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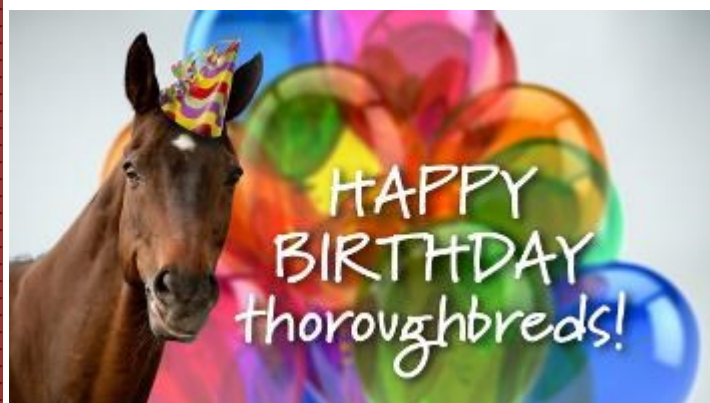
THE WINDERMERE FARM MONTHLY UPDATE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Dear valued clients and friends,

We do hope you are avoiding the winter bugs and blues. I must say I was away for ten days this past month, Victoria and then S.A. Where both states supplied me with delightful weather, thankfully I missed the snow driven winds and torrential rains back home in NSW. I believe our horses were prevented from doing their very best with all tracks being in deplorable condition. If they weren't a glue pot, they were shifty due to so much racing on wet sparse surfaces, and no sun to entice growth. Now the sun is shining and a little warmth has returned, we should see, and have seen great improvement already.

The 1st of July saw a non event at Warwick farm for TOO CHIC. After her jockey, Colby Jennings decided to re-do his stirrup irons in the enclosure before racing. I think you all know what happened, yes, his irons gave way when he jumped from the barriers. Chic was duly pulled up and out of the race. Back to Warwick Farm on the 9th and the track was like a skate ring, Chic ran a great race until let off the bridle which saw her flounder in the slippery going. Big mistake to take her back on the 22nd where the track was even worse, Chic is now being freshened up until the tracks have returned to some normality.



Those were the days. My dear friend Margaret Mooney, who is also a part owner of Vencedora, shares memories of our pony club days. Photo taken on my recent trip down south

On the 3rd of July LA CHIC had her first start back at Hawkesbury in an 1100mt race. Missing the kick over this distance, does not help, she was then driven forward and ran a respectable 4th. La Chic returned to Hawkesbury on the 19th, over 1350, this race we thought after exceptional work would see her in the finish. For whatever reason, Kathy O'Hara pulled her back in the field and La Chic over raced to billyo! La Chic we have discovered is a one batter who likes to roll along. Wyong graced her with a heavy 8 and so she ran not up to her best but she tried, running 5th.

APPLIANCES joined La Chic at Hawkesbury on the 3rd for his first start back for a long- long time. We were pleased with his 5th, after he was allowed to go forward, tiring a little at the end. He returned to his home track on the 19th where he was not allowed to go forward. These tactics will always cause this horse to tap the mat. He will have another crack at Hawkesbury next Thursday the 6th, in a 1400mts class 2.





Awoke this morning to a glorious full moon and its reflection on the dam.

FOOTY FAN gave us reason to cheer at Rosehill on Saturday the 4th. It was her return to racing after a long freshen up. The slippery track did not suit her and she shortened stride when having to stretch out to maintain the lead. She ran 4th, being beaten only one length. Returning to Rosehill on the 18th she had no pleasure in the track once again, still shifty and shitty, she tried hard but ran 5th. This Saturday 1/8 back at Rosehill, the track looks to be in good order after recent fine weather, so here's hoping the very fit, bucking her brand off Footy Fan, receives her prize for being such a trier. God bless her.

