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Hi there

Welcome to your December newsletter for the Breckon Farms – Top Ten Syndicate.



It certainly looks like the action will be hotting up soon into the New Year, with four of your fillies all set to go to the workouts in January and several others to follow in February. Hopefully there will be lots of exciting times not too far away, as most of your syndicate fillies head towards the start of their racing careers. With all the positive reports received to date and the way most of your fillies are progressing, Breckon Farms are very pleased for you all and it will be great to see our third and latest venture into

syndication move towards the potential racing opportunities that await.

As I have already said, we are now well on our way to having lots of fun and excitement and to hopefully getting to see several of your team make it to the races as 2-year-olds.

I look forward to meeting you all personally soon, if I haven't already done so, as we get closer to some real action.

*Here is the latest information on all your fillies:-*

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

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

After completing her spell and having a few weeks jogging at Lex and Heather Williams' property, Love was transferred back to Mark and Natalie's stable on the 29<sup>th</sup> October.

Love has been making good progress in her training and the positive comments continue to flow.



Last Friday Mark Purdon said, "I really like her. She's progressing well. Can we get the papers for her down now, so we've got them there ready to go. She should be ready mid-January to go to the workouts or trials, whatever are available, it doesn't worry me at that stage. She's really coming along nicely."

So, let's hope Love continues along her current path and will be ready to make her first public appearance in January.

I will confirm this to you at the time, together with details of her workout or trial. It certainly will be exciting to see her go around.

### **Partyon** (Bettor's Delight – Beach Parade)

After making a good fist of her first public appearance and being the first of your fillies to do so, trialling at Addington on the 4<sup>th</sup> November at the NZ Cup Trials, where she finished a good 2<sup>nd</sup> placing, Party was put aside for a short freshen-up.

Party was actually to have 4 weeks out and returned to training with Mark and Natalie on the 7<sup>th</sup> December.

Mark has reported, "She came back in last Monday [7<sup>th</sup> December] and looks good. If she comes up OK, we'll probably look at the Young Guns Heat before the Final in March, if it works out."

So Party will now settle in to her training regime aimed at maybe a tilt at the Young Guns Fillies Heat, in Auckland, on the 4<sup>th</sup> March. This is also a Sires Stakes Qualifying Race and hopefully if Party does make it there, she can perform well enough to qualify for the Young Guns Final which is run as the Group 2 Delightful Lady Classic, on the 11<sup>th</sup> March, also at Alexandra Park.

I'm sure this will be something for us all to look forward to with much excitement too.

### **Trainer Cran Dalgety :-**

#### **Holdon For Tonite** (Somebeachsomewhere – Angela Patron)

After having a little over 4 weeks off during October, Angela returned to Cran Dalgety's stable on the 1<sup>st</sup> November, looking good and immediately commenced her jogging.

She completed 4 weeks of jogging and has now moved on to her more serious hopped work. Angela is making good progress and last week worked a mile [1609m] in 2:08, with the last half [800m] in 61 seconds, with Cran commenting "She trained down good".



Angela is now set to slowly increase her speed and reduce her times and last week Cran reported, "Holdon For Tonite has now been back to the stable for approx 6 weeks. She is now doing double single mile trips. Our only issue now is trying to slowly trim her condition down at a fast rate because she has bloomed in physic & size in recent weeks. I thought only working her only once a week & sending the bill to the owner for 7 days a week would have been adequate but maybe not. However, she does feel grunty & powerful at present. So in the perfect scenario I would love to have her trialling at the end of January. That is if the trainer can keep his concentration span fresh for that long."



On speaking further with Cran he has added, "She is a wee bit big in condition, she ballooned out and got very big and wide across the midriff and the back end. She is well above average and she should definitely do a job."

So we have some more very positive news and opinion of another of your fillies and it will be exciting to see Angela also make her first public appearance later in January, all going to plan.

### **Trainer Ken Barron :-**

#### **Moving Money** (Bettor's Delight – Angela's Dream)

Molly returned from her 7-week spell on the 16<sup>th</sup> November, after having pleased Ken Barron in her first serious preparation last time in training.

She immediately began jogging to lift her fitness levels and is continuing to do so, with Ken advising, "She's bowling around jogging and doing two days quiet hopting a week now as well. We'll move on to pace work after Christmas and look to be trialling in February. Everything's going to plan so far, although she did receive a slight kick, but that's all OK."



So Molly will continue her jogging and a couple of days quiet hopted work up until Christmas, then she will move on to her pace work, gradually increasing her speed throughout January and looking to be ready to attend the trials in February.

I'm sure this will be even more exciting times for you to look forward to.

### **Trainer Geoff Small :-**

#### **Callmemaybe** (Artsplace – Dale Elinor)



May returned from her 8 week spell at Breckon Farms on the 30<sup>th</sup> September, to take up residence at Geoff Small's stable.

She then completed 4 weeks jogging to increase her fitness and has moved on to the more serious task of hopted work. She has worked down to running a mile [1609m] in 2:12 and in Geoff's words "Is not far away, we just haven't screwed her down yet".

