



# NEWSLETTER

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## Registering your Foal in WA...

Such an exciting time of year! BUT, along with all the excitement, official business needs to be done. The results of all final services/pregnancies need to be registered, even if your mare has missed, slipped or no live foal.

HRA are handling stallion registrations from the current season onwards, but RWWA will continue to handle foal registrations for foals born in WA and will continue to undertake the microchipping for all 2021 and 2022 foals.

If you have not received your Service Certificate by the time the foal is born, please contact RWWA's Licensing and Registrations by phone 9445 5558 or email [licreginfo@rwwa.com.au](mailto:licreginfo@rwwa.com.au) to notify them that you have a foal born, with some details including sex, colour and date of birth, and they will waive any late fees provided that you forward the Service Certificate promptly after receiving it.



We suggest that you scan (or photograph) a copy of the completed Service Certificate for your records, in case you need to refer back to that document as to date that you forwarded it to RWWA. You can also scan and email the document if you are paying by credit card.

There is a new tiered fee structure applicable, and if you can register your foal before the foal is 35 days old it will be much cheaper than previously. The fee is \$133 within the first 35 days, but increases after that. It is the owners responsibility to register the foal in a timely manner. Please do not rely on someone else to complete this task, even if they say they will. The new RWWA fee structure is available from the Registrations & Forms link at the top of the RWWA home page, or use this link <https://www.rwwa.com.au/industry/registrations-forms/>.

## 2YO, 3YO, MARES and WESTBRED OPPORTUNITIES

2yo	The \$150,000 Group 1 Golden Slipper on 30 September
3yo	The \$150,000 WA Oaks on 14 October
	The \$50,000 Western Gateway 21 October
Fillies and Mares	the \$50,000 The Schrader on 21 October



## Raffle results and Stallion Tender....

Thank you to all the purchasers of our raffle tickets this year. There was a late rush as well, but everyone who applied before **8PM 24 August** was allocated their tickets. If the postal service hasn't quite got to you with your ticket/s, let us know and we will email your ticket number –you may have been one off the winning ticket!. The winners this year were:

- Mike Howie, First Prize (ticket number 060)
- Wayne Morrison, Second Prize (ticket number 075)
- Member Stallion Service Voucher Prizes (\$1,000 each) Gary Newton SA (100), Lynley Howlett (134) and Kerrie Hymers TAS (128).

The 3 stallions on offer were first season sire Century Farroh CA (stud fee \$5,500 including the HRA levy), and established sires Fly Like an Eagle (\$5,000, no levy).and Art Major USA (\$14,000, no levy). WASBA sincerely thanks Alabar Farms, Allwood Stud and Northern Rivers LLowalong Farms for providing these fantastic stallions that meant fundamentally, they were available for \$100 if you had the winning 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> prize ticket.

*As a special promotion this year, WASBA members at 31 August 2022 who pay their 22/23 membership by 30 September (taking the membership up to 31 August 2023), who participated in either the Raffle or WASBA Stallion Tender (successful or otherwise) will be included in a draw at the end of September for 10 \$500 vouchers to be used on 2022/23 service fees on any of the studs involved in our Raffle or Tender. New members who paid before 31 August have current memberships to 31 August 2023.*

The Stallion Tender has been completed as well, and successful Tenderers notified. We are sorry if you missed out. Unfortunately there are no services left but we will let you know if advised of any others.

## **WASBA members - service fee discounts**

If you are a WASBA member, the following stallions are offered at a discount fee (you will need to advise the stud when booking and they will confirm with us that you are a member):

- **Century Farroh CA** (Mach Three CA) 1:49 \$1,557,016 – A\$4950 incl GST and Stallion Levy
- **Mel Mara USA** (Lis Mara USA) 1:47.0 \$1,028,350 – A\$1650
- **Poster Boy** (Somebeachsomewhere USA) 1:49.1 \$803,310– A\$4400
- **Raging Bull NZ** (Christian Cullen NZ) 1:56.6 \$115,581– A\$2750
- **Soho Tribeca** (American Ideal USA) 1:53.8 \$1,103,854 – A\$2700
- **Yankee Rockstar** (Rocknroll Hanover USA) 1:52.2 \$329,048– A\$1650, all the above standing at Llowalong Farms/Northern River Equine Victoria. Of the above, only Century Farroh has a levy applied.
- **Dancin Lou USA** (Sweet Lou USA) 1:47.2 \$1,119,848 – A\$5400 incl GST and Stallion Levy, standing at Trump Bloodstock in Queensland.

## **Snippets from the USA and Canada..**

☑ The top pacers in the Hambletonian Society/Breeders Crown Standardbred Poll: 20 Sep, pre LBJ, are in order 4yo horse **Bulldog Hanover** (Shadow Play) 11 starts 10 wins 0 places \$924,331 349 points, 4yo mare **Test Of Faith** (Art Major) 14-8-5 \$541,592 251 points, 3yo colt **Beach Glass** (Somebeachsomewhere) 10-7-3 \$930,069, 248 points and 3yo gelding **Bythemissal** (Downbytheseaside) 10-8-2 \$534,750 114 points.

