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Coronavirus Impact on Racing

It certainly has been a significant and sometimes distressing impact right across the world, and on all industries. Currently RWWA is restricting attendance at all race courses, training centres and trials and putting other mandatory measures in place. This is in an effort to maintain racing while complying with all government requirements and sensible practices, and trying to maintain the best possible outcome for racing participants.

The information is changing daily, but if you can please follow the relevant instructions available from the RWWA website using this link

<https://www.rwwa.com.au/media-centre/wa-racing-update-covid-19/>

Everyone involved is trying to minimize the impact on the racing industry and ensure racing can continue successfully throughout this timeframe. You can still watch via Foxtel, Tabtouch, at (non-pub) TAB outlets and other media sources. You can still get pre-race harness information and invest on all races through (non-pub) TAB agencies, telephone betting and your betting accounts.

We ask you to *please, please follow the social distancing and hygiene requirements to keep us racing.*

WA YEARLING SALE AVERAGES GO UPWARDS

A GOOD all round result for the Sale this year, with the 120 lots going under the hammer at the new (and very nice) Magic Millions Sales Complex in Middle Swan. With \$650,000 on offer for Yearling Sale graduates in premier races from age 2 to 4, it was a positive day for buyers and sellers. Some numbers from the sale:

- Highest priced colts - \$70,000 Jeneen Johnson's Bettors Delight colt out of Isabelle Jane, and Karnup Racing P/L's colt by Alta Christiano out of Bettors Gem
- Highest priced filly – \$70,000 Kevin and Annette Charles' filly by Bettors Delight out of Motu Lady Cullen
- Average prices for colts/geldings \$21,461 (up 3% on last year's \$20,833)
- Average prices for fillies \$19,989 (up 33% on last year's \$15,023)

The improvement over recent years is measurable. Ninety six of the 120 lots sold for an overall average of \$20,771.

If you think you might be interested in one of the 24 unsold lots, the vendors may still have them for sale. Go to <http://www.apgold.com.au/yearling-sales/sales-results/2020-sales-results-series-31/perth/> .

2YO, 3YO, MARES and WESTBRED OPPORTUNITIES

2yo	Pearl and Diamond Heats are coming up in May – you need to be qualified to start
3yo	The \$30,000 Country Derby is at Narrogin this year, on 28 March The \$25,000 Country Oaks will remain at Bunbury, and is on 18 April
Mares	The \$50,000 Empress Stakes is at Gloucester Park on 27 March (3yo fillies also eligible) The \$14,000 WASBA King-Lethbridge is on at Pinjarra on the public holiday Monday 27 April
Westbred	Watch for further \$10,000 RWWA Westbred 4yo and over races (there were 3 at the abandoned Narrogin meeting on 21 March)



Support for Off The Track and Rehoming

We are continuing to support our rehoming activities regardless, and have recently provided sponsorship to the Standardbred Pleasure and Performance Horse Association of WA (SPPHAWA) and the Pinjarra Equestrian Association for their shows. The Pinjarra show is postponed, but hopefully can take place in the future.

We have also provided our major annual round of sponsorship to rehomers/retrainers, and will continue to do what we can in this field.

To date in 2020 our total sponsorship is close to \$3,000. How can we continue to do this? With the support of you and our sponsors. If you can support our sponsors in any way it is certainly appreciated.

Our sponsors are vital to us continuing to support our rehoming activities and also our stakes sponsorship, trophies rugs and garlands. We will continue to provide these incentives with the help of our sponsors, regardless of the coronavirus.

If you are yet to pay your membership, please do so. If you are unsure, please contact us. We work hard for you, and would appreciate it if you can help us in this small way. Membership is \$30 family and \$20 ordinary membership.

Our sponsors are listed below and at the end of the newsletter. Please take a look.

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| ✓ Highlight Lodge, Bullsbrook 0413 257 675; | ✓ Yirribee Stud 02 6933 1217. |
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★ TRY RWWA'S NEW OFF THE TRACK WEBSITE ★

It's an excellent step forward in this area, with RWWA developing a new website that provides heaps of information for everyone. The site is brand new so there are some glitches, but it will be able to deliver a lot of information to you including:

- A dedicated platform to buy or sell retired Standardbreds;
- Educational information providing advice and guidance on how to care for a retired racehorse, as well as tips for training one of our horses;
- Clinics and Events run by RWWA or run in partnership with other organisations;
- A list of all acknowledged re-trainers in WA that can assist in re-training your retired horse or help you to find the right one for you;
- Information on how to apply for some excellent sponsorships from RWWA's Off the Track program.

Check out the website at <https://www.offthetrackwa.com.au/> and keep an eye out for the upcoming RWWA sponsorship if you are competing at the elite level with one of our off the track horses.

