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NEWSLETTER

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YOUR NEW HARNESS REPRESENTATIVE ON THE RWWA BOARD

The current term of Harness Representative on the RWWA Board expires on 31 July 2014. Much thanks and appreciation goes to our retiring representative Ross Cooper, who will hand over the reins to our new representative Mr Matt Benson-Lidholm. We hope to keep Matt up to date with issues affecting breeders. **Matt will be in attendance at Northam for the running of the Virgil Queen Celebration Pace on 12 August** and he will be more than happy to chat with those on course on the night.

WESTBRED, FILLIES AND MARES OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

The third Mares Claiming race is programmed for **5 August** at Gloucester Park (claiming price \$2500 to \$10,000), with the final event of this kind scheduled for **16 September**, both races for stakes of \$7,000. If there is no interest then they will not be repeated. If you are interested, make sure you enter your mare.

THIS YEAR our second **WASBA/ Allwood Stud Farm Virgil Queen Celebration Pace** has been **increased to \$14,999**, with thanks to RWWA and Allwood Stud in Bullsbrook. Don't miss this chance on **12 August** at **Northam** for your eligible C2+ M0 mare!! Virgil Queen was one of Australia's best race mares and we are proud to be associated with this event.

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 an 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

There is one 3yo FILLIES RACE PROGRAMMED EACH FORTNIGHT, along with 2 open 3yo races programmed each week during September and October! Be ready with your late 2yo or early 3yo.

WASBA MIXED SALE BY TENDER

The Tender period is OPEN for the Mixed Sale by Tender. Conditions of Tender and a Tender Form, along with the list of lots available including weanlings, 2yos (broken in and one preparation) and broodmares (both in foal and empty) are included with this Newsletter. Check the WASBA website www.wasba.com.au for the Sales Pedigrees and vendor information. Contact the vendor to discuss your preferences and/or make arrangements to inspect your lots of interest. Put in a Tender when you have worked out your price. **Tenders close 15 August 2014.** Tenders can be submitted to WASBA by post or email. If you are unable to download the pedigrees from the website, you can contact WASBA to arrange for a copy of the pedigrees to be sent to you.

WASBA 2014 RAFFLE

THE 2014 RAFFLE IS UNDERWAY!!! Tickets ARE available for our third WASBA Stallion Service Raffle! We are again giving **our WA Breeders** a chance to **breed to the best stallions available** in Australia and New Zealand. There are only 200 tickets at \$100 each.

We are very pleased to have **Mach Three** and **Rock N Roll Heaven** as the choice for First Prize! These are two of the best pacing stallions available anywhere in the world.! 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.

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 nearly \$600,000 at 2 and over \$2,000,000 at 3 including the **Little Brown Jug** on the half mile Delaware track, the **Breeders Crown** on the 5/8 track at Pocono, the **New Jersey Sires Stakes** on the one mile Meadowlands circuit and the Messenger and Battle of Brandywine. He is out of an Artsplace mare and his half brother Clear Vision won over \$1,750,000.

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. With the funds raised in the last couple of years we have introduced three races for the M0 Westbred mares - the WASBA Allwood Stud Farm Virgil Queen Celebration Pace at Northam; the WASBA Bob Humphries Memorial Westbred Mares Pace at Bunbury ; and the WASBA King-Lethbridge Memorial Westbred Mares Pace. Our previous successes have been the the Golden Girls Mile, the Breeders Stakes and the 3yo Dainty's Daughter Classic. And we are looking to include a Country Oaks on our list.

The flyer with all the details is attached with this newsletter. You can also download a flyer from the WASBA website www.wasba.com.au. Or you can 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 you can catch up with one of our ticket sellers (Jeanine, Joe, Howard or Denise Trobe on course and pay cash. Good luck with your purchase!

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)
- **Grinfromeartoear** 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)
- **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 and 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)

Many thanks to the donating studs in **Alabar** (Grinfromeartoear and Art Official) **Allwood Stud** (Allamerican Ingot, Cams Fool, Lombo Mandingo and Tinted Cloud), **Empire Stallions** (Modern Art), **Hollywood Park** (Yankee Sensation) and **Woodlands Stud** (Highview Tommy). More information on the Stallion Tender (not to be confused with the Mixed Sale Tender which closes on 15 August 2014) will be available shortly. Results of the Stallion Service Tender will be announced at the Awards Gala Dinner Night to be held on 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.

