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NEWSLETTER

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15 STALLIONS AVAILABLE IN THE WASBA 2017 STALLION TENDER

This year's selections for the WASBA Annual Stallion Tender are the best yet! It's a great opportunity to get very good prices on top quality stallions with **Alabar Bloodstock**, **Allwood Stud Farm**, **Cobbity Equine Stud**, **Egmont Park Stud**, **Empire Stallions**, **Larkhill Vets**, **Woodlands Stud** all assisting this year. Tenders are for the 2017/18 season and a Tender Form, along with a Flyer with more details about the stallions is attached to this Newsletter:

- **Alta Christiano** 1:54.2 - \$309,163. Sensational son of Christian Cullen and from the Black Watch female line. 1:55.4 at his first Australian start, stunning winner of 2013 WA Derby. Standing in WA.
- **Art Major** 1:48.8 - US\$2,727,224. One of the world's greatest pacing sires of all time. Champion racehorse and Breeders Crown winner. Sire of winners of over \$150 million. Standing in Victoria.
- **Betterthancheddar USA** 1:48 - US\$1,634,314, Retired fastest and richest son of Bettors Delight at stud. World record on 1/2 & 5/8 track. Group 1 winner My Sweetchillyfilly from first crop. Standing in Victoria.
- **Bling It On** 1:50.8 - \$1,591,076. Australasia's richest and fastest son of American Ideal, o/o dual Australian Broodmare of the Year. Australian 2yo and 3yo Pacer of the Year. Standing in NSW.
- **Fly Like An Eagle** 1:53.9 - \$756,178. By the mighty Mach Three. Family of Chokin and Changeover. Multiple Grp 1 winner. NZ 2yo of the Year. Won from 1600m to 3000m. Standing in WA.
- **Follow The Stars** 1:53.8 - \$707,237. By super sire Art Major from a Cams Card Shark mare. Multiple Grp 1 winner. Won 10 of 11 starts as a 2yo. Australian and New Zealand 2YO of the Year. Standing in WA.
- **For A Reason** 1:49.4 - \$1,111,470. Fastest Australasian son of super sire Art Major. Won 11 of his first 14 starts and 9 in a row as 3yo. Australian 3yo Pacer of the Year. Standing in NSW.
- **Gotta Go Collect** 1:57 - \$87,682. By Christian Cullen out of Elect To Live 1:55.5 \$577,992. Only 9 starts for 5 wins. Sire of 73 winners incl Oaks Winner Royal Counsel, Gotta Go Henry etc. Standing in Qld.
- **Grinfromeartoear** 1:50.2 - US\$1,746,009. Woodrow Wilson, Breeders Crown winner. Sire of millionaires Mister Big, Mr Feelgood, etc, also Make Me Smile 1:54.6 \$517,518, Rocknrolla, etc. Standing in Victoria.
- **He's Watching** 1:46.8 - US\$1,116,450. By super American Ideal. US 2yo Colt of the Year. Undefeated at 2. 5 track records and 2 world records. Youngest winner of the Meadowlands Pace. Standing in NZ.
- **Heston Blue Chip USA** P3 1:48, - US\$1,781,881. American Ideal's richest son. 3YO Breeders Crown Champion. 2012 US 3YO Pacing Colt of the Year. Won 11 of 13 at 2, 14 from 18 at 3. Standing in Vic.
- **Highview Tommy** 1:55.2 - NZ\$1,021,904. By champion sire Bettors Delight out of a Christian Cullen mare. Won Harness Jewels. Beat Smoken Up, Sushi Sushi etc in Group 1 Ballarat Cup. Standing in NZ.
- **Hurrikane Kingcole** 1:47.6 - US\$582,807. World Record of 1:48.2 as a 3yo on a 5/8 mile track. By sire of Bettors Delight in Cams Card Shark. Exceptional point to point speed. Standing in Qld.
- **Shadow Play** 1:47.4 US\$1,549,881 Won Little Brown Jug in 2 heat world record, Adios Pace in World Record. Sire of Natural Disaster (26.6 qtr), Grp 1 2yos Shadow Sax, Castalong Shadow. Standing Vic.
- **Sunshine Beach** 1:47.4 - \$971,037. World champion son of Somebeachsomewhere, second only to Captaintreacherous. From the great Golden Miss female line. Standing at Alabar Victoria.