Prospective Sires on the Up

Certainly great to see so many familiar horses doing so well racing as entires. Pretty big list but just to mention a few, we already have millionaire **My Hard Copy (American Ideal)** 1:51.6 \$1,271,592 and classy **Ultimate Machete (Bettors Delight)** 1:51.9 \$823,896 just starting their stud careers. Other absolute class horses who are either still racing or recently retired include millionaires and Inter Dominion winner **Tiger Tara (Bettors Delight)** 1:49.8 \$2,375,065, **Soho Tribeca (American Ideal)** 1:53.8 \$1,103,854, and Miracle Mile and Hunter Cup winner **King Of Swing (Rocknroll Hanover)** 1:48 \$1,395,695.

We also have two WA bred **Mach Three** stallions in **Handsandwheels** and **Shockwave** who have still got plenty of racing in them.

What is really good about these horses is that we are familiar with all of them, they are all fast and raced successfully as aged horses, and they are currently owned in the southern hemisphere.

Add to the list **Tintin In America (McArdle)** 1:53.2 \$906,422, sire of US Horse of the Year in Shartin, **Alta Christiano (Christian Cullen)** who had very good support in NSW, established multiple Group 1 winning WA sires in **Follow The Stars (Art Major)**, **Fly Like An Eagle (Mach Three)** and **Renaissance Man (Art Major)**. Another multiple Group 1 winner standing in WA is **Bonavista Bay (Rustler Hanover)**, winner of the Golden Nugget, who has a 1:54.2 credit from a foal crop of just 8 foals.

2YO \$100,000 SALES CLASSICS

Very exciting racing in the 2YO Classics, with a very competitive set of Heats for the boys resulting in only 1st and 2nd being guaranteed a start in the final. A bit easier in the girls but class abounded. Heat winners were Rock On The Beach (Somebeachsomewhere), breeder Steve Johnson, Robbie Rocket (Follow The Stars) breeder Patrick O'Boyle, **Talks Up A Storm (Artspeak)** breeder Harry Capararo, and Give Us A Wave (Mach Three) breeders Kevin and Annette Charles. For the girls it was Secret Reaction (Auckland Reactor) breeder Mike Howie and **Lady Jadore (Tintin In America)** breeder Patrician Park.

Girls first. Lady Jadore was outstanding in her heat, winning by over 8m, and she was equally impressive in the \$100,000 Sales Classic Final, going to the front after 500m and going on to win by 3.4m in 1:57.1, beating her stablemate Adore Me Some More, also by Tintin In America, also bred by Patrician Park.

Purchased by Annie and Colin Belton for just \$5000, Lady Jadore is the 3rd winner from 4 foals from **Ima High Rolla (Kinney Hanover)** 2:01.6 \$30,280. Coincidentally, Ima High Rolla won the 3YO Sales Classic in 2008. Ima High Rolla is one of 5 winners from her unraced dam **Corniche Trunkey (Wellwood Hanover)** including **Fluent Style (Village Jasper)** 2:00.1 \$78,033 and the tough as nails **Skewsy Newsy (Village Jasper)** 1:59.1 \$75,893. Corniche Trunkey is out of former brilliant race mare **Ferrari Trunkey (Tarcoola Frost)** 1:56.6 \$267,527 who won the WA Oaks, WASBA Breeders Stakes, Silver Bracelet and other Group races amongst her 22 wins. Ferrari Trunkey produced 8 winners including WA Derby winner and multiple Group 1 winner **Trunkey Maseratti (Wellwood Hanover)** 1:56.4 22 wins and \$273,457, and thrice raced **Chemical Romance (Northern Luck)** dam of **Destined To Rule (Shadow Play)** 1:57.5 11 wins \$143,587 and Group 1 and Group 2 winner **Bettor Reward (Bettors Delight)** 1:52.7 \$243,565.

For the boys, 2yo gelding Talks Up A Storm was driven confidently out of the gate, went straight to the lead and set a race record of 1.56.2 in winning the \$100,000 feature by 7m, last half in 57.4. Purchased for \$22,500 and raced by Claire McNaughton and Sylvie Lindau (the same ownership as Chiaroscuro), Talks Up A Storm is by first season sire Artspeak and he is the first foal from WA raced NZ mare **Typhoon Tan (Live Or Die)** 1:54.4 \$141,722 who commenced racing in WA as a 2yo and went on to win 14 races including at metro level. Typhoon Tan is out of **Belle Mystique (Mystical Shark)** 2:01.1 who is a half sister to **Mister Skye Rocket (Pacific Rocket)** 1:56.1 44 wins \$268,669. This is the family of **Ingle Belmer**, which includes **Stormont Czar (Bettors Delight)** 1:50.8 \$333,840, **Simba Bromac (Art Official)** 1:52.8 \$203,297 and champion mare **A Piccadilly Princess (Bettors Delight)** 1:50.4 \$733,842 amongst many others.

