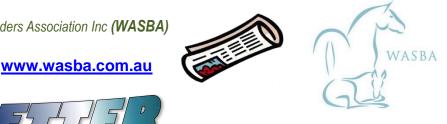
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Time is running out to get your tickets in the Raffle

They are great stallions! This is a great opportunity. The Raffle closes 8PM 24 August, drawn 2 days later.

Three highly credentialled stallions including first season sire Century Farroh CA along with established sires Fly Like an Eagle and the incomparable Art Major are available as prizes in the Raffle, courtesy WASBA and Alabar Farms, Allwood Stud and Northern Rivers LLowalong Farms. The winner gets to choose between all 3, and second place gets to choose between the remaining two stallions.

That's a choice of world champion stallion **Art Major USA** (stud fee \$14,000, no levy), champion Canadian racehorse and first season sire **Century Farroh CA** (stud fee \$5,500 including the HRA levy) and another champion racehorse and sire **Fly Like An Eagle** (stud fee \$5,000, no levy). AND if you are a WASBA member you are also in the draw for 3 \$1,000 vouchers to use on stallion services at one of the above studs.

Art Major USA – world champion racehorse and sire. Fly Like An Eagle – sire of multiple Group 1 winners including the flying filly Wonderful To Fly. Century Farroh - \$1.5 million earner, Breeders Crown winner, 2019 and 2020 O'Brien winner and 2020 Canadian Horse of the Year. His sire is Mach Three CA and his dam is the same maternal family as Mach Three.

Only 200 tickets available at \$100 each. WASBA members get some additional opportunities in the raffle, with 3 \$1000 stallion service vouchers up for grabs if you are a WASBA member at 24 August (\$20 for single/ordinary memberships or \$30 family memberships). Call Jeanine on 0447 053 040 or Howard on 0418 207 079 or complete the flyer https://www.new.wasba.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/WASBA_2022_Stallion_Raffle.pdf.

Some fantastic options in the WASBA stallion Tender, which will commence after the Raffle is drawn. You can also check the Pinjarra Stallion Tender, closing Wednesday 31 August 2022. For all the Pinjarra information go to https://www.rwwa.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/PHRC-Stallion-Tender-Booklet-2022-final.pdf

As a special promotion this year, if you are a WASBA member at 31 August 2022 and have paid your 22/23 membership (taking your membership to 31 August 2023) by 30 September, and you participated in either the Raffle or WASBA Stallion Tender (successful or otherwise) you will go into the draw at the end of September for 10 \$500 vouchers to be used on service fees on any of the studs involved in our Raffle or Tender. Memberships of new members who joined recently with their raffle purchases carry through to 31 August 2023.

Timely Foaling registration is very important – don't penalise yourself or your foal...

From the 22/23 breeding season, Harness Racing Australia (HRA) will handle the registration of all breeding stallions. RWWA is no longer registering stallions standing in WA. Other states will also cease this function.

Remember, before you have your mare served, regardless of where the stallion is standing, ensure that the stallion is registered! That could save a lot of problems when you need to register your resulting foal.

RWWA are still handling foal registrations for foals born in WA. All foals born from the 2022 season onwards (from August 2022) will come under a new tiered cost structure, with costs substantially down on previous fees for those breeders who are prompt in registering their foals. You will also have a little bit more time to undertake the registration before the higher fees kick in. So be ready to do the right thing by you and your foal.

RWWA will still undertake the microchipping process for these foals, and will be making some improvements to the process that applied in 2021/22. Hindsight and experience is a good thing. More information will be made available soon. In a refreshing change, the information will also be made available on the RWWA website.

Certificates of Service should have been mailed. Contact the Licensing and Registrations Department at RWWA for any queries. We are happy to assist you with any issues that you may have.

2YO, 3YO, MARES and WESTBRED OPPORTUNITIES

2yo	The Diamond Final is on 19 August with fillies who were successful in Heats on 9 August			
	The Pearl Heats are on 16 August	Board		
	The 2YO Westbred Classic Preludes (winners straight into the finals) are on 6 September			
	The inaugural \$215,000 2YO Westbred Classics are on 16 September			
Зуо	the \$30,000 WASBA Country Oaks is at Bunbury on 24 August			
	The \$100,000 3YO Westbred Classics are on 9 September			
	The \$30,000 3YO Battle of Bunbury is on 21 September			
	The \$50,000 3YO Daintys Daughter Classic is on 23 September			
Westbreds	The \$11,000 Westbred Alcoa Cup is on 26 September			

To Heat or not to Heat

You may disagree, but yes, WASBA fully supports Heats for the 2YO Westbred Classics. Why? Because there are a large number of 2yos that have not been able to find suitable races (either there weren't any or they were cancelled by RWWA) to earn enough credentials to support their case for a start in races that are double the prizemoney of previous Classics.

While some may say it's unfair to penalise horses who have proved their worth already but run poorly on a particular day, it is also unfair to not give a chance to horses whose owners have already been penalised by lack of suitable racing opportunity. Or perhaps they ran poorly on a particular day too.

