

2008 Syndicate Day — A Resounding Success!

Another full house did not guarantee a great day but it did this year as 150 of our members, friends and family enjoyed a terrific day of festivities on a perfect Spring day.

There were many highlights throughout the day (which was hosted by Jo McKinnon) notably the success of the Punters Club which was superbly managed by Paul Mitchell and ably assisted by Pat Mitchell, Grant Rathjen and David Mitchell. The guys managed to snare the last trifecta at Cranbourne which paid \$1,100.00 but not happy to have just \$1.00 on the guys decided to put \$4.00 on netting over \$4,400.00 which gave a terrific dividend of \$50.00 for every \$20.00 invested — a return of 150% - well done guys! As well as managing that the guys also ran the popular tipping competition and congratulations goes to one of our long-standing members in Marie Peters who won the competition and took away \$350.00 for a \$5.00 investment — well done Marie!

The normally noisy room was brought to a deathly silence when Mick Price was introduced to all and during his interview with Jo you could have heard a pin drop such was the presence that Mick commanded when he took the floor. Mick was extremely forthcoming and discussed his successes over the Spring Carnival and went through all the United Syndications horses and his thoughts and expectations of each horse. He closed the interview with his expectation of a buyers market going into 2009 and the expectation that for once we the buyers will be able to purchase at a far reduced level — something that will be unique but pleasantly appealing.

The day is also remembered for our camera and trophy draws and with one of our valued and most popular members in Kevin Wise stepping up to the plate as “Barrel Boy” drawing the names out and congratulations go to the following people:

Camera Draws

Comic Composer	David Armstrong
Bellestroem	David Mayo
Rossa Antico	Cheryl Guillot

Trophies

Bella's Bro

Coonawarra Wine	Mark Mitchell
Bohemia Crystal Vase	Darryl Fyfe
Bohemia Crystal Bowl	Cameron O'Brien

Damselfly

Thoroughbred Club Stakes Cup	Graham Snell
Trophy VRC win at Bendigo 1/10/08	Pat Mitchell
Clock & Pen Set VRC win at Bendigo 1/10/08	Benny Scrimizzi
Great Western Champagne	Joyce Taylor

Great food, cold beer and terrific company all made for a successful 2008 Syndicate Day!



A happy group of people celebrating Damselfly's win at Caulfield

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Damselly in full flight

From the Stable!

Action is starting to heat up for United Syndications horses over the next few months with a few horses set to resume racing over the Christmas period. **Bella's Bro** our evergreen commences his prep at Morphettville on Saturday 29 November under the care of Leon Macdonald and has done well. He is a sound seven-year-old and again will be trying to pinch a race or two over the summer months with a couple of cup runs thrown in along the way. He has done very well for the syndicate overall picking up just on \$113,000.00 in prize money.

Three of our team have just commenced pretraining with John Ledger and include Colbert, Royal Charades and Our Gold Bullion. All three had issues during the last of their respective preparations but I am pleased to report that all did enormous in the paddock over Spring and are expected to hit the tracks about mid-January. **Royal Charades** was not suited to the heavy Winter tracks and is expected to improve significantly this time in as is **Our Gold Bullion** who suffered from immaturity issues whilst **Colbert** who tapered off at his last run (when desperately unlucky first up) has strengthened up, particularly across the shoulder and it would be disappointing if he was not a future winner for us.

Our Group 3 winning filly **Damselly** is set to

commence pretraining inside the next three to four weeks and has thrived during her short time out. This daughter of Flying Spur is being aimed at the Group 1 Robert Sangster Stakes in Adelaide towards the end of March over 1200m in an effort to grab that valuable and rare Group 1 honour. She will have one maybe two runs before the Robert Sangster and have a reasonably light Autumn so she is fresh to tackle the Spring of next year. Our two-year-olds are all coming along well with **Comic Composer** due to commence pretraining again early December, as is **Rossa Antico** who did everything right at her first go in at Caulfield where only a lack of maturity stopped her from racing as a very early two-year-old, whilst **Bellestroem** did everything right at John Ledgers during pretraining but wasn't pushed to be a two-year-old. A lovely filly she is going to be given a little bit of time in the paddock to flourish and is expected to be a staying three-year-old filly who hopefully will be on an Oaks preparation next year.

Congratulations also goes to our **Ready Made Family** syndicate who were presented with a lovely Choisir colt in October and now is in foal to Coolmore stallion Oratorio so Ready Made Family is ticking all the boxes and is doing everything right for us so far as a broodmare!



Our lovely Choisir/Ready Made Family colt only a couple of days old