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NEWSLETTER

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EXPIRY OF TERM OF CURRENT HARNESS REP ON RWWA BOARD

The 2 year term of our Harness Representative Matt Benson on the RWWA Board will expire on 1 July. Matt is seeking to continue in his role. Two other applicants have also nominated for the position - Bob Fowler and Garry Scott. The Eligible Bodies (GPHR, HROA, WACHRA, BOTRA and WASBA) will vote on 15 June 2016 to finalise the selection of the Harness Representative going forward.

If you have any comments please forward them to info@wasba.com.au or phone 0447 053 040.

WESTBRED, FILLIES AND MARES OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

2yos -	The Heats of the Diamond are on 24 May, with the Heats of the Pearl on 31 May The \$25,000 2YO WEST SIRENED FINALS HAVE BEEN RESCHEDULED to 17 June to fit in better with the Westbred Classics and Golden Slipper, The \$100,000 Westbred Classics for 2yos are on 1 July, The 2yo fillies \$35,000 Gold Bracelet is on 8 July.
3yos -	Country Council Derbies are on 2 June (North Eastern Districts), 9 June (Great Southern) and 18 June (South West) – all \$10,000 plus Westbred Bonus The \$25,000 3yo West Sired Finals are on 24 June, The \$100,000 3YO Westbred Classics are on 1 July, \$8500 3CO Westbred races are again scheduled for July and August at GP.
Mares -	The \$40,000 WASBA Breeders Stakes is on this Friday 20 May over 2130m, The \$25,000 Final of the <u>NEW 4 and 5YO WESTBRED MARES SERIES</u> (for Westbred Mares who have not won a race with stakes of \$25,000 or more) is on 27 May at Gloucester Park,
Westbreds	The \$7,500 Heats of the <u>NEW 4 and 5YO KERRY CLARKE WESTBRED SERIES</u> (for Westbreds who have not won a race with stakes of \$25,000 or more) are scheduled for Narrogin (5 July), Pinjarra (11 July), and Northam (19 July) with the \$25,000 Final on 5 August at Gloucester Park We aim for high 20 to 30 Westbred races per month, so check the racing calendar for these

WASBA FACEBOOK PAGE and WEBSITE

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If you haven't already, click on . <https://www.facebook.com/WesternAustralianStandardbredBreedersAssociation> and "Like" our page!.

The website www.wasba.com.au still has all our regular stories on our Gloucester Park winners, special events and breeding news, so don't forget to visit!.

ALL GROUP 1 STARTERS RECEIVING STAKEMONEY

RWWA have acted very promptly and all Group 1 starters are now receiving stakemoney. Thanks to Noel Reilly and all involved for facilitating this very satisfying result.

END OF SEASON 3YO RACES AT GLOUCESTER PARK

These were so well received last year by trainers and connections that we are delighted to say they are again on the calendar for July and August 2016. This gives those connections and breeders a great chance to win their first race, and while they can still get a Westbred Bonus.

Whether you have a topline 3yo or something else, it costs the same to get your horse to the races. It's great to see people and horses, who may never otherwise get to win at our premier track, given a chance to do so. We hope everyone enjoys the racing, which was very competitive last year, and everyone can take home something positive from the evening. Thanks to Gloucester Park and RWWA for supporting this investment in our harness racing future.

EPONA REVIEW

The Epona Scheme was implemented on 1 March 2013, with RWWA intending to undertake an informed review in due course. WASBA has recently put forward a comprehensive review and recommended proposals, with the aim being to provide the current broodmare pool with incentives, in addition to those being received by the winning fillies and mares. WASBA's proposal was clear in that it was not seeking additional funds, but looking to utilise some of the expected unused credits, particularly where mares were not WA based or were being purchased with racing rights only etc.

RWWA will be circulating relevant information and will prepare a consolidated review paper.

