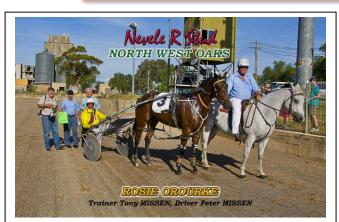
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# **NEWSLETTER MAY 2015**



## **Nevele R Stud North West Oaks**

Rosie O'Rourke (Art Major USA - As It Is In Heaven) showed just how smart she is in taking out the \$7,500 Nevele R Stud North West Oaks at Tamworth. Over the 1980 metre journey Rosie O'Rourke notched up career win number five and the second since coming to the Tony Missen stables. "She is just a beautiful horse to have in the stables. Her form was good coming into the race and it was a good, gutsy win" added Missen. Rosie O'Rourke is part owned by Gunnedah trainer Sally Torrens who has her hands full with a handy bunch of race horses and elected to send "Rosie" to the Missen stables to look after the training, which has proved to be a good plan. Since Tony Missen took over the training in February Rosie O'Rourke has had two wins and three placings from seven starts. "It's good that Sally has given us the opportunity" added Missen. "Once she got to the front I thought she would be very hard to run down" said Peter Missen "I had a look at the board a lap from home and felt safe". Julie Maughan.





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## Select Autoglass North West Derby

The \$7,500 Select Autoglass North West Derby, supported by first time THRC sponsor Jonathon Ayoub, is a race that Dubbo trainer Brett Pay had been eyeing off for Remember Kaiser. The decision as to who was going to drive the horse was easy as well, with Dubbo reinsman Madison Reynolds driving the Major In Art-Lombo Secrets gelding on 14 of his 15 race starts with success. "He's getting better every run" said Reynolds after the win in the feature for 3yo colts and geldings. "This has been our aim for the horse". Reynolds had Remember Kaiser in the enviable one by one after starting from the nine barrier. "The horse travelled really well. The longer journey really suited him" said Reynolds. Madison Reynolds enjoys coming to Tamworth especially to take the drive behind Remember Kaiser who has had six starts for four wins on the paceway. Julie Maughan.





#### 2015 NSW Rising Stars Announced

Congratulations to Tom Ison who has been selected to represent the North West as one of this year's NSW Rising Stars. The cream of the junior driving talent in New South Wales will compete over a series of heats run throughout the state. The drivers will gather at the Pepper Tree Farm Breeders Challenge barrier draws on Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup> before competing in heats at Young, Bathurst, Newcastle, Penrith and Tabcorp Park Menangle.

While racing is a major part of the week, the drivers will also get the opportunity to visit the stables of Luke and Belinda McCarthy and Steve Turnbull. The group will travel to Success Stud and undertake media training with Trots TV while under the care of Rachael and David Micallef.

HRNSW CEO John Dumesny congratulated all of the selected drivers and wished them the best of luck. "When you look back at this series over the years, so many of our top drivers in NSW competed in this series at some stage," Dumesny said.





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## LOCAL SUCCESS

\* Tamworth owners Maurie & Wendy Mondolo had reason to smile when their 6yo pacer Mondo Seelster won at Newcastle on April 30 at 14/1 breaking a run of outs, having not won since November 2014. Trained by Michael Formosa the gelding gave 17yo Mitch Chapple his first registered victory, thanks to a good and very patient drive. Mitch, the son of Guy Chapple, has been a "regular" like his father at Tamworth for many years. Mondo Seelster has raced 74 times for 7 wins & 18 placings to earn \$34,000. The successful combination of Mitch Chapple and Mondo Seelster are engaged at Tamworth 7/5.

\* Bettor Downunder, a 4yo mare, has been in a "purple patch" of form for ex-Moonbi trainer Steve Loftus, winning 4 races in March/April in good fashion and quick times. The daughter of Bettors Delight won at Yarra Valley on March 12 (1.56.6 over 2150m), Melton on March 20 (1.57.4, 2240m) and again there on April 1st in 1.55.3 over 2240m, then at Menangle on April 1st in 1.55.3 over 2240m, then at Menangle on April 11 over 2300m in 1.56.0 before finishing an excellent 4th in the \$30000 Carousel Final 2400m there, beaten 5.5m in a world record 1.55.6 after racing without cover. The C6 M0 pacer has now won \$58,500 from 8 wins in just 19 starts.

\* Tamworth's Adrian Barandowski was all smiles on Monday April 27 when Mister Rufus, an 8yo he part owns, scored at Cranbourne over 2080m at 30/1 (even better on NSW TAB), just over 12months since his last victory. A superb Chris Alford drive had the veteran pacer record his 14th win with 31 placings from 136 starts for \$80,000 in prize money, and a best mile rate of 1.55.4.

