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WA GIRLS IN BREEDERS CROWN FINALS SUNDAY 17 AUGUST

It's fantastic to see two WESTBRED's in the finals on what is marketed as Australia's greatest day of Pacing – Breeders Crown Finals Day at Melton Victoria.

Add to this is that these two finalists are a Westbred filly and a Westbred mare.

Lady Willoughby, by **Allamerican Ingot** out of great broodmare gem **Amongst Royalty**, has drawn barrier 6 in the very rich \$297,000 Fillies Final. She has had 11 starts for 4 wins 2 seconds and a third. A lovely filly who has already done well for owner- breeder **Allwood Stud**, trainer Ross Olivieri and driver Chris Voak. Allwood Stud is owned by Bob and Marilyn Fowler and they have put a huge amount into racing in WA and more recently into the breeding industry since they bought the Bullsbrook property previously known as Royalstar Farm with Mick Holtham staying on as stud manager. They are also great supporters and sponsors of WASBA.

Even better is that **Allamerican Ingot** (2nd on the Australian list of first season sires last year) stands at Allwood Stud so Lady Willoughby is also a West Sired filly! How impressive is that?

Arma Xpress by (**Artiscape** out of quality mare **Arma Antionette**) has drawn barrier 3 in the 4 year old Mares Final racing for \$100,000. She is a great representative for WA breeding with an impressive 15 starts for 12 wins and \$278,000 stake money to date. Jim Currie bred and owns her and with Donald Harper being her trainer driver. We can also say that Jim has been and is a great supporter of WASBA's Stallion Raffle in our three years of running this incentive.

All of WA wishes Bob, Marilyn, Ross, Chris, Mick, Jim and Donald and everyone else connected with these two finalists much luck and safe racing on Sunday. GO THE GIRLS!

Arma Xpress is in race 1 at 10.05am WA time. Lady Willoughby is in race 6, 1.04pm WA time Sunday 17 Aug.

WASBA 2014 RAFFLE CLOSSES 29 AUGUST

Have you got your WASBA Raffle tickets yet?? Don't miss out on your ticket, with great prizes for the lucky winners.

A flyer with all the details is attached/included with this newsletter, or you can download a flyer from the WASBA website www.wasba.com.au. Or simply send a cheque for the correct amount (maximum 5 tickets per person) to WASBA, PO Box 1270, Booragoon WA 6954 along with your name, address and phone number so that we can send you a ticket. Or email your details to info@wasba.com.au and pay direct to WASBA account **BSB 036 043 Account 129810**. Or catch up with one of our ticket sellers (Jeanine, Joe, Howard or Denise Trobe on course and pay cash. Good luck with your purchase!

Mach Three and **Rock N Roll Heaven** are the choice for First Prize. This is the only way you can get a service to Mach Three in Australia as his Australian book for 2014 is CLOSED.

There are only 200 tickets at \$100 each. And there are other prizes as well:

- **SECOND PRIZE \$1500** Breeding Voucher
- **THIRD PRIZE \$1000** Breeding Voucher
- **FOURTH AND FIFTH PRIZE** are for WASBA Members only and are Breeding Vouchers worth **\$750** each.

This is our third stallion service raffle, with the two stallions on offer for first prize being two of the most sought after stallions in the world.

Mach Three 1:49 \$2,376,700 was in the top echelon as a racehorse, and as a sire he has shown that he can produce the exceptional racehorse – **Somebeachsomewhere** in the northern hemisphere and A/NZs best juvenile in recent times, in **Auckland Reactor** are examples. Outside of his US and Canadian standouts, he has also produced **Mysta Magical Mach** and **Captain Joy** – both millionaires; terrific juveniles in **Fly Like An Eagle**, **Mah Sish**, **Majestic Mach**; and top mares like **Venus Serena**, **Famous Alchemist** and **Millwood Meg**. All in all, about \$30 million in stakes won by Australian and New Zealand bred horses.