2016 MEMBERSHIP

Promises promises! Yes your membership card is on its way. If you haven't paid, we will be in touch. Or, if you know you haven't paid, please go to www.wasba.com.au to complete an online form, or please contact us info@wasba.com.au or call 0447 053 040 to update your membership. You can pay for your membership by direct deposit to the WASBA Westpac BSB 036 043 Account 129810, or pay by cheque or credit card.

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RECENT MEMORABLE MOMENTS

- ♣ Some dominant runs in the \$100,000 Sales Classics by Red Hot Roxie and Allmightyjoelouis;
- ♣ The best filly in WA won the \$150,000 WA Oaks after breezing over the 2536m journey;
- ♣ Nice win by Beach Goddess (Somebeachsomewhere), in the \$19,999 De Campo Memorial at Bunbury for 2yo fillies over the mile in 1:55.8, after her second in the \$100,000 Sales Classic, bringing up 3 wins and 3 places from 6 starts;
- ♣ And Rich And Spoilt gelding Sergeant Oats ran in a good race to win the 19,999 De Campo Memorial at Bunbury for 2yo colts/geldings in 1:56.8;
- ♣ A great race in the \$14,999 WASBA King Lethbridge Memorial, with All About Pink scooting out to lead the field by a country mile, only to be caught at the top of the straight. The final wash up saw 6yo mare Living Diva (Live Or Die), recently transferred to trainer Steve Jelf, coming out on top to win in a close finish, mile rate 1:57.7.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – April

Very difficult this month with some excellent results from an exciting group of 2yo, any one of which could have been the winner. Hopefully these young horses will have their chance to win for their breeder in the future. There were some record breaking efforts, not all eligible (only members are eligible for this award). But it's in the older brigade, a very important part of our industry, that we find our winner. ***Congratulations*** go to our ***Breeder of the Month for April, Ross Torre from Royalstar***, who bred 7yo gelding ***Dredlock Rockstar (Northern Luck*** out of Maid For Life by ***Safely Kept***), winner of the \$23,000 Inthegig Pace for M2-M5 over 1730m in 1:53.9. An exceptionally good time and great to see the connections on course so excited with their win.

Congratulations to the current connections of Dredlock Rockstar, who are having a great time with their horse.

Dredlock Rockstar looked to be very promising in his early career before some enforced long breaks, but nevertheless has quietly made his way to \$166,000 in stakes. He won the Parliamentarians Cup as a 5yo, beating some very good horses.

WA BASED SIRES – April

In March the progeny of 15 WA based sires produced 25 individual winners of 31 races. **Northern Luck** led with 5 winners of 7 races, followed by **Rich And Spoilt** 4 winners of 5 races. The dual winners were all new this month with Artesian Queen (Artesian) Guns With Cows (Legacy Of Power) Fergies Son and Grashimo (Northern Luck), Cheeryrose (Parsons Den) and New World Order (Rich And Spoilt).

There were 4 West Sired winners at Friday night's premier metropolitan meetings, one listed under the Fillies and Mares section. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the West Sired winners:

- ♣ **Tyo Dredlock Rockstar (Northern Luck)** breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd, ran a super "catch me if you can" 1730m to win a \$23,000 M2-M5 in 1:53.9, first and last quarters 27.2, delighting his connections;
- ♣ **Guns With Cows (Legacy Of Power)** breeder Les Coulson, won twice in the month with a good win in a C1-C4 in 1:57.4 last quarters in 28.8 and 28.2 and followed with a super impressive win 3 weeks later at Northam by 23m in 1:56.8 over the 1780m, and
- ♣ **New World Order (Rich And Spoilt)** breeder Highlight Lodge Pty Ltd, missing a start in the Derby he was an impressive winner of the other 3yo event over 2130m in 1:56.3, last quarters 28.2 and 28.1.

WESTBRED WINNERS – April

Westbreds won 94 (46.3%) of the 203 races run in April, fractionally down on March 2016 (97) and lower in percentage terms than April 2015 (52.5%) but equal in number. This is down on March 2015 (102 winners) and lower than February, which traditionally produces more Westbred winners than March. There were 25 Westbred races run (the same as April 2015 but one less than March 2016), including one each for 2yo fillies and 2yo open, 2 each for 3yo fillies and 3yo open, and 6 for fillies/mares.