☑ The Little Brown Jug was run on 22 September, with the top 4 in each of 2 Heats going through to the Final (race 19 on the program) run the same day. The great US and Canadian races are run with qualifying heats.

The Little Brown Jug is run at Delaware on a half mile track where they can scoot around in 1:49 due to its wide surface and track camber. While it may have changed from the mandatory two wins on the day, it is a tough race series that is a measure of greatness – Horses like Bettors Delight, his son Betting Line, Rock N Roll Heaven, Life Sign, Fake Left (beat Western Hanover), Armbro Operative, and yesteryear champions Nihilator, Niatross, the filly Fan Hanover, 16H Bret Hanover are all Little Brown Jug winners. Only the tough horses do well.



The top contenders in 2022 on paper were Bythemissal, Greatest Ending (Somebeachsomewhere) and Night Hawk (Betting Line) in Heat 1, and Gulf Shores (Downbytheseaside), Fouever Boy (Sweet Lou) and Pleaseletmeknow (American Ideal) in Heat 2.

Bythemissal paid a \$45,000 supplemental entry fee to start in the Little Brown Jug heats. Heat 1 went to Bythemissal from Night Hawk in 1:51.3, with Heat 2 going to Fouever Boy from Gulf Shores. You can watch the Final at <https://harnesslink.com/usa/bythemissal-and-page-dominate-little-brown-jug/>



☑ Run the day before, with the same race conditions, is the 3YO Fillies Jugette (Race 19 on the program this year), with the beautifully bred **Treacherous Dragon** (Captaintreacherous) with Dexter Dunn on board, winning in 1:51 from **Sea Silk** (Downbytheseaside) and **Sweet Treasure** (Sweet Lou).



*Treacherous Dragon successful in the 2022 Jugette*

The dam of Treacherous Dragon is champion filly **My Little Dragon** (Dragon Again) 1:48.1 \$2,318,623. This is one of the great harness racing families that has produced champions and millionaires right through the decades including Sir Dalrae, Mr Dalrae, Delinquent Account, Artiscap, If I Can Dream etc. Champion racehorse **Stay Hungry** (Somebeachsomewhere) is a three-quarter brother to Treacherous Dragon. Second placed Sea Silk belongs to the **Artesian** and **Maltese Artist** maternal family. The breeding of 3rd placed Sweet Treasure is also impressive, with her dam being a full sister to **Captaintreacherous**. This (Rodine Hanover) maternal line has produced multiple millionaires including Captaintreacherous, **Art Major**, Worldly Beauty, etc.

☑ **Bulldog Hanover** just keeps setting records. He won the \$650,000 Canadian Pacing Derby with a Canadian-record-equaling 1:46.4 mile at Woodbine Mohawk Park and set a track record of 1:46.3 in the \$200,000 Harrah's Hoosier Park Pacing Derby. The North American Derbies are 3yo and over events, not just 3yos.

☑ The top 4 3yo pacers on stakes earnings in the US are (pre LBJ) colts **Beach Glass** \$930,000, **Pebble Beach** (DownbytheSeaside) \$696,000, gelding **Bythemissal** \$535,000, the filly **Boudoir Hanover** (Captaintreacherous) \$481,000 and **I Did It Myway** (Captaintreacherous) \$440,000, who has beaten Pebble Beach at their last 3 encounters. All others in the top 10 are trotters.

☑ Winner of the \$900,000 Metro Pace for 2YOS at Mohawk Canada was **Stockade Seelster**, from the second crop of champion **State Treasurer** (Real Desire). Stockade Seelster's only loss so far was in his Metro Heat.

☑ **Lazarus** is 7th on the 2yo Sires List, ahead of his sire Bettors Delight (12<sup>th</sup>) and Always B Miki (10<sup>th</sup>). Leading the group are Captaintreacherous, Stay Hungry, Sweet Lou, Downbytheseaside, Huntsville and American Ideal. Lazarus' 2YOs took out their respective divisions of the \$150,000 New Jersey Sire Stakes **Voukefalas** won the colts Championship and **Two Pistol Annie** won the fillies version, both 2yos being out of Cam Fella line mares.

☑ **Patrickthepiranha** won his 8<sup>th</sup> race for the year for a go to whoa win at Plainridge, Massachusetts, bringing his season earnings to \$122,000. Abraxus Blues, One Off Delight, Poisedtopounce, Slick Artist, Soho Wallstreet, and WA raced NZ bred Better B Chevron, Bettors Fire, Cyclone Banner, Runrunjimydunn, Harry Hoo have also all won recently in North America

## And elsewhere....

☑ The forgotten Inter Dominion champion and Hunter Cup winner, and now sire **Tiger Tara NZ** (Bettors Delight USA) 1:49.8 \$2,375,065, has a perfect 3 from 3 from his mini crop of 3 3yos. Tiger Tara is the track record holder at Bunbury over 2100m in 1:52.3.

