## MARCH 2011

## SENDING RAINBOWS THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE





Dear valued clients and friends,

We started the month by celebrating my 60<sup>th</sup> birthday on the 6<sup>th</sup> of March. Just a small gathering of family sitting around a seafood laden table, this is my impression of heaven.

I actually told Wade one day that I would like to die eating oysters. He said "you probably will, you'll eat a bad one and it'll kill you".

The next day kept me smiling as we took four horses to Bathurst, where we had reason to cheer.

Lady Green won, in fine style over 2000 meters. Swing & Sing gave a great effort to rattle home after striking trouble to run third in a photo for the win. LEFT: THEY ALL LOOK VERY HAPPY BEFORE CLEO DECIDED NOT TO LOAD IN THE BARRIERS.

Togha improved on his last effort to run fourth, and Eyesmagic told us

he'd had enough this time in, so he's having a nice break and we're sure he will return to show us his true ability.

Ausbred Royal put in a couple of great and unlucky runs particularly at Cessnock where she looked the winner coming up the fence in the home straight, only to be squeezed up like you would in peak hour on a Western suburbs train! She too has gone for a well earned rest.

Trials at Hawkesbury on the 14<sup>th</sup> saw Freddy win in a lovely strong, all the way gallop.

Then Cleo's Gift refused to load, she didn't get agitated, just dug her toes in and said 'no'! So we sent her to Muskoka Farm where they have the Monty Roberts loading corridor. She has just returned with a happy change of attitude.



LEFT: I THINK I HAVE HAD TOO MUCH TO DRINK AND TOO MUCH CAKE AT MY 60TH!

BELOW: BREAKFAST AT WINDERMERE



David Baxter, our Apprentice for those of you that don't know, rode his second winner at Goulburn last Saturday, it paid 28/1.

David has only had fourteen rides in races, but hundreds of barrier trials of course, so we are very happy with his progress. I intend to put him on Freddy at Goulburn next Friday the 6<sup>th</sup>/4. He knows Freddy well and gets along with him, therefore, we trust it will be a winning combo.

Biensong is one of the rare individuals that our team at Muskoka hasn't been able to coax into behaving himself in the barriers. Unfortunately he was sent home in disgrace, I phoned Rob Horne, who is Monty Roberts' right hand man in OZ.

He assured me it was worth another try with a different method. This will take me personally, many hours per day for probably anything up to a month.

It is simply slowly but surely, closing him within a smaller area, little by little, every day. This will be my challenge on return from London.

Horses coming along really well are, Ausbred Gold, Billet, Black Pirate, The Dane Show Filly & Ausbred Opera. They will all be trialing and racing in mid Aprilearly May.

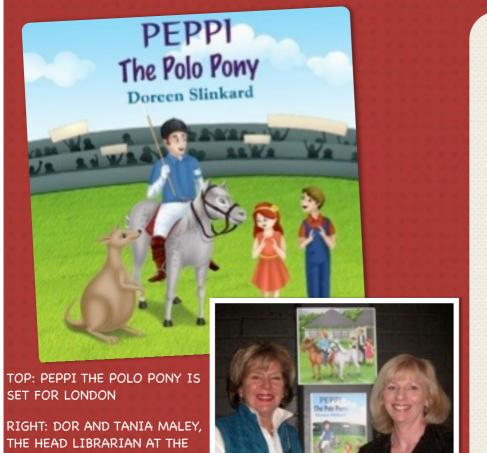
I do hope you all received the email of the change of the open day date-it is now Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of May, I know it's Mothers Day, but this is a nice way to treat your mum.

I can't possibly put it off again and if I don't mind doing all the work on mum's day, then your mums should enjoy the catering.

Please feel free to phone or email with any questions about your horses. We make a VIP effort to inform you in plenty of time re trials and races.

Sending Rainbows,

Dor and Wade xx



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