Of the sires based outside WA, **Bettors Delight** produced 11 winners of 13 races, followed by **Artesian**. **Artesian stood in WA in 2008 and arrived back in WA in 2015, so has a mix of West Sired and Westbred progeny.** He had 2 West Sired winners of 3 races and 3 Westbred winners of 5 races.

Dual winners included **Ideal Life** (American Ideal), **Major Pocket** (Art Major), **Importer Exporter** and **Mon Lillies** (Artesian), **Betshes Precious** and **Bettor Boa** (Bettors Delight), **Allmightyjoelouis** (Roll With Joe), **Dior Mia More** (Tintin In America) and **Mynameskenny** (Village Jolt) with 3 wins this month after 2 wins last month.

At Gloucester Park metropolitan stakes meetings in April, 17 individual Westbreds won 18 (36%) of the races, a good result. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of these Westbreds. Three of the winners have been mentioned under West Sired, and 7 winners are mentioned in the Fillies and Mares section. The other 7 Westbred winners were:

- ♣ **Allmightyjoelouis (Roll With Joe)** breeder Zoe Ellis, sizzled to win his first race in the Heat, then jumped straight to the lead from barrier 4 and ran a race record of 1:56.9 over the 1730m, 3rd quarter 26.5, to cruise to an 8m win in the 2yo Colts/geldings \$100,000 Sales Classic Final, his 2nd win from three starts;
- ♣ **Importer Exporter (Artesian)** bred, part owned and trained by Chris Winston, proving to be a stand specialist, won at Northam then won an \$18,000 M0 and better by 6m over 2503m, and followed that with a mid week win again over the stand journey of 2503m;
- ♣ **4yo entire Mynameskenny (Village Jolt)** breeder Glen Ross, is showing exceptional form with 6 consecutive wins, the latest being the \$25,000 Diggers Cup at Bunbury which followed a win in a solidly run \$16,500 M0 over 2130m in 1:55.7 on Derby night. What a promising horse;
- ♣ **Three Bears (Bettors Delight)** breeder Geographe Treelopping Services, followed wins in the Busselton Cup in December and the Bridgetown Cup in March with an exceptional 1:54.9 over 2130m in a C5-C9, winning by 8m;
- ♣ **Tommy Be Good (Jeremes Jet)** breeder John Coffey's Patrician Park, settled back then dashed to the front in the home run to win a C1-C4 over 2130m;

- ♣ **Walter James (Artesian)** breeder Mike Howie, started favourite from barrier 1, led and easily won a \$23,000 FFA over 2536m, running 1:58 with last quarters in 28.6 and 28.2; and
- ♣ **Wesley (Sportswriter)** breeder Lombo Standardbreds, surprised by going to the front from barrier 8, then won his 4th race from 6 starts in the \$50,000 Champagne Classic over 2130m, last 400 in 28.7

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO (April)

Overall fillies and mares won 51 (25.1%) of the 203 races run in April, compared to 58 (27.8%) in March 2016 and 44 (24.6%) in April 2015. While down on the previous month, it's still above our target of 25%. Of the wins, 18 (8.9%) of the races were open races and the remaining 33 (16.3%) races were restricted to fillies/mares. There were 20 races open to fillies/mares, along with 6 restricted to 3yo fillies and 7 restricted to 2yo fillies.

This is sixth consecutive month above our target of 25%, AND 65% of the races won by fillies and mares were won by Westbred fillies and mares.

The Westbred fillies and mares won 32 (18 F/M and 14 open) races in March. As the number of fillies and mare winners continue to increase, so do their Epona Credits, assisting their owners with breeding programs for these mares when they are retired. Thanks to, Narrogin, Bunbury (2 races each), Pinjarra (3 races), Wagin and Gloucester Park for providing races restricted to Westbred fillies and/or mares.