We believe that 4 heats of 10 would have been desirable, with all placegetters going through. That would have given 40 boys and 40 girls a chance to qualify. This is our ongoing position.

As it is, there was certainly a lot of commentary about the late notice to run Heats. The decision at time of writing is to change the Heat process to Preludes (ie the "excluded from the ballot" clause), with the winner automatically through to the final and the balance of the field by discretion. You do not have to run in a Heat to get into the final, but you are relying on the Field Selection panel if you don't run in a Heat.

Hopefully the race program can be better next year to facilitate better racing opportunities prior to these races, but we still support Heats for these races. There is a lot of money involved, and giving more owners the opportunity to race in the Finals is important. Nearly all races of this type are run with Heats on the east coast. We certainly keep asking for the 2YO Pearl and Diamond to be run earlier than August, which is the worst - and most chancy - racing month of the year for the most inexperienced horses.

2022 Perth Royal Show featuring standardbreds

Do you have an eligible horse?

Is he or she nominated? There is still time until the end of August!

The Trots WA are sponsors of Class 505 which is one of the race cart competition classes. So you don't even have to ride! Give it a go!

Don't know what to do - contact the Horses Competition and Event Coordinator Rebecca Adams on (08) 6263 3153 horses@raswa.org.au, or SPPHAWA Committee member Kristie Morrone who is a member of the Harness Horses Working Party for the 2022 Perth Royal Show.

See https://perthroyalshow.com.au/competitions/competition-entries/

And if you have an off the track horse or used to have a horse that is now competing in any of the various shows, don't forget to check for photos from the show photographers like Vicki Photos at https://vickiphotos.smugmug.com/browse and collect some memoirs.

Snippets from the USA and Canada..

Bulldog Hanover (Shadow Play), stepping out for the first time since his World Record 1:45.8 set in winning the William Haughton Memorial 4 weeks prior, won the \$315,000 Dan Patch with NZedder Dexter Dunn on board, beating Rockyroad Hanover with Todd McCarthy on board. The win in 1:48.1 was his 9th in a row. Bulldog Hanover is another one of those out and out champions by an unfashionable sire. Goes to show that fashion isn't always right and you should thank those breeders prepared to take that chance. We would otherwise never have had champion racehorses and sires Sweet Lou or Always B Miki.

Adios winner Bythemissal (Downbytheseaside) equalled the track record and 3yo world record in winning the 2022 Carl Milstein in 1:48.4, lifting his career earnings to \$435,000 (\$432,000 as a 3yo). He is currently third on the 3yo pacers division on stakes earned. The Carl Milstein is a race by invitation only, how "novel" is that!

Jimmy Freight (Sportswriter) has returned to racing after a short absence with a win, after a combined racing and stud season. With earnings of \$1.6 million, he is now in the stables of Brett Pelling.

☑ The home bred 3yo colt Beach Glass (Somebeachsomewhere) added the \$275,000 Cane Pace to his \$600,000 Meadowlands Pace win. He currently leads the 3yo pacers division on stakes earned with \$750,000. Sitting between Bythemissal and Beach Glass is the Downbytheseaside colt in Pebble Beach on \$560,000.

☑ 1.5 million earner Catch The Fire (Captaintreacherous), another stallion doing the 2022 stud season at the same time as racing, won the \$278,000 Sam McKee Memorial in 1:46.4. He served a full book in 2022.

Z Lazarus is 8th on the 2yo Sires List, with the 2nd lowest number of foals of the group. Above him in order are Captaintreacherous, Downbytheseaside, Stay Hungry, Huntsville, American Ideal, Sweet Lou and Tellitlikeitis.

Patrickthepiranha earned his place in a \$100,000 Charlottetown feature by winning his event in 1:51.3.

Patrick is raced by Thestable.ca, the organization that has reinvigorated ownership in harness racing.



Patrickthepiranha winning at Plainridge Park, USA

Americanbootscoota, Lady Dela Renta), Our Zac Whitby, Patrickthepiranha, Poisedtopounce and Slick Artist have all won recently, along with Crystal Sparkles, Ideal Tyson and a number of others who have raced in WA.

And elsewhere.

☑ The shuttle stallions have arrived safely in Australia for the 2022 stud season. Captain Crunch, Bettor's Wish and Always B Miki are fully booked. Across the ditch, Lazarus is also fully booked for his standalone NZ season.

Z Fear The Dragon USA. Warrawee Needy CA and Tintin In America NZ are members of the sire roster at Wingate Farm (formerly Yirribee Pacing Stud) in NSW. Fear The Dragon has his first stakes winner in the US with 2vo filly Fear Of Sports, who as now won 3 of 5 career starts.

1 Nathan Purdon is returning home to NZ after a successful stint in Victoria which included five Group 1 wins, with Amazing Dream (Rising Sun, Blacks A Fake and Queen of the Pacific), Spellbound (Ladyship Cup) and Amore Vita (Vicbred 2YO Fillies Final). He achieved a noteworthy 25% winners to starters. The family will wait for 3yo filly Amore Vita to run in the Vic Oaks and Breeders Crown before returning home.