WASBA GALA DINNER / BREEDING AWARDS NIGHT

The **WASBA Gala Dinner and Awards Night** will be held on Friday **17 October**. 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 available soon, so book the date in.

HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR WASBA 2014 MEMBER SURVEY?

There is a lot happening so it's hard to keep up, but if you have forgotten to send in your Survey Form then please do so now. If you have lost the form then give us a call on 0447 053 040 and we can take your answers over the phone. It will only take about 5 minutes to complete.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN JUNE

- **David Hercules (Artesian)**, breeder Steve Johnson, returning to racing after a 3 month break and winning the FFA over 2130m, beating Im Themightyquinn rating 1:55.3 and last half of 54.9;
- Jesse Moore's NZ yearling purchase **Tricky Styx (Jeremes Jet)** winning the \$100,000 2yo Diamond Classic. A great future for this filly;
- **Isaiah Artois (Modern Art)**, breeder Steve Johnson, winning the International Animal Health Products \$100,000 2yo Pearl Classic. Another one for Steve Johnson and the David Hercules family;
- **Straittothehilton (Rich And Spoilt)** breeders Harry Capararo and L Inwood and S Tupluk, winning the 2yo fillies \$100,000 Westbred Classic. This filly was purchased at the yearling sale by her very happy owners;
- **All Aussie Boy (Allamerican Ingot)** breeders Quaddie Club Syndicate, KR, TD and JR Gibellini winning the 2yo Colts and Geldings \$100,000 Westbred Classic. A very happy clan.

Both of the 2yo Westbred Classics were won by progeny of WA based sires.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – May

Congratulations to our **Breeder of the Month Colleen Lindsay** who held up the Westbred flag for May by winning three races in eight days at Gloucester Park Friday night meetings, with three different sires represented in the breeding. **Firebomb** (by **Elsu**) and **The Feather Foot** (by champion WA horse **The Falcon Strike**) won on 9 May and **Pacific Playboy (Pacific Fella)** won on 16 May. Colleen also bred 2yo **Bettor Twisted** (by **Bettors Delight** out of Tiffany Twisted) who won at Harvey on 6 May. Tiffany Twisted is a half sister to Colleen's top mare and 2013 Breeders Stakes winner **Centrefold Angel** 1:55.2 \$237,348.

The Feather Foot, son of The Falcon Strike, has been a very lucrative purchase for his new connections over the last 6 months and it was great to see the progeny of a horse that WA is so familiar with in racing terms be represented on the track with a winner. The Feather Foot's win in the \$18,500 Gannon's WA Owned And Operated Pace brought his earnings to \$172,921 from 14 wins, with a best mile rate of 1:56.7. **Goody Four Shoes**, the dam of The Feather Foot, is a half sister to Fac Et Spiro 1:50.8, \$386,695.

WA BASED SIRES – May

In May the progeny of 14 WA based sires produced 22 individual winners of 23 races. **Northern Luck** sired 5 individual winners of 6 races, **Barnett Hanover** produced 3 individual winners. Great to see Barnett Hanover is excelling in a different field, winning Show medals and ribbons as a standardbred stallion and confirming what an excellent and versatile breed they are.

Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the 3 WA sired pacers that won 3 races at GP Metro Stakes meetings:-

- ❖ **The Feather Foot (The Falcon Strike)** breeder Colleen Lindsay, won an \$18,500 M1-M3 over 2130m in 1:57.1, last half in 57.2;
- ❖ **Pride of Colorado (Saab)** breeders R Grantham and T Schmedjie, won over 2130m in 1:57.1, last half in 57.3;

- ❖ **Pacific Playboy (Pacific Fella)** breeder Colleen Lindsay, won the \$17,000 Ross North Homes Discretionary Stand over 2503m in 2:00.3. Let's hear it for stands!.

WESTBRED WINNERS – May

Westbreds won 84 (43.3%) of the 194 races run in the month of May, down from 49.3% in the previous month and 56.1% in March 2014. At Gloucester Park Metro stakes meetings 6 individual Westbreds won 6 (12%) of the races. This is well down on previous months. There were 27 Westbred races run in May, including the \$30,000 RSM Bird Cameron Westbred Mares Final at Gloucester Park won by La Stella Del Mare, following Heats at Narrogin, Pinjarra and Northam. A good effort in a very competitive race.