☑ **Fear The Dragon USA**, a member of the sire roster at Wingate Farm (formerly Yirribee Pacing Stud) in NSW, is doing exceptionally well in the US and is currently 9<sup>th</sup> on the US sires 2yo list with his first crop.

✓ Champion pacer **Lochinvar Art (Modern Art USA)** will not race again in Australia, after a minor bleed. Connections have decided to continue his racing career in the US under the care of the Trittons. In the US he can be treated with Lasix. Many US horses are on Lasix treatment during their racing careers.

✓ **South Coast Arden (Somebeachsomewhere)** is a little behind schedule and will not come to Australia for the Victoria Cup, staying home in NZ to defend his NZ Cup win.

✓ **Honolua Bay (Somebeachsomewhere USA)**, blotted his perfect record with a loss to NZ bred Rock N Roll Doo in the Group 1 Caduceus Classic at Melton, following 8 consecutive wins and a career record of 17 wins and 2 places from 25 starts.

✓ New Zealand Cup winner **Copy That (American Ideal USA)** ran his first Australian race since his paddock accident last year, finishing 8<sup>th</sup> in the Group 1 Caduceus Classic at Melton. He made up for that a week later winning at the Gammalite FFA at Melton defeating amongst others Bondi Lockdown and 2021 Inters winner Boncel Benjamin. He is being aimed for the Victoria Cup in October before returning to NZ for the New Zealand Cup, then possibly back to Australia for the Inter Dominion.

✓ **Majestic Cruiser (Art Major USA)**, Rock N Roll Doo NZ (Rock N Roll Heaven USA) and I Cast No Shadow NZ (Shadow Play USA) are Australian entries for the New Zealand Cup to be run on 8 November.

✓ One for the girls. Champion mare **Frith** 1:50.1 \$1,180,345, by Four Starzzz Shark USA from the Miss Paula mare Jackie Kelly (Albert Albert USA) has successfully transitioned to 100% producer with her first foal, 2yo filly **Peaceful (Sweet Lou USA)** 1:52.4, recently winning her 3<sup>rd</sup> of 4 lifetime starts. Frith made a successful hit and run raid to WA in 2013 to win the Group 1 WA Oaks.

## 2022 2YO Diamond, Pearl and Westbred Classics

The new racing program has seen some of the peak races scheduled in winter, including the Group 1 Pearl and Diamond for the 2YOs. The Heats of the Diamond were up first, with very impressive winners on the rain affected track in favourites **Zephyra (Sweet Lou USA)** and **Flametree (Huntsville USA)**, and outsider **Jackie Daniels (Fly Like An Eagle)**. For Jackie Daniels it resulted in a \$11,100 Bonus for her first career win. It was the 5<sup>th</sup> win for Flametree, and for Zephyra her 14m win was her 3<sup>rd</sup> win from 5 starts.

The \$100,000 Diamond Final was set for an exciting race with Heat winner Flametree drawing 1 and main challenger Zephyra in 7. Flametree led and Zephyra breezed, before showing that she might be as good as her multiple Group 1 winning dam Tricky Styx (Jeremes Jet USA). 1:54.1 \$460,548. After breezing, Zephyra dashed away down the straight to win by 9.6m.

Zephyra followed up with a win in a Prelude of the Westbred Classic, starting favourite of course, then completing her 4<sup>th</sup> win in a row and 5<sup>th</sup> win from 6 consecutive starts when she led and won the Group 1 \$215,000 2YO Fillies Westbred Classic, taking her stakes to \$205,000 from her 8 starts.



Tricky Styx winning the 2017 Winter Cup



Zephyra winning the 2022 Diamond

Jesse Moore purchased Zephyra's dam Tricky Styx NZ at a bargain basement price of \$5,000 as a yearling and the family bred and own Zephyra. Tricky Styx not only won her Heat and Final of the 2014 Diamond Classic but



also won the Group 2 Champagne Classic, the Group 3 Winter Cup, as well as the \$50,000 Pinjarra Cup and \$30,000 Narrogin Cup. Tricky Styx is a half sister to **Go West U Terror NZ (Western Terror USA)** 1:54.8 \$273,367 and she is the second highest earner in the maternal family, with that accolade going to **Atitagain NZ (Bo Scots Blue Chip USA)** 1:55.1 \$787,945, winner of the \$150,000 Ben Hur, the \$100,000 Truer Memorial, and the \$122,000 Australian Pacing Championship. He was also second in the 2001 Inter Dominion to Yulestar, second in the 2000 Miracle Mile to Holmes D G, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 2001 Victoria Cup. Obviously Jesse read the pedigree page better than others. Jesse also trains Our Lady Jen, winner of a Westbred Classic Prelude, while Dylan Egerton-Green trains and drives Zephyra for the Moore family.