\* Narrabri trainer Jarred Hetherington has been chalking up the kilometres with 4yo Oscar Jay. After 2 Armidale wins in March with Lola Weidemann driving Jarred then took the Flight N Irish gelding to Dubbo on April 15 to score on a "bog" track with Murray Sullivan in the spider. Unfortunately Oscar Jay was a late scratching from the Forbes Carnival of Cups on Sunday May 3.

Date	Day	Base Prize Money	Feature Events
7/05/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000	Perc Verning Memorial
21/05/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000	\$7,500 TAB Droughtbreaker Mile (1609m.) (C0-C2) \$10,000 Menangle Where Horses Fly Country Series (2 Races)
4/06/2015	THURSDAY	\$3000	
18/06/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000	\$7,500 Winter Warmer (1980m.) (C1 Only)
	<b>RACE I</b>	MEETING I	DATES 2015
2/7/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000*	\$7,500 Sapling 2YO S. (1609m.) (2C0-2C2)
16/7/2015	THURSDAY	\$3000*	Heats ATAC Marathon (2730m.) (C1-C4)
30/7/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000	ATAC End of Season Marathon (3110m) (C1-C4)
Та	mworth has a 14 we	ek break before resu	iming on the 5th November 2015
5/11/2015	THURSDAY	\$3000*	
12/11/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000*	Wests Entertainment Group Race Day
19/11/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000*	Nevele R Ladyship Classic (1980m) (C0-C3) Namoi Valley Motors Gunnedah Cup (1980m) (C2-C3)
10/12/2015	THURSDAY	\$3000*	Heats BMR Quarries Dash for Cash (1230m) (C2-C4)
17/12/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000*	BMR Quarries Dash for Cash Final
24/12/2015	THURSDAY	\$5000*	Xmas Gift Box (1980m) (Open to best 10 nominations)

\* HRNSW prize money levels as set out in draft budget for 2015/16.





## 2014/15 CARNIVAL OF CUPS UPCOMING DATES

Blayney Sunday 10 May 2015 Dubbo Sunday 17 May 2015 Cootamundra Sunday 24 May 2015 Bulli Saturday 30 May 2015 Cowra Sunday 31 May 2015 Fairfield Monday 8 June 2015 Peak Hill Sunday 14 June 2015



Northern Inland

## SMART THINKING

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## THURSDAY AFTERNOON RACING

The THRC is looking to target potential customers who are able to attend our race meetings on Thursday afternoons. If you know of any groups of people, be they shift workers or sporting or social groups, who could be encouraged to get involved in harness racing in Tamworth get in touch with the Club.

## **SNIPPETS**

- The Volunteer & Staff Thank-you drinks night held at Wests Leagues Club on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March was a successful and well attended night.
- Bar prices at THRC race meetings and trials have remained unchanged and are very reasonable – tell your friends!
- Drink vouchers given out to connections of winners of the North West Derby and Oaks were very popular and will be part of THRC approach to supporting owners at coming meetings.



## **TRACK NEWS**

New Track development. The THRC is currently procuring tenders for the removal of the old house on our new site and investigating the planting of boundary trees. At the THRC April Board meeting Deputy Chairman Mark Lowe was appointed the Club's delegate / project contact person for the new track. Incident Book. Trainers and Drivers are advised that the <u>THRC INCIDENT REPORT BOOK MUST</u> be completed after any incident or near miss incident on or around the track so that the Club complies with insurance and WH&S regulations and can be pro-active in avoiding recurring incidents. The Incident Report Book is located in the Office.

Raceday Stabling. A reminder all horses must be stabled one hour before their race and remain in the stabling area for half an hour after their event. On leaving the race day stabling the freeze brand must be checked. Children not allowed in Horse Areas. Please be advised HRNSW rules state that children under the age of 14 are not allowed entry to the stabling area on course.

**Volunteers.** The Club is lucky to have the wonderful contribution of many volunteers who make running of race meetings and trials possible. The THRC will not tolerate any bad behavior aimed at our volunteers or staff and will report any incidents to HRNSW.





**SPONSORSHIP** THRC sponsorship can, from \$150 plus GST, give your business local and national recognition. Your business name will appear online and in print media nationwide and the Club can cater to any on-course promotions that will assist your needs. All packages including hospitality can be tailored to suit the requirements of your business or function.



