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NEWSLETTER

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WASBA RAFFLE

...is currently being organised. Stay tuned – we are keen to follow in a similar vein to previous raffles and get top class stallions, along with providing Voucher prizes that can be used on stallions at the participating studs. Our past Voucher winners have got very good value by using their vouchers on service fees for Art Major, Betterthancheddar, Roll With Joe, Grinfromeartoe and others.

Some of our Voucher winners have supported our raffle even though they no longer had a broodmare and sold their winning Voucher to another keen breeder, with both parties winning from the process. That is definitely allowable – we want to encourage breeding in WA – so as long as it means that the voucher goes towards a mare being served in WA this coming season, we are more than happy with the result and hope you are too.

Don't forget to get a ticket or two when they become available.

BREEDING SEMINAR

Currently being organized for early August. Stay tuned. If you are standing a stallion in WA or are providing breeding services we will be happy to provide this information to attendees. So if you have a current flyer or brochure, or are preparing one, please let us know.

WESTBRED, FILLIES AND MARES OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP



- 2yos - The Heats of the Diamond are on 26 May at **Gloucester Park**. The **\$100,000 Diamond Final** will be at **Bunbury** on 5 June.
- The Heats of the Pearl are on 2 June at **Pinjarra**, with the **\$100,000 Pearl Final** at **Bunbury** on **12 June**.
- On **26 June** there will be 2 separate **\$25,000 Westbred** races for the fillies and colts/geldings
- The **2yo \$100,000 Westbred Classics** for 2yo fillies and colts/geldings is on **3 July**
- 3yos - Separate **Westbred \$25,000** races are on 26 June for 3yo fillies and 3yo colts/geldings
- Separate **3yo \$100,000 Westbred Classics** for 3yo fillies and colts/geldings is on **3 July**
- The Pinjarra Daintys Daughter Classic qualifying heats for 3yo fillies are on 13 July, with the \$17,500 final on 20 July
- Mares - \$14,999 Heats of the Fillies and Mares Lombardo for M0 Mares are being held on 5, 12 and 19 June with the **\$25,000 Final** on 26 June.
- \$17,500 races for **M0/M2** mares are scheduled for 19 June (Bunbury) and 17 July (Gloucester Park)
- PBD/Sex/\$L6 races are scheduled for the \$35,000 Winter Cup on 3 July, a \$22,500 FFA on 31 July and the \$35,000 August Cup on 28 August, all races over 2536m

COUNTRY OAKS AND KING-LETHBRIDGE MEMORIAL PACE

With the success of these events (WASBA King-Lethbridge at Pinjarra on 20 April and Country Oaks at Bunbury on 24 April) we will definitely be following on with the sponsorship for these events next year at the two clubs concerned. Thanks to Pinjarra and Bunbury for their support and for being keen to continue with these events.

MEMORABLE MOMENTS IN APRIL

- ♣ The Anzac Day meeting at Bunbury with The 10th Light Horsemen on course, some excellent racing and the return of the Country Oaks with a good field of Westbred fillies. The race was won by **Delightful Jade** (Bettors Delight). In recognition of the history behind this event and seeing this race being a quality race into the future, WASBA is paying \$140 to the starters placed 7th to 11th. We look forward to next year's Country Oaks.
- ♣ A good performance by 4yo mare **Maddy White** (Lombo Mandingo) to win the WASBA King-Lethbridge Memorial Westbred Mares race at Pinjarra. A solid effort by Maddy, with a very good mile rate of 1:56.9 to win by nearly 9m. Well deserved, and more to come we hope. Great to see that many members of the Howie family were on course to support Maddy and receive the trophy, rug and garland supplied by WASBA and presented by Harvey Trotting Club President and WACHRA President Bruce Jones;
- ♣ A great week for Melissa Howie, who bred the 2yo Bettors Delight filly **Bettor Bling** (as well as her full sister Delightful Jade) winner of the 2yo fillies \$100,000 Sales Classic. Bettor Bling won by just over 1m in 1:58.7;
- ♣ A double to Callan Suvaljko, who trained and drove both of the 2yo winners of the \$100,000 Sales Classics. **Rocknroll Whitby** (Rocknroll Hanover) took out the boys event in 1:58.1; and
- ♣ Great effort by the Busselton bullet **Smokey The Bandit** (Jet Laag) to win the prestigious \$25,000 Manea Classic at Bunbury after winning the \$25,000 the Clarke Final a week earlier.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – March

Congratulations to our **March Breeders of the Month, Pat and Ron Borg**, who bred the 5yo gelding **Smokey The Bandit (Jet Laag)** out of Cheers To All by **Barnett Hanover**. Smokey The Bandit won a Heat and Final of the \$25,000 The Clarke. He finished with a scintillating burst in the Heat and won the Final by 6m in an impressive 1:55.9. Smokey has since won the \$25,000 Manea Classic at Bunbury, bringing up a treble, and this followed 3 consecutive seconds (including the Bridgetown Cup and \$30,000 Harvey Cup).

Smokey The Bandit is the only foal of his dam Cheers To All, and she in turn is the only filly from her dam Viognier.