All proceeds from Betterthancheddar and Shadow Play go to **Pinjarra Harness Racing Club** as part of Alabar Bloodstock's sponsorship arrangement with Pinjarra Harness Racing Club.

WASBA is assisting WA BOTRA with their fundraising by including in this Tender the stallions provided solely to WA BOTRA for this purpose (Follow The Stars, Gotta Go Collect, Highview Tommy and Hurrikane Kingcole). Larkhill Vets are assisting both WASBA and WA BOTRA.

Funds raised on behalf of WASBA from the Stallion Tender go into Stakes, subsidies and other incentives, broodmare credits and rehoming. For the third year, part proceeds from the (remaining) stallions provided by Alabar Bloodstock will go towards rehoming. WASBA strongly supports rehoming initiatives.

WASBA would like to sincerely thank all the studs concerned for their generosity: Alabar Bloodstock - Allwood Stud Farm – Cobbity Equine Stud - Egmont Park Stud - Empire Stallions - Larkhill Vets – Woodlands Stud

2YO, 3YO, FILLIES, MARES and WESTBRED OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

2yos -	no more 2yo races after August. However there are opportunities for your just turned 3yo in September and October;
Mares -	The WASBA Bob Humphries Memorial will be run on Sunday 5 November at Bunbury ;
Westbred	races have been programmed throughout September and October; The meeting calendar currently shows Kalgoorlie's first meeting is scheduled for 6 October.



WA SIRES RACE DAY AT PINJARRA ON 4 SEPTEMBER

Pinjarra are holding a WA Sires Race Day on their 4 September meeting, showcasing some of the great talent of our WA based sires. There will be the usual free entry and great dining options along with a parade of some of the WA sires. For more information contact the Pinjarra club

You will also be able to put in a Tender for the stallions in the WASBA Stallion Tender at the Pinjarra meeting on 11 September.

WASBA RAFFLE WINNERS

Our 2017 WASBA Raffle is complete, with 5 lucky winners. Congratulations to our winners, and thank you to everyone who purchased a ticket. We are very grateful.

Up for grabs were two free stallion services (choice of **American Ideal**, **He's Watching** and **Sportswriter**)

The five lucky winners were:

- First Prize - Ticket 114 Gillian Walker (selected American Ideal)
- Second Prize - Ticket 070 Barbara Pellick (selected Sportswriter)
- Third Prize - Ticket 063 Nathan Turvey (\$1000 voucher)
- Fourth Prize - Ticket 142 Barry Howlett (\$750 Voucher)
- Fifth Prize - Ticket 073 Bryan Cousins (\$750 Voucher).

We would like to sincerely thank Alabar Bloodstock (John Coffey) and Woodlands Stud (Mark Hughes) for their support and generosity, without which these events would not be possible. We wish all the winners the best for the mare that they will be using for their prize.

If you missed out, you can still put in a Tender for champion race horse He's Watching, who Tim Tetrick described as "*fastest horse I've ever driven*".

BREEDING SEASON COMMENCING

The start of the breeding season in Australia is now set at 1 September. Your mare can be served on or after 1 September to comply with this rule:

Rule 92. (1) ... provided that the service date of the foal is on or after 1st September the age of a horse shall be reckoned as beginning on 1st September in the next racing year.

Please make sure you do not allow your mare to be served before 1 September. This also applies to paddock services.

If you have a mare due to foal in the coming season you probably received your Breeders Crown nomination form to enable you to nominate your in-foal mare. Please note that the series conditions have changed and from 2019 onwards there will be no WA heats for these foals and you will have to travel to Victoria for a Heat.

Go to www.rwwa.com.au for information on the Westbred Bonus. For information on sires fertility go to the HRA website www.harness.org.au Some breeding information is also on the links page of WASBA's website.