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**RACE BOOKS** By purchasing a \$3.50 race book you not only get the fields and form, premiership and sponsorship information but you also get to enter our current competitions including the Peter Jackson pacing pick:

#### Thu 7th May 2015 TAMWORTH HARNESS RACING CLUB JACKPOT PACING PICK ORED B' PETER JACKSON-BOOKMAKER **CURRENT PRIZE POOL: \$2050.00**

AIM: To select the winners of races 3 to 7 inclusive (If one of your selections is scratched the entry is void) PRIZE: The prize pool starts at \$150.00 and will jackpot by

\$50.00 per race meeting until won, at which stage the prize reverts to \$150.00. If there is more than one winner, the prize will be divided equally. RULES:

- You must be 18 years or over to enter.
- Entries must be on the form in the Racebook you purchased. No Photocopies allowed.
- Entrants must complete all details on the entry form and place the completed form into the appropriate box at the Main Canteen or Canteen in the Stable Block.

Prize will be available at the next race meeting and paid in cash.



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**FEEDBACK** Members are encouraged to provide ideas, suggestions and comments to assist the management of the Club. Feedback can be forwarded to admin@tamworthharnessracing.com.au



#### 2015 Menangle Inter Dominion Bus Trip

We set off at 4am on Sunday morning 1st March all ready for a sleep on the bus in for a big day at TABcorp Park Menangle. Our passengers ranged from young school age, young ladies and gentleman to nans and pops who were all excited for a big day ahead. Young Jack and Ellie Chapple were making sure this was one special day. Firstly they set their sights on a chat with World International Drivers. They were given World Driver Cards and had them signed by all Drivers .....this was just a start. After watching the Champion Beautide win the Inter Dominion Final, Ellie and Jack made their way down to the stabling area and approached all Interdom drivers for a signature on their Interdom caps. They then proceeded to catch a photo with Beautide and James Rattray, and what a buzz that was for these two youngsters! But wait they tell me there's more.....Luke McCarthy gave them For A Reason's saddlecloth along with his signature, and their facial expressions were full of excitement as they recapped their day of events later. They then proceeded to explain how they had photos with Tim Tetrick and Dexter Dunn and this did make their day! Our up and coming young strappers Jess Mitchell, Rory Brown and Mitchell Simmonds enjoyed their time, introduced to all international drivers, getting their passes signed and meeting Lauren Panella. Jess was happy with herself asking Dexter Dunn for his whip which he kindly donated, and on the bus she gets all smiles with "The Whip". They all caught up with their Minnie Trotting friends who they competed against over the years. So good to see them all cheering them on in their respective races. Another big hit was the free rides to end the day on a high.

By 6pm we were all boarded on the Alley coaches for a long trip home, all well behaved but nearly had to pull the WHIP out to keep the young strappers in line. We arrive safely home by 1am Monday morning ready for work with a few sore heads after a great day had by all. Joyce Walsh.





#### Pryde's Easifeed comes to the rescue of

Jilliby Jitterbug in \$322,000 Final. After her sprint lane heat win, 2yo filly Jilliby Jitterbug tied up badly and was in doubt for the Australasian Pacing Gold 2YO Fillies Final. A call to the Pryde's Easifeed dietician was one of the strategies used to get the filly ready for the final. As a result Jilliby Jitterbug, despite being interfered with early on and racing 3 wide without cover for over 1000m., was strong enough to finish hard to win in 1:56.5. So much for tying up! Remember Pryde's offer this service and others such as pasture testing so you can better prepare your horses. The Levarg Racing Group which owns Jilliby Jitterbug are well known for racing the Jilliby and Keeyang named horses.



## TAMWORTH HRC / NEVELE R STUD STALLION TENDER 2015/16

The THRC, in conjunction with major sponsor Nevele R Stud, will offer for tender services for the 2015/16 breeding season in leading stallions Changeover and Live or Die.



#### Changeover

As a sire Changeover is off to a wonderful start with 10% of his entire FIRST CROP of foals RACE WINNERS as TWO-YEAR-OLDS. THREE CLASSICS WINNERS in his first crop to date. As at 16 March 2015 Australia's Leading 3YO Pacing Sire by Average Earnings. Nuala provided Changeover with his first Group winner when she captured the Group 2 \$50,000 Dainty's Daughter Classic. He stands at Aus\$4400 inc. GST.



#### Live or Die

A world champion as a 2YO, Live or Die is just the second stallion in NZ history to SIRE MORE THAN 1000 INDIVIDUAL WINNERS. His progeny have won OVER \$51 MILLION to date and he is the sire of MORE DERBY WINNERS (8) than any other living sire. His 18 GROUP ONE WINNERS include the CHAMPIONS Divisive, Just an Excuse and Elect to Live. He stands at a fee of Aus\$3300 inc. GST. Please contact the THRC if you would like to submit a tender for either of these stallions. Tender forms will be available on the Club's website. Tenders close on the 30<sup>th</sup> July 2015 at 12 noon.