

WALLER WEEKLY NEWS

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Jess Mitchell, David and Lynlea Puglisi celebrate Arinosa's victory.

With 30 horses trialing and 33 horses racing since last Friday, it's been a busy week for the team and everyone has pulled together well to get things done.

An owner visiting this week asked if our horses are looked after by one particular person, and yes, generally they are. Part of our daily routine includes the horses being groomed or 'dressed' and this is done by the same person every day. That way every existing scar, bump and lump on a horse is known and from that status quo, if anything abnormal arises, it's picked up straight away.

It's the same on race-day, each horse has their own regular strapper and we try and match them to suit each other for example, the more capable boys accompanying some of the more stropy colts and our relaxed customers like Tim are great with the sometimes nervous youngsters.

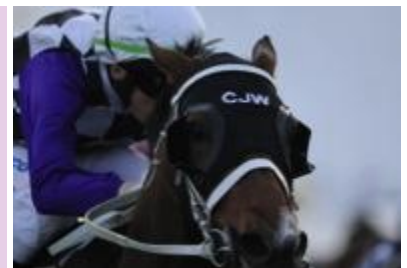
This week Jess took one of her favorites, the Puglisi family's gutsy grey race mare Arinosa to Warwick Farm where she returned to the winners circle while Tony, who's parting words leaving the stables with Oompa Loompa yesterday were 'I hope I don't stop him, I've had a bad run lately' were quickly forgotten when the cheeky gelding returned to form. Both Tony and Jess ride work for the stable.

With Graeme and Linda Huddy and David and Lynlea Puglisi enjoying subsequent black-type victories after using Nathan's Prestige Hire Cars to get them to the races, we're wondering which owners of our four Group 1 runners tomorrow will be rocking up to Rosehill in his flash black Holden Caprice.

[Click here](#) to check out Chris's video preview for this weekend.

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Arinosa (Dash for Cash – Amoroso by Revoque)

Owners: Mrs LD Puglisi **Jockey:** Brenton Avdulla

Race: Listed Wenona Girl Handicap (1200m) **Margin:** 1L

Review: Arinosa was taken back from her wide barrier to settle at the tail of the field. The pace soon slackened and the field became bunched, so Brenton Avadulla angled Arinosa out to be three wide, but with cover, and steadily tracked forward. Arinosa was widest of all entering the home straight, and despite being first up and open to improvement, she had the momentum and the fight to produce a sustained run to the line. This was a breakthrough win at 'black-type' level for the lovely-natured grey that just keeps on improving.

Next Stop: Group 3 Birthday Card Stakes (1200m), 30 March.

Oompa Loompa (Testa Rossa – Lindalay by Honor and Glory)

Owners: A Henderson, C Musgrave, G Harvey, Galajms Synd (Mgr: L Donovan), S Gloftis & P Greentree **Jockey:** Corey Brown

Race: Narellan Town Centre Handicap (1600m) **Margin:** 0.8L

Review: Oompa Loompa jumped brilliantly and showed good pace to seize the early lead. Speedy rival Smart Patrol also pushed forward but elected to sit at the hindquarters of Oompa Loompa rather than exert pressure mid-race. This allowed Corey Brown to rate the Testa Rossa gelding beautifully in the running before sprinting clear in the home straight. Stable companion More Rocco produced an encouraging effort first up from a spell to get within a length of the winner; but this was Oompa Loompa's day as he recorded his third career win, with the promise of more to come.

Next Stop: TBC.

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WHY SWIM A HORSE WHEN THEY' RE MEANT TO RUN?!

In addition to working on the training tracks and the treadmill, the pool is another valuable tool for our horses to get them fit and keep them sound. At 4m deep and 50m long, the straight pool ensures horses are working both sides of their body evenly.

Similar to - dare we say it and this may be a sweeping generalisation - the older generation doing aqua aerobics, swimming is great for conditioning horses and building their muscles. With the water supporting their body weight, it's a low-impact form of exercise and reduces concussion on their bones, joints and ligaments while it's also a useful rehabilitation tool for horses recovering from injuries.

It's also a good change of routine for them and in the middle of winter or summer they're always willing to enter the pool. They are all taught to swim with three attendants in case they need a bit of help.

Chris commented on our use of the pool "You can't get a horse 100% fit in the pool but it's great if you can do 10 -20% of their fitness work in the pool. Some horses we choose not to swim as it can affect existing problems for example back issues. Overall, it's an integral part of our operation."