There are various schemes in operation. When considering a stallion and reviewing any incentives, please check the full eligibility conditions to that State's incentive scheme ie NSW Breeders Challenge, Breeders Crown, Bathurst Gold Crown, True Blue Bonus & Breeders Challenge Bonus, Vicbred, QBred, Westbred, TASBred & Southern Cross.

NSW has recently emailed all their information to all current breeders in Australia. If you did not receive a copy, please contact us and we can forward their email to you.

ALABAR DISCOUNTS FOR WASBA MEMBERS

Alabar Bloodstock are again offering their "early bird" discount, with 20% discount on the Service Fee, provided you pay prior to 30th Sept 2017. Check out their stallions at www.alabar.com.au

If you have two or more mares to book in, they are offering their usual multiple mare service fee discounts for their stallions, *including Alta Christiano*. Some breeders will have also received the Alabar Gold Supporter offer.

If you have only one mare to go to an Alabar stallion, Alabar are offering a **10% discount to WASBA members** on the service fee for the following stallions:

A Rocknroll Dance ★ Always B Miki ★ Auckland Reactor ★ Betterthancheddar ★ Grinfromeartear ★ Hes Watching ★ Racing Hill ★ Rock N Roll Heaven ★ Shadow Play ★ Sir Lincoln ★ Sportswriter ★ Sunshine Beach

COBBITY FARM DISCOUNTS FOR WASBA MEMBERS

Luke and Belinda McCarthy's new Cobbity Equine Farm have generously offered a **20% discount to WASBA members** for their two stallions, who have both been champion performers on the track at the highest level of competition. You can take a look at their property at www.cobbityequine.com.au . Please see the attached flyer with the full details.

★ Bling It On (American Ideal) 1:50.8 ★ For A Reason (Art Major) 1:49.4 ★

DISCOUNTS FROM EMPIRE STALLIONS

Empire Stallions is offering a great range of discounts on their stallions. They have a great line up so don't forget to look. Their discount structure is for their fresh semen stallions and not frozen semen and is 20% discount for 1 or 2 mares booked in to their stallions by 1 October, or 25% discount for 3 or more mares, with payment due by 1 April 2018. Conditions do apply, so check with Empire for the details on their offer and lineup.

Please see the Flyer attached for the full details.

Betting Line ★ Four Starzz Shark ★ Heston Blue Chip ★ Modern Art ★ Pet Rock ★ Tell All ★ Village Jolt ★ Well Said ★ Western Terror ★ Captaintreachers (frozen) ★ Somebeachsomewhere (frozen) ★

YIRRIBEE STUD DISCOUNTS FOR WASBA MEMBERS

Yirribee Stud (NSW) have also advised they are very happy to offer **20% discount to WASBA members** for their stallions. Yirribee were extremely unfortunate to lose Courage Under Fire recently, but still have a great lineup. Visit www.yirribee.com.au or view the attached flyer.

**★ Caribbean Blaster ★ Lombo Pocket Watch ★ Million Dollar Cam ★ Stunin Cullen ★ Tintin In America ★
★ Warrawee Needy ★**

WA BASED STALLIONS

Don't forget to check out the WA based stallions including the following.

ADVANCE ATTACK (In The Pocket o/o Advance Debra). Full brother to Courage Under Fire. Sire of Group 1 winners Cott Beach and Persistent Threat 1:55.3. Standing at Burekup. Check with Mal Hancock 0411 985 232.

ALTA CHRISTIANO (see information under the Stallion Tender) Standing at Larkhill Vets, Port Kennedy. Contact Larkhill Vets on 9524 3838

ARTESIAN USA (Artiscape o/o Hula Dancer by Falcon Seelster) 1:49.4 \$987,884, standing at Ranford Grange in Katanning. Sire of David Hercules 1:52.7 \$1,259,019. Contact Cameron Mills on 0497 125 050.

FLY LIKE AN EAGLE (see information under the stallion Tender). Standing at Allwood Stud Bullsbrook, contact Mick Holtham, 9571 3999 or 0421 331 586..