The Heats of the Pearl for the boys were a week after the Diamond Heats, and again two of the favoured contenders came through, with **Never Ending (Sweet Lou USA)** a winner by 10m, **Valedictorian (Art Major USA)** by 5m and **Rolling Fire (Roll With Joe USA)** obtaining an inside run to win his Heat.

Drawing barrier 3 in the \$100,000 Pearl Final sent Never Ending out as favourite, and he recorded a good win from Valedictorian, who had the task of breezing most of the way. Never Ending skipped the 2YO Colts and Geldings Westbred Classic Preludes - won by Valedictorian and Skylord (Fly Like An Eagle) - and started from 1 in the \$215,000 Final to record another top class win by over 5m in 1:55.6. Those two wins gave Never Ending a perfect 5 from 5 for \$187,000 in stakes.

*Never Ending as a yearling, described by trainer Justin Prentice as the best colt in the 2021 WA APG Sale*



Bred by Steve Johnson, Never Ending's details are shown under his Breeder of the Month story.

These may well have been the winners and best performed 2yos in these feature races, but credit should go to all the breeders and owners with their trainers and drivers who managed to qualify their 2yos for these top races. Congratulations to all the connections of horses good enough to be selected to run in these Group races.

## RECENT MEMORABLE MOMENTS

- ♣ retirement of Chicago Bull NZ. What a super horse he has been. All credit to Gary Hall Snr for getting him through that major injury in New Zealand. Since his win in January this year he has run 6 seconds and 3 thirds from 12 starts. Lifetime earnings \$2.4 million. What a super little horse. Kudos to Gary for keeping his retired superstars Chicago Bull NZ and Im Themightyquinn NZ, giving them a home for life.
- ♣ A WA bred 3yo filly that could be described as up with the best in Australia- Wonderful To Fly
- ♣ Renaissance Man back standing in WA
- ♣ Stakes increases are fully in, along with some changes to percentages – particularly in Group races
- ♣ Our own slot race \$1,000,000, to be run in April, \$70,000 per slot. Directly conflicts with NZ Slot race The Race so should be predominantly WA raced horses and owners benefiting.



## BREEDER OF THE MONTH – August 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 must be a WASBA member to win a Breeder of the Month Award. All other breeding awards are open to all WA breeders.

This month it's a young gelding who has 4 from 4 career starts in July and August, with two wins in each month. It's **congratulations** to our **Breeder of the Month for August 2022**, Steve Johnson, as the breeder of 2yo **Never Ending (Sweet Lou USA)** out of Endless Journey by **Die Laughing USA** who in August impressively won his Heat and the \$100,000 Final of the 2YO Pearl Classic.





*Never Ending with Gary Hall Jnr on board, winning the Pearl Classic*

Never Ending won on debut, starting 2<sup>nd</sup> favourite from 7 with the favourite in 1, and has started a short priced favourite and won at his 4 starts since, including an impressive win in the inaugural \$215,000 Westbred 2YO Colts and Geldings Classic in September.

Sold for \$75,000 at the 2021 APG WA Yearling Sale to Justin Prentice and owned by stable clients, Never Ending has already won \$187,000 including September races, as well as \$13,500 in bonus money.

Never Ending does have a lot to live up to, being a half brother to Group 1 Pearl Classic winner **Isiah Artois (Modern Art USA)** and Group 3 Pinjarra Daintys Daughter Classic winner **Mandy Joan (Art Major USA)** 1:54.9 \$168,564. Their dam Endless Journey is a half sister to **Fake Embrace (Fake Left USA)** 1:53.4 37 wins \$240,249 and **Like A Dame (Die Laughing USA)** 2:02.2 \$10,312, the dam of champion **David Hercules (Artesian USA)** 1:52.7 39 wins \$1,263,159. The close up family also includes **Major Martini (Art Major USA)** 1:54.8 \$322,483, Otis, Hugh Victor, Kerrin Joseph and multiple other metropolitan winners.

Congratulations to **Never Ending**, breeder Steve Johnson, Justin Prentice and his very happy stable clients.

## WINNERS - WA BASED SIRES AUGUST 2022

There were 32 Westsired winners of 38 races this month, representing 8 sires. **Follow The Stars** led (for the 3<sup>rd</sup> successive month) with 10 winners of 10 races, followed by Fly Like An Eagle with 7 winners of 9 races and Alta Christiano NZ with 5 winners of 6 races.

There were 5 multiple winners this month – dual winning 3yo **Swingband** (Alta Christiano NZ) a Gloucester Park double, **Hilo Louisa** (a Central Wheatbelt double) and **Wonderful To Fly** (Fly Like An Eagle) a Bunbury and Gloucester Park win, and **El Manzana** (Rich And Spoilt) wins at Bunbury and Narrogin. There was one triple winner in August – **Strauny** by Indomitable Saab who won at Bunbury and a double at Pinjarra.

