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BREEDING AWARD DINNER / GALA NIGHT

WASBA's annual Breeding Award Dinner / Gala Night was held on Friday, 21 October when 120 guests recognized Western Australian breeders, enjoyed great racing at Gloucester Park and bid on a wide range of stallion services, boat cruises and other auctions to raise money for WASBA to use for further promotion of the breeding industry.

Congratulations to all the breeding award winners: Harry Capararo (Breeder of the Year); Neven Botica (Breeding for Excellence); Robert Watson (Breeding for Excellence); Yankee Sensation (2YO Stallion of the Year); Rich and Spoilt (3YO Stallion of the Year); Sensational Gabby (2YO Filly of the Year); Artemis Belle (3YO Filly of the Year); Northern Luck (All Aged Stallion of the Year) and Lite Jewel NZ (Broodmare of the Year).

Congratulations also to the Breeders of the Month: John Coffey (September 2010); Mark Stroud (October 2010); IW and MJ Wunnenberg (November 2010); Rob and Kym Humphries (December 2010); James Draper (January 2011); Terry Cook (February 2011); Leo Wallrot (March 2011); Ross Torre (April 2011); Karen Young (May 2011); Harry Capararo (June 2011); Neven Botica (July 2011); and Bob Fowler (August 2011).

The achievements of the sub two minute performances were also recognized and WASBA congratulates those winners.

W.A. BASED SIRES (October)

Fifteen WA based sires produced 33 individual winners of 34 races. **Northern Luck** did best of the local sires with 6 individual winners. Next best was **Rich And Spoilt** and **Righteous Hanover** with 4 winners. **Armbr Intercept** and **Lifes Not Fair** both produced 3 winners for the month. **Has The Answers** was the only WA sired pacer to win at a GP Friday night meeting in October. Overall WA sired horses only won 34 (17.3%) of the 197 races run in October which is their worst effort for some time.

WESTBRED HORSES

Westbreds won 84 (42.6%) of the 197 races run in October with Imports from NZ and the Eastern States winning the other 113 (57.4%) races. It was the usual story at GP Friday night meetings with Westbreds only winning 5 (12.5%) races and the Imports 35 (87.5%) races. At GP midweek meetings Westbreds won 8 (33.3%) of the 24 races and at Pinjarra meetings Westbreds only won 7 (22.6%) of the 31 races. Westbreds did best at Central Wheatbelt meetings where they won 17 (71%) of the 24 races. They also performed well at Kalgoorlie meetings winning 19 (63.3%) of the 30 races and at Northam where they won 10 (62.5%) of the 16 races. At Bunbury meetings Westbreds won 13 (54%) of the 24 races. It was great to see the Co - C2 Westbred Only race at the 22 October Harvey meeting split into three races with full fields of 12 starters. The winners paid \$33.70, \$12.00 and \$15.00. However, many more "Westbred Only" races need to be programmed each month to encourage industry members to breed and race Westbreds. There were only five "Westbred Only" races programmed in October which helps, but is not enough to make a real difference.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO?

23 F/M's races were programmed but 6 "fell over" so only 17 (8.6% of all races) F/M's races were run in October. Ten (10) of the F/M's races were won by NZ and ES Imports so Westbreds only won 7 (41%) of the F/M's races. Of the other 180 (197 – 17) races where the "girls" competed against the "boys" the "boys" won 153 (85%) races and the "girls" only 27 (15%) races. Overall F/M's only won 44 (22.3%) of the races run in October. Westbred F/M's had a bad month only winning 28 (14.2%) of the total races run in October. At GP Friday night meetings F/M's only won 4 (10%) races and **ALL** of these were won by NZ and eastern states imports.

Owners who are racing Fillies and Mares (and in particular Westbred F/M's) are finding it hard to cover costs. We desperately need a much greater number of F/M's races programmed each month and many of these must be "Westbred Only F/M's" races. Also, F/M's races must not be allowed to fall over – allow the race to go ahead with only 5 starters.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH (October)

Congratulations to Dr Ed Dewar who bred the 5yo gelding Bountiful Hanover (Righteous Hanover x Bountiful Whitby) who won at Kalgoorlie on 8 October. Bountiful Hanover has a record of 47 starts for 9 wins, 11 places, best mile rate of 1:58.8ms and stakes in excess of \$47,000. Bountiful Hanover has been a consistent performer at the Kalgoorlie track over the past three months with 11 starts for 3 wins, 3 seconds, 2 thirds and 2 fourths. Bountiful Hanover is the first foal and only winner so far from his race winning dam, Bountiful Whitby (Mystical Prince x Palace Bound). The unraced grand dam, Palace Bound (Booth Hanover x Whitby Heritage) produced Medusa Run (Mystical Prince), 15 wins, 12 places, and \$76,060 in stakes and Blissful Snag (Blissful Hall) who up to date has recorded 14 wins, 28 places and \$125,705 in stakes. Whitby Heritage (the dam of Palace Bound) was a great race mare with 66 starts for 22 wins, 18 places and stakes of \$201,758. Her dam was the wonderful broodmare gem, Remit, who has also produced Whitby Timer (\$314,899), Whitby Merit (\$168,598), Fiscal Miss (\$53,854) and Trev Leo (\$49,708).

SUB TWO MINUTE PERFORMANCES (October)

In October 9 Westbred pacers qualified in **1:59.0** or under. Winners were Annual Vacation (Northern Lights) **1:58.4**, Death Adda (Rich and Spoilt) **1:58.8**, Elegant Demon (Life Sign) **1:57.7**, Go Some More (Badlands Hanover) **1:57.4**, Grinjaro (Grinfromeartoeat) **1:55.7**, Has the Answers (Legacy of Power) **1:55.1**, Itsallabout Nicole (Courage Under Fire) **1:55.7**, Itsallabout Nicole (Courage Under Fire) **1:57.8**, Son of Fergie (Totally Western) **1:58.0**, That's Ambitious (Rustler Hanover) **1:58.7**.

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