FOLLOW THE STARS (see information under the stallion Tender). Standing at Allwood Stud Bullsbrook, contact Mick Holtham, 9571 3999 or 0421 331 586.

FRANCO JAMAR (Courage Under Fire out of Jamal Franco by Falcon Seelster) 1:51.2 \$378,302. Group and listed winner. Contact Graham Waters 0405 411 022.

INDOMITABLE SAAB .(Saab out of Infinite Scale) 1:55.8. Raced in top company beating David Hercules, Crombie, etc. Sire of Infinite Symbol 1:56.4. Standing at Bullsbrook, contact Joy Fletcher, 0417 980 302.

LOMBO MANDINGO .(Million To One out of Louisiana Lombo) family of Lombo Pocket Watch (Aus. Horse of the Year at 2). Standing at Allwood Stud, contact Mick Holtham, 9571 3999 or 0421 331 586.

P FORTY SEVEN USA (The Panderosa out of Artsplace mare) 1:48.4, \$717,660. At Smithdale Farm, Wagin. Little Brown Jug winner. Sire of Our Jimmy Johnstone 1:53.7 \$514,727. Phone Kevin Spurr 0429 104 145.

RENAISSANCE MAN (Art Major out of My Ami Lee by Safely Kept) 1:53.1, \$297,904. Multiple Group 1 winning full brother to Louvre 1:54.5 \$402,665. At Global Farms Mundijong. Contact Mike Hackett 0423 703 779.

RICH AND SPOILT (Million To One out of Nolas Nuisance). Sire of Group 1 winners New World Order, Straittothehilton 1:56 \$150,125 Standing at Adda Equine Stud Albany. Contact Harry Capararo 0419 859 510.

TINTED CLOUD USA 1:51.2, (by In The Pocket) Sire of Smoken Up 1:48.5 \$3,603,415, Jaccka Clive 1:53.8 etc. Standing at Allwood Stud Bullsbrook, contact Mick Holtham, 9571 3999 or 0421 331 586.

YANKEE SENSATION USA (Western Hanover out of Direct Scooter mare)1:49.8. Sire of Sensational Gabby 1:52.4 \$788,831, Kiss Chasey, etc. At Hollywood Park, Hopeland. Contact Debra Lewis 0417 954 220.

RACING AHEAD and RACE PROGRAMMING!

The last issue of Racing Ahead as a paper based publication was delivered a few weeks ago and included the September and October race program. Please note the future race program will be available at the rwwa website www.rwwa.com.au , and on HRAs website. Clubs may also have copies of the program but you will need to check with them to see what they are prepared to do for you.

If you need WASBA to supply a copy we will investigate ways to achieve that. Please let us know.

Please refer to the latest issue of Racing Ahead for more information, or contact RWWA.

RECENT MEMORABLE MOMENTS

- ♣ We mentioned last month about Westbred filly **Nostra Villa (Art Major)** who was at that stage unbeaten with 5 wins from 5 starts. Unfortunately her unbeaten record is now broken but she has made up for it after a loss in a Breeders Crown Heat with a win in the **\$285,000 Breeders Crown 3yo Fillies Final**. *Congratulations John Coffey!*

For those who don't recall, Nostra Villa is a daughter of **Crystal Journey** and a half sister to 2yo Sales Classic winner and 3yo Westbred Classic winner **Mister Jadore (Grinfromeartoeear)** \$267,889. This is

the second open Group 1 win by our WA Bred horses this year, following Handsandwheels super win in the WA Derby;

- ♣ Fantastic run by 4yo gelding **Natural Disaster (Shadow Play)** winning the \$25,000 4 and 5yo Kerry Clarke Westbred Series in 1:55.6, with a 26.6 last quarter (even Chicago Bull hasn't done that);
- ♣ Some quality racing in the 3yo 3C0 races at Gloucester Park, with good performances by **Blackjack Anna**, **Midnight Man**, **All The Whispers**, **The Royal Lady** and **Combat Crusade**.
- ♣ The return to racing of the popular **Smokey The Bandit (Jet Laag)** after a severe injury.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – JULY 2017