It was a good result for first time winners, with 13 successful:

- 2yos **Flashing Ark** and **Road Star** (Follow The Stars), **Flying To Win**, **Jackie Daniels** and **Velocipede** (Fly Like An Eagle)
- 3yos **Shirley** and **Hilo Louisa** (Fly Like An Eagle), **Lillyrose** (Follow The Stars), **Jamanco** (Franco Jamar NZ) and **Sulphur Creed** (Renaissance Man); and
- 4yos **Venus Or Mars** (Follow The Stars), **El Manzana** (Rich And Spoilt) and **Ashanti Princess** (Renaissance Man).

Westsired progeny received \$219,000 in Westbred and First Win Bonuses for August 2022 (roughly double that of July 2022) - \$70,000 more than August 2021. While the recovery was expected it was good to see that hope matched reality. For the 8 month period January to August, the Westsired Bonus payments in 2022 are up \$110,000 compared to 2021 - to \$1,274,000.

In August 2022, 3 metropolitan races were won by Westsired progeny, including one filly, as well as 2 country feature races won by the girls. The remaining dual winner was:

- ♠ 3yo **Swingband** – Alta Christiano NZ o/o Bettors Gem (Bettors Delight USA) breeders Karnup Racing Pty Ltd, will be hard to beat in any race he starts in. Coming off a winning sequence of 4 after a 3 month absence, started 2<sup>nd</sup> favourite from 4, driven forward hard causing interference to several runners but got the front running, withstood a late challenge and went on to win the \$20,250 3YO Pace by 1.2m in 1:58.0, last qtrs 29.4 and 27.6. A fortnight later with new driver Kyle Symington, started favourite from 9, 3 wide early towards the rear but on the move, getting to the lead after half a lap in a solid but not spectacular lead, with The Miki Taker then driven hard to get to the breeze from the back of the field,



challenged over the last 400m by a very tenacious The Miki Taker but went on to win the \$20,250 3YO Pace by 1.3m in 1:57.0, last half 58.5.

From only 19 starts, Swingband has won over \$190,000, with over \$170,000 as a 3yo from 14 starts. The two leading 3yos in WA this season are both Westsired progeny, with the leading filly being Wonderful to Fly (Fly Like An Eagle), with earnings just short of \$250,000 this season and career earnings of just under \$410,000.

## WESTBRED WINNERS – AUGUST 2022

Westbreds won 105 (58.3%) of the 180 races run in August 2022, a lower percentage than August last year, but 9 more wins.

The 105 Westbred winners represent 35 sires (including 8 WA based sires). Best of the sires based outside WA was **Sportswriter USA**, with 5 winners of 9 races, followed by **Auckland Reactor** with 6 winners of 6 races and **American Ideal USA** and **Sweet Lou USA** with 6 wins each.



Multiple winners in August 2022 (15):-

**Goodfellaz** (American Ideal USA) a midweek Gloucester Park double, **Been Scootin** (Betterthancheddar USA) a Bunbury double, **Lavra Joe** (Roll With Joe USA) a metropolitan double, **Batavia Streamline** (Smiling Shard NZ) Narrogin and Central Wheatbelt. There were 4 dual winners by **Sportswriter USA** – **El Jessie** (Narrogin and Central Wheatbelt), **Floewriter** (Pinjarra and Narrogin), **Gypsy Dragon** (a double at Pinjarra), and **Ifeel Sikdarl** (GP midweek double). Sweet Lou USA also produced multiple dual winners – **Never Ending** and **Zephyra**, both coincidentally winning their Heat and Group 1 Final at Gloucester Park.

**Lavra Joe** and **Never Ending** were also dual winners last month.



There were 20 Westbreds with their first career win in August 2022, mostly Westsired mentioned previously. The 7 other first time winners were:

- 2yos **Elwaddell** (American Ideal USA), **Major Manhattan** (Art Major USA) and **Sweet Vivienne** (Sweet Lou USA)
- 3yos **Rattlin Lilly** (Always B Miki USA), **Chasing Hill** (Racing Hill USA), **Miss Stefani** (Sweet Lou USA);
- 5yo **Elleofareactor** (Auckland Reactor NZ).

Total Bonus payments in August 2022 were \$344,000, \$50,000 higher than the previous month and \$11,000 higher than August last year. Breaking up Bonus payments by age – 2YOs received \$129,000, 3yos received \$171,000, and the older horses received \$44,000.

The number of 2yo starters in August 2022 (85) was a significant increase on the previous month (60 starters) as well as being 77% higher than August 2021. Unfortunately the race numbers didn't quite keep pace with the number of starters, with 19 races on offer for 2yos including 6 Heats of the Pearl and Diamond and the two \$100,000 Finals. Five of the races were for maidens. Westbred 2yos won 17 of the 19 races, and contributed 85% of starters.