We continue to look for opportunities for fillies and mares in the racing program, with a 4 and 5yo Westbred Mares series (for mares who have not won a race with stakes of greater than \$25,000) has being introduced, with Heats run at Pinjarra, Narrogin and Northam and the \$25,000 Final at Gloucester Park on 27 May.

At the metropolitan stakes meetings, 14 Mares won 15 races, including 7 Westbred mares. NZ mare Im Stylish won the \$19,999 Western Crown for 2yo fillies, Major Reality won a Heat of the Johnson, Am Opulent won a \$20,000 M0-M2, 3yo filly Dame Puissant won an Oaks Prelude, Sovereign Faith won a C10-C15, Ideal Alice won a \$23,000 FFA and Victorian bred mare Bonny Under Fire won a Heat of the Johnson.

Congratulations to the connections of all the fillies and mares who won at metropolitan stakes meetings during April. The winning Westbred fillies/mares were:

- ♥ **Delightful Jade (Bettors Delight)**, breeder Melissa Howie, defied her long starting odds and surrendered an early lead before coming off the rails to make a late lunge and win the \$25,000 The Johnson Final over 2130m in 1:55.5, last quarters in 27.3 and 28.1;
- ♥ **Deluxe Edition (Jet Laag)** owner/breeders Denise Trobe and Adrian Staltari, won a Heat of the Johnson for M2 mares over 2130m in 1:56.5 last quarters 28.0 and 28.2;
- ♥ **Dodolicious (Bettors Delight)** owner/breeder/trainers Greg and Skye Bond, was dominant in a 2130m Oaks Prelude, running in the breeze position from barrier 9 and going on to win by 6m in 1:55.5;
- ♥ **Mon Lillies (Artesian)** breeders D and D Monson, 1:54.7, followed a 3rd earlier in the month with a win in a \$19,000 M0-M1 in a blistering 1:54.7, first quarter a scorcher in 27.3 and last half in 57.1, then went 1:57.6 in a C1-C4 over 2130m, last quarter 27.6;
- ♥ **Paid Twice (Blissfull Hall)** breeder Ed Dewar, heavily backed favourite and easy winner of a C1-C4 over 2130m by more than 10m in 1:57.2, last quarter 28.4;
- ♥ **Red Hot Roxy (Somebeachsomewhere)** breeder Steve Johnson, after an unlucky 4th in the Heat, flew out from barrier 9 to get the lead, going on to win the \$100,000 2yo Fillies Sales Classic clearly by 5m in a mile rate of 1:57.5, last quarter 28.5, her second win in 3 starts; and
- ♥ **Straighttothehilton (Rich And Spoilt)** breeders Harry, L Inwood and S Tupluk, settled last in a race with a super fast lead time and took the spoils, winning the 2130m race in 1:56, last quarter 27.7.

After her sensational first start performance to win in 1:53.2 at Pinjarra, congratulations to **Dior Mia More (Tintin In America)** for her decisive success 6 days later in the \$19,999 WASBA Country Oaks at Bunbury over 2569m. Congratulations also to **Living Diva (Live Or Die)**, breeder Worthy Park Stables, for her win in the \$14,999 WASBA King-Lethbridge Memorial at Pinjarra over 2185m in 1:57.7.

WANT TO BUY OR SELL A MARE?

If you want to buy or lease a mare, or sell or lease out your mare, we can include a short notice in the Newsletter and on the Breeding page of our website www.wasba.com.au or on our facebook page. We can

also assist with a Harness Racing Australia (HRA) Trading Ring advertisement, whether it is to sell or buy. For help, contact WASBA on 0447 053 040 or email to info@wasba.com.au .

NOTICES FOR MAY:

For sale or lease. Please call Cheryl McIntosh 0412 447 419 for further information:

- **3YO Filly ROSIES COURAGE (Courage Under Fire out of Albertine Rose by Albert Albert). Fully educated and ready to go on with.**

Dam a full sister to Vintage Concerto 19 wins \$163,180 and half sister to 3 other winners. Dam also a full sister to 100% producer All Star Rose.