Smokey has now won \$210,072 from 15 wins which included the \$50,000 Nights of Thunder and the \$25,000 Derby Consolation. He was also placed second in the \$175,000 Golden Nugget. All this for a horse that was sold for \$2,000 at the Yearling Sale.

Congratulations to Pat and Ron.

WA BASED SIRES – March

In March the progeny of 11 WA based sires produced 30 individual winners of 34 races, 6 less race wins than the previous month. On top of the list was **Rich And Spoilt** (6 winners of 8 races) followed by **Allamerican Ingot** (6 winners of 7 races) and **Northern Luck** who produced 6 winners of 6 races. The dual winners were Adda Rising Star and Straittothehilton (Rich and Spoilt), All Aussie Boy (Allamerican Ingot) and Another Vinnie (Legacy Of Power).

In the 3yo brigade, **Rich and Spoilt** produced 4 winners of 5 races and **Allamerican Ingot** produced 3 winners of 4 races. At 30 April, **Allamerican Ingot** was 3rd on the WA 3yo Sires list, in dollars earned, behind only Bettors Delight and Art Major.

Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the 5 WA sired pacers that won 6 races at GP Metro Stakes meetings. Sensational Gabby and Adda Rising Star are included in the Fillies and Mares section. The other three winners were:

- ♦ **Onunga (Parsons Den)** breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd, won a 2130m Pathway by nearly 13m;
- ♦ **Ti Amo Franco (Franco Terminator)** breeder D Jackson and E and R Annandale, great finishing burst to run down a very classy field in the \$22,500 Ker Gold Pellet Pace over 1730m, mile rate 1:54.7; and
- ♦ **Another Vinnie (Legacy Of Power)** breeder Les Coulson, won effortlessly in the Heat in 1:56.7 then flashed home to win the Westbred Final in 1:57.7.

WESTBRED WINNERS – March

Westbreds won 102 (48.3%) of the 211 races run in the month of March, lower than the 56.1% won in March last year but not far below *our target* of 50% of race winners being Westbred. Keep asking your local club to run more Westbred races. There were 29 Westbred races run in March 2015 (more than last year), including the Heats and \$14,999 Westbred Final, 3 Council Derbies and a \$10,000 race for fillies and mares at Northam (Great work Northam!).

The sires (of Westbreds) that did best of the sires based outside of WA were **Art Major** (5 winners of 6 races), **Blissfull Hall** (4 winners of 5 races), **Village Jasper** (continuing his run with 4 winners of 4 races), **Bettors Delight** and **Jet Laag** (both 3 winners of 4 races).

At Gloucester Park Metro stakes meetings 11 individual Westbreds won 13 (32.5%) of the races.

Congratulations to the breeders and connections of these 11 Westbreds. Three of the winners are mentioned in the WA bases Sires section and 4 in the Fillies and Mares section. The other 4 Westbred winners were:

- ♣ **Rusty Rockets (Blissfull Hall)** breeders D and C Brown, M Howie and I Whitehouse, won the \$10,000 Wagin Cup in February, then followed a fifth and two good wins at Gloucester Park, with the win in the , \$17,500 Tabtouch Pace over 2536m being quite impressive;
- ♣ **Jasper Freeway (Village Jasper)** breeder Geographe Treelopping Services, won his sixth race in 9 starts when he won Heat 1 of the Westbred Series;
- ♣ **Smokey The Bandit (Jet Laag)** breeder Pat and Ron Borg, won Heat 3 and the \$25,000 Final of The Clarke following a 2nd in both the Dash For Cash at Bunbury and the Bridgetown Cup; and
- ♣ David Hercules full brother **Hugh Victor (Artesian)** breeder Steve Johnson, won Heat 2 of the Westbred Series in 1:57.4.

Our WA bred horses had success in some of the Country Cup events run in March. **Kimba Bay (Artistic Fella)**, owner breeder Doug Sutton, won the \$10,000 Bridgetown Cup (he won the \$30,000 Albany Cup in January) and **Disco Spirit (Life Sign)**, breeders John and Sue Awcock, won \$10,000 Collie Cup.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO (March)

Overall fillies and mares won 54 (25.6%) of the 211 races run in March - 33 (15.6%) of these races were open races and the remaining 21 (10.0%) races were restricted to fillies/mares. There were 5 (3 2yo and 2 3yo) age restricted races, with the remaining 16 being open to Fillies and Mares.

It is good to see that in percentage terms the total number of fillies and mares winning (25.6%) is higher than in March last year (25.1%). However, 28 fillies and mares races were run in March 2014 compared to 21 this year, and the number of races run this year was 2 less than the number programmed.

We are very keen to see all the fillies and mares opportunities fully utilised to ensure the same opportunities continue to be provided. If you have any suggestions for fillies and mares racing, whether it is about timing, classes, conditions etc, please let us know by ringing a Committee member or emailing us at info@wasba.com.au .