Great efforts by several of our WA bred horses in July and expect a couple of starters in the Inters this time. With all that quality it is a WA sired Sales graduate out of a WA sired mare that wins this month and its **congratulations** to our **Breeder of the Month for July, Ross Torre's Royalstar Pty Ltd**. Ross bred 4yo gelding **Americanbootscoota (Allamerican Ingot** out of **Bootscootngirl** by **Parsons Den**). Americanbootscoota won two metropolitan races in July including an M1 to M3 in 1:55.2 after winning 2 in June (including a stand by 13m off the 20m mark). To the end of July his stakes tally is just under \$130,000 from 13 wins. Since joining Debra Lewis's stable he has won 6 races to the end of July as well as 2 in August.

The unraced **Bootscootngirl** (Parsons Den) has three winners from her first three foals including another winner in July and full brother to Americanbootscoota in **Yankee Boots**. Bootscootngirl is a half sister to 6 winners including Aussie Reactor (Camcracker) 1:50.6 44 wins \$616,425 and Aussie Delight (Bettors Delight) 1:55.6 11 wins \$80,603. The dam of Bootscootngirl is the Fake Left mare Texan Cowgirl 6 wins \$20,645 who is a full sister to Madusa Cam 1:58.9 11 wins \$94,162 and a half sister to Capricorn Cruiser (Kinney Hanover) 1:57.6 17 wins \$206,464

Allamerican Ingot has really come into his own in the last two seasons. Hopefully he will get his chance to shine even more, standing at Goodtime Lodge in Victoria.

Congratulations Ross Torre, Allamerican Ingot and Americanbootscoota.

WA BASED SIRES – JULY 2017

In July 2017 the progeny of 8 WA based sires produced 15 individual winners of 17 races. Both **Allamerican Ingot** and **Rich And Spoilt** produced 3 winners of 4 races.

There were two dual winners, **Americanbootscoota** (Allamerican Ingot) again, **Illusionation** (Rich And Spoilt).

There were 5 West-Sired winners at Gloucester Park Friday meetings in July, including one who is listed under the fillies and mares section. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the winners.

- ♣ **Americanbootscoota (Allamerican Ingot)** breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd, classy 4yo gelding followed 2 country wins in June with a win from barrier 9 by 12m in an \$18,000 M0 and a brilliant win in a \$21,000 M1 to M3 in 1:55.2, last qtrs in 28.0 and 27.2;
- ♣ **The Revolution (Northern Luck)**, breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd, started favourite at his 3rd start back from 4 months away and sizzled over the 1730m to win an \$18,000 M0 in 1:54.9;
- ♣ **Illusionation (Rich And Spoilt)**, owner breeders Warren and Adam Towie, top effort to win a 3C0 by 11.2m in 1:58.4, last qtrs. 28.8 and 28.1 (3C0s can run!). Followed that up 10 days later with a mid week win in 1:57.8; and
- ♣ **Yankee Boots (Allamerican Ingot)** breeder Royalstar Pty Ltd, full brother to Americanbootscoota, got to the breeze and controlled the race to win the 3C0 race, moving away in the end to win by 10.2m.

WESTBRED WINNERS – July 2017

Westbreds won 76 (48.4%) of the 157 races run in July 2017. This is the highest July figure in percentage terms in the last 5 years and follows on from a record June. Five out of the seven months this year have been above our target of 50% Westbred winners. This is actually a very good outcome, and demonstrates that with the right approach we can achieve the better result. Some of our Westbred horses can be described as classy and are definitely holding their own in good company.

There were 19 Westbred races run in July 2017, a big dip after the high figure in the previous month with the Westbred Classics held in June this year and not July as is usual. Three more Westbred races or Westbred winners would see our 50% target reached this month.

Of the sires based outside WA, **Art Major** and **Bettors Delight** were equal best with 5 winners of 7 races, followed by **Jeremes Jet** and **Somebeachsomewhere** both with 3 winners of 4 races. Overall, there were 35 different sires (including the 8 WA based sires) represented by winners.