Champion pacer Lochinvar Art (Modern Art USA) is being set for a New Zealand Cup. He has trialled successfully over recent weeks and is due for his first race start within days.

☑ In a refreshing response, the Board of HRNZ recognises that serious interventions are needed to encourage the breeding of the Standardbred. The Board has appointed a sub-committee to work with the breeder focus

groups and NZ Standardbred Breeders to prioritise and cost the many initiatives that are on the table. The Board has committed over \$2 million dollars and are currently looking at its level of reserves to see what other funding can be invested to support this pillar of racing. They have said not all initiatives will have a cost, some might be as simple as promoting fillies and mares races with handicap concessions!!

Honolua Bay (Somebeachsomewhere USA), with his 7th consecutive win, got the first golden ticket into the Inter Dominion Championship with his win in the Westburn Grant Free For All at Melton. The win carries direct entry into the Inters series. A pity RWWA doesn't understand the relevance of this "new" approach for features.

W New Zealand Cup winner Copy That (American Ideal USA) will race sooner than expected after fracturing a leg in a paddock accident in Victoria in December. He has recently trialled, and all going well will head to Victoria for the Victoria Cup in October before returning to NZ for the New Zealand Cup, then back to Australia for the Inter Dominion. All going well. Joining him in the Victoria Cup may be South Coast Arden (Somebeachsomewhere), and Self Assured (Bettors Delight USA) might head to the Inter Dominion as well.

2022 WASBA 4YO/5YO Mares

A classy field of 9 stepped out of the barrier, with favourite and eventual winner, 5yo mare Eighteen Carat NZ (Mach Three CA out of Diamonds and Dust NZ by McArdle USA) going out fast to lead and maintain her position for the duration. A final quarter of 27.8 made it very difficult for any mare to catch her and she won by 3.3m from WA bred mare Sunshine Swift. The Virgil Queen winner Patrikiar was 5th. Eighteen Carat has now had 4 starts in WA for 3 wins after coming across from New Zealand earlier this year.

The dam of Eighteen Carat is a full sister to Five Star Anvil 1:51.5, 33 wins \$779,733 and a half sister to Lets Elope (Real Desire USA 1:55.3 27 wins \$596,029. A half sister to Eighteen Carat, 3yo Queen Of Diamonds (Bettors Delight USA) is in the Purdon stable in New Zealand, so the family has very good current credentials.



There is a very big ownership group in Eighteen Carat, including Summit Bloodstock who are involved all across Australia. They also purchased a slot in the inaugural "The Race" run in New Zealand earlier this year.

Congratulations to Michael Young and his team and Gary Hall Jnr on the drive.

The \$14,000 WASBA Allwood Stud Virgil Queen

The weather held up nicely and we had an excellent race with early speed and a fast finish. Going out fast, the Craig Hynam trained 4yo mare Patrikiar (Renaissance Man out of So Crimsonandclova by Bettors Delight USA) went out fast and got the sit behind the leader after the early burn. The favourite Bettors Destroya was sent to the breeze and the speed picked up again. Down the back Patrikiar was off the rails and chasing the new leader Bettors Destroya, who looked the winner. Getting to the sprint lane, Patrikiar overcame the tiring leader and went on to win by 2.5m from the fast finishing Star For Me then Bettors Destroya. Bred and owned by Graeme Davies, Patrikiar has now won over \$50,000 from 8 wins and 8 places.

Patrikiar is a full sister to the good metropolitan winner Medieval Man 1:57.9 15 wins \$135,051. Their dam So Crimsonandclova 1:57.2 6 wins \$32,253 is a half sister to Bullets and Bluff 1:56.9 \$103,349 and Captain Bluff 1:56.9 \$107,100.

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It's always a warm welcome at Northam from all the people involved with the Club. We certainly thank the club for their hospitality and support in assisting us to run the WASBA Allwood Stud Virgil Queen Celebration Pace for Westbred mares. This race is one of 3 races run in the country to support our WA mares.

RECENT MEMORABLE MOMENTS

- The planned development of Gloucester Park is on the cards if the member vote is positive to the concept plans put forward by Gloucester Park and developers Hesperia. The outcome of the vote will be known in early October. This is a GPHR members only vote for a facility owned by GPHR.
- Great win by the grand "old man" in millionaire Vultan Tin, setting himself up for another go at the Fremantle and WA Pacing Cups
- 3yo Swingband (Alta Christiano NZ) in a nice return to racing after a short letup
- Yirribee Stud is now Wingate Farms, with the same first class facilities and stallions
- A Rocknroll Dance is now a Queensland resident.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – July 2022

The Breeder of the Month award goes to a different WA bred horse each month. Previous (horse) winners are not eligible for later WA Breeder of the Month awards. You <u>must be a WASBA member</u> to win a Breeder of the Month Award. All other breeding awards are open to all WA breeders.