May also has a little bump on her knee, just where the knee boot goes and although this is nothing serious, it has restricted her fast work a little and put her behind slightly in her schedule.

Geoff is still pleased with May, but has said, "She needs to keep improving and go to the next level. We haven't put the pressure on, but will do between now and the end of the month and if she handles that, then we should be looking at the workouts in the New Year."

So, let's hope that May can step up and improve to the necessary level, so she too will be looking to make her first public appearance in January.

I'm sure this will be more excitement to look forward to.

### **Unlikely Lady** (Artsplace – Affairs Are Bettor)

After spending a little time early with Mark Smolenski, Lady was transferred to Mark and Natalie's barn on the 22<sup>nd</sup> September.



Although she had quickly managed to pace mile heats in 2:35 with ease before departing Mark Smolenski's, Lady didn't quite measure up to the very high standard set by Mark and Natalie.

So the decision was made to send Lady North, to first have a spell back at Breckon Farms, before looking to place her with a northern trainer.

Lady arrived at Breckon Farms on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November and ended up have 6 weeks out in the spelling paddock. She has done well during her time out and returned to the selected northern trainer, Geoff Small's barn yesterday, the 14<sup>th</sup> December.

It will be interesting to follow her progress with Geoff and hopefully she can make it to be a successful race filly.

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

#### **Loveonthelawn** (Love You – Rock N Rhonda)



Roxy was sent for a spell at the beginning of September, having completed her second preparation, pleasing Barry Purdon with her progress and trotting along nicely at the end of this time.

Last month Barry reassessed things with Roxy and decided it would be best to leave her out until after Christmas and thus give her a really decent break out.

Roxy has been doing well during her time at Breckon Farms and is looking good, however as Barry thought that she was not realistically going to make it as a 2-year-old and after further consultation he has advised that really Roxy would be better being left a little longer, until the middle of January, before she returns to training.

So, it has been decided that Roxy will be given the benefit of this further extension in her time out and will now return to training in mid-January.

#### **Fellamonstabeauty** (Bettor's Delight – Goodlookinggirl)

Beauty made good progress through her second preparation with Barry and although she did lack a little high speed, she was strong and so he decided he would press on with her in an attempt to make it to race as an early 2-year-old, in the Young Guns Fillies Series in February and March.



Beauty continued to progress well, but unfortunately was to suffer an injury when she got caught up in the harrows after getting out of her yard one night. Her injury was not serious, but it did result in her knee swelling up and so it was decided best to give Beauty a spell to allow her time to get over it properly.

So she was to go to Breckon Farms to have what was originally planned as a 2-month break, to give her the best chance of making a full recovery.

Reports from Breckon Farms have been good, with Beauty making good progress and retaining full flex in her knee and not being sore at all.

Beauty was scheduled to return to training at the beginning of December, but after further consultation with Barry, he has advised that he thinks that it would be best for Beauty to be left a little longer, actually also until the middle of January, before she returns to training.

So, her setback and this extended time out, will mean that Beauty does miss the Young Guns Series, hopefully she will be able to bounce back and get back on track to maybe still be able to make it as a 2-year-old racehorse, albeit a bit later in the season than originally hoped.

**Trainer Tony Herlihy :-**

**Diamond Lace** (Artsplace – Diamonds N Gold)



After her initial breaking-in with Todd Macfarlane, going for a spell and then returning to Todd for some further education, Diamond Lace was to once again go for another spell.

She returned once again to Breckon Farms for this spell and was to spend 7 weeks enjoying her time on the spring grass.

Breckon Farms – Farm Manager, Scott Yarndley reported that Diamond Lace had done well during her time there, but did still have a bit of an attitude about her. Often such attitudes can make good racehorses out of some fillies, so let's hope this will be the case with Diamond Lace.

Diamond Lace returned to have the next phase of her education with Tony Herlihy, on the 11<sup>th</sup> December.

It will certainly be very interesting to see how she progresses this time in work, as things will definitely be more serious for her this time.

Let's hope Diamond Lace can make it to the trials and maybe even the races this time in training.

**Trainer Brent Mangos :-**

**Double Twist** (Artsplace – Giveitawhirlgirl)

Nat returned from her spell on the 2<sup>nd</sup> November, after having a good long 3-month break at Breckon Farms, to return to training with Brent.



She immediately started jogging and completed 4 weeks of this by the end of the month and has now started on her hopped work.

Brent reported last week, "She's looking good and has just started hopping. She's doing everything OK and is ticking along nicely."

Nat will do about 6 weeks of hopped work, slowly increasing her speed and should hopefully be ready to attend the workouts around mid-January.

Hopefully Nat will then be able to progress on to trials and even the races, which will be exciting for us all.

### **Newsletters On the Website**

In case you weren't aware, your monthly newsletters are also 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 'Top 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.

So good luck and many wins to come and of course ...



Cheers  
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