3YO \$50,000 SALES CLASSICS

Not surprisingly with such quality winners last year, it was a repeat of last year's results, with **Double Espresso (Sweet Lou)**, breeder Kevin and Annette Charles, winning the fillies leg, and **Major Martini (Art Major)**, breeder Steve Johnson, just so impressive in winning the colts and geldings final by 15m. Double Espresso also won the \$50,000 Daintys Daughter Classic in February and also beat Major Martini in the \$40,000 Caduceus Club Classic by a nose in 1:55.4.

Double Espresso is one of two Group 1 winning foals from locally sired mare **Here For The Money (Rich And Spoilt)** 1:57.9 7 wins \$81,874. The half brother to Double Espresso 1:55.4 \$272,179 is Golden Nugget winner **Shockwave (Mach Three)** 1:54 \$345,817 who has added the \$50,000 4YO and 5YO Championship to his tally of Group wins.

This is an older female line, with Here For The Money a daughter of the unraced **Regal Castle (Safely Kept)**, who is a half sister to **Duel Prince (Panorama)** 1:57 \$163,902. Their dam **Duel Queen (Seahawk Hanover)** 2:02.7 \$32,150 is a half sister to four other winners including **Queen Xena (Silent Spring)** 2:02.7 \$23,359, **Gold King (Silent Spring)** 1:58.4 \$216,186 and **Boldandbeautiful (Albert Albert)** 1:59.2 \$79,422. Boldandbeautiful is the dam of **Its Only Rocknroll (Million Dollar Cam)** 1:50.8 \$398,209 and **Morgan Abby**

(Aces N Sevens) 1:55.7 10 wins \$118,050. Queen Xena is the dam of multiple Group 1 winners **Chariot King (Badlands Hanover)** 1:51.3 \$643,405 and **Emjayem Grand (Bettors Delight)** 1:49.6 \$431,697.

Major Martini 1:56.6 \$235,218 is one of only two foals of racing age from his unraced dam **Gaetana Nicole (Sutter Hanover)**, who was also bred by Steve from his brilliant unraced broodmare **Hold Tight (Embrace Me)**. Hold Tight produced 5 winners including **Fake Embrace (Fake Left)** 1:53.4 37 wins \$240,249, **Go by Jet (Whats Next)** 1:58.3 20 wins \$91,746 and **Like A Dame (Golden Greek)** 2:02 \$10,312 as well as non winners **Endless Journey (Die Laughing)**, **Hotniten Georgia (Albert Albert)** and unraced **Heather Mary (Modern Art)**. Endless Journey is the dam of Group 1 winner **Isaiah Artois (Modern Art)** 1:58.3 \$117,351 and Group 3 \$30,000 Daintys Daughter Classic winner **Mandy Joan (Art Major)** 1:57.3 \$86,439. Hotniten Georgia is the dam of Group 1 winner **Supreme Royalty (Parsons Den)** 2:00.5 \$93,739. Heather Mary is the dam of the unlucky **Know When To Run (Roll With Joe)** 1:56.2 \$59,738. Best of all is Like A Dame, dam of 7 winners including **Kerrin Joseph (Somebeachsomewhere)** 1:53.8 \$111,849, **Hugh Victor (Artesian)** 1:54.9 \$144,034 and of course, multiple Group 1 winning millionaire **David Hercules (Artesian)** 1:52.7 39 wins \$1,263,159.

WA Breeding Awards for the 2018/19 Season

The WA Breeding Awards for the 2018/19 Season were presented by WASBA at the WASBA Awards/ APG Sales Classic function in Quinnes Room at Gloucester Park on 2YO Sales Classic night. With some brilliant racing on the track there were some justifiably proud breeders presented with their 2018/19 Season awards.

The big winners on the night were Kevin and Annette Charles, who took out a number of awards including the WA Breeder of the Year Award for the first time. Other prominent breeders also featured in the 2018/19 awards:



Kody Charles, WASBA President Jeanine Diederich, Annette Charles and Kevin Charles with one of the awards

WA 2YO Filly of the Year:

DOUBLE EXPRESSO (Sweet Lou o/o Here For The Money) breeder **Kevin and Annette Charles**, \$169,598 from 7 wins (3 metro) and 2 places from 9 starts. Won \$100,000 Group 1 2YO Fillies Sales Classic, \$100,000 Group 1 2YO Fillies Westbred Classic, \$25,000 Listed 2YO Fillies Western Crown.

Westbred 2YO C/G of the Year

MAJOR MARTINI (Art Major o/o Gaetana Nicole) breeder **Steve Johnson** \$152,117 from 3 wins (2 metro) and 3 places from 7 starts. Won \$100,000 Group 1 2YO C/G Sales Classic, \$100,000 Group 1 2YO C/G Westbred Classic. 2nd in \$125,000 Group 1 Golden Slipper.

Westbred 3YO Filly of the Year

HAS NO FEAR (Western Terror o/o Theladyisabomb) breeders **Kevin and Annette Charles**. \$150,665 from 4 wins (2 metro) and 5 places from 13 starts. Won \$150,000 Group 1 3YO Fillies WA Oaks, \$50,000 Group 2 3YO Fillies Sales Classic.