Ian Davie still has 5 IN FOAL MARES and 2 empty mares available. Please call Ian on 0412 625 540 for further information:

- **OUR DRAGONESS (by Resurgent Dragon). Full sister to Our Gent 1:57.4 20 wins 39 places \$204,185. Served by Parsons Den. LDOS 7 Nov 2015. Tested Positive.**
- **BADRAG (Badlands Hanover o/of Our Dragoness) unraced. Oldest foal a yearling. Served by Cammibest. LDOS 13 Nov 2015. Tested Positive.**
- **MARE KIM (by Fake Left) 2:01.1, 5 wins 5 places \$20,318. Served by Modern Art. LDOS 28 October 2015. Tested Positive.**
- **WESTERN MARE (Western Terror o/of Mare Kim) unraced. Served by Highview Tommy. LDOS 13 October 2015. Tested Positive.**
- **GRINNIE WINNIE (by Grinfromeartoeat). Oldest foal 2yo. Served by Smiling Shard. LDOS 27 Nov 2015. Tested Positive.**
- **REDRAG (Red River Hanover o/of Our Dragoness) unraced. Oldest foal a weanling. Not served 2015**
- **PAMPER. 1:57.3, 10 wins 15 places \$80,330. Oldest foal 2yo. Not served 2015**

On behalf of Ray Bastin. For sale or lease. Please call Ray 0404 862 552 for further information

- **4yo mare SPARKLING DESIRE (by Tell All). Granddam a half sister to Whitbys Miss Penny. This is the family of Delightful Jade, Bettor Bling, Ima Spicely Lombo etc. Unraced due to injury.**

Still available from Max Wright are some historical trotting books, listed below. Please call Max on 0402 090 773 for further information;

- **Australian Trotting Stud Books (Volumes 5 to 9) and Year Books 1970, 1971, 1972 and 1974;**
- **1975 Volume 1 Australian Standardbred Stallion Register;**
- **USTA 1972 Sires and Dams Register (over 3000 pages);**
- **3 veterinary/self help books on Care and Training and horse diseases;**
- **Globe Derby's Greatness by Victor Dullard in 9 sections of the Australian Trotting Register;**
- **(Soft cover) life story and winning photos of Cardigan Bay**

Elections are coming up - don't let YOUR TAB go

We want the best result for our TAB, be it staying with us, or sold if there is a significant advantage to our harness industry to do so. We are yet to see any evidence of that from the government.

Any decision to sell the TAB will still need to be ratified by Parliament so YOU have the ultimate say in what happens to the TAB when YOU vote at the next election. Make sure you know what you are voting for.

YOUR SPONSORS

We would like to thank all our sponsors, both new and old, for being such good contributors to our industry. Our sponsors make it possible for us to provide sponsorship to clubs and financial and other incentives to our participants and breeders.

Please show your support for your sponsors by purchasing their goods and services, or talking to others about them. Without this valuable support our industry would suffer.

In the past year, **Alabar Bloodstock, Allwood Stud Farm, Pepper Tree Farm and Woodlands Stud** have been great supporters, along with **Aldebaran Park, Egmont Park Stud and Nevele R**, and **TabTouch and Gloucester Park** were great supporters and assisted us on many occasions.

All our sponsors, including those who assisted us on our Breeders Stakes Night are listed below. For website information and more contact details, go to the Breeding News Page of our website www.wasba.com.au :

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- ✓ **Ramsays Horse Transport, Ascot 9277 5779;**
- ✓ **Budget Stockfeeds, Oakford 9397 1659;**
- ✓ **Fresh Express, Canning Vale 9455 4800;**
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- ✓ **Vision Produce, Canning Vale 9456 5953.**
- ✓ **and RWWA's TABTouch**



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

The **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETINGS** will be on **Wednesday 25 May 2016**. 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.