This month it's another filly (sorry boys) who had every right to give it up but put up an outstanding performance under pressure to win her race. It's *congratulations* to our *Breeder of the Month* for *July 2022*, the late Harry Capararo, as the breeder of the beautifully named August Moon (Captaintreacherous USA out of My Samantha Jane NZ by Extreme Three CA). August Moon wa unplaced in her first start in a Heat of the WA Sales Classic before running second in the \$100,000 Final. The then ran 3 consecutive seconds before starting in 3, going to the lead and holding it under very testing conditions and then fighting off challengers down the straight to be victorious in a \$20,250 metropolitan 2YO race. An outstanding effort.

Sold for \$38,000 at the 2021 APG WA Yearling Sale, August Moon is only the second foal of racing age from her dam **My Samantha Jane NZ (Extreme Three CA)** 1:57.4 15 wins \$166,426. For those who aren't aware,



Extreme Three CA is a full brother to Mach Three CA. The dam of My Samantha Jane is an unraced half sister to 3 winners including NZ Shady Falcon (Falcon Seelster USA) 1:57.6 \$109,619. This is a New Zealand family but has some "Australian content" with Clarendon Hustler (Blissfull Hall USA) 1:54.4 \$125,812 and some other noteworthy relatives like Group 1 winner Jack Brandon NZ. The most famous member of the family is the champion Queenslander Stormy Water who raced in the late 60s and went on to a successful stud career.

Congratulations to August Moon, breeder Harry Capararo and the connections of August Moon.

WINNERS - WA BASED SIRES JULY 2022

There were 24 Westsired winners of 25 races this month, representing 10 sires. **Follow The Stars** was again well clear, with 9 winners of 9 races. Next was Fly Like An Eagle with 5 winners of 5 races.

Just the one multiple winner this month – 3yo **Infinite Sign (Indomitable Saab)** winning at Pinjarra as well as a feature race at Gloucester Park.

There were 9 first time winners in July 2022, a big improvement on June:

- 2yos Indomitable Symbol (Follow The Stars), Skylord and Westcoaster (both Fly Like an Eagle)
- 3yos Bonsco Circus (Alta Christiano NZ), El Ay Eagle (Fly Like An Eagle), Miss Suzi Que (Yankee Sensation US) and Mummas Little Star (Follow The Stars);
- 4yo Dove Cry (Renaissance Man) and congratulations to the connections of 8yo Twentyblackjack (Sutter Hanover)

Westsired progeny received \$119,000 in Westbred and First Win Bonuses for July 2022 (roughly double the low of June 2022). Although over \$40,000 down on July 2021, we expect improvement over the next few months.

In July 2022, 6 metropolitan races were won by Westsired progeny, including 2 fillies. The remaining 4 winners were:

- ▲ 5yo Joey James Heartland Hanover o/o Soho Honolulu (Bettors Delight USA), owner breeder Katrina Lynn. Having a great season so far. Won in January, had a few months off then came back with a win at Pinjarra in June then next up solidly supported and started from 2 in the Stand, settled nicely behind the leader, slow lead and first half, got the gap coming off the back, caught the leader at the 100m and went on to win the 2503m \$20,250 Pace by 1.9m in 2:05.2, last gtrs 28.5 and 27.6;
- ▲ 3yo Infinite Sign Indomitable Saab o/o Never Waver Lombo (Astreos CA) breeder part owner Lancaster Lodge, won a 3YO Open in April before 2 unplaced runs, then started outside the backline as second favourite in the full field, excellent drive to get into the breeze without spending a penny, dropped in behind the leader at the 600m with the rest of the field losing touch, made a move coming off the back, headed the leaer at the top of the straight and shot clear to win the \$25,000 3YO Colts and Geldings Westsired Classic by 12.1m in 1:56.8, last half 58.6 after the early burn;
- 4yo Robbie Rocket Follow The Stars o/o Elite Angel (Safely Kept USA) owner breeder Patrick O'Boyle. Approaching \$100,000. A win and 2 places in his previous 5 starts. Started inside the back row and settled 3 back the inside, close to even time first half. flat tack down the back, wended his way off the rails coming off the back, 4 wide into the straight in a good drive from Mitch Miller, rocketed home to win the \$20,250 Pace by 3.2m in 1:56.9, last gtrs 27.9 and 29.2; and



▲ 2yo Ronald Scott – Bonavista Bay o/o Maybe A Corka (Armbro Operative USA) owner/breeders A, G and M Paganoni. Two country wins in April then placed in the Western Crown in June. Next started favourite from 1 in the \$25,000 Westsired 2YO Colts and Geldings Classic, led out, challenged down the back but got away coming into the straight, a little unbalanced near home but went on to win by 5.3m in 2:02.5, last qtr 27.7.

Some nice wins by the less acknowledged sires, and some nice performances.

WESTBRED WINNERS – JULY 2022

Westbreds won 109 (63.4%) of the 172 races run in July 2022. This just pips the results for July last year which was 108 wins off 176 races.

The 98 Westbred winners represent 46 sires (including the 10 WA based sires). Best of the sires based outside WA was **American Ideal USA** with 7 winners of 9 races, and underrated **Rock N Roll Heaven USA** (6 winners of 7 races).