- Westbred 3YO C/G of the Year* **PATRICKTHEPIRANHA** (Four Starzzz Shark o/o Thats The Spirit NZ) breeders **Kevin and Annette Charles** \$158,244 from 9 wins (4 metro) and 1 place from 15 starts. Won \$100,000 Group 1 3YO C/G Westbred Classic, \$50,000 Group 2 3YO C/G Sales Classic, \$40,000 Group 3 Caduceus Club Classic.
- Westbred Mare of the Year* **INFINITE SYMBOL** (Indomitable Saab o/o Never Waver Lombo) breeder **Lancaster Lodge** \$75,970 from 6 wins (2 metro) and 7 places from 22 starts. Won \$30,000 Group 3 The Schrader Fillies and Mares, \$30,000 Group 3 The Lombardo Fillies/Mares. 3rd in \$30,000 Group 3 Westbred 4YO/5YO Mares.
- Westbred Horse/Gld of the Year* **HANDSANDWHEELS** (Mach Three o/o Benjor Maddy Lombo) breeder **Mike Howie** \$177,593 from 9 wins (8 metro) and 5 places from 24 starts. Won \$50,000 Group 2 RWWA Cup, \$50,000 Group 2 4YO and 5YO Championship, 3rd in \$50,000 City of Perth Cup, 4th in \$50,000 Group 2 Pinjarra and Governors Cups.
- WA Broodmare of the Year:* **HERE FOR THE MONEY (Rich And Spoilt)** 3 starters, 2 winners, 13 wins 8 places \$243,053 incl 2 Group 1 wins. Progeny bred by **Kevin and Annette Charles** includes:
Double Espresso (Sweet Lou) 7 wins 2 places \$169,598 1:55.7 (lifetime stakes \$169,598),
Shockwave (Mach Three) 6 wins 4 places \$70,505 1:54.0 (lifetime stakes \$138,804)
- WA Breeder of the Year:* **Kevin and Annette Charles**, \$860,422, 29 starters, 15 winners, 61 races, 59 places incl. Patrickthepiranha, Double Espresso, Shockwave, Has No Fear
- Breeding For Excellence:* **Steve Johnson**, \$679,829, 26 starters, 15 winners of 42 races, 92 places including Major Martini, Manning and Mandy Joan
- WA 2YO Stallion of The Year* **FOLLOW THE STARS (Bob Fowler**, Allwood Stud Farm), 25 starters, 9 winners, 16 wins, 49 places for \$235,048 including Aristocratic Star, Star Fromthepalace, Papa Razzi
- WA 3YO Stallion of The Year* **RENAISSANCE MAN, (Mike Hackett**, Global Breeding Farms), 10 starters, 7 winners, 11 wins, 23 places for \$116,224 including My Prayer, Catch Me Cougar, Another Snag
- WA Overall Stallion of the Year* **RICH AND SPOILT, (Harry Capararo**, Adda Equine Stud), 35 starters, 19 winners of 38 races and 111 places for \$462,119 including Im Soxy, Sarah Goody, Charlie El, Illusionation, Bhagwan, Adda Tarantella.

Kevin and Annette Charles were also the recipients of a \$1,000 Award donated by **Merv and Meg Butterworth**, and a trophy provided by WASBA for being the breeder of an open nomination Group 1 fillies or mares race.

Monthly Award Winners		
Sep-2018	Zoe Ellis	Hillbilly Time
Oct-2018	J Rogers, G, V and C Rogers and D Condipodero	Georgie Mae
Nov-2018	Mike Hackett	Lil China Doll
Dec-2018	Harry Capararo	Im Soxy
Jan-2019	Colleen Lindsay	Typhoon Tiff
Feb-2019	Kevin and Annette Charles	Patrickthepiranha
Mar-2019	Reg Smallacombe	Mister Spot
Apr-2019	Mike Hackett	My Prayer
May-2019	Kevin and Annette Charles	Has No Fear
Jun-2019	Steve Johnson	Major Martini
Jul-2019	Highlight Lodge (Bill Hayes)	Gee Jay Kay
Aug-2019	Mike Howie	Bettor Be Oscar

Congratulations to all our award winners for the 2018/19 Season

Busselton Sweetheart Series

Nice win by 4yo mare **Joey Girl (Advance Attack** out of One Perfect Moment by **Mach Three**) in the Busselton Sweetheart Series, taking home \$500 in WASBA Epona Credits, \$500 for her breeder Tracey Massimini and \$500 for her (racebook) owner, also Tracey, for being the top point scoring Westbred mare in the series. Plus stakemoney!

This was just the WASBA sponsorship, with the Busselton Club also providing \$4,400 in Bonuses for the first 6 placegetters including a terrific \$2,000 to the winner.

It was down to the last race to decide the winner, with Joey Girl winning the last heat and the series, scoring 302 points. Catch Me Cougar finished on 298 points, Dats Abit Harsh 293, Madam Of Mischief 291, Liaurie 288. Non Westbred mare Kione Kaviar also finished on 288 points and shared in the Busselton Club Bonuses.

