



## Breckon Farms – The Top Ten Syndicate

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Hi there

After racing at Alexandra Park during December, **Partyon** then travelled across to Australia, where she has raced three times for two very brave 2<sup>nd</sup> placings and last Saturday, a very disappointing 10<sup>th</sup> and last placing. Although she was only 5.7m from the winner, this run was very out of character for Partyon, with her weakening out in the home straight, so things were obviously not right. Mark Purdon reported that Partyon was a sick girl the following day and a blood test taken should show she has a 48-hour virus that others in her stable have had. If this is the case, she will be treated and hopefully back on track and right for her tilt at the Group 1 \$200,000 Ladyship Mile, to be run at Menangle, on the 24<sup>th</sup> February.

Let's hope that Partyon can bounce back to full fitness and be her usual competitive self for this classic race, which is of course has been her main aim for this campaign in Australia.

**GOOD LUCK & GO PARTYON !!!**

**Loveonthelawn** has received a positive test to Creatine, so is now set to embark on the next stage of her career, as a broodmare. Once again we wish Ken and Karen good luck for Loveonthelawn's future career as a mum.



*Here is the latest information on your mare:-*

**Partyon** (Bettor's Delight – Beach Parade) - **(PARTY)**

After her brave run for 2<sup>nd</sup> placing on the 13<sup>th</sup> January, at Tabcorp Park Menangle, Partyon was to travel down to Melbourne to race next.

This was to be on the 27<sup>th</sup> January, at Tabcorp Park Melton, in the Group 1 \$100,000 Alabar Ladyship Cup, for Mares M0 or better, with a Random Barrier Draw, over 1720m. Partyon drew well at Barrier No.2 and was once again to be driven by Natalie Rasmussen.

A classy field was assembled for the Group 1 feature, that included the likes of the very good mare Our Golden Goddess, who had drawn inside Partyon, as well as fellow Kiwi mares Delishka and A Piccadilly Princess, and the accomplished mare Ameretto, so it wasn't going to be easy for Partyon.

Partyon was right on the gate at the start, but was unable to beat Our Golden Goddess out and was to settle in the one-one early, before being 3-back in the running line when Berisari reached the chair.

With about 900m to run, Natalie pulled Partyon out 3-wide to begin a forward move and she was 3-wide without cover down the back the final time, as they sprinted through that quarter in 27.5 seconds. Partyon turned for home 3 and 4-wide and finished off her run strongly in the last 75m to get up for a very good 2<sup>nd</sup> placing, in a quick 26.6 second last 400m.

The winner was Our Golden Goddess, in a time of 2.00.9 (MR 1.53.1), with the last 800m in 54.1 and the 400m in 26.6. Partyon was officially only 1.4m away from the winner.

Natalie said, "I was very happy with her. It was another good honest run and she finished it off strongly, in quick time too."

## **CONGRATULATIONS on yet another Group 1 placing !!!**

Partyon was then to travel back to Sydney and was to race again there, at Tabcorp Park Menangle, on the 10<sup>th</sup> February.

This was in the Group 3 \$40,800 Cordina Family Sibelia Stakes, for Mares, with a Random Barrier Draw, over 1609m. Partyon drew well again at Barrier No.2 and was to be driven on this occasion by Andy McCarthy, as both Mark and Natalie were to be back in New Zealand for the yearling sales and also Natalie had in the meantime copped a suspension for her drive on Heaven Rocks in the Hunter Cup.

Partyon was sent out second favourite for this race and made a good beginning from her handy barrier draw and was quick enough out to hold off a challenge for the lead by My Rona Gold, settling in front as they went through a quick 26.6 first quarter. Partyon led them along at good speed, as her fellow Kiwi competitors settled nicely into the trail (Delishka) and the one-one (My Piccadilly Princess).

Around the final bend and turning for home, Partyon was still in front and as they began the run up the long home straight, she and My Rona Gold got away by a couple of lengths. However, soon after as they went inside the 150m mark, My Rona Gold made the lead, as Partyon began to weaken and Delishka was off her back and out to challenge.

Partyon continued to give ground and finished a disappointing 10<sup>th</sup> and last placing, but still only 11.2m from the winner.

The winner was Delishka, in a good time of 1.51.1, with the last 800m in 55.2 and the 400m in 27.4.

Partyon was obviously not her usual competitive self in this race and when Mark Purdon was spoken to on the 12<sup>th</sup> February, he said, "She was sick on Sunday. They took a blood test this morning, so that will confirm it. Others in the barn have had it and it seems a 48-hour thing, so we'll get her over that and work towards the Ladyship on the 24<sup>th</sup> February."

So, let's hope that Partyon can bounce back and make it to be fully fit to compete in the Group 1 \$200,000 Ladyship Mile, to be staged at Menangle, on the 24<sup>th</sup> February, as this was of course her main mission in Australia this campaign.

Once this has been confirmed and details for this race are available, I will confirm these to you.

**GOOD LUCK for this race & GO PARTYON !!!**

**Trainer Derek Balle:-**

**Loveonthelawn** (Love You – Rock N Rhonda) - **(ROXY)**

I am pleased to report, that on the 19<sup>th</sup> January, Loveonthelawn received a positive pregnancy test to the new stallion Creatine and so is now set to start the next faze of her career as a broodmare.

We wish Ken and Karen and Breckon Farms, GOOD LUCK with Loveonthelawn for her career as a broodmare; may she leave many winners for you.



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Under the 'Syndicates' menu, click on the 'Top Ten Syndicate', then scroll to find your newsletters.

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So good luck and many more wins to come ...

Cheers

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