnificent animals, because it all starts there! Not enough praise is given to our horse breeders. So we say thank you – and may God bless you all.

We began September, with a truly incredible little mare, BRED by Ross Daisley; TOO CHIC. I know it's a cliché, however, 'she is the most honest filly, ever to wear a bridle.' In her thirteenth race start this prep, at Hawkesbury, 3/9, over 2100, after being tailed off in a fast run race, she ran home like Bernborough to claim 2nd by a nose. Back to Hawkesbury on the 22nd, same distance, but small field, where in most cases, tactics will win. She ran 2nd again, in this her fourteenth start, not to forget, it was a muddily paced affair. Mind you she lives in a small paddock by day and snuggles up in her warm stable during the cold nights. You could say she is well cared for, but deservedly so. For those of you who do not know, Ross also bred the champion race horse and now stallion, Choirsir. He was the big one that got away. Another story another time.

We took a truck load to Hawkesbury on 3/9 accompanying Too Chic.

VENCEDORA was up in grade again, BM70, though he should have performed better than he did. He ran 3rd after looking the winner on the home bend. Change the race to 1300, and perhaps he wins? We tossed up a few options where to race him next and decided on Bathurst. It was a 1200mt BM 60, he carried 62kls, on an extremely heavy track and pulled up slightly distressed, any wonder? Two weeks in the paddock, stabled at night and he's on top of his game again – we trust. We must remember what a great effort he'd put in this prep, so whatever it is that ails him, we will fix!





A happy Gillian McCall, part owner of Legistation views him parading. Gillian is even happier when Legi returns the winner!

LEGISTAION was another fine steed on the Hawkesbury track, 3/9 and was an absolute winner beat! He ran 4th, beat ½ a length. He pulled up so well, we decided to back him up on home turf, 8/9, class 2 – 1500. It worked and he WON! Leading all the way. Back to Hawkesbury again on 22/9 where he ran a very unlucky 2nd. He will return to Hawkesbury to make his mark again on 9/10.



Legistation 8/9 Race 7 Hawkesbury



It just goes to show, we have to be patient and give every horse a fair go before giving up, especially when they show ability. Sooner or later, the penny will drop. Legistation was a prime example, he had the ability, he had the right attitude, but in the beginning he didn't have a clue what it was all about. Now, he just loves to race.

THE BLUE SWAN gave an inspiring run at Hawkesbury on 3/9, where over 1000mts she came from behind and while not running a place she was only beat a couple of lengths. The same performance at Bathurst on 13/9 witnessed her running a very close 2nd – a great run! Kembla 24/9, The Swan was ridden on the pace, because the pace was not on, this didn't suit her and though once again she was not beaten far, she did not manage a place. Her first win is sure to come in her next start! Wherever that may be?

ROVING EYE, contended the 1800mt journey at Hawkesbury 8/9, where he ran an unlucky 3rd. This run was picked up by the tipsters and backed by the punters to win at Hawkesbury 22/9, over 1800. Instructions to keep him calm behind the barriers were not heeded by his new jockey and consequently, Rove did his usual trick, he spun like a top to drop his rider and then showed us all how he could jump fences. He was no doubt scratched, but he's all good and will in future be dismounted behind the barriers. What a bloody shame!



It appears Gillian McCall had her time to ride a winner when a fit young lady. I wish I had of been in Delhi to cheer her on. Now where was I? Jillarooing in the Riverina I think.



Sometimes it's nice just to have a quiet celebration after the win a few prawns and our favourite beverage scotch for Wade, champagne for me.

STRADAZZLE for what reason we can only assume, was held up in a slowly run 1800mt race at Hawkesbury 8/9. As we all know, he likes to have the pace on and come from behind – if no pace, then he seems to know he needs to be close. Someone should have told the jockey – perhaps?

MAJOR STRESS, is one horse, as I have said earlier, who is waiting for the penny to drop. We keep trying in the hope he will too.



Beautiful Wisteria in flower at the farm



Caption Wade, chief chef at the Arunga Polo tournament Saturday 10/9. It was a rare day off from the races and what better way to spend it, than join our friends to watch Mark and Adam Tolhurst win their A Grade match. Congratulations to all the players. They give us on the edge excitement and great visuals to sit and enjoy fine fair and champagne! Here's to Polo!



The Arunga team!



One of the relaxing views from The Grand Hotel at Glenelg - Adelaide, where I stayed during the romance writers conference. A nice place to stay to get a weeks' writing done?



The Romance Writers committee, on the first evening, held a cocktail party, with the theme Cabaret! The best dressed for the occasion look amazing while waiting for their prizes. A box of smarties I think? Only joking.

The pre trainers are!

SHADOW – her stable name, BRED, by Michael Turner -long standing client and friend, is showing the right attitude and a Rolls Royce cruise for her riders. OUR ANNIVERSARY, has matured both physically and mentally during her spell and is ready to take on some fast work.