The Busselton Club should be commended for the effort they put into the summer program.

RECENT MEMORABLE MOMENTS

- ♣ Yearling Sale graduate **Shockwave (Mach Three)** coming back as good as ever from a short let up, and another Sale graduate in **Chiaroscuro (Art Major)** also returning with zest;
- ♣ Another yearling Sale graduate in **Major Martini (Art Major)** stamping himself as the leading 3yo, with another Group win, this time in the Western Gateway;
- ♣ Peter Tillbrook doing very well with mares racing on consecutive days and winning on the second day (this time **Caruba**);
- ♣ Some impressive efforts by the 2yo fillies **Rumour Has It (Roll With Joe)** and **Black Jack Baby (Follow The Stars)**;
- ♣ Good effort from **Our Alfie Romeo** (Washington V C) who raced without any luck in the \$200,000 Ladyship Mile
- ♣ Super performances by **Handsandwheels (Mach Three)** to win 3 Group 2s in a row, bring up his second RWWA Cup and going to the top in the City of Perth Cup and Governors Cup.

BREEDER OF THE MONTH – JANUARY 2020

The Breeder of the Month award goes to a different WA bred horse each month. Previous (horse) winners are not eligible for later WA Breeder of the Month awards. You must be a WASBA member to win a Breeder of the Month Award. All other breeding awards are open to all WA breeders.

Congratulations to our **Breeder of the Month** for **January 2020**, **Vince Vinciullo** as the breeder of **Grinny Vinnie (Grinfromeartoear** out of Isaabella Bella by **Saab**). Grinny Vinnie was in excellent form when he stepped out at Gloucester Park as second favourite from 3, scooted to the lead before taking the sit in a blistering 34.8 lead time. As they came out of the back Grinny Vinnie was coming off the rails, getting to the lead just after straightening and coming away to win the \$18,000 race by 3.9m in a lifetime best 1:55.2.

Grinny Vinnie started his career as a 3yo at Bridgetown in March 2019, running 2nd. He finished that season with a win at Bunbury and 3 placings, then resumed as a 4 year old in November, winning his first two starts for the season. He also won a midweek race in December before stepping up another level to his metro win in January. He has since had a Pinjarra win and two Gloucester Park places, with his stakes this season \$34,000.

Grinny Vinnie is the second foal and first winner from the lightly raced **Isaabella Bella (Saab)**. This family stems from broodmare **Gay Lark** and includes WASBA Breeders Stakes winner **Red Hot Date (Village Jasper)** 1:56.5 \$99,730; Group 1 winner **Play The Boys (Shadow Play)** 1:56.2 \$78,233; **Rockin The Boys (Rock N Roll Heaven)** 1:50.2 \$188,707; Group 3 winner **Party Date (Panorama)** 1:56 \$256,00; **Golden Goddess (Golden Greek)** 1:56.9 \$258,906; Fremantle Cup winner **Golden Gears (Golden Greek)** 1:56.9 \$336,466; **Feel The Courage (Courage Under Fire)** 1:52.9 \$171,324; **Bettor Party (Bettors Delight)** 1:53.5 \$314,562; Group 1 winner **Rocknroll Whitby (Rocknroll Hanover)** 1:57.2 \$154,684 to name just a few.

Congratulations to Vince, trainer driver Aiden de Campo, and **Grinny Vinnie**.

WA BASED SIRES – JANUARY 2020

In a good result for the month, there were 13 WA based sires represented by 26 Westsired winners of 33 races in January 2020. **Allamerican Ingot** led with 8 race wins from 5 winners, with **Follow The Stars** next with 4 individual winners of 4 races.

The dual winners for the month were **Fight Song** (Advance Attack), **Allthewaytoroyalty**, **Rather Sentimental and The Last Drop** (Allamerican Ingot), and **Henwood Bay** (Fully Loaded). The triple winner for the month was 3yo gelding **Miracle Max**, by Yankee Sensation.

Three 2yos **Star of Willoughby**, **Black Jack Baby** (both Follow The Stars) and **Squeezeme Pleaseme** (Parsons Den) as well as 3yo **Follow The Dragon** (Follow The Stars) were rewarded with First win Bonuses as well as Double Westsired win Bonuses - \$9,100 in all each, plus winning stakes! Three yo **Miracle Max** (Yankee Sensation) had his first lifetime win in a 3yo and over event, and 2 other winners, 4yos **Catch Me Cougar** (Renaissance Man) and **Atomistic** (Cams Fool) also had their first lifetime win in January.

Congratulations to all the Westsired winners this month.

There was one Westsired Metro Stakes winner in January, one of our favourites:

- ▲ **Im Soxy (Rich And Spoilt)** breeder Harry Capararo, drew a good barrier for once, started a short priced favourite from 2, straight to the front, a 28.1 3rd qtr and travelling well, went further away down the home straight to win the \$20,000 Pace by 4.6m in 1:57, last qtrs. 28.1 and 28.1.