63.4% of wins \$1.14 million in stakes plus \$294,000 in Bonuses

There were 11 multiple winners in July 2022 – an increase over July 2021 as well as June 2022. Excluding Westsired progeny mentioned previously, the dual winners were **Rocknroll Elliot** (A

Rocknroll Dance USA) Pinjarra and Gloucester Park, **Alta Rhett** (Alta Christiano NZ) both wins at Gloucester Park, **Amazing American** (American Ideal USA) a double at Pinjarra and **Free Wheeling** (American Ideal USA) a double at Gloucester Park, **Armarockstar** (Changeover NZ) wins at Kellerberrin and Narrogin, **Come Get Me Go** (Live Or Die USA) at Northam and Pinjarra, **The Good Life** (Mach Three CA) a Gloucester Park double, **Rocorico** (Rock N Roll Heaven USA) Narrogin and Pinjarra, another Gloucester Park double with **Lavra Joe** (Roll With Joe USA) and **Never Ending** (Sweet Lou USA) at Pinjarra and Gloucester Park.

There were 21 first time winners in July 2022 compared to 17 the previous month, giving it a positive upswing.

Excluding the Westsired recipients of the First Win Bonus, the winners were:

- 2yos Rockokoko (American Ideal USA), Cold Hard Cash (Betting Line USA), August Moon and Spiritofanangel (Captaintreacherous USA), Heaven Knows I Try (Rock N Roll Heaven USA), Never Ending and Our Lililou (Sweet Lou USA)
- 3yos Gota Good Warhol (A Rocknroll Dance USA), Allaboutlegs (Betterthancheddar USA), Takethecannoli (Caribbean Blaster) and Mancave (Well Said USA);
- 4yo Amazing American (American Ideal USA).

Amazing American was a dual winner so lots of reward for the connections for persevering.

Total Bonus payments in July 2022 were \$294,000, \$56,000 higher than the previous month. For the 7 months of the season to date, Bonus payments (including First Win) are \$1.97 million - \$169,000 lower than 2021. However we should catch up in the coming months.

The number of 2yo starters in July 2022 almost doubled (to 60) compared to the previous month, and likewise the number of races, giving owners a much better chance to race. Westbred 2yos won all 14 of the 2yo races, with 5 of these for maidens. Westbred 2yos contributed 93% of the 2yos racing in July 2022

Bonus money received by 2yos in July 2022 (\$124,000) was \$24,000 lower than July last year.

July 2022, with 112 3yo starters, was the first time since January that 3yo starters exceeded the previous year's figure. There was also a slight increase in the number of 3yo races – an increase of 2 to 22. We are however aware that some 3yos (found it difficult to find a 3yo race and therefore needed to start in the 3yo and over races, or trialled instead, where they cannot receive a Westbred Bonus. Although the number of 3yo races and starters increased, there was a decline of 50 in the number of race starts. The race program does need to cover all classes to ensure that 3yos can target their Westbred Bonuses. Access to Bonus money is important. The industry was promised a race every 10 days for every horse under HWOE.

Westbreds won 17 of the 3YO races and 12 of the 15 3yo and over races that were won by 3yos. One of the 3YO races resulted in a dead heat for first, with both horses receiving their \$6,000 First Win!

Overall, Westbred 3yos provided 87% of individual starters and 89% of race starts for that age group. Bonus payments to 3yos in July 2022 was \$138,000, down \$19,000 on July 2021 – principally due to the 2021 results being Westsired winners of metro races and receiving the higher level Westbred Bonus.

There were 13 races for horses older than 3. One was a feature race of \$30,000, 6 were at the \$8,500 level and the balance were at community level, including one maiden race.

There were 16 maiden races run in July 2022 (5 less than 2021), with the decrease due to the reduced number of maiden races for the older horses. We are still seeking a restriction on maiden races to starters who are either WA bred or have had one prior start in WA. This supports the push for better wagering on these races.

Bonus payments to 4yo and older Westbreds was \$32,000, half the figure for July 2021, reflecting the reduced number of maiden races for this age group. For the 7 month period ending July, bonus payments to 4yo and older horses is \$481,000, down \$40,000 on the same period in 2021.

The cross section of race wins by our Westbreds was similar to last month - 27 wins were at Community level, 58 in \$8,500 races or similar, 1 at \$10,250 level,16 standard metro races and 7 at Listed or Group level.

To promote and foster the breeding of the Standardbred Horse in Western Australia and to further the interests of breeders.