Sires (of Westbreds) that did best of the sires based outside of WA were **Bettors Delight** and **Modern Art** (both with 4 individual winners of 7 races), evergreen **Jet Laag** (5 of 5) and **Courage Under Fire** had 3 individual winners of 5 races.

Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the 6 Westbreds that won races at Gloucester Park Metro Stakes meetings. Three of the winners are mentioned in the WA bases Sires section and one is in the Fillies and Mares section. The other Westbred winners were:

- ❖ **Firebomb (Elsu)**, breeder Colleen Lindsay, won a Westbred Pathway after winning the Shire of Kellerberrin CWHRC Cup three weeks earlier;
- ❖ **Oneheart Twofists (Courage Under Fire)**, breeder Total Strategy Pty Ltd, won an M0 over 1730m in a slick 1:55.3, then followed up 8 days later with a win at Harvey.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO (May)

There were 29 fillies/mares races in May, which is equivalent to 14.9% of the total races for the month. Included in this were Preludes for the Oaks and WASBA Breeders Stakes as well as the Final for both events. Fillies and mares won an additional 17 open races (8.8%), meaning that fillies and mares won 23.7% of the 194 races for the month. Of the fillies and mares races, 5 were for 2yo fillies, 7 for 3yo fillies, with the remainder being C, M and R class races.

Compared to May 2013, this year's figures are fractionally down, with an increase in the number of F/M races (by 1) but a drop of 2 in the open races won by Fillies and Mares.

The Westbred fillies and mares won 29 (16 F/M races and 13 open) races, compared to the May 2013 figure of 40, with the New Zealand mares Libertybelle Midfrew, and Famous Alchemist and the 2yo filly Tricky Styx taking 6 races. Clearly a drop. Included in the races won by Westbred fillies and mares were 11 races restricted to Westbred fillies/mares. This is a big increase on the previous month mainly due to the running of the Heats and \$30,000 Final of the Westbred Mares Pace. This race was a great opportunity for the Westbred girls and we certainly would like to see it scheduled again next year. Again, it's important to have these races in the program and we will continue to promote these events to RWWA. You can do this also.

At Gloucester Park Friday night meetings seven F/M (same as April 2014) won 9 metro stakes races, including one open race won by the 2yo NZ filly Tricky Styx who beat the boys in the \$50,000 Slater Gartrell Sports Midland Champagne Classic. Great effort. Congratulations to Jesse Moore for his prowess at picking her out at the Yearling Sale in New Zealand.

Only one of the winners was Westbred, down on the figures for May last year and demonstrating a very tough month all around for the Westbreds. Temporary we hope. Congratulations to the owner/breeders Terry Ferguson and S Lewis (Terry is also trainer) who bred the only metropolitan winning Westbred mare in May:

- **La Stella Del Mare (Live Or Die)** owner/breeder Terry Ferguson and S Lewis – who won the inaugural \$30,000 Westbred Mares Pace.

Congratulations also to Melissa Howie, owner and breeder of **Delightful Jade** (by Bettors Delight) who won the \$20,000 Ray De Campo De Memorial 2yo Fillies Pace at Bunbury in a slashing mile rate of **1:55.9**.

WASBA 2014 SPONSORS

The 2014 WASBA Breeders Stakes on 23 May was won by **Mach Three** mare **Famous Alchemist**. A **big thank you to our sponsors** who, along with making our May 23 Breeders Stakes night a great success, have provided valuable funds for WASBA to reinvest in Westbred and fillies and mares races and breeder bonuses for the industry. **Please support your sponsors**, they are supporting your industry. Contact them to discuss their services or ask your stockist to order their products. Our sponsors are listed below:

- ✓ **ALLWOOD STUD FARM** in Bullsbrook;
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YOUR TAB – DO YOU WANT IT SOLD OFF?

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.

We are aware that the current Treasurer Mike Nahan and previous Treasurer Troy Buswell want the TAB sold. Harness Racing in EVERY OTHER STATE which has PRIVATISED THEIR TAB has been DISADANTAGED. We do not want this to happen to us.

WHETHER THEY ARE LIBERAL, LABOR OR ANY OTHER PARTY, 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:

At this stage Kerry, our President, is still on a leave of absence and is still in Perth while he undergoes treatment. If you would like to have a chat to Kerry or even visit, 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 30th July 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.