There were again 7 dual winners this month – **Rosies Ideal** (American Ideal) **Gangbuster** (Jeremes Jet), **Ruling Gold** (Life Sign), **Thereugo** (McArdle) again, **Vrie Amour** (Real Desire), **Milliondollahanova** (Shadyshark Hanover) and **All Over Tan** (Somebeachsomewhere). There were two triple winners this month – **Soho Changeling** (Art Major) and **Bettor Not Bitter** (Bettors Delight).

At metropolitan stakes meetings in July there were 10 WA bred horses who won 13 races, which is lower than normal. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of these Westbreds. Three are included in the fillies and mares section, and four are listed under the Westsired winners. The other 3 Westbred winners were:

- ◆ 4yo gelding **Natural Disaster (Shadow Play)** breeder owner Oz West Pacing, won a Heat of the Chandon in 1:55.6 last qtrs. 28.3 and 27.6 to bring up his third consecutive win after 2 wins in May;
- ◆ **Rock Me Over (Rock N Roll Heaven)**, breeder Mike Howie, unfortunate the previous week, took a sit and went on to win an \$18,000 2yo event, last qtr 27.8, making it 3 wins and 4 places from 9 starts; and
- ◆ **Thereugo (McArdle)** breeder Donald Harper, won a C5 to C9 midweek in 1:55.9 and followed up with a win in a Heat of the Chandon in 1:57.6 last qtrs. in 27.9 and 28.4, making it 4 wins from 5 starts.

Good to see that there are some quality 4yos in both the Westsired and Westbred groups.

Although he isn't a WA bred horse we should probably mention the winner of the Golden Slipper in NZ bred 2yo colt **Jack Mac (Mach Three)** bought as a weanling by prominent breeder Barry Howlett. A very classy colt with a big future, Jack Mac led and won the \$125,000 by 7m in 1:57, last qtrs 28.7 and 27.9.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO (July 2017)

Fillies and mares won 42 (26.8%) of the 157 races run in July 2017, making it the sixth month this year above our target of 25%. Like the figures for Westbreds, this is the highest July figure in percentage terms in the last 5 years. August can be a challenging month for fillies and mares but it would be good to maintain these better than average figures into the new season. It's certainly a welcome result for the owners of fillies and mares.

Of the wins, 14 (8.9%) were open races and the remaining 28 (17.8%) races were restricted to fillies/mares. The open race wins is on the low side but higher than most previous year's figures for July. Seven of the wins were 2yo, 8 were 3yo, 4 were C0 class, 6 were C0-C1 class. There were 4 in M class and 2 Trotting races won by mares. Quite a mix.

All up, stakemoney earned by fillies and mares in all races in July was \$418,854. This is well down on the previous months but not unexpected given that there were no feature races for fillies or mares in July and 2 and 3yo races were winding down. 2yo fillies took home just over \$108,000, and 3yo fillies claimed \$118,655. WA bred fillies and mares earning 61.4% of stakes and won 61.9% of the races won by fillies and mares in July.

At metropolitan stakes meetings, 7 mares won 9 (22.5%) races, which is a low result. Congratulations to the connections of all the fillies and mares who won at these meetings during July.

Winners included (all NZ) 4yo mare Donegal Rundlescreek (Bettors Delight) who won an \$18,000 mares M0 as well as a \$20,000 M0-M2 mares; Quite A Delight (Bettors Delight) won a \$19,000 Mares M0-M1, Ideal Alice (American Ideal) won a \$23,000 M0 and better, and 3yo filly Maczaffair (Mach Three) won a \$18,000 3YO fillies in 1:55.4

The three WA bred winners were:

- ♥ **Mileys Desire (Real Desire)**, owner breeder P and W Lodding, from barrier 11 an excellent win by 9.4m in 1:58.6 last qtr 28.8;

- ♥ **Rosies Ideal (American Ideal)** breeder Craig and A Lynn and D Trigwell, quality win in the 2yo Fillies \$35,000 Gold Bracelet, ran a creditable 4th in the Golden Slipper then won an \$18,000 2yo fillies event by 4.5m with a last quarter of 28.9; and
- ♥ **Susie Rocks (Yankee Sensation)** trained, bred and part owned by Debra Lewis, started favourite from 9 on a very wet track, great effort to run three wide for the last lap and still win the 3C0 event.