WESTBRED WINNERS – JANUARY 2020

In January 2020 there were 119 Westbred winners (59.5%) of 200 races, which is roughly 3% more winners from almost the same number of races compared to January 2019. This is also a good improvement on December 2019 which recorded less than 50% Westbred winners to races.

There were 4 Westbred races run in January 2020. While this is the lowest number in many years, there is no concern with this as the number of Westbred winners is either meeting or above our targets. As long as this remains the case we will not seek additional Westbred only races. Over the next few months we will also start to see the introduced \$10,000 Westbred races for 2yo, 3yo and 4yo and over groups to meet the end of season total for the initiative.

The numbers indicate there are good winning opportunities for our WA bred horses. If you have any concerns about the race program for your own Westbred (or filly/mare), please let us know.

The progeny of 45 sires bases outside WA were represented by winners in January. This is a terrific result, with **Alta Christiano** featuring this month with 6 winners of 9 races. Perhaps a lost opportunity for WA breeders, with Alta Christiano moved to NSW after limited support from WA breeders in his only season here. **Bettors Delight** was next best with 3 winners of 6 races, **Art Major** produced 5 individual winners of 5 races and **Mach Three** and **Sportswriter** had 4 of 4 and 3 of 4 respectively.

There were 18 (12 Westbred, 6 Westsired) multiple winners this month. **I Am Immortal** (A Rocknroll Dance), **Aly Shar**, **Fake News** and **Misstiano** (Alta Christiano), **Diamond Dove** (Artiscape), **Bettor Pack It** (Bettors Delight), the trotter **Peachee** (Red Samurai), **Captain Proud** (Riverboat King), **Rock Me Over** (Rock N Roll Heaven) and **Sports Package** (Sportswriter) were all dual winners this month. The triple winners for the month were 3yo **Gardys Legacy** (Bettors Delight) and 4yo **Makoczar** (Shadyshark Hanover). For those interested Red Samurai is an Australian bred chestnut trotting son of Sundon with a winning mile rate of 1:57.5 and stakes of \$230,722.

There were 18 (11 Westbred and 7 Westsired) first time winners in January taking home their \$2,000 owner and \$2,000 breeder first win bonus, compared to 14, 15 and 11 in the previous 3 months respectively. The result is down on January 2019 (20), with the program for January 2020 containing slightly fewer maiden races. Three of the winners were 2yos, 6 3yos, 7 4yos and 2 5yos.

The Westbred Bonus payments were more than double that of December, with \$86,755 paid (including breeder Bonuses but excluding all First win Bonuses) in January 2020 compared to \$36,563 in December 2019,

(\$58,286 in November 2019, \$12,656 in October 2019 and \$5,100 in September 2019). This compares to just over \$60,000 in January 2019.

There were 4 2YO races run in January. Three of the winners were Westbred, with all three being Westsired.

There were 14 3YO races (including two Westbred only and one maiden) run in January 2020, compared to 10 in December. Only 3 of the 14 races were for fillies. Twelve of the 3YO wins were by Westbreds, including one dead heat. Three of the six 3yos who won their first win bonuses did so in 3yo races, so they also took home Westbred Bonuses. All up 3yos won 37 races, with Westbreds winning 24 of these.

There were 11 races restricted to 4YO and over, including one for mares and one for maidens. All 11 4yo+ races were won by Westbreds!

Of the wins by Westbreds, 36 were in \$4,500 races, 56 in \$7,500 races, 20 in Metro stakes races (including a Group 2, Group 3 and FFA) and 7 were for stakes of \$9,000 to \$15,000 including the Busselton Cup.

At Gloucester Park, there were 53 races run at prime meetings. There were 18 Westbred winners of 20 races at the prime meetings, including 4 Westbred fillies/mares listed under their section and 1 Westsired. Congratulations to the breeders and connections of the Westbreds who were successful at our feature race meetings in January.

This is a good result for the month. The 13 WA born horses (from 12 different sires!) are listed below:

