

# Breckon Farms – The Perfect Ten Syndicate



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Hi there

The Breckon Farms – The Perfect Ten Syndicate fillies continue to receive good reports and virtually all are so far shaping up as good as could have been hoped.

With nine of your ten fillies currently in work, it certainly is shaping up to be a busy time ahead.

Gimme Hope is still spelling, but all your other fillies have been back in training now for anything between a few weeks to a couple of months, so it shouldn't be too much longer before we may see some exciting action.

However, I must say, as I always do and already have, we do have to be patient !!!

I'm sure we are well on our way to having lots of fun and excitement, so I look forward to meeting you all personally soon.

Here is the latest information on your horses, I hope you enjoy the read.

### **The Fillies.....**

Trainer **Mark Purdon & Natalie Rasmussen** :-

#### **Bubbled Up** (American Ideal – Speights Girl)

Having completed her initial breaking-in with Mark Smolenski and then spending some time at the All Stars Stable of her trainers Mark Purdon and Natalie Rasmussen, Bubbled Up was to have a brief one-month spell before returning to work on the 28<sup>th</sup> August.

This time in she was to be pre-trained by Tim Trathen, in West Melton and was originally scheduled to join the All Stars Stable after 4 weeks, but in a change of plans she is now to remain with Tim until the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

This is of course after "Cup Week", which is always a very busy time for the All Stars team, so Mark has decided it would be best for Bubbled Up to remain with Tim until then.

She will be well advanced in her training by then and will only need topping off by Mark and Natalie and their team, before she should be ready to attend the workouts and/or trials soon after.

Let's hope that Bubbled Up is then capable of carrying on to race as an early 2-year-old. Wouldn't that be exciting.

### **Lovemelikeyoudo** (Love You – Regal Volo)

As with Bubbled Up, Lovemelikeyoudo also completed her initial breaking-in with Mark Smolenski, before spending some time at the All Stars Stable with her trainers Mark Purdon and Natalie Rasmussen and she too was to have a brief one-month spell before returning to work on the 28<sup>th</sup> August.

Lovemelikeyoudo was also to go to Tim Trathen in West Melton to be pre-trained and she too was originally scheduled to join the All Stars Stable after 4 weeks there, but Mark also changed these plans for her and she is also now to remain with Tim until the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

"Cup Week" is always a very busy time for the All Stars team, so Mark has decided it would be best for Lovemelikeyoudo to remain with Tim until after this time.

She too should be well advanced in her training by then and will only need topping off by Mark and Natalie and their team, before she should then be ready to attend the workouts and/or trials sometime soon after her return to the stable.

It will be interesting to see how she progresses and hopefully she can carry on the great job her family has done before her.

### **Trainer [Mark Jones](#) :-**

#### **Gimme Hope** (Mach Three – Affairs Are Bettor)

Gimme Hope made good progress through her breaking-in process with Brent Donnelly, at Cambridge, before heading south to her trainer Mark Jones.

She made good progress with Mark too and received some very positive reports along the way.

Gimme Hope's work and times pleased Mark, but as she is such a big filly, he decided it was best to give her a 2-month spell.

She is currently enjoying her time out at Greg O'Connor's property and is due back into training at the beginning of November.

Mark has said that Gimme Hope should have no trouble qualifying and this should be achieved around February/March next year and then he will see where to from there, depending on how she is handling things.



## **Trainer Ken & Tony Barron :-**

### **Sassy Tart** (Bettor's Delight – Kelly Maguire)

Sassy Tart was also broken-in by Brent Donnelly, before she too was to head south to her trainer, in this case Ken and Tony Barron.

Sassy Tart then did around a month's work with her trainers, receiving good reports and pleasing with her willingness and nice pacing gait.

She was then to go for a good spell and has now returned to training. Sassy Tart returned to work on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, with Ken advising, "She looks good and has strengthened up. We'll jog her for October and into November and then get more serious with her then."

It appears that Sassy Tart has benefited from being on some good spring grass before she returned to training, despite all the wet weather and looks on target to be ready to qualify later in December.

It will be interesting to see how she progresses and if she is going to make it to race as a 2-year-old.

## **Trainer Tony Herlihy :-**

### **Tickle Me Pink** (Muscle Hill – Luby Ann)

After having several short bursts of times in training with Tony, Tickle Me Pink was to have a further spell at Breckon Farms, before once again returning to Tony's Papakura stable on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October, to continue her education and training.

Tony reported on the 13<sup>th</sup> October, "She's settled in well. We'll press on with her this time in [training] and if everything is OK, we should be looking to go to the trials in January, or somewhere around then."

So it will be great to follow Tickle Me Pink's progress this time in training, as things get more serious for her and of course great to see if she makes it to the trials early in the New Year.