The younger **Rock N Roll Heaven** 1:47.6 \$2,748,818 was an exceptional 2 and 3yo. Unplaced only twice in his career, he was voted Dan Patch Horse of the Year, Pacer of the Year, 3yo Pacing Colt of the Year and World Champion. He won major races on every size track, from the **Little Brown Jug** on the half mile Delaware track to the **New Jersey Sires Stakes** on the one mile Meadowlands circuit. He is out of an Artsplace mare, his half brother Clear Vision won over \$1,750,000 and he is off to a fantastic start with his first crop of 2yos in the US.

The **raffle closes 29 AUGUST 2014** and is drawn **5 September**. You have a great chance to win a prize, and WASBA uses the funds raised to provide stakes or breeder bonuses for fillies and mares and Westbred races.

WESTBRED, FILLIES AND MARES OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

The final mares Claiming event is programmed on **16 September** for stakes of \$7,000. There has not been much take-up of these events so this may be the last. However, if you are not interested in breeding from your race mare, you still have the option of putting her into Also Eligible Claimers, but at a much lower claiming price. Let us know what you think about claiming opportunities for mares.

Three **\$14,999 Heats** for M0 Fillies and Mares will be run in October at Gloucester Park, with the series named after another of our champions of the past - the Preux Chevalier. There will be a **\$25,000 Final**. A good opportunity for the M0 girls with the Heat winners again only taking a C class penalty.

October will also see another round of \$8,000 Heats for Westbreds and a \$14,999 final. All C class penalties!

3YO RACES PROGRAMMED IN SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Just another reminder about the 3YO races programmed at the start of the new season in September and October. There is one 3yo FILLIES RACE PROGRAMMED EACH FORTNIGHT, along with 2 open 3yo races programmed each week! Be ready with your late 2yo or early 3yo. This is an opportunity to grab some early money. Bonuses are the same no matter what time of year you win.

NEW HARNESS REPRESENTATIVE STARTS TERM ON RWWA BOARD

Mr Matt Benson-Lidholm has commenced a two year term as the Harness Representative on the RWWA Board. Matt was the guest of WASBA at the Northam meeting for the running of the **Virgil Queen Celebration Pace on 12 August** and was more than happy to chat with those on course on the night. We thank Ross Cooper for his tireless efforts in representing Harness Racing as the former Harness Representative on the RWWA Board

WASBA MIXED SALE BY TENDER

[The Tender period is closed for the WASBA Mixed Sale by Tender.](#) Vendors have been sent the bids and will contact the Tenderers. Lots that remain available after the vendors have made their decision will be listed on the Wasba website along with a Reserve price. So check back soon.

WASBA GALA DINNER / BREEDING AWARDS NIGHT

The WASBA Gala Dinner and Awards Night will be held on Friday **17 October!!** A flyer is included with your newsletter. **Included again will be the Lot Draw for the 2015 Gloucester Standardbreds' Yearling Sale.**

Awards for our Westbreds include Horse of the Year, Broodmare of the Year, 2yo and 3yo Filly and Aged Mare, Stallion Awards, Breeder of the Year and for our Breeders, the Breeder of the Month Award (unlike the other awards, this monthly award is only open to WASBA members). It's a great value night out at \$60 per person.

Better still if you book a table of 8 to 10 or you are a *WASBA member* it will only cost \$55 per person. You get **gate entry, finger food, drinks 5.30pm to 9.30pm (draught beer, wine, soft drinks, coffee), 3 course meal, chance to win door prizes, raffle prizes and an exciting 10 race programme.** Tickets are NOW AVAILABLE, so get some and have a great night. Send a cheque to WASBA for the correct amount with all the details, or pay directly to the WASBA account **BSB 036 043 Account 129810** and email us the details.

