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AWARD GALA DINNER

What a great night - held in the Golden Nugget Room at Gloucester Park on Friday 26th October 2012. We had an excellent attendance of 146 guests to witness the awarding of the various breeding awards and to enjoy an excellent three course meal over a three hour period together with wine, beer and soft drinks available for a four hour period. We would like to extend our thanks to the caterers, Red Pepper and their excellent staff.

WASBA extends its congratulations to the following Award Winners:-

2yo Stallion of the Year "Northern Luck" - 3yo Stallion of the Year "Northern Luck" and the 2011/2012 Overall Stallion of the Year "Northern Luck". Ross Torre accepted all three Awards.

Overall Broodmare of the Year 2011/12 – This year two Awards were given; "Lovera NZ" – D. Lewis and "Queen Delilah" – K & A. Charles.

2yo Filly of the Year – "Arma Xpress" – K. & A Charles and 3yo Filly of the Year – "Sensational Gabby" – D.T. Roberts, DJ Anderson, SL Bevan, NL Champion & JA Farrell.

Breeding Awards:

12 Breeder of the Month Awards, September 2011 – E. O'Connor, October 2011 – Dr. E. Dewar

November 2011 – K. Wood December 2011 – B. Lovett, January 2012 – M. Guy & P. Borg

February 2012 – I. Davie, March 2012 M. Howie, April 2012 – Royalstar Pty Ltd, May 2012 – H. Capararo, June 2012 - D. Lewis, July 2012 – Royalstar Pty Ltd, August 2012 - A. Thompson.

We congratulate all these WASBA members and encourage them to continue breeding.

WA Breeder of the Year was won by Royalstar Pty Ltd – Ross Cooper

WASBA had three Breeding for Excellence Awards this year and these were won by Tarsao Investments Pty Ltd – B. Cousins and K. Marsh and NV, ME & VL Brockman.

Breeding Gem Awards were won by "Royal Tour" – K & A Charles, "Snookanite" – KF Keys and RA Gaunt, "Elite Dynasty" – Tarsao Investments Pty Ltd – B. Cousins.

These Awards were presented during the evening between races together with the drawing of the continuous raffle (we thank those who donated the 26 prizes). We also successfully auctioned one Private Box at GP. These boxes hold 15 people and all food and drinks are included. WASBA extend our thanks to the Gloucester Park Harness Racing. Also we wish to thank the following studs who donated a service to their stallion for auction on the night:- Alabar Farms, Vic - Sheridan Enterprises – Burwood Stud, Qld, - Colsworld Standardbreds WA, Rembrooke Park, WA - Loddon Valley Stud, Vic, Long Stud, WA and Empire Stallions, Vic.

During the night we presented the Sub-Two Minute Badges – These were awarded to the owners of horses who had run a time better than 1.59 and the owner must be presented, (or arrange for someone present) to collect the badge.

FIVE NEW HARNESS RACING LEGENDS INDUCTED INTO HALL OF FAME

Following a gala function at Perth's Convention Centre there are now five more harness legends in the West Australian Racing Industry Hall of Fame.

Champion pacers from the past in Binshaw and Preux Chevalier, both Interdominion winners (Binshaw was the first WA bred winner) were inducted along with trainer/ drivers Fred Kersley Senior and Trevor Warwick, and administrator J P Stratton.

For the full story and history about these fantastic champions of the sport visit

<http://www.rwwa.com.au/home/15298.html>.

To go to the Hall of Fame website, visit <http://www.waracinghalloffame.com.au/>.

WESTBRED HORSES (September)

September was not a good month for Westbreds as they only won 57 (34.5%) of the 165 races. At the 4 GP Friday night meetings Westbreds won 7 (17.5%) of the 40 races. Six of the Westbred winners were by WA Based Sires and have been mentioned elsewhere in the Newsletter. The other GP Friday night winners were Son of Fergie, (Totally Western) – breeder Tarsao Investments Pty Ltd.

WESTBRED HORSES (October)

Once again Westbreds didn't fare too well only winning 77 (38.5%) of the 200 races run this month. At GP Friday night meetings Westbreds won 6 (15%) of the 40 races. Two of the Westbred wins were in \$8000 Pathway races. Three Westbred winners not mentioned in other sections of the newsletter were: Grinjaro (Grinfromeartoeart) – breeder S. Johnson; Glow Bright – breeder Elderbell Holdings Pty Ltd; Looks Promising (Modern Art) – breeders KJF, KT & H Charles. There were 14 Westbred Only races in October.

WA BASED SIRES (September)

In **September** 13 WA Based sires produced 30 individual winners of 34 races. Rich And Spoilt and Northern Luck both produced 5 winners for the month and Legacy Of Power, Dr Drew and Parsons Den produced 3 individual winners. WA Based Sires won 6 races at GP Friday night meetings. They were North Toa Luck Star, (Northern Luck) – breeder Bruce Crabb; On All Fours (Kinney Hanover) – breeder AP Kay, MJ Van Rens and E Manolas; Dalvey Gold (Kinney Hanover) – breeders ARG and RG Creyk; Theyallneedlovin (Righteous Hanover) – breeders RJ Saw, E Fairhaust and GJ Watson; The Feather Foot (Righteous Hanover) – breeder C. Lindsay; Libra Belle (Dr Drew) – breeder Tom Francis.