- ◆ **Gardys Legacy (Bettors Delight)**, breeders R Grantham and T Schmedje, promising 3yo won his 5th in a row, moved to the breeze to avoid the pocket, solid 2nd and 3rd qtr at 28.4 and 27.9, fought his way to the lead with 20m to go and was just caught for the dead heat win, mile rate 1:57.1 and last qtr 28.9;
- ◆ **Grinny Vinnie (Grinfromeartoear)**, owner breeder Vincent Vinciullo, in excellent form this season, followed a mid week win in December with a win in a lifetime best 1:55.2 over 2130m after a blistering 34.8 lead before taking the sit, then a 28.5 3rd before coming off the rails and getting to the lead in the straight, coming away to win the \$18,000 Pace;
- ◆ **Handsandwheels (Mach Three)**, breeder Mike Howie, one of the best horses racing in WA, started a short priced favourite from barrier 1, straight to the lead from the barrier, flat out 27.7 3rd qtr, went further away in the straight for a dominant win in the \$50,000 City of Perth Cup over 2130m, margin 5.4m in 1:56.1, last qtr 27.7;
- ◆ **Im Beta Than Gouda (Betterthancheddar)**, owner breeder Graham and L Cox and trained by Graham, not much recent racing luck but got the one out one back position after a short stint in the breeze over the 1730m, a 28.8 2nd qtr, led up the 3 wide line in the back straight, 2nd at the 400m and going on to a good win in the \$18,000 Pace in 1:56.6;
- ◆ **Its Rock And Roll (A Rocknroll Dance)**, breeder Ed Dewar, Group 1 winner in good form making his last appearance in Australia. Started in 4, went to the lead after a half lap, a testing 28.7 and 28.5 2nd and 3rd qtr, went to the line a winner by a head in the \$30,000 Im Themightyquinn Final, mile rate 1:57 flat;
- ◆ **Joe With The Flow (Roll With Joe)**, owner breeder Allwood Stud Farm, after a midweek win last month, started in 1 went straight to the lead, withstood a challenge in a 35.8 lead time, went on to win an \$18,000 Pace by 4m, mile rate a snappy 1:57.3 and last half 58.7;
- ◆ **Machlani (Mach Three)**, breeder Kevin and Annette Charles, 3 places in his previous 4 starts, started in 4, went to the lead after a half lap, comfortably in front at the 400m, shot away coming into the home straight and an easy winner of the 2536m \$18,000 Pace by 7.8m in 1:58.3, and last qtrs 28.4 and 28.6;
- ◆ **Quick Stride (Live Or Die)**, owner breeder Allwood Stud Farm, a 3rd at his previous start then started in 1, straight to the lead, 28.4s 3rd qtr, and went on to win the \$18,000 Pace by 4.1m in 1:56.8, last qtr 28.3;
- ◆ **Rabchenko (Art Major)**, owner breeder Kevin and Annette Charles and trained by Kevin, odds of 60/1 but proved the pundits wrong winning an \$18,000 Pace after settling one out 3 back, going 3 wide at the 700 to lead into the straight and win by a nose in 1:55.4, last qtrs 28.9 and 29.1 after a 35.8 lead time;
- ◆ **Rock Me Over (Rock N Roll Heaven)**, breeder Mike Howie, brought up a double in successive weeks, 3 and 4 wide in the back and finished brilliantly to win a 1730m \$18,000 Pace by 2.4m in a lifetime best 1:53.8. A week later started a short priced favourite from 4, went straight to the lead, went on to an easy win in a 2536m \$20,000 Pace by 8.7m, mile rate 1:59.7 and last qtrs. 28.5 and 28.7;

- ◆ **Roman Aviator (Mr Aviator)**, owner breeder Peter George, having another very good season, settled 3 on the fence from his inside back row draw, extricated off the fence coming off the back to move 4 wide, made up 4 lengths down the straight to grab the win on the line in the \$22,000 Pace by a half head, mile rate 1:56.6 and last qtrs 27.0 and 28.4;
- ◆ **The Black Cardinal (McArdle)**, breeder Seahorse Racing Stables, resumed in October after 3 and ½ years away, an emotional win for the 10yo on New Years Eve. Initially in the breeze from 5 before getting a sit, then 3 wide coming off the back and into the straight, got the better of the leaders to win the \$18,000 Pace by a head in 1:59.7, last qtrs. 28.6 and 28.8; and
- ◆ **Tyler Brett (Robin Hood)**, breeder owner John Bell but currently under lease, resumed in October and 2 places in his last 4 starts, started favourite and straight to the lead from 2, no pace early then a 28.5 3rd qtr and 27.9 4th qtr, with Tyler Brett going on to a good win in the \$20,000 Pace by 3.1m in 1:57.1

In what could be seen as a good outcome, all these winners are different to last month.

The \$15,000 Busselton Cup was also won by a Westbred, with 10yo gelding **Captain Proud (Riverboat King)** breeder B and G Bennetts, being successful.

Stakemoney earned by Westbreds finishing in the first 6 places in all races in January 2020 was \$1,049,574 (\$1,062,306 in December, \$858,152 November, \$634,081 October and \$638,236 in September). This is \$162,000 higher than January last year and was achieved without any Group 1 wins. This reflects the better success in metropolitan races. Total stakes paid to Westbreds was \$1,112,079 out of \$2,791,185 (advertised stakes for races run was \$2,830,500), or 39.8% of stakes compared to 51.9% of stakes last month, 42.2% of stakes in November and 35.9% of stakes in January last year. Unless a WA bred horse wins the Pacing Cup or Fremantle Cup (the combined tally of the two races equals 27% of stakes paid for the month), these percentages will always be low in January.