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WA bred horses won 24 of the 50 races run at prime Gloucester Park meetings in July, an excellent result. Six of the wins were by Westsired progeny, and another 5 wins were by Westbred fillies or mares. The remaining 10 winners of 13 races were:

- 6yo Alta Rhett Alta Christiano NZ o/o Justlikechocolate (Live Or Die USA) breeder part owner David Stringer. Having another good season. Started favourite from 3 in a fairly open race over the 2536m journey, out fast to take the lead, solidly run race with fast middle qtrs, still in charge down the back, challenged down the straight but held on to win the \$18,500 Pace by a neck in 1:57.6, last half 58.2. A fortnight later started form 4 over the same distance but much longer odds, driven out to take the lead, had a breather in the first half before stepping up the pace slightly down the back, scooted clear round the turn and sprinted home to a good win in the \$20,375 Pace by 4.2m in 2:01.7, last qtr 27.2;
- ♦ 3yo Arma Xfactor American Ideal USA o/o Arma Xpress (ArtiscapeE USA), breeder part owner Jim Currie's Kemprust Pty Ltd. Lightly raced colt. Resumed in April, 2 mid week wins in May. Started from 3 at long odds after 2 unplaced runs, settled in the breeze outside the leader and favourite, stayed with the leader as they stepped up the pace down the back, a nose in front coming into the straight, fought it out down the straight to win the \$20,250 3YO Pace by a neck in 1:58.2, last qtrs 28.3 each;
- 3yo Crowd Control Control The Moment o/o Just Visiting (Barnett Hanover USA), breeders Kevin

and Annette Charles. Coming off a win at his previous start. Started favourite from 3 after a scratching. Settled 3 on the pegs early then one out one back with 1200 to go in a slow first half, looking to challenge as they came off the back after a quick 3rd qtr, 3 wide round the bend, just in front at the 100m and went on to win the \$20,250 2YO Pace by 3.8m in 2:01.9, last gtrs 27.8 and 27.9;



♦ 4yo Hillview Bondi – Somebeachsomewhere USA o/o Maid For Life (Safely Kept USA) breeder part

owner Lisa Bendotti. Three country wins in May followed by a metro place. Then 2 unplaced runs before starting in the city as favourite from 1, beaten for early speed in the 1730m sprint, retook the lead with 1200 to go, solid qtrs throughout, had them stretched out coming off the back, raced away down the straight to win the \$20,250 Pace by 9.4m in a speedy 1:54.1, last half 57.8;



- ♦ 4yo Lavra Joe Roll With Joe o/o Lavra Florence NZ (Live Or Die USA) breeders Kevin and Annette Charles. Has been trialling, but first race start since June 2021. Started favourite from barrier 1, strode out purposefully to the lead, solid quarters, clear on the corner and moved away down the straight to win the \$20,375 Pace by 4.1m in 1:55.8, last qtrs 28.5 and 27.1. A week later starter an even shorter favourite from 3, straight to the front, slow lead and first half, quickened in the 3rd and flew in the 4th to win the \$23,750 Pace by 6.0m in 1:59.8, last qtr 26.5. A dominant display;
- 2yo **Never Ending Sweet Lou USA** o/o **Endless Journey (Live Or Die USA)** breeder Steve Johnson, won at Pinjarra in July at his first lifetime start. Then started from 1 as favourite, very fast out then eased the pace in a slow lead, cruisy first half, stepped up the pace down the back, not extended to hold them at bay and go on to win the \$20,250 2YO Pace by 4m in 2:01.0, last qtrs 28.8 and 27.7;



7yo Rock Me Over - Rock N Roll Heaven o/o Benjor Maddy Lombo (Perfect Art USA) breeder Mike Howie, grand performer with over 170 starts and over \$350,000 in stakes. Started favourite from 1, driven out to hold the lead, same rate throughout the race, skipped away at the 50m to win the \$18,500 Pace by 2.7m in 1:59.4, last half 59.7;

4vo The Good Life - Mach Three CA o/o Artistic Copper (Artistic Fella USA) breeder Mike Howie. Two wins and 3 places from his previous 5 starts then started favourite from 2 on the back line, comfortably into the one out two back, first to move 3 wide with a lap to go surged up to be second at the 400m, led at the turn and went on to win the \$8,500 Pace by 4.7m in 1:57.7, last gtrs 27.9 and 28.5. The following week started favourite from 1, held the lead off the barrier, still in command at the home turn, too classy and went further away down the straight to win the \$30,000 4YO/5YO Kerry Clarke by 7.1m in 1:57.7, last gtrs 28.7 and 28 flat for his 3rd consecutive win;



6yo The Kraken - Art Major o/o Before Night Falls (Safely Kept USA), breeder/ part owners C and E De Boni. Not much luck this season after a good 2021. Got the lucky break drawing 1 in the \$18,500 Pace and took full advantage of it. Held the lead under challenge in a solid 36.2 in the wet, rated close to even time, led into the straight, held them all out to win by 2.4m in 1:57.8, last half 58.7; and

4vo Two Bob Cracker - Art Major USA o/o Where Dreams Grow (Allamerican Ingot USA) breeder Kody Charles. Having an excellent 4yo season. Won a metro race in May. Started from the 10m line in the \$25,000 Botra Cup Standing Start over 2503m, stepped straight into the spot behind the leader, travelled well throughout with the leading pair head to head most of the way. Still on the rails coming off the back but found an opening to go 4 wide at the top of the straight, got balanced, still 4th at the 50m but flashed home over the final 20m to just grab the win by a head in 2:01.4, last qtrs 28.1 and 29.6.