STALLION SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR TENDER

This year as part of our fund raising and breeding promotion efforts we are making stallion services available for Tender instead of auctioning them at our Awards and Gala Dinner Night. This will give more breeders a chance to access some very nice stallions for the forthcoming season. The stallions available are (in alphabetical order):

- **Allamerican Ingot 1:50.6 \$1,238,935** (millionaire sire of Blueridge Western 1:49.6 \$1,611,534, Eagle All 1:49.8 \$558,354, second on Australian first crop sire list in 2012/13 and sire of Westbred Classic winner All Aussie Boy)
- **Art Official 1:47 \$2,085,185** (beat Somebeachsomewhere, oldest Australian crop is 2, sire of Official Liberty 1:54.4, who is out of a Northern Lights mare, and in the US - Lets Drink On It 1:48.3 \$293,392, Cinamony 1:51.4 \$134,553)
- **Cams Fool 1:50.4 \$858,979** (sire of 2yo filly Sea Me Smile 2:00 \$44,935 from only 8 foals in his first crop)
- **Grinfromeartoeat 1:50.2 \$1,746,009** (millionaire sire of millionaires Mister Big, Mr Feelgood and Australia's Smiling Shard and sire of our own Mister Jadore)
- **Highview Tommy 1:55.2 \$974,843** (first season sire, first time offered! By Bettors Delight out of a Christian Cullen mare!)
- **Lombo Mandingo** (sire of Maddy White 1:57.5 \$75,812, Jumbalaya Lombo 1:54.5)
- **Lombo Pocket Watch** (one of the greatest juveniles in Australia winning \$1,000,000 as a 2yo, winning 23 of his first 25 starts, stunning winner of the Golden Nugget)
- **Modern Art 1:50.4 \$1,055,233** (millionaire sire of Cuttheattitude 1:53.5 \$410,568, WA 2yo Isaiah Artois 1:58.3 \$89,918, Leda McNally 1:54 \$297,258)
- **Tinted Cloud 1:51.2** (sire of the almighty Smoken Up 1:48.5 \$3,603,415, Jaccka Clive 1:53.8 \$483,263, Richard Henry (1:49.6 \$453,305)
- **Yankee Sensation 1:49.8** (sire of *the* Sensational Gabby 1:54.8 \$527,705 and another sensation in Shirlz Sensation 1:56.1)

A Tender Form is attached, and is also available from our website www.wasba.com.au

Many thanks to the donating studs in **Alabar** (Grinfromeartoeat and Art Official) **Allwood Stud** (Allamerican Ingot, Cams Fool, Lombo Mandingo and Tinted Cloud), **Empire Stallions** (Modern Art), **Hollywood Park** (Yankee Sensation) **Yirribee** (Lombo Pocket Watch) and **Woodlands Stud** (Highview Tommy).

Results of the Stallion Service Tender will be announced at the Awards Gala Dinner Night being held on Friday 17 October 2014.

Of course, if you put in a Tender and you let us know that you have an empty mare and need to know the result sooner, we will advise you as soon as possible after close of Tenders at the beginning of October.

HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR WASBA 2014 MEMBER SURVEY?

Last call for your Survey Form. Please send it in or call 0447 053 040 to give your answers over the phone. Summary of the responses will be in next month's newsletter. Thank you to everyone who has completed their form – you have been great.

WASBA/ALLWOOD STUD FARM VIRGIL QUEEN CELEBRATION PACE

With support from Northam Harness Racing Club and Allwood Stud Farm (Bullsbrook), the 2014 \$14,999 **WASBA/ Allwood Stud Farm Virgil Queen Celebration Pace** was run at Northam on 12 August and won by the Harry Capararo bred 4yo mare **Gota Good Lookadda** (by **Rich and Spoilt** out of Smooth View). A beautifully rated front running drive by young Maddison Brown and they just couldn't catch her. A nice training effort from Colin Brown and it was great that the family was on course to collect the rug and trophy provided by WASBA as a memento for this race.