PAY TO LAST

Along with the other bodies, WASBA has been involved in last minute discussion on this issue. WASBA quickly developed and put forward a number of alternatives that we believe were both achievable and retained the current stakemoney payments for all C class races and M class races less than \$25,000, while paying \$100 to all non earning starters in these races. However, all our proposals were rejected.

The model that RWWA has approved going forward was not agreed to by the Eligible Bodies who represent owners and breeders. This model will see a reduction in total payout for every \$6,000 to \$14,999 race (which currently pay an extra \$390 as subsidies). It time of writing the RWWA model has also removed all \$14,999 and above non-feature races in the country as well as the \$10,000 C0 type races.

The RWWA modelling shows that most horses will lose money. We believe the model is too restrictive and regressive, and does not encourage initiative or sponsorship. Owners are losing money through the reduced stakes payout and the payment of drivers and trainers out of placings to fifth. They are also losing Epona payments with the stakes being reduced for winners.

WASBA will continue to push forward with our proposals which are aimed at effectively retaining stakes for first to sixth and paying a \$100 subsidy to all non earners for races under \$25,000. We support payment of a percentage of stakes for all starters in Group and Listed races (ie \$25,000 and over).

THE TAB

Very recent news is that the State Government is carrying out due diligence to put a value on the WA TAB. This does not necessarily imply that it will be sold, only that it is being valued. This is a very new development in the government's position and no further information is available at this time. Stay tuned.

YOUR SPONSORS

Thank you to our sponsors, for their support and contribution to our industry. Our sponsors make it possible for us to provide sponsorship and incentives to our participants and breeders. They also help us with donations for rehoming (particularly Budget Stockfeeds, Milne Feeds and Alabar). 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.

Alabar Bloodstock, Allwood Stud Farm, Nevele R, Woodlands Stud, TabTouch and Gloucester Park have all been great long term supporters. Our newest supporters are **Australian Pacing Gold (APG)** and **Ross Waddell's Pacing WA, with Pacing WA** introducing **Girl Power In Pacing** to complement their activities.

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 :

- ✓ **Alabar Bloodstock (03) 5859 2201**
- ✓ **Allwood Stud Farm, Bullsbrook 9571 3777**
- ✓ **Australian Pacing Gold (APG)**
- ✓ **Budget Stockfeeds, Oakford 9397 1659;**
- ✓ **Cobbity Equine Farm, 0417 621 050**
- ✓ **Empire Stallions, (03) 5796 2122**
- ✓ **Egmont Park Stud, 0418 885 033**
- ✓ **Fresh Express, Canning Vale 9455 4800;**
- ✓ **Landmark Midvale, 9274 6800**
- ✓ **Larkhill Vets, Port Kennedy 9524 3838**
- ✓ **Milne Feeds, Welshpool 9351 0700;**
- ✓ **Nevele R Stud (freecall) 1800 150 855**
- ✓ **Pacing WA (Ross Waddell) 0417 922 352**
- ✓ **Ramsays Horse Transport, Ascot 9277 5779;**
- ✓ **Vision Produce Canning Vale 9456 5953,**
- ✓ **Woodlands Stud (freecall) 1800 615 143**
- ✓ **Yirribee Stud 02 6933 1217, 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, have been a financial member for at least one full calendar year 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. All appointments to the Committee are in accordance with the WASBA Constitution.

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Don't forget to check out the facebook page and 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

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/WesternAustralianStandardbredBreedersAssociation>

The **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETINGS** will be on **30 August 2017** and **27 September 2017**. 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, OR
- **You can also PM us on facebook** or use **Messenger** to get in touch.