The number of 3yo starters in August 2022 (133) was up 21 compared to the previous month, and up 15 compared to August 2021. The number of 3yo races provided did not meet requirements – remaining at 21, the same as August 2021. Some classes of 3yos did have difficulty finding a 3yo race.

With the juvenile race feature race program being run differently to previous years, the racing opportunities need to be better. Every horse should be able to find at least a race every 10 days. The need for better programming of juveniles has been raised several times with the Harness Office and will continue to be a focus.

Westbreds 3yos provided 86% of individual starters and won 19 of the 21 3YO races, as well as 15 of the 26 3YO and over races that were won by 3yos. Of the 26 races won by 3yos in the 3YO and over class, 18 started a short priced favourite, suggesting the 3yos were clearly outclassing the older horses in these races.

As for last month, there were 13 races run in August for horses older than 3 - a feature race of \$30,000, 6 \$9,000 races, one \$14,000 race and the balance at community level, None were for maidens. The majority of Westbred winners older than 3 were 4yos (29), 5yos (11) and 6yos (7). The oldest winner was 10yo Vultan Tin.



There were 18 maiden races run in August 2022 which was comparable to August 2021. We certainly support the continuation of maiden races to get those horses and their owners up and running. *We would however, like to see more maiden races for the older age group,*

WA bred horses won 14 of the 39 races run at prime Gloucester Park meetings in August, as well as two country features. Five of the wins were by Westsired progeny, and another 4 wins were by Westbred fillies or mares. The remaining 6 winners of 7 races were:

- ◆ **4yo Lavra Joe – Roll With Joe o/o Lavra Florence NZ (Live Or Die USA)** breeders Kevin and Annette Charles. Two consecutive wins in July since resuming off a 12 month absence. Ran 4<sup>th</sup> then a second at his first two starts in open company then started from 6 after a scratching in the small field, straight to the front and won the \$30,000 FFA in 1:56.6, last qtr a snappy 26.9. Fourth start for the month next up in the \$50,000 August Cup, started favourite from 1, another impressive display to lead and win the 2536m feature, started to pull away coming off the back before easing down towards the finish to win the feature by 6.4m in 1:59.1, last qtrs 28.1 and 27.2;
- ◆ **6yo Machlani – Mach Three Ca o/o Leilani Lombo (Million to One USA)** breeders Kevin and Annette Charles, returning after a 6 month break. Unplaced first up then started from 4 over the 2536m stayers journey, driven out to get the leaders role before slowing the pace, easy lead and first half, a clear leader into the home straight and had it won at the 50m, winning the \$18,500 Pace by 2.6m in 2:02.1, last half 57.9 under the wet conditions;



Kyle Symington on board Machlani for the first time

- ◆ **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. Repeated the win at the end of the month in a metro race. In August won his Heat of the Pearl after breezing before going to the lead with a lap to go. Ten days later in the \$100,000 Pearl Final started from 3 as favourite, worked forward to the lead with 2 laps to go after a slow lead, even time first half, quickened down the back, had their measure down the straight and went on to a solid win by 4.9m in a fast 1:56.3, last qtrs 28.4 and 27.9. Four starts 4 wins;
- ◆ **4yo Orlando Blue – Heston Blue Chip USA o/o Harriet Elisabeth (Modern Art USA)** breeder Steve Johnson, a good earner all season without a lot of luck. Started favourite from 2, straight to the lead over the 2536m journey, slow first half, still under wraps down the back, but led well into the straight and went on to an easy win by 3.5m in 2:03.2, last half 58.2;
- ◆ **4yo Rascal – Captaintreacherous USA o/o Straittothehilton (Rich And Spoilt)** owner breeders Tom Erceg and Kat Warwick, 2 wins in June before an unplaced run, then started favourite from 4, scooted to the lead and withstood a challenge, slower first qtr, then quick into the back, big gap behind the leading pair at the 600m with the breeze horse dropping back, 2 lengths clear at the 400m, 2 lengths clear into the straight and went on to a good win in the \$20,250 Pace by 6m in 1:57.3, last qtrs 28.4 and 28.8; and
- ◆ **10yo Vultan Tin – Dawn Ofa New Day USA o/o Ellevarrac (Pacific Fella USA)** owner breeders Denise and Phil Costello, the grand old man of WA racing and surprised them all. Fast out and held the lead with ease, better than even time qtrs just the way he likes it, only one horse a risk at the 400m and he is 2nd last. Rounded the home turn in front and 2 lengths clear, easy as you do it to lead all the way over his favourite 2536m distance to win the \$30,000 FFA by 4.4m in 1:56.5, last qtrs 28.2 and 28.7.