Specific Choice kindly offered to give us a swimming demonstration and at 576kgs this week, he's no Thorpedo but he got the job done and with his ears pricked, he looked like he thoroughly enjoy his dip on Wednesday afternoon. [Click here](#) for footage.



UPCOMING RUNNERS

FRIDAY – MOONEE VALLEY

[Race 1](#)

Thubiaan

SATURDAY – ROSEHILL

[Race 3](#)

Hoylonny, Lunayir

[Race 6](#)

Foreteller, Kelinni, Gatewood

[Race 7](#)

Red Tracer

NEWCASTLE

[Race 4](#)

Hoffenhorry

[Race 5](#)

Croupier, Destiny Road,

Red Room of Pain

[Race 7](#)

Trick Shot

SUNDAY - KEMBLA GRANGE

[Race 1](#)

General Web

[Race 2](#)

Homedge

[Race 6](#)

Hoybell, Royal Descent

[Race 7](#)

Altered Boy



Fellow French import Sarah, Lunayir's strapper, show's us her style on the e-trakka saddlecloth.

AS HONEST AS THE DAY IS LONG – RED TRACER

They say good things come in small packages and if you're a girl, that small package should generally contain a diamond. Red Tracer is definitely one of the sparkliest diamonds at CWR and tomorrow the diminutive, but tough, daughter of Dane Shadow lines up in the Coolmore Stakes aiming to capture that elusive Group 1 win to perfectly cap her impressive race-record. Red Tracer picks up the story...



I'm the only daughter in my family and like a lot of my owner Geoff and Mary Grimish's horses, I've got a war themed name. When asked what celebrity I was most similar to, I was likened to Winona Ryder. Pretty, pocket-sized, on the fringe somewhat and 'a little bit tricky'... Now I'm no shoplifter but I am pretty shifty, under my riders that is.

I live in barn three and we brought our mascot - Wallerman - back out this week. He comes in times of need and our foreman Andy and I get together and come up with motivational quotes to go up on the gate with Wallerman each day.

Anyway, I said to Andy yesterday, "I've done alright I reckon. I have been with the boss right from the start of my career and he's really looked after me. I'm 5 and have had 24 starts for 10 wins and 9 placings. On only 3 occasions I haven't brought a cheque home. Far out - I'm nearly a millionaire. And don't get me wrong, I've had a blast. But Andy... I really want to get this group 1. I'm pumped for Saturday but something is irking me a little".

"No way", Andy said to me, "I can't imagine *you* getting angry Tracey, what's the problem?". "Well, it's this weather. Despite being the dainty girl I am, I've got a dirty side and I love the mud and every prep this happens. They tease me early on with these beautiful wet tracks and then, just before my big day comes out, the mud dries up and everyone else except me get's their best chance."

"Hey, I'm a Kiwi remember Tracey - I love cold miserable wet weather just as much as you so keep ya chin up sweetheart - you've got it all, great owners, great boss... great foreman. And the colts loooooove you. Actually, I wouldn't mind finding a beautiful woman that's a little bit dirty with a million dollars in the bank myself."

"Just do what you always do", he told me, "it's worked so far hasn't it?". "Thanks Andy, you're right, I only know one way and so this weekend I'm going to give this Coolmore an almighty shake and you'll hear my strapper Kat yelling from the 600!"



THE WEEK IN PHOTOS



Umut & John Deere. Green but handles most tracks and big weights.



Two handsome boys off to the races - Studio & Bruno.



Benny & That's Magic.



He's back..



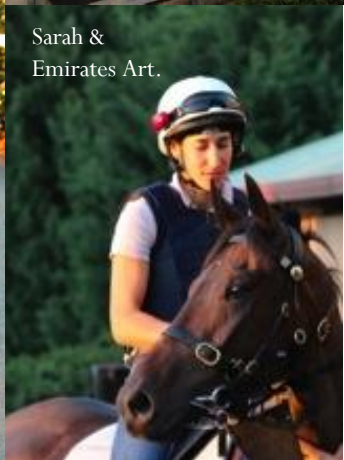
Rangi guarding his grass.



Kelinni, Pat and the Cat.



Brinkley & Andsoitiswritten.



Sarah & Emirates Art.



Treats for Trick Shot from Clare in the bottom barn or 'Peppermint Palace'.