More on Maddison and Gota Good Lookadda in Racing Ahead and TrackBred.

Many thanks to Northam and especially to General Manager Verna Friend for the great support for this event. A lovely racebook memento of Virgil Queen and Les Marriott for those interested might still be available if you make enquiries. Best wishes to Verna.

REDUCED STALLION SERVICE FEES FOR WA BREEDERS IN 2014

Debra Lewis's Hollywood Park in Hopeland (Larkhill area) have negotiated a special discount rate to some of Australia's and New Zealand leading Standardbred Sires. Up to 20% discount off the service fee. This discount is only available to mares bred on farm. You can email Debra at hollywoodpark@bigpond.com to find out what discounts are being offered on some of the best sire's in Australasia. Or call on 0417 954 220 or visit the Hollywood Park website www.hollywoodparkequine.wix.com/hollywood-park-. Hollywood Park also offers a full range of services from breeding to an on farm stallion and importing semen, foaling down, weaning foals, halter breaking, sales preparation, pre-training, paddock agistment and individual irrigated paddocks for race horses. And dont forget that Debra also stands Western Hanover sire **Yankee Sensation USA** (the sire of Sensational Gabby 1:54.8 \$527,705, Shirls Sensation 1:56.3 and Kiss Chasey 1:55.3 \$103,778).

ALABAR BLOODSTOCK DISCOUNTS FOR WASBA MEMBERS IN 2014

Along with the multiple mare discounts and early bird discounts (pay by 20 September for a 20% discount) offered to all breeders, **John Coffey from Alabar** is offerering WASBA members some discounts up to \$700 for the 2014 season if you have only one mare that you are thinking of breeding with an Alabar Stallion. The discounts mean that Alta Christiano will cost \$2,400, Grinfromeartoeaer \$3,500 and Auckland Reactor \$2,600 as examples. You must note on your booking form that you are a WASBA member and Alabar will confirm with us. For details of the discounts that apply contact either WASBA 0447 053 040, email info@wasba.com.au, or John. Remember if you are booking multiple mares in, then different discounts apply of between 10 and 20%. Or contact the Alabar office on 03 5859 2201 or visit the Alabar website to see what they can do for you.

MORE REDUCED STALLION SERVICE FEES IN 2014 FOR WA BREEDERS

Regal Farms' Neville Cranston is again offering some outstanding reduced service fees to WASBA members on a wide range of high profile stallions, but you must book through the Regal Farm Broodmare Bulk Booking Program. Along with others, these are three top stallions that Neville has been able to arrange some excellent service fee offers for:

- **Mcardle** (Falcon Seelster - Lilting Laughter by Nihilator) p2, 1:53f; p3, 1:49 \$2,455,609, standing at Nevele R Stud, New Zealand (www.nevelestud.co.nz);
- **Million Dollar Cam** (Cams Card Shark – Jate Mate by Jate Lobell) p3, 1:50.2h \$969,792, standing at Yirribee Pacing Stud, NSW (www.yirribee.com.au);
- **Pet Rock** (Rocknroll Hanover – Casual Beauty by Artsplace) p4, 1:47m \$1,985,820 standing at Yirribee Pacing Stud, NSW (www.yirribee.com.au).

Before you book your mare in, contact Neville at Regal Farm to confirm the reduced price. The Regal Farm Broodmare Bulk Booking Program arrangement MUST be noted on the relevant Stud's Booking Form, along with the reduced stud fee provided through Neville's Program. Once the Stud Farm confirms your booking and the agreed fee, the Stud Farm will invoice you, at the reduced fee, in accordance with the conditions of the booking contract. For more information and full details, contact Neville at Regal Farm 0417 436 203 or email to regalfarm1@bigpond.com. Contact details are also available on their website www.regalfarm.com.au.