WA BASED SIRE (October)

In **October** 15 WA Based Sires produced 37 individual winners of 42 races. Northern Luck had an outstanding month with 11 individual winners of 14 races. Rich And Spoilt and Kinney Hanover did well with 5 individual winners and Parsons Den sired 4 winners. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the following WA sired pacers that won races at GP Friday night meetings:- Death Adda (Rich And Spoilt)- breeder H Capararo, Libra Belle (Dr Drew) – breeder TF Francis; Erris Lad (Northern Luck) – breeder GM Harney. WA sired pacers won 42 (54.5%) of the 77 races won by Westbreds in October.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO? (September)

Of the 165 races run in September 16 (9.7%) were F/M's only races. Imports won 11 of these races so Westbred F/M's only won 5 (31.2%) of the F/M's only races. Of the 149 races open to both males and females the F/M's won 19 which are 12.8% of these races. There were 4 F/M's Only races run at GP Friday night meetings and they were all won by Imports. F/M's won 3 (8.3%) of the 36 races open to males and females at GP Friday night meetings. Two of the 3 winners were Imports so Westbred F/M's only won 1 (2.5%) races at GP Friday night meetings in September. Overall F/M's won 35 (21%) of the races run in September. Imported F/M's won 19 of these races so Westbred F/M's won 16 (10%) of the races run in September. The only Westbred mare to win a race at GP Friday night meeting was the 5yo, Libra Belle (Dr Drew x Adelaide Belle) – breeder Tom Francis who won a Pathway Westbred Only race for C2 plus pacers.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO? (October)

Of the 200 races in October 19 (9.5%) were F/M's Only races. Imported F/M's won 14 of these races so Westbred F/M's only won 5 of the F/M's only races. Of the 181 races open to both males and females the F/M's won 32 (17.7%). Westbred F/M's won 18 (9.9%) of the races open to both males and females. Overall F/M's won 51 (25.5%) of the 200 races run in October. However, Westbred F/M's only won 23 (11.5%) of all races. At GP Friday night meetings F/m's won 7 (17.5%) races, 4 wins were in F/M's Only races and 3 wins against the "boys". Imported F/M's won 6 of these 7 races so only 1 (2.5%) race was won by Westbred F/M's at GP Friday night meetings in October. Congratulations to the connections of the 5yo mare Libra Belle (Dr Drew x Adelaide Belle)-breeder TF Francis.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH (September)-

Congratulations to Tom Francis from Boyanup who bred the 5yo mare Libra Belle (Dr Drew X Adelaide Belle), a good winner in a Westbred Pathways race at GP on Friday 28th September. Libra Belle has now had 37 Starts for 7 wins, 7 Places and stakes of \$34,771. The dam of Libra Belle, Adelaide Belle (Lucky Cam X Lukarly), also did well on the race track with 5 wins and 8 places from just 19 starts. She is also doing very well in the breeding barn with the first 3 of her 4 foals winning races. These are Joshua Creek (Parsons Den) 3 wins, 2 places, Stakes of \$6925; Joshua Reign (Barnett Hanover) 7 wins, 18 places, stakes of \$43,448 and of course Libra Belle. The grand dam, Lukarly (Young Symbol), besides producing Adelaide Belle also produced the mare Alabar Belle who is the dam of another of Tom's horses, Lucky Drew, 7 wins, 15 places and stakes of \$44,162

BREEDER OF THE MONTH (October)

Congratulations to Mike Howie who bred two individual winners for the month. The 4yo gelding Copagrin (Grinfromeartoe X Red Hot Copper) who won (in a very fast 1:54.7) at Pinjarra on the 22nd October and again at Harvey one week late in 1:56.6. His other winner also at Harvey, was the 4yo mare Better Whitby (Bettors Delight X Mysstee Whitby). Copagrin has had 24 starts for 6 wins, 4 places and \$34,414 in stakes. His dam, Red Hot Copper (Fake Left X Copper Strike), only raced 8 times for 1 win and 5 places. Red Hot Copper is also the dam of the top mare Copper Beach Girl (Jennas Beach Boy), who has a record of 84 starts for 14 wins, 24 places, stakes of \$156,851 and a best mile rate of 1:56.2ms. She is also the dam of a, as yet an unraced, 2yo filly by Art Major. Unfortunately Red Hot Copper died in November 2011 when in foal to Shadow Play. The grand dam, Copper Strike (Maple Lanes Strike), was both a good race and brood mare. Her record was 61 starts for 13 wins, 12 places, stakes of \$91,644 and a best mile rate of 1:58.8ms. In the breeding barn she produced 5 winners from 6 foals, the best of which are Strike North (Northern Lights) with 17 wins, 33 places and stakes of \$81,239 and Willowleaf Boy (Perfect Art) with 3 wins, 11 places, stakes of \$74,200 and best mile rate of 1:57.7ms.

STOP PRESS

The September winner, Libra Belle, followed up her Pathway success with a win in a F/M's race at GP on Friday 26th October in the smart time of 1:56.0ms. She was 2nd in a similar F/M's race the previous week.

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The Committee extends a welcome to all our members, and especially those in the country areas. We look forward to hearing from you on any subject you may wish to bring to the notice of your Committee.