Total stakes paid in July 2022 was \$2.02 million (advertised stakes for races run of \$2.08 million). Of the total stakes paid, Westbreds earned \$1.14 million. Stakes paid to the first 6 place-getters was \$1.93 million (\$1.08 million for Westbreds).

Overall Westbreds provided 68% of individual starters and race starts, 63.4% of race wins for 56.4% of stakes.

How did the FILLIES AND MARES GO (July 2022)

Fillies and mares won 45 (26.2%) of the 172 races run in July 2022, a disappointing result in comparison to the 56 wins in July 2021. In number terms it's the lowest result since July 2019 when there were only 159 races run, and in percentage terms it's the lowest monthly tally since Feb 2020 when Covid19 first hit.

It is well short of our target and well under the national average of 32.2%. As a result the 12 month rolling average for filly and mare wins has dropped to 30.8%.

There were 23 fillies/mares races included in the tally, with the remaining 22 (12.8%) wins in open races.

There were 43 individual filly/mare winners from 30 sires. There was no dominant sire this month, with Follow The Stars, Alta Christiano NZ and Bettors Delight USA each with 4 winners.

There were 2 dual winners this month - 3yo Westbred filly Free Wheeling (American Ideal USA) and NZ mare In The Spotlight (for the third successive month).

There were 9 first time winning fillies and mares in July 2022 compared to just the 6 in the previous month. The First time winners included 2yos August Moon and Spiritofanangel (Captaintreacherous USA), Indomitable Symbol (Follow The Stars), Heaven Knows I Try (Rock N Roll Heaven USA), and Our Lililou (Sweet Lou USA), 3yos Allaboutlegs (Betterthancheddar USA), Miss Suzi Que (Yankee Sensation USA), and Mummas Little Star (Follow The Stars), and 4yo Dove Cry (Renaissance Man).

For the girls there were 11 (9 Westbred) wins at Community level, 20 (16 Westbred) wins in \$8,500 level races, 7 (4 Westbred) in standard metropolitan level and 7 wins (3 Westbred) at Listed or Group level. Westbred fillies and mares won 32 (71%) of the 45 races won by fillies and mares and 64% of their stakes.

July saw some improvement in the provision of races for the fillies, with 6 races for 2yo fillies and 5 races for 3yo fillies. There was however a compensating drop in the number of races open to the mares. Inexplicably RWWA reduced the number of these races, leaving mares to compete in open races. We expect RWWA to provide sufficient races for fillies and mares to reflect the proportion of fillies and mares looking for viable racing

opportunities – 40% of each age group for the juveniles should be a starting position, while the number of mares races needs to be increased to raise the overall percentage of wins to at least equal the national average.

Fillies won 6 2yo races including one open win, and 12 of the 3yo races, including 6 open 3yo races. They also won 4 of the 3YO and over races. The number of 2yo and 3yo fillies racing is comparable to July last year and should increase over the coming months.

While the (mares) racing population was similar to July last year, the reduced number of races impacted their results. Race wins by mares in July 2022 (23) reflected the race program provided, not the number of mares racing, and was substantially down on June 2022 (34) and July last year (30). In the 3YO and over races, mares won 10 of the 12 races restricted to fillies and mares and 11 open races. Mares won 2 4YO and over races.

Amongst the mares there were 11 wins by 4yos, 7 by 5yos, 3 by 6yos, 1 7yo and 1 8yo mare. The majority (70%) of the wins were at the \$8,500 level and above, including 4 at Listed or Group level.

There were 13 wins by fillies and mares (25.5%) at the prime Gloucester Park meetings, as well as a Group 3 win at Pinjarra. This is an improved result, but does not compensate for the lack of wins/opportunities overall. Seven of the wins were at Listed or Group 3 level, and 11 of the 14 wins were in Filly and/or mare races. That suggests the other races are not conducive to success for fillies or mares, and improved concessions should be considered, like they are elsewhere in Australia and New Zealand.

City winners included 3yo In The Spotlight NZ (Bettors Delight USA) who for consecutive months has won a \$20,250 3YO Fillies, and also won the \$30,000 3YO Fillies Daintys Daughter Country Classic, 5yo Miss Limelight NZ (Bettors Delight USA) won a \$26,000 Fillies and Mares FFA as did 5yos Savvy Bromac NZ (Mach Three CA) and Eighteen Carat NZ (Mach Three CA). Another repeat winner in consecutive months was 8yo Angel In White NZ (Santanna Blue Chip USA) who won a \$23,750 Pace, while 7yo mare Blissfullabbey (Blissfull Hall USA) won an open \$18,500 Pace.