NOW WE ARE RACING - MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN JULY

- **David Hercules (Artesian)**, breeder Steve Johnson, continuing his stellar run, beating Im Themightyquinn in 1:55.3 in June before consecutive wins in July in the \$35,000 Winter Cup and another FFA;
- **Mister Jadore (Grinfromeartoeaer)**, breeder Patrician Park, B Coffey and J Boag, winning the \$100,000 Westbred Classic Final for 3yo colts and geldings;
- **Im Bella Jay (Kenneth J)**, breeders Dean and Reece Kaptein, winning the \$100,000 Westbred Classic Final for 3yo Fillies after winning the 2yo leg twelve months before;
- 8yo gelding **Our Gent (Resurgent Dragon)**, breeder Ian Davie, winning two consecutive standing start races over 7 days, starting from a 50m handicap in both over the 2500m journey;
- NZ filly **Major Reality (Art Major)** winning the Group 3 \$35,000 Gold Bracelet;
- **El Machine (Elsu)** breeder Ian Davie, winning the \$25,000 Manea Classic at Bunbury for 4 and 5yos, in 1:56.5;
- **So Crimsonandclover (Bettors Delight)**, breeder Mike Howie, winning a 1780m event for fillies and mares at Northam, setting her career best mark of 1:57.2.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – June

Congratulations to our **Breeders of the Month Bob and Marilyn Fowler, from Allwood Stud Farm**, who bred the **Major In Art** colt “**Artillery Major**”, the winner of a Heat of the Pearl in June at his third lifetime start. He had previously won in March at Northam in his first ever start in a race. Artillery Major ran second in the final of the \$100,000 Pearl Classic. Bob and Marilyn also bred **Might Be Luck** who won a discretionary standing start event three days later. Bob might be thinking of the one he missed because he also bred **Made of Dreams**, the dam of **Straittothehilton** who won the \$100,000 Westbred 2yo Fillies Classic in June.

Artillery Major is out of **Parsons Den** mare **Save On Me**, who was also bred by Bob and Marilyn and won 5 races and \$35,175 during her 31 start career. Artillery Major is the third foal, with the first being the **Million To One** mare **Money Time Milly** (3 wins and \$27,957). Major In Art's oldest foals are 3 and include Major Sam 1:54.7 \$86,570.

Bob and Marilyn have been big contributors to Harness racing and its nice to see that they can continue to breed good winners. Bob and Marilyn also bred very promising 2yo filly **Lady Willoughby**.

WA BASED SIREs – June

In June the progeny of 18 WA based sires produced 29 individual winners of 31 races. **Northern Luck** sired 6 individual winners of 6 races, **Allamerican Ingot** sired 4 winners of 5 races and **Rich and Spoilt** sired 2 winners of three races including two wins by 2yo filly Straittothehilton.

Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the 6 WA sired pacers that won 6 races at GP Metro Stakes meetings. The girls Straittothehilton and Lucky Joy are included in the Fillies and Mares section. The other 4 winners were:-

- ❖ **Might Be Luck (Northern Luck)** breeder Allwood Stud, won a \$17,000 stand event over 2500m;
- ❖ **Pride of Colorado (Saab)** breeders R Grantham and T Schmedjie, won Claiming event in 1:57.9;
- ❖ **All Aussie Boy (Allamerican Ingot)** breeder breeders Quaddie Club Syndicate, K, T and J Gibellini won the 2yo Colts and Geldings \$100,000 Westbred Classic
- ❖ **Paramedic (Dr Drew)** breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd, won a Westbred Pathway.

WESTBRED WINNERS – June

Westbreds won 78 (44.8%) of the 174 races run in the month of June, down from 49.3% in April but slightly up on May (43.3%). Nowhere near the March 2014 figure of 56.1%. At Gloucester Park Metro stakes meetings 13 individual Westbreds won 14 (35%) of the races, a big increase on May (16%). And the increase wasn't just about percentages – included in these races was 2 \$100,000 Westbred Classics for the 2yos and the \$100,000 2yo Pearl Classic for colts and geldings. There were 24 Westbred races run in June, including the two \$100,000 2yo Classics, which is slightly down on the 27 races run in May.