MATILDA, also home BRED by the Goodwin family, is an absolute treat and although she will take time, as she is bred to win the Melbourne Cup -no joke, she should make it to the trials this prep. CJ, as we call her, another magnificent filly BRED by Ross Daisley and by his champion sire Choirsir, is a bottler. And if size counts, she is set for stardom!

LANCE, Our Anniversary's brother, is impressing us all. He's such a gentleman and a fluent moving machine. SACRED JOURNEY enjoyed his spoil for near a month and is now in working mode, going great! All horses spelling are enjoying the new spring grasses with health and happiness!

Good luck and good punting!

Sending Rainbows,
Dor and Wade



*Izzy and Arianna
Izzy's beautiful auburn hair comes from my mum, Betty. Luck girl.*

Smurf's ~~CORNER~~ Page

Our beloved special needs puppy Smurf has experienced a short but treasured life.

We have recently had to say goodbye to Smurf. I'm sure you all know by the videos and photos we posted just how much we loved him and now miss him.

Goodbye our little cuddly bundle of joy. May your spirit return as a champion sheep dog



Pawprints Left By You

You no longer greet me,
As I walk through the door.
You're not there to make me smile,
To make me laugh anymore.
Life seems quiet without you,
You were far more than a pet.
You were a family member, a friend
. . . a loving soul I'll never forget.
It will take time to heal -
For the silence to go away.
I still listen for you,
And miss you every day.
You were such a great companion,
Constant, loyal and true.
My heart will always wear,
the pawprints left by you.

-Teri Harrison

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I am living in hope and sending positive thoughts to all the publishers who are now reading, 'For The Love of Patrick.' I have been offered contracts by two smaller UK Publishers, however, a large Aussie Publisher would suit better, so please say a prayer for me, I know it works.

Finally! Please read below the email from my dear Chinese friend Wang Longli, who has tirelessly worked on my behalf to have the Wicky Wacky Farm series, plus five more stories condensed into one bilingual book to be published in China.

From: 王永利

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To: Doreen Slinkard

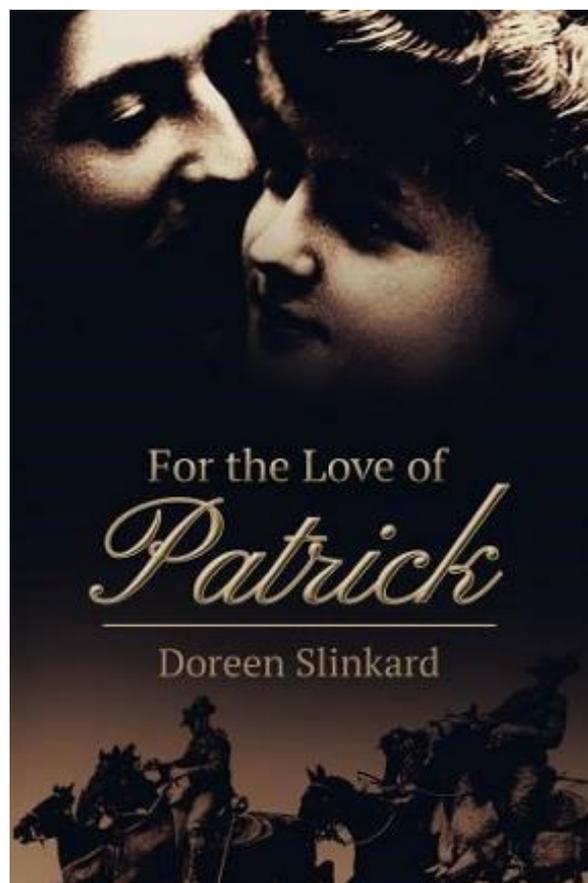
Subject: WICKY WACKY FARM BOOK is published!

Dear Doreen

Your book is published. Mr. Ruan told me that he posted two copies to me today. Might tomorrow I can receive the delivery and then I will post you one copy.

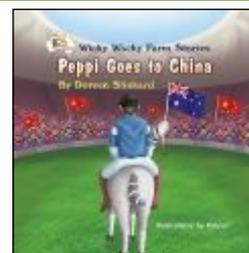
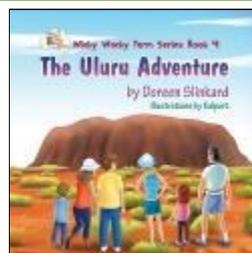
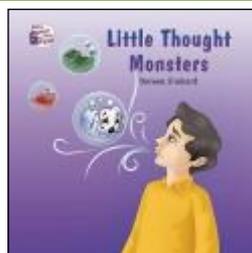
According to Chinese saying: The road to happiness is strewn with setbacks. Anyway your dream comes true. Congratulations!

Best wishes!
Wang Yongli



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