Congratulations to all fillies and mares who won in July. The 7 WA bred metropolitan winners were:

- 2yo August Moon Captaintreacherous USA o/o My Samantha Jane NZ (Extreme Three CA), breeder Harry Capararo. Four seconds from her 5 lifetime starts including a second in the \$100,000 Sales Classic and \$30,000 Gold Bracelet. Then started second favourite from 3 withstood a very strong and unnecessary challenge in a 34.9 lead, a breather in the first qtr, withstood more challenges in the second qtr, headed coming off the back, fought back all the way down the straight, entitled to give it up but went on to a courageous win in the \$20,250 2YO Pace by a head in 1:59.5, last half 59.5;
- 3yo Dontbesillychilli Western Terror USA o/o Justlikechocolate (Live Or Die USA) breeders Sarah and Chris Wall. Nice filly having another good season. Three consecutive wins in May. Started favourite from 1 in the \$20,250 3YO Fillies Open. Driven out hard to hold the lead then eased the pace, steady first half, quick down the back, too strong down the straight and went on to an all the way win by 6.1m in 1:59.0, last qtrs 28.5 and 27.9;

3yo **Free Wheeling – American Ideal USA** o/o **Le Chambon (Art Major USA)**, breeder part owner Patrick Gilroy. Nice filly with a midweek win early in the month. Started at 18/1 from 8, out fast and with natural speed to take the lead in a 36.5 lead with the favourite out of contention early. Easier first qtr, better than even time for the next half, still in control at the 400m dashed away down the straight to win the \$20,250 3YO Fillies Pace by 3.3m in an impressive 1:57.9, last qtrs 29.2 and 29.8

2yo **Indomitable Symbol – Follow The Stars** o/o **Indomitable (Saab)**, breeder Rod Fletcher. Two placings from 3 lifetime starts then started favourite from 2, straight to the lead from the barrier, slow first half, quicker down the back, raced clear at the top of the straight and went on to a comfortable win in the \$25,000 Westsired Fillies Classic by 3.9m in 2:05.3, last qtr 28.6;

2yo **Our Lililou – Sweet Lou USA** o/o **Kotare Ash NZ (Courage Under Fire NZ),** breeder Kevin and Annette Charles. Having her fifth race start and placed at her previous start. Started from 1 as 3rd favourite, held the lead, sedate first half, a bit quicker down the back, got away coming off the back and went to the line an easy winner in the \$20,250 2YO Fillies Pace by 3.1m in 2:00.5 last qtr 27.1;

4yo Paroquet – Shadow Play o/o Smooth Moven (Walton Hanover USA), owner/breeder Paula Petricevich. Having an exceptional season. Three consecutive country wins in April, another in May. In July, started from 6 at long odds and worked forward to take the leaders role in a 36.4 lead, sprinted

hard down the back, clear into the straight, held them at bay down the straight to win the \$30,000 The Lewis Fillies and Mares by 4m in 1:57.0, last qtrs 28.2 and 29.3; and

✓ 3yo Wonderful To Fly – Fly Like An Eagle o/o Not Now Delilah (Allamerican Ingot USA) breeders Kevin and Annette Charles. You should never expect horses to win all the time but she does. Started favourite from 5 in the \$25,000 3YO Fillies Westsired Classic, went straight to the lead, kept the pace honest, opened up down the back full flight on the bend went on to win by 11.5m in 1:56.7, last qtrs very quick at 27.6 and 27.4. Good effort by the second placed Acharne Girl.

Total stakes paid to fillies and mares in July 2022 was \$561,000, down compared to July last year (\$595,000).



Westbred fillies and mares earned \$361,000 and additionally collected \$125,000 in Westbred and First Win Bonus money, a nice pick-up.

Fillies and mares received a disappointing 27.7% of stakes in July 2022. After the first 7 months of the season, fillies and mares have earned \$4.4 million - up \$48,000 compared to the same months in 2021.

Compared to July last year the number of mares racing has decreased by 6, but fillies are within 1 of last year's figure. If the race program can be improved in what is

fundamentally the off season for the top horses, it would attract more horses into the racing system, particularly mares who are looking to make racing more viable without running against the better class.

In July 2022, WA mares contributed 70.1% of the racing mares, with Westbred 2yo fillies comprising 96% and Westbred 3yo fillies comprising 88% of fillies racing. All up, 151 Westbred fillies and mares raced in July 2022, just above the numbers for the previous month and July last year.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS DUE from 1 September

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In a few days you will be able to make a secure credit card payment via the online form, rather than ringing us or sending in a scanned or completed hardcopy form with the credit card details. Of course we are happy if you continue to call us so that we can chat.!

We have our special bonus for members this year – pay your membership renewal by 30 September and participate in either the Raffle or Stallion Tender and you will be included in the draw for 10 \$500 Stallion Service vouchers that we are drawing at the end of September. New members who participated in the Raffle or Stallion Tender are also included in the draw.

WASBA members will also receive the Annual hardcopy Stallion Guide. If you joined after 10 June 2022 and don't receive a copy, let us know and we will try to arrange a copy for you.

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The last WASBA AGM (for the 12 months ending 31 August) was held on Friday 26 November 2021.

The **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** has been scheduled for **31 August 2022**. Meetings are scheduled monthly on the last Wednesday of each month, except on specific occasions and over the Christmas New Year period. If you would like to raise any issues or make comment, contact a Committee member or:

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