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Syndicate Day 2010

Our 2010 Syndicate Day at Cranbourne on November 21 proved an outstanding success at Cranbourne and a great day was had by all. The downers of the day were the performances of Roso Antico who ran at Strathalbyn but could finish only 8th after racing wide throughout and Comic Composer who also disappointed at Cranbourne again finishing 8th.

The day was hosted by Jo McKinnon who did an outstanding job as usual as emcee and assisted our now famous "barrel boy" Kevin Wise in draws that were conducted throughout the afternoon. The official Syndicate draws that were conducted throughout the afternoon had many highlights and the official winners on the day are as follows:

Royal Charades Trophy

Caulfield 22 May 2010

Lyn Mayo

Cameras

Commandantree

Barry Priest

Russian Harmony

Erin Greig

Loveyamadly

Keith Ball

O Reilly/Prodigal Lass

Roy Henzell

Tipping Competition

Winner Carly Lane \$350.00

Runner Up Sue Le Clerc \$150.00

Best Dressed

Male

Mick McCulloch

Female

Cheryl Guillot

Our Punter's Cub struggled hard throughout the day to return \$8.00 for every \$20.00 invested, however Paul Mitchell did an outstanding job in keeping everyone up to date throughout the day and was ably assisted by Grant Rathjen. The boys had virtually the field in the last leg of the Quaddie at Ballarat looking for a result but had to settle for the favourite Ruadhan winning, giving them a return of \$1,544.00 but it wasn't quite enough to swell the coffers and give a profit to everyone.

All in all a great day and we look forward to 2011!



Part of the big crowd at the 2010 Cranbourne Syndicate Day



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Tipping competition winner Carly Lane with Punters Club organiser Paul Mitchell



Best dressed male Mick McCulloch with best dressed female Cheryl Guillot

From the Stable

Lots of action has occurred both in and out of the stable with mostly positive news to report. Our two-year-olds have all had preps with Mick and have shown some promise. **Loveyamadly** has done exceptionally well and is currently spelling with Kaz Morphett after getting to the trial stage as did **Sir Ready** (our Choisir/Ready Made Family colt) whom we bred. He is a rawboned individual that may have a Blue Diamond prep if we are happy with him at the end of his current spell.

Commandantree also got to the trial stage and did a very good job and progressed nicely by the time she reached a conclusion at Mick's. She will have a nice little break and is anticipated to resume pre-training early in the New Year, as will Russian Harmony who was a little immature physically this time in to really press the button and will benefit enormously on the Spring grass which is plentiful at the moment.

Another of our home bred Le Bonsir has recently arrived into the stables and this horse looks every inch a future winner. A very big horse that has taken a little

while to fully furnish this colt is now at the stage where he will be asked to show us his worth over the coming months. Expect him to be at the track early in the New Year! Our New Zealand O'Reilly gelding will be coming over to Australia early in the New Year after completing his education with Dean Hawthorne at Cambridge. A \$110,000 purchase at the New Zealand Premier Sales this year this guy has done everything right without incident and we hope that continues when he boards his flight from New Zealand early 2011 en route to Australia.

Our broodmares **Damselfly**, **Royal Charades** and **Ready Made Family** have all had positive news for their respective syndicates. I am pleased to advise that Damselfly is 45 days positive to Hussonet while Royal Charades is also 45 days positive to another of Arrowfield's stallions in Snitzel, whilst Ready Made Family presented her syndicate with a lovely Oratorio foal recently. It is anticipated that she will serve well credentialed first season stallion All American shortly.



Oratorio/Ready Made Family foal — 2 days old!



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Hoofnote

Please be advised that December invoices will be posted a few days late to all members next month due to me being overseas. I will be away from Wednesday 24th of November to Saturday 18 December inclusive with my son John who has been selected in a touring team to the USA chasing his college basketball dream. Whilst not expecting anything to develop on this trip unfortunately I need to be present should any discussions be required on John's behalf. Unfortunately e-mail updates from the track and personal phone calls for any horses racing over this time will cease which I apologise for however I will be taking my laptop and will be liaising with Mick/Leon to hopefully report race information whilst away. I again apologise for this inconvenience and I thank everyone for their understanding on this rather unexpected surprise for John who will do his best to represent himself to the best of his ability.



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Erin Greig proud winner of the camera for the Commandantree syndicate



Commandantree - General Nediym x Danwood