VENCEDORA hadn't raced since the 30/6, due to races everywhere being cancelled. He was a victim of the glue pot on the 30th at Bathurst; it was also his first start back. Finally, one month later 30/7, he drew a good barrier in a class 2-1200mts at Gosford, on top of the ground, soft 6. He was fresh and fit and we were confident, although it was a top field for its class that he would run a good race and that he did. He ran 2nd to a spruiked about; going to be a champion. He should go one better next Thursday at Hawkesbury over 1400mts.

ROVING EYE hadn't raced for 5 weeks, when he took on the 1600mt journey at Hawkesbury on the 19th. He ran an excellent 4th, after some interference, which cost him at least third. To Gosford on the 30th we travelled, confident that going well he would win, luck was slightly against him once more in the running and he ran another 4th, third at least was stolen from him. Still it's great to see how he is becoming an honest race horse, who will soon bring home the bicky's!

STRADAZZLE was freshened up and set back in distance at Hawkesbury on the 19th to 1500mts, he ran an honest 4th. Wade did think after that run, he may have had enough this time in, but as you do, you give them one more run to put a lid on it. Canterbury on the 29th, confirmed Wade's opinion, so Stradazzle is out in the paddock with a nice warm rug and a huge smile on his face.

CHEERS FOR AUSBRED took a little time to get over her very pleasing trial on the 22^{nd/6} at Hawkesbury, where she ran 2nd. She trialled once more on the 29^{th/7} to show us she knew her trade by running an easy 3rd. However, she needs time to strengthen, so a short spell with a rug on will do her good. Cheers will return on the 1st of September, to race this time, no doubt about it!

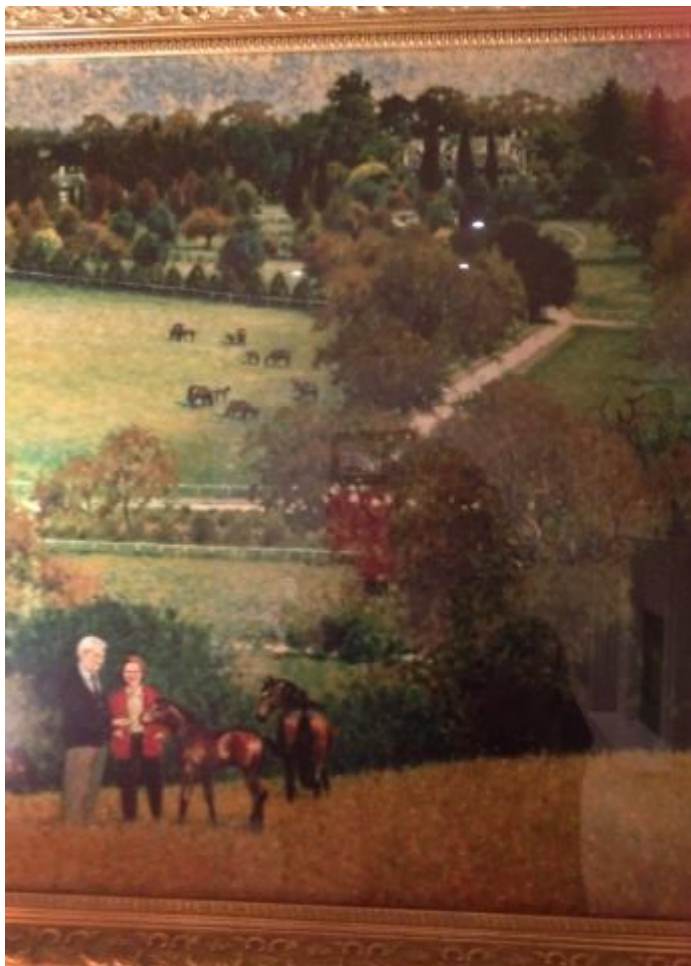
Our little fella DANE RULER was also a victim of bad tracks in both his trials, so he's out until the tracks consolidate over Spring.

ANNIE is being joined up at present and all reports are excellent!! All other horses are well and we look forward to two new comers showing us their talents in the near future.

Sending rainbows
Dor and Wade



The good old days, no cars only horses!



Painting of Collin & Betty Hayes at Lindsey Park.