Race wins by Westbreds - 19 wins were at Community level, 70 in \$9,000 races, 1 \$14,000 race, 8 standard metro races and 7 at FFA, Listed or Group level – resulted in total stakes earned by Westbreds of \$1.29 million out of total of stakes paid of \$2.23 million (advertised stakes for races run of \$2.27 million). For the 8 month period ending August, WA bred horses have received \$9.7 million in stakes and \$2.3 million in bonuses

*Overall Westbreds provided 67.1% of individual starters and race starts, 58.3% of race wins for 57.9% of stakes.*

## How did the **FILLIES AND MARES GO** (August 2022)

Fillies and mares won 59 (32.8%) of the 180 races run in August 2022, a substantial improvement on the previous month as well as being the highest August figures in recent times. It does address the decline we have seen in recent months. It does bring up the 12 month rolling average to 31% but there is still a way to go to reach the national average of 32.2%.

There were 25 fillies/mares races included, with the remaining 34 (18.9%) wins in open races. There were 9 (7 Westbred) wins at Community level, 39 (25) wins in \$9,000 level races, 1 win in a country feature, 5 (3) in standard metropolitan level and 5 wins (3) at FFA or Group level. Westbred fillies and mares won (66%) of the races won by fillies and mares and 69% of their stakes.

There were 48 individual winners, from 28 sires. Both **Fly Like An Eagle** (5 winners) and **Sweet Lou USA** (4 winners) had 7 race wins with Sportswriter USA next with 3 winners of 5 races.

Significantly, there were 10 multiple winners, 6 being Westbred. These were 3yos **Hilo Louisa** and **Wonderful To Fly** (Fly Like An Eagle), **Batavia Streamline** (Smiling Shard NZ), **El Jessie** and **Gypsy Dragon** (Sportswriter USA), and 2yo **Zephyra** (Sweet Lou USA). Other multiple winners were Midnight Whisper (Art Major USA), Alcippes Delight NZ (Bettors Delight USA), Eighteen Carat NZ (Mach Three CA) and Im Themightylucy NZ (Sweet Lou USA)

There were 10 first time winning fillies and mares in August 2022 – another improvement on previous months. First time winners included 3yo **Rattlin Lily** (Always B Miki USA), 5yo **Elleofareactor** (Auckland Reactor NZ), 2yos **Flying To Win** and **Jackie Daniels**, and 3yos **Hilo Louisa** and **Shirley** (all Fly Like An Eagle), 3yo **Lillyrose** (Follow The Stars), 2yo **Sweet Vivienne** and 3yo **Miss Stefani** (both Sweet Lou USA), and 4yo **Ashanti Princess** (Renaissance Man).

There were 7 races provided for 2yo fillies but only 3 for 3yo fillies. Another 15 races were provided for fillies and mares, including one for mares only and one race for 4YO and 5YO mares. Fillies won 8 2yo races and did extremely well in winning 10 3yo races (including 7 open), as well as 8 3YO and over races.

With steady increases in the number of 3yo fillies racing over the last 3 months, the number of races allocated to them was disappointing. We understand that programming is not an easy task, but fillies are providing over 40% of starters in each age group and the races provided should reflect that.

With an increase of 23 in the number of mares racing (August this year compared to last year) the number of races for mares was also disappointing, with 2 less 3YO+ races run for fillies and mares compared to last year. Sufficient races need to be provided to ensure WA is not left behind in national comparisons. Mares are providing one in 3 starters in 3yo and over races and the race program needs to better reflect the racing numbers.

Amongst the 33 wins by mares there were 15 wins by 4yos, 12 by 5yos, 4 by 6yos, 1 7yo and 1 8yo mare. The majority (80%) of the wins were at the \$9,000 level and above, including 4 at Listed or Group level.

There were 9 wins by fillies and mares (23%) at the prime Gloucester Park meetings, all but one being in a fillies and mares race, as well as a Group 3 win at Bunbury and a country feature at Northam.

City winners included 3yo **Im Themightylucy NZ (Sweet Lou USA)** who won a \$20,250 3YO Fillies, 5yo mare **Eighteen Carat NZ (Mach Three CA)** won the \$30,000 WASBA 4YO/5YO Mares and the \$30,000 Fillies and Mares Feature to follow up her Fillies and Mares FFA win last month, and 8yo **Angel In White NZ (Santanna Blue Chip USA)** won a \$23,750 Pace to make it wins in 3 successive months.