The Westbred fillies and mares accounted for 36 wins (14 F/M races and 22 open) races, one less than February 2015 and 4 less than March last year. There was 6 races restricted to Westbred fillies and mares. Great to see. **Thanks to Pinjarra, Narrogin, Northam and Bunbury.**

At Gloucester Park Friday night meetings 5 Mares won 5 metro races, including NZ mare The Parade, winner of an M0-M1 Mares race. NZ mare Jungle Jewel also won the \$25,000 Greenfields Liquor 4yo Pace at Pinjarra.

Congratulations to the connections of all the mares who won at Gloucester Park during the month. Four of the Friday night winners were Westbred and Sensational Gabby is in the list for the third successive month. The Westbred winners at Gloucester Park metro meetings in March were:

- ♥ **Sensational Gabby (Yankee Sensation)**, breeders Roberts, Anderson, Beven, Champion and Farrel, won the \$22,500 Positive For Pacing FFA after leading, in a mile rate of 1:56.7 over the 2536m and taking her stake earnings over \$700,000;

- ♥ **Here Comes Zoe (Village Jasper)**, breeder Patrician Park, took her stake earnings to just over \$96,000 with her 3rd win in 4 starts in a \$17,500 M0 Fillies and Mares Pace over 1730m;
- ♥ **Sheer Rocknroll (Rocknroll Hanover)**, owner/breeder Bob Fowler's Allwood Stud Farm, won the \$19,999 Western Crown for 2yo fillies with a flying finish to win easily by 8m at her second start. She also took home the Westbred Bonus, the first time this race has qualified for the Bonus; and
- ♥ Our 2014 King-Lethbridge Memorial winner **Adda Rising Star (Rich And Spoilt)**, breeder Harry Capararo, took herself into the M1 class with a win in a \$17,500 M0 mares race over 2130m in 1:58.6, taking her to 16 wins and earnings just under \$180,000. Not bad for an M0 mare.

WESTBRED BONUS SCHEME

Some great recent results show the benefits of the changes to the scheme. West sired filly Lady Willoughby won the Oaks Prelude at Gloucester Park in May, and thereby won a double Westbred Bonus for the win. Lady Willoughby has picked up more than \$20,000 on Westbred Bonuses this season, along with her stake winnings of \$26,913.

The Western Crown Classics, the Country Oaks, the de Campo Classics have all run (or will be) for \$19,999, bringing them into eligibility for the Westbred Bonus, which applies to all 2 and 3yo races under \$20,000.

All Country Council Derby placegetters also received the Westbred Bonus, thanks to WASBA and RWWA.

We have had great assistance in getting these changes through from RWWA, and RWWA Handicapper Warren Wishart in particular.

WANT TO BUY OR LEASE OR SELL A MARE?

Do you want to buy or lease a mare? Are you interested in breeding but don't know how to get started or can't afford it on your own?

WASBA is keen to put like minded people in touch with each other so that you can partnership together to breed that foal. It doesn't matter whether you want to breed to sell or race. WASBA is sure that there are others out there who would love to share the excitement of breeding a foal. It also doesn't mean a large outlay of funds as there are many mares available to lease or buy and experienced industry people who can guide you through the process.

Just let us know if you have an interest and we will try to put you in touch with other people who have also expressed an interest and you can go from there.

Contact WASBA on 0447 053 040 or email to info@wasba.com.au .

Alternatively, we can assist with a Harness Racing Australia (HRA) Trading Ring advertisement, or you can obtain lease forms or information from RWWA. If you are having difficulty getting the required forms from the RWWA website, either contact RWWA direct or we will contact RWWA for you and forward you the forms.

Are you interested in selling or leasing out your mare? We are prepared to include a short notice in the Newsletter and on the Breeding page of our website www.wasba.com.au . Please see below for notices for this month:

NOTICE:

- **Broodmares for sale or lease, proven and unproven. Contact Ian Davie on 0412 625 540 for more information.**

YOUR TAB is on the line – You can PETITION YOUR LOCAL MEMBER

If you would like us to forward you a petition form for you to gather signatures and then forward to your local member, please contact us on 0447 053 040 or info@wasba.com.au . We want to encourage the government of the day as much as possible to **not consider** selling or giving away our TAB.

WANT TO SEE ANYTHING ELSE IN YOUR NEWSLETTER?

Call us on 0447 053 040 or drop us an email to info@wasba.com.au and let us know what you would like to see.

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| ✓ Gala Restaurant in Applecross | ✓ Red Pepper Catering, and |
| ✓ Landmark, | ✓ RWWA's TABTouch |

YOUR NEW SECRETARY!!!!!!😊

It's a big welcome to **Megan Schrader**, who starts as our Secretary at the end of May. I hope you will all make her welcome as she settles in to her new role.

Megan has a very famous family name, as well as belonging to the Coleman clan of Dainty's Daughter fame. We are looking forward to working with Megan.

YOUR COMMITTEE

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 by email or post 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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Don't forget to check out the website from time to time for news, breeding information, links to various items of interest and contact information. If you didn't already know, the WASBA website is:

www.wasba.com.au

Our **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** will be Wednesday **27th May 2015**. If you would like to raise any issues for discussion, or comment on 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.