Lining up all the comparisons, Westbreds provided 63.0% of individual race starters, 63.0% of race starts (both figures about 4% higher than the previous month), 59.5% race winners and won 39.8% of race stakes. This is a good percentage of race wins and an expected lower percentage of race stakes. Regardless of the results in the two major cup races, the WA bred horses are showing that they are very competitive.

If your horse/mare does not have the right opportunities, please let us know. We would also like to know if you are happy with the program.

HOW DID THE FILLIES AND MARES GO (January 2020)

Fillies and Mares won 52 (26.0%) of the 200 races run in January 2020 a recovery from the 2019 result but down on the peak January figures of 27.6% and 29.1% from the same month in 2018 and 2017 respectively. The result is close to our short term target, with the aim being to get the results closer to 30% in the medium term.

Of the wins by fillies and mares, 27 (13.5%) were open races and the remaining 25 were restricted to fillies and mares. There was one win by a 2yo filly (Westsired Black Jack Baby), and 13 wins by 3yo fillies, of which 7 were in 3YO and over races. Three fillies took home their first career win Bonus, with one of those being in a 3YO and over race.

There were 21 wins by 4yo mares, 8 by 5yo mares, 5 by 6yo mares and the remaining 4 wins were by 7yo and 9yo mares, with 9yo Mon Lillies winning for the second month at metropolitan level.

\$7,500 races accounted for 28 of the wins and 13 were in \$4,500 races. Another 10 wins were metropolitan stakes races and the remaining race was a \$10,000 race at Albany.

Westbred fillies and mares won 39 (75.0%) of the 52 races won by fillies and mares and 65.5% of their stakes, which is an excellent result given that there were no Feature Filly/Mare races included in the tally (we are hoping RWWA will offer another feature race for mares over this timeframe).

Stakemoney earned by fillies and mares finishing in the first 6 places in January 2020 was \$459,798, about \$55,000 less than December (which included the \$125,000 Mares Classic). Total stakes paid to fillies and mares was \$484,653, which is around 18% higher than January 2019

The percentage of the overall stakes paid to fillies and mares in January 2020 was 17.4%, which is very low principally due to the Fremantle Cup and Pacing Cup being run in January and significantly inflating the stakes for the month. Of course, if a mare one any one of these premier races it would send the stakes percentages through the roof!

For January 2020, fillies and mares comprised 28.6% of individual starters and 31.8% of race starts. For fillies and mares only, Westbred fillies and mares provided 72.5% of individual starters and 65.5% of race starts. Westbred 2yo and 3yo fillies made up 88.7% of fillies in races.

At Gloucester Park prime meetings, 8 mares won 10 (18.9%) of the 53 races in January 2020, consistent with previous months and needing another 1 winner per week to meet our target of 25-30%.

Winners included NZ 4yo mare **Dracarys (Bettors Delight)** who won a \$22,000 Fillies and Mares. NZ 5yo mare **Our Alfie Romeo (Washington V C)** won for the 4th month in a row, and also won a double, following up her Norms Daughter Classic win and a win in the inaugural \$30,000 Christmas Belles with wins in two \$22,000 Fillies and Mares. **Pick My Pocket (Bettors Delight)** won an \$18,000 Fillies and Mares and 5yo mare **American Tour (American Ideal)** won an \$18,000 Fillies and Mares.

Congratulations to the connections of all the fillies and mares winning anywhere in January. The WA bred winners of the metropolitan stakes races, with two repeating last months efforts, were:

- ♥ **Double Espresso (Sweet Lou)**, breeders Kevin and Annette Charles, super filly, resumed in December, bounced back after a loss in mares company, started in 8 and settled towards the rear before going to the breeze after a lap, got the lead in the run to the line for a well deserved win in the \$18,000 3YO Pace by a head, mile rate a solid 1:57.4 and last qtrs. 28.7 and 29;
- ♥ **Fake News (Alta Christiano)**, breeders / part owners Beth Richardson and Garry Ralston, classy win last month then 2 wins and a 2nd this month. Last of the moving line then took off with 1000 to go, kept on going, held off a challenge in the straight to win the \$18,000 Pace by 1.3m in 1:55.7, last half 57.4. Then put her sire on the map with a win in a hectic first Heat of the Nights of Thunder, settled one out one back before going forward at the 600m, going clear in the straight to win the \$20,000 Heat by 4.3m in a scintillating lifetime best 1:52.7;
- ♥ **Mileys Desire (Real Desire)**, breeders Peter, S and W Lodding and trained by Peter, straight to the front from barrier 2, in a solid lead time of 37.1, even time first half, still out in front after a 28.1 qtr, went on to win the \$18,000 Fillies and Mares Pace by 2.7m in a very solid 1:56.6, last qtr 29.7; and
- ♥ **Mon Lillies (Artesian)**, breeder D and D Monson, 9yo mare resumed in November with same connections but new trainer Kyle Harper. A metro winner at her previous start in December, then sped out from 7, went straight to the front, held off all challenges and went on to win the \$18,000 Pace by a head in 1:57.6, 28.4 and 29.3.

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