Congratulations to all fillies and mares who won in August. The 6 WA bred metropolitan or feature race winners of 7 races were:

- ♥ 4yo **American Arma** – **American Ideal USA** o/o **Arma Xpress (Artiscape CA)**, breeder part owner Jim Currie's Kemprust Pty Ltd, did exceptionally well in May/June with 4 consecutive wins including 2 metro. Had a small let-up and returned in August. Second up started at 20/1 from 2 on the backline, dropped back quickly to get 3 back the fence and protected that position in a blistering lead out front. Drove up behind the leader in the back straight as the field shuffled positions, got clear at the top of the straight and strode away to win the \$26,000 Fillies and Mares FFA from the brave front runner by 3.6m in 1:56.1;



- ♥ 4yo **Paroquet** – **Shadow Play** o/o **Smooth Moven (Walton Hanover USA)**, owner/breeder Paula Petricevich. A late starter going great guns this season. Three consecutive country wins in April, another in May. Won in July and next up started a short priced favourite from 1, began fast and held the lead, better than even time throughout, sprinted clear down the back, well clear into the straight and went on to a dominant win in the \$20,250 Pace by 13m in 1:57.3, last half 58.7;

- ♥ 4yo **Patrikiar** – **Renaissance Man** o/o **So Crimsonandclova (Bettors Delight USA)** owner/breeder Graeme Davies. Fast out from 4 to get the sit behind the leader in a very quick lead, easy first qtr before the favourite went forward to the breeze and the pace increased, off the rails down the back to chase the new race leader and favourite who looked like the winner, took the sprint lane down the straight to grab the leader near the line and win the \$14,000 WASBA Allwood Stud Farm Virgil Queen Celebration Mares at Northam by 2.5m in 1:59.6;

- ♥ 2yo **Pocketful Of Opals** – **Foreclosure NZ** o/o **Tella NZ (Courage Under Fire NZ)**, breeder part owners Bianca and B Ashcroft, 2 wins and a place already from her 8 career starts, then started out wide in 6, very fast out in very wet conditions and got to the lead, slow lead and fist half under the heavy conditions, going well down the back, headed coming off the back but regained the lead into the straight, finished tenaciously under challenge to win the \$20,250 2YO Fillies Pace by a half neck in 2:03.1;

- ♥ 3yo **Wonderful To Fly** – **Fly Like An Eagle** o/o **Not Now Delilah (Allamerican Ingot USA)** breeders Kevin and Annette Charles. Won her previous 7 races since a loss in March. Started favourite from 5, bolted to the lead, slow first qtr before stepping up the pace, faster down the back and a length clear at the 400m, well clear into the straight and coasted to the line to win the 3YO Fillies Pace in 1:57.6, last qtrs 28.5 and 27.2. Twelve days later started favourite from 6 in the 2536m \$30,000 WASBA Country Oaks. Worked hard to get the lead in a slick lead, everyone on the bit for the duration, under challenge down the straight but had enough in reserve to move away and win the feature by 4.9m in 1:58.2; and

- ♥ 2yo **Zephyra** – **Sweet Lou** o/o **Tricky Styz (Jeremes Jet USA)** owner breeders Jesse and Marie Moore, resumed in June after a 10 week break. Won first up at metro level then a place. In August impressively won her heat of the Diamond by 14m, then started second favourite from 7 in the final, no rush out then circled the field to sit in the breeze with 2 laps to go, raced up to hit the lead at the 400m, dashed away coming into the home straight and went on to win the \$100,000 Diamond Classic by 9.6m in 1:58.9, last qtrs 28.7 and 29.1.

Some wonderful performances by some very talented fillies and mares.



Total stakes paid to fillies and mares in August 2022 was \$730,000, substantially up on August last year and \$170,000 up on July 2022. The increase to stakes should have a very positive impact on racing. Westbred fillies and mares earned \$501,000 in stakes and additionally collected \$157,000 in Westbred and First Win Bonuses.

After the first 8 months of the season, fillies and mares have earned \$5.1 million in stakes and \$977,000 in Bonuses, slightly more than the equivalent months in 2021. So far this year there has been 68 fillies or mares who have received the First Win Bonus.

The number of mares racing in August 2022 increased by over 12% compared to the previous month and August last year. With the change to novice driver concessions commencing on 2 September, we are keen to see if this impacts the results for mares in particular, with owners able to make better use of HWOE and \$L5.

In August 2022, WA mares contributed 62% of the racing mares, with Westbred 2yo fillies comprising 86% and Westbred 3yo fillies comprising 93% of fillies racing. All up, 163 Westbred fillies and mares raced in August 2022, which is 14% higher than August 2021 and 8% higher than July 2022.

## **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS *thank you if you have paid***

A big welcome to our new members!

The membership year finishes on 31 August 2022 and we would certainly like to thank the many members and new members who have already paid their 2022 (for year commencing 1 September 2022) membership.

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Congratulations to our Raffle winners, our successful Tenderers and especially to our forthcoming winners of the ten \$500 Stallion Service vouchers – for use at studs that supported us for the raffle or stallion Tender. To be eligible for the draw, you must pay your membership renewal by 30 September and have participated in either the Raffle or Stallion Tender. New members who participated in the Raffle or Stallion Tender are also included in the draw.

WASBA members should have received the hardcopy 2022 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 **5 October 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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