## **Trainer Brent Mangos :-**

### **Gladamare** (Mach Three – Delightful Dale)

After completing a decent 5-month spell at Breckon Farms, Gladamare was to head off to her trainer Brent Mangos in Pukekohe, on the 21<sup>st</sup> August.

She looked good, but initially Brent had trouble getting her to pace and after working through this she eventually started to pace and was away.

She had a little time to settle down properly and soon was away and doing everything right.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> October Brent advised, "She's pacing fine now. Everything's good. She's actually quite a nice filly. I do like her. I'm pretty pleased with her. We'll do a bit with her and then give her a break. We won't push her too early. We don't want her blowing apart. She won't be in the Sales Series, but she'll be paid up for everything else, even the Breeders Crown, so we won't rush her. As I say, I do really quite like her."

So, it's great to hear such positive comments about Gladamare, especially after she had such a tricky time starting off with Brent and it will certainly be interesting to see how she progresses during this preparation, although as Brent has said, he won't be rushing her.

### **Trainer Barry Purdon :-**

#### **Starski** (Art Major – Rozelski)

Having had a second refresher with Todd Macfarlane, who broke her in, and then a short time with her trainer Barry Purdon, Starski was to have a 3-month spell at Breckon Farms.

She was then to return to training with Barry on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

Barry reported that she looked good and has settled in well.

Of course, it is early days, with Starski only having been back in training for 2 weeks, it will be another couple of months before Barry will be able to get a line on her and see how she is doing and where she is heading, in her quest to make the races as a 2-year-old.

Only time will tell, so we will have to wait a little longer to see where and when Starski will go from there.

It will be interesting to see how she progresses during this preparation.

### **Trainer Brian & Gareth Hughes :-**

#### **Reachforthetill** (Art Major – Giveitawhirlgirl)

After completing a 3-month spell at Breckon Farms, Reachforthetill was to return to training on the 11<sup>th</sup> September.

Reachforthetill was initially jogged up by Glen Harwood, at Rosslands Stud in Clevedon, before transferring to her trainers Brian and Gareth Hughes stable on the 12<sup>th</sup> October.

The next day Brian advised, "She came back to me yesterday and all's good. She worked this morning and everything is OK."

Reachforthetill will continue her training with some more serious work from now on, as she slowly builds up her workload and Brian and Gareth get a line on how far she will progress this time in training.

It will be interesting to follow her progress and see where she ends up this time in training.

## **Trainer Mike Berger :-**

### **Mermaid Explorer** (Bettor's Delight – Corbie)

Having completed a spell at Breckon Farms, Mermaid Explorer was to return to training on the 18<sup>th</sup> August.

Mermaid Explorer spent her first month back with Mike, just slowly increasing her fitness, but then when it came time to start her hopped work, she unfortunately chaffed up. This is when the hobbles rub on the horse's legs and take the skin off and become raw and sore.

Mike advised, "She didn't want to pace and chaffed up. We had to leave the hobbles off while the chaffing healed, but hopefully we're all set to press on now."

This has caused an unfortunate delay in Mermaid Explorer's progress, but is something that is quite common in young horses and now hopefully she is over it and will be able to go on now and start some of her more serious training.

## **Trainer Michael House :-**

### **Taylor Bromac** (Art Major – Tatijana Bromac)

Taylor Bromac has continued to make good progress and please her trainer Michael House, although the extremely wet weather in Canterbury has caused some issues. Apparently, it is the wettest winter/spring on record since 1975, so the conditions have certainly been trying.

Michael has reported on the 16<sup>th</sup> October, "She still hasn't got to Addington yet. The rain has been terrible. Everytime we try and go there seems to be another 70mm of rain. I've spoken to John [the Track Manager at Addington] several times, but each time he has had to say no, because the track is just so wet. She is working well though. She's working a mile [1609m] in 2:20, with a half in 65 [seconds] and we're running two heats. She's a nice filly. I'm happy with her. She's a very fast horse. We'll try and get there [Addington] still and then make a decision where we go from there. She is a lovely filly."

So, while the news is still very positive for Taylor Bromac, we will just have to wait and see once she has managed to make it to Addington, to see where she will head from there.

We certainly do still have time on our side, as the major 2-year-old fillies races don't get underway until the first of the Sires Stakes Heats in February next year.

Hopefully exciting times lie ahead.



### **Newsletters On the Website**

Please remember, your monthly newsletters will also be displayed on the Breckon Farms Website, so you can access them whenever you wish, especially if you can't find them amongst your emails.

The Breckon Farms website address is:- [www.breckonfarms.co.nz](http://www.breckonfarms.co.nz)

Under the 'Syndicates' menu, you will find the 'The Perfect Ten Syndicate' section, then scroll to the bottom and you will find your newsletters.

You may also enjoy reading some of the other sections contained within the website.

Good luck and let's hope there are many wins to come ...

Cheers

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