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MARES CREDIT SCHEME FOR WA

It is great to be able to inform members that a WASBA recommendation for a Mares Credit Scheme (MCS) put forward to the Manager Harness Racing, Mr. Barry Hamilton, was well received and a Mares Credit Scheme will commence on 1 March 2013. Mares who win C and M class races will have a 10% equivalent of the winning stake put into a trust account set up by RWWA. When the mare retires from racing, its accumulated MCS funds can be redeemed for payment of stallion services for that mare. There will be a "cap" on how much a mare can accumulate in its MCS fund of \$5,000. See attached information regarding the scheme from RWWA!

GLOUCESTER STANDARDBRED SALE

The 2013 Sale was held on Sunday, 24th February 2013. WASBA on behalf of the Sale Company organised the Yearling Parade with assistance from the Standardbred Pleasure and Performance Horse Association. We thank the two Judges, Kristy Padburg and Heather Pow, who did an excellent job and also would like to thank Alan Parker who once again compared the Parade, and as usual did an excellent job.

The sale itself was a huge improvement on the last couple of years with a clearance rate of 86%. There were originally 104 entries in the sale, 6 were withdrawn, 14 passed in and 83 sold for a total of \$1,120,500.00 The overall average was \$13,500 with the break-up being Fillies average \$13,338.73 and colts \$16,489.13 - Hopefully this successful sale will induce breeders to return their mares to the breeding barn.

RESIGNATION

WASBA reluctantly accepted the resignation of Graham Compson. Graham has been a WASBA Committee member for many years and a Past President. Graham has worked hard for the breeding industry over a long period of time and his expertise will be very much missed.

CHANGES TO BREEDING SEASON

At the recent BOTRA AGM a motion for the breeding season to be moved back to September was voted on overwhelmingly. The reasons given for the motion included changing seasons changing (climate change); animal welfare (foals born in summer months); thoroughbreds and New Zealand not changing their seasons. What are **your** thoughts regarding this? Email us at wasbasec@hotmail.com and give us your view!

WA BASED SIRE (January)

In January 20 WA based Sires produced 54 individual winners of 67 races (30.3%) of all races. This was a great effort by the progeny of WA Sires as they were not far behind NZ Imports who won 70 races (31.7%) The progeny of Rich And Spoilt had a great month with 9 individual winners of 12 races. Next best was Northern Luck whose progeny produced 7 individual winners of 9 races. Legacy Of Power produced 5 winners of 7 races. Saab and Pacific Fella both had 5 winners for the month and Parsons Den 4 individual winners of 5 races. WA sired pacers did well at GP Friday night meetings winning 6 races (4 geldings, one 3yo filly and one mare) congratulations to the 4 geldings and their connections - Death Adda 7G (Rich And Spoilt) – breeder Harry Capararo; Dalvey Gold 6G (Kinney Hanover) breeder ARG and RG Creyk; Adda Paternal Suit (Rich and Spoilt) – breeder Harry Capararo; California Dreams 6G (Shattering Class)- breeder PI Asplin.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting was held on 16th February 2013. If you were unable to attend and would like the President's Report for 2012 or any other information please contact our Secretary Andrea Willis, details listed below.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO?

Of the 221 races run in January 27 (12.2%) were F/M's Only races. For the 4 month period (September 2012 to December 2012) the average number of F/M's Only races was 10.2% so the January 2013 result is up by 2%. The F/M's won 27 (13.9%) of the 194 races open to both males and females. Overall F/M's won 54 (24.4%) of the races run in January. Westbred mares (4 years and older) won 16 of the F/M's only races and 17 of the races open to both males and females. Therefore Westbred Mares won 33 (14.9%) of all races for the month. At GP Friday night meetings F/M's won 5 (4 F/M's only and 1 race against the "boys") of the 40 races which represents 12.5. % of all races. The 5 F/M winners were all Westbreds. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the following Westbred F/M's that won races at GP Friday night meetings. Maggie's Mystery (Artesian)- breeder Kim Marsh; Cool Adda (Chill Factor) won 2 races- breeder Harry Capararo; Alkira Jetstar (Jet Laag)- breeders NV and ME Brockman; Lucky Diva 3F (Northern Luck)- breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd.

WESTBRED HORSES

It was a great month for Westbreds who won 129 (58.4%) of all races run in January. This is definitely the best result for Westbreds so far this season. Westbreds also did well at GP Friday night meetings, winning 15 (37.5%) of the 40 races. Busselton proved to be a great venue for Westbreds, they won 23 (82%) of the 28 races run over 4 meetings in January. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the following Westbreds who won at GP Friday night meetings. Son Of Fergie (Totally Western) , 2 wins, breeder Tarsao, Investments Pty Ltd; Talon Spike (Panorama) breeder – GA Turner; Major Catastrophe (Art Major) breeder David Young; Daniel John (Blissful Hall), breeder John Bell; Extreme Dreams 3G (Dream Away) breeder Kim Marsh. Another 9 Westbred winners are mentioned in other sections of the newsletter. There were 14 Westbred only races in January, 3 of which were F/M's races.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH (January)

Congratulations to owner/ breeders Lee and Gaye Jamieson from Brunswick whose 6 yo mare, Sherry Lee Jay (Northern Lights x Young Time Scale), had a well deserved win at Narrogin. This was the mare's first win after several places against good opposition. Sherry Lee Jay's record now stands at 25 starts for 1 win, 7 places and stakes of \$9,387. Sherry Lee Jay is the 5th foal from the dam, Young Time Scale (Young Symbol), whose best foal to date is Libran Sign (Crouch) with a record of 5 wins, 13 places and stakes of \$28,797. Well done to Lee who is also the trainer/driver of Sherry Lee Jay.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

Stay up to date with WASBA news at our website www.wasba.com.au. It's full of information and is being regularly updated.

Have your say or have a query? - contact WASBA at wasbasec@hotmail.com or call 0447 053 040.

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Our **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** will be Wednesday 20 March 2013. If you would like to raise any issues for discussion or comment regarding any aspect of the breeding, please contact us by:

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- Write to WASBA at PO Box 3387 Success WA 6964.
- Contact any committee member.