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From the Stable

An indifferent couple of months saw the start of one promising career and the end of another after a great journey. **Le Bonsir** finally delivered on the promise shown by recording three wins and a second (in town at Sandown) from only 6 runs this time in and \$32,900.00 in stakes. Le Bonsir was most impressive winning 3 races on the Geelong Thoroughtrack which included his maiden, a 0-68 and a 0-72 before coming to town and ran an excellent second to a most promising galloper in Dead End. Le Bonsir's most recent run at Seymour on Sunday 25th September was most uncharacteristic and he will now have a short break before resuming again in the New Year. Le Bonsir appears a good strong tough galloper who is sound and is expected to tackle Saturday city races next time in.



Le Bonsir at Geelong

A tinge of sadness accompanies this article on the recent retirement of our old war horse **Bella's Bro**. The curtain finally came down after a very disappointing run at Morphettville on Saturday 24th September, however Bella Bro's career should be highlighted in totality and not on his last run. This horse, whilst lacking the brilliance of his half sister (remembering he was a half sister to our dual Group winner La Bella Dame) was the most consistent and toughest galloper that I personally had owned. Every prep he paid his way and always gave us a sight in his races as he invariably led and showed up for a long way either winning or losing in tight finishes. He was a hardened sound galloper who loved stable life and as Leon commented to me after I retired him "He will be missed in the stable as he was one of the horses that was always treated special due to his longevity and his wonderful kind nature. A lot of the younger stable hands spoilt him and he was really like a big kid."

Boy things have changed as his first run was well documented by dumping jockey Vlad Duric on the way to the barriers at Cranbourne at his first ever run. It just shows what maturity does!

Bella's Bro career ended after 58 starts which included 10 wins, 12 seconds, 4 thirds and 9 fourths for total stakes of \$200,170.00. Bella's Bro will now be found a nice home to see out the rest of what I hope will be a long and fruitful life — well done Bella's.

Two horses that are currently down at Caulfield include **Sir Ready** and **Russian Harmony**. Whilst Russian Harmony would be unlikely to get to the races this time in due to



Bella's Bro

immaturity Sir Ready certainly will and this progressive 3YO continues to do everything right. A last start Seymour winner, Sir Ready is about 2 weeks away and is a horse to be followed. This horse does little wrong and is shaping as a potential city galloper for his syndicate. Our Fastnet Rock filly **Rococco** and our Bel Esprit 3YO **Loveyamadly** have just entered John Ledger's facility at Wangaratta to commence pre-training. Both fillies have been and appear immature but it is felt that both have the right mental approaches to make it. Rococco is just a lovely filly who is bursting to be 3YO as what all good Fastnet Rocks seem to be. She will be taken along slowly and not pushed to be a 2YO even though the temptation is there. She will be with John for a further 4 weeks before coming down to Mick's for a look see at Caulfield as will Loveyamadly. This filly has just been dogged with some immaturity issues which has stopped us a couple of times from really pushing the button with her. It is hoped that this time will see her at least get to the trial stage as the last time we got to that stage she showed us good promise.

Commandantree is another filly who has just joined her new stable at Wangaratta with John Ledger and has only recently commenced pre-training. This filly has had a nice long break and will be given every chance in lesser grade around the Riverina. Considered immature this horse just needed a little time off the scene to develop both mentally and physically and with time now under her belt should be ready to reap the rewards when she gets to the races around the end of November.

Our Show a Heart mare **Show of Heaven** is also ready to race for her new trainer in John Ledger. She is probably only a couple of weeks away and has made improvement which is good given she will be meeting only moderate opposition when she steps out. It is hoped that she can be competitive and give her syndicate some optimism for pushing on with her this time in. Other horses that will be doing some work in the next month include our recently gelded Hussonet in **Onpicalo**, this years NZ purchase in our High Chaparral colt and our 2010 purchase in **Turf Prince** who looks to have recovered well from recent throat surgery, whilst **Comic Composer** is back in work in Adelaide with Leon Macdonald but is some way off yet.



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2011 Syndicate Day Moved to 2012?

Our very popular Syndicate Day traditionally held at Cranbourne has unfortunately been rescheduled due to the uncertainty of dates. With the introduction of lights key dates were hard to get confirmed and as a consequence only Saturday and Friday twilight meetings were available which is not ideal so as a consequence I have locked in Sunday May 27, 2012 as our next Syndicate Day. I apologise for this inconvenience, however Sundays have always been the day that is convenient for most and we should have the availability of our syndicate trainer in Mick Price and our ever popular host in Jo McKinnon. I look forward to confirming further details closer to the time.



Le Bonsir Group

Website Upgrade

Just a quick note to advise on a planned upgrade of our website which in the next month or so will include a button called Upcoming Runners. Once clicked this will open up to our upcoming runners for the week which will include nominations, weights and final fields. It is hoped that this will assist all members in keeping up with all of United Syndications runners at the track and should be an easy reference for owners of those horses to access the information relevant to their respective horses.

Our Foals



Hussonet x Damsel fly foal



Royal Charades x Snitzel filly

It is with great pride and joy that United Syndications announce the safe arrival of two foals from the excellent race mares **Damsel fly** and **Royal Charades**. Damsel fly had a colt from Hussonet, whilst Royal Charades had a lovely filly by boom stallion Snitzel. Both mums and their respective foals are well and whilst it is undecided as to whether they will be retained and raced by their syndicates the future looks bright for these youngsters and their mums as they have given us lovely first foals. Our other broodmare, Ready Made Family, is due towards the end of October to All American having already left the promising 3YO Sir Ready and a lovely Oratorio colt earmarked to sell at the William Inglis Classic Sale in January next year.



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