I had the good fortune to stay at Cornerstone stud, Angaston S.A. This stud is part of the now divided Lindsey Park owned by Champion trainer and thoroughbred breeder Collin Hayes.

Our very dear friends Ken and Helen Smith support Cornerstone; buying shares in Stallions and duly sending most of their mares.

Unfortunately Dalakhani had not arrived from OS, but I was impressed with Good Journey, he's my type of thoroughbred, I suggest at the reasonable rate of \$16,500, you should consider breeding stakes winner to him. Good Journey produced six Australian Stakes winners in 2014-2015. The most stakes winners by a stallion standing in Australia. You will notice his long striding walk, the horses walk is the same as their gallop action.

The paddocks were extremely well maintained and loads of feed waiting for their spring arrivals.

[Click here to watch short video](#) of Sam Hayes, grandson of Collin Hayes, talking about Good Journey.

Smurf's ~~Peggy's~~ Corner



Smurf the apprentice jockey!

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Squirt is hitting the big time with his skating prowess! Maybe a comp next month?

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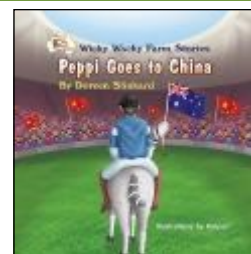
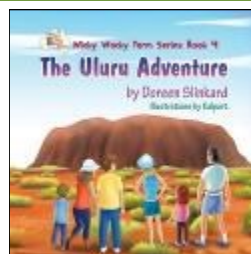
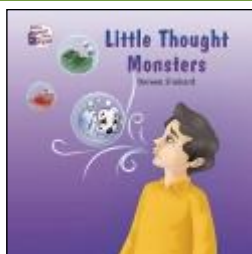
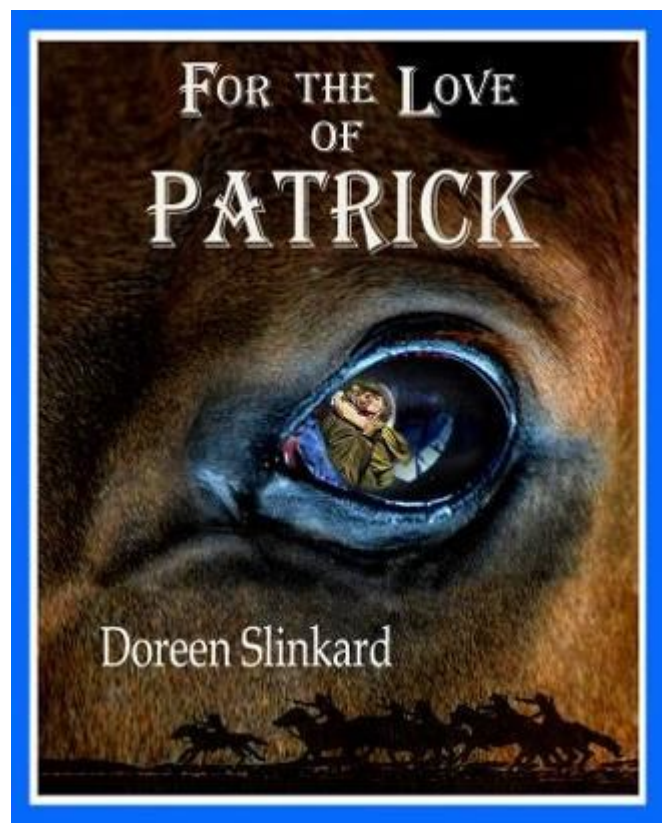


It is with excitement and great pleasure that I announce my first Novel, 'For the Love of Patrick', is now in the hands of EBook publishers and should be ready for all to read in two months time, yippee!!

I have been invited to attend two schools, in book week-mid August, to read and talk about my Wicky Wacky Farm series. This is one of my favourite things to do, the kids are precious and their questions enlighten me into the minds of children, a very special place to be.

The Chinese Blue Sky Publishers are near ready to print. Once again, yippee!

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