Sires (of Westbreds) that did best of the sires based outside of WA were **Modern Art** (4 individual winners of 5 races), **Bettors Delight** (3 for 5 races), **Artesian** and **Grinfromeartoeart** (3 winners of 3 races each).

Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the 13 Westbreds that won races at Gloucester Park Metro Stakes meetings. Four of the winners are mentioned in the WA bases Sires section and three are in the Fillies and Mares section. The other Westbred winners were:

- ❖ **Isaiah Artois (Modern Art)**, breeder Steve Johnson, won the International Animal Health \$102,000 Pearl Classic;
- ❖ **David Hercules (Artesian)**, breeder Steve Johnson, won a \$21,000 FFA over 2130m in 1:55.3 last half 54.9 beating Im Themightyquinn;
- ❖ **Black Aquila (Totally Ruthless)** breeder Total Strategy Pty Ltd, won a \$17,500 M0 over 1730m;
- ❖ **Smooth Caesar (Rustler Hanover)** breeder Steve Johnson, won a Claimer over 2130m;
- ❖ **Say It Now (Bettors Delight)** breeders Kevin and Kody Charles, won a Westbred Pathway and followed up with a \$17,500 M0-M2 win over 2130m in 1:57.6;
- ❖ **El Machine (Elsu)** breeder Ian Davie, won an \$18,000 M2-M4 over 2130m in 1:57.4.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO (June)

There were 27 fillies/mares races in June, which is equivalent to 15.5% of the total races for the month. Included in this were the \$100,000 2yo Diamond Classic and \$100,000 2yo Fillies Westbred Classic. Fillies and mares won an additional 20 open races (11.5%), meaning that fillies and mares won 27% of the 174 races for the month. Of the fillies and mares races, 5 were for 2yo fillies, 4 for 3yo fillies, with the remaining 18 being C, M and R class races.

Compared to June 2013, this year's figures are up by 1. The number of fillies/mares races dropped from 31 run in June 2013, with the 2 less 2yo and 3 less 3yo races. Fillies and Mares did however pick up slightly more open races. Given less races for the 2yos, the fillies Sea Me Smile and New Zealand filly Major Reality went out against the boys and won. Casey Isabella and Usual Chaos did the same in the open 3yo races.

The Westbred fillies and mares won 31 (17 F/M races and 14 open) races, compared to the June 2013 figure of 30, with the New Zealand mares Jungle Genie winning the \$30,000 4yo Mares event and the 2yo filly Tricky Styx winning the \$100,000 Diamond Classic. Included in the races won by Westbred fillies and mares were 5 races restricted to Westbred fillies/mares. This is well down on the 11 F/M Westbred races run in May which included running the Heats and \$30,000 Final of the Westbred Mares Pace. The May race was a great opportunity for the Westbred girls and we want to see this continue so make sure you let MHR Barry Hamilton know how important it is for the race to be included in the program early enough for more mares to be ready.

At Gloucester Park Friday night meetings nine Fillies/Mares (two more than May 2014) won 9 metro stakes races, including 2yo NZ filly Tricky Styx who won the Del Basso Smallgoods \$100,000 Diamond Classic, 4yo NZ mares Jungle Genie who won the \$30,000 Clipsal and Schneider Electric 4yo Mares Pace and Am Opulent, winner of the \$25,000 Final of The Lombardo.

Three of the Friday night winners were Westbred, better than the previous month but still less than we are targeting. Congratulations to the connections of the 3 Westbred winners at Gloucester Park metro meetings in June:

- ***Arousing (Western Terror)*** breeder Neven Botica – won a Heat of the Lombardo for M2 mares;
- ***Lucky Joy (Northern Luck)*** breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd – also won a Heat of the Lombardo;
- ***Straittotheilton (Rich And Spoilt)*** breeders Harry Capararo, L Inwood, S Tupluk – delighted her connections by winning the \$100,000 2yo Fillies Westbred Classic.

Congratulations to the connections of Straittotheilton, who spotted her at the 2013 Gloucester Standardbreds Yearling Sale and outlayed a very modest \$6,000 for her as the winning bid.

Good to see two of the \$14,999 Heats (country penalty only, no metro penalty) were won by Westbred girls.

WASBA 2014 SPONSORS

Please support your sponsors, who provided valuable funds on our Breeders Stakes night on 23 May and other occasions. They help us help you by providing the funds necessary for us to continue to provide stakemoney and breeding bonuses throughout the Year. Our first race this year was the WASBA/Allwood Stud Farm Virgil Queen Celebration Pace, with the Bob Humphries Memorial Westbred Mares Pace at Bunbury our next race.

Contact them to discuss their services or ask your stockist to order their products. Our sponsors are listed below:

- ✓ **ALLWOOD STUD FARM** in Bullsbrook;
- ✓ **BUDGET STOCKFEEDS** in Oakford;
- ✓ **FRESH EXPRESS** in Canning Vale;
- ✓ **GLOUCESTER STANDARDBREDS;**
- ✓ **INTERNATIONAL ANIMAL HEALTH PRODUCTS,**
- ✓ **LARKHILL VETS** in Port Kennedy
- ✓ **MILNE FEEDS** in Welshpool;
- ✓ **VISION PRODUCE** in Canning Vale.

YOUR TAB – DO YOU WANT IT SOLD OFF?

DOES THE PARTY YOU VOTED FOR AT THE LAST STATE ELECTION WANT THE TAB SOLD? ARE YOU PREPARED TO CHANGE YOUR VOTE TO A PARTY THAT WILL LOOK AFTER YOUR INDUSTRY?

The racing industry is working together to ensure that your interests are being put forward in discussion with government and all political parties. A Working Group has been formed and Kevin Jeavons has been unanimously elected as the spokesperson for Harness. We are right behind Kevin and the Working Group and will continue to push the government on this and seek support from all sides and all Members of Parliament to ensure that we are not losers in this process.

HOWEVER, We are AWARE that the current Treasurer Mike Nahan and previous Treasurer Troy Buswell and NOW THE PREMIER want the TAB sold. Obviously the sale of our TAB would help to build an underground railline to the airport, which the Premier is choosing to support instead of the racing industry OR hospital beds for kids. Harness Racing in EVERY OTHER STATE which has PRIVATISED THEIR TAB has been DISADANTAGED. We do not want this to happen to us. **The former Victorian Premier has admitted it was a mistake to sell their TAB.**

NO MATTER WHAT PARTY THEY BELONG TO, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL MEMBERS OF BOTH HOUSES OF STATE PARLIAMENT AND LET THEM KNOW WHAT YOU THINK. LET YOUR FRIENDS AND OTHERS KNOW HOW IT WILL IMPACT YOU.

YOUR COMMITTEE:

Kerry is still under treatment and on a leave of absence while he continues to focus on getting better. If you would like to check how Kerry is going, please call Bev on 0409 076 524.

From time to time there are vacancies on the WASBA Committee. If you consider you have a genuine interest in promoting breeding and harness racing in WA, and you have relevant experience and the time to contribute to a Committee position involving meetings and undertaking various projects, please forward a brief profile to the WASBA Secretary for consideration in the event of a vacancy. All appointments to the Committee are in accordance with the WASBA Constitution.

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Our **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** will be Wednesday 27th August 2014. If you would like to raise any issues for discussion or comment regarding any aspect of breeding, please contact us by:

- Sending an email to info@wasba.com.au .
- Write to WASBA at PO Box 1270 Booragoon WA